



Questions to accompany the YouTube video *ROBERT MERTON 101 Sociology Series #7*

1. What was Merton's sociological perspective?

2. What does the term 'value consensus' mean?

3. What goals do people share?

4. Why can't all people achieve shared goals?

5. What is anomie?

6. What happens when anomie develops?

7. Explain the five ways in which individuals can respond to success goals in American society.

8. Why do Marxists criticise Merton?

9. How does Albert Cohen's argument contradict Merton's strain theory?

10. Why may some people argue that there's no such thing as 'value consensus'?
