

# Lecture 3: Through the Eyes of the Sociologist

## Notes

**Essential Question: How does the sociologist focus his/her sociological research?**

**What is a sociological lens?**

**How does training in a field help focus your mind?**

- What are the benefits of this?
- What are the costs

What did D. L. Rosenhan discover about sane people in insane places?

What is the significance of the word "Perspective?"

**How does having a perspective help sociologists establish...**

- Validity
- Reliability

**What are the Traditions of Sociology?**

- What is Positivism?
- What is Phenomenology?
- Which tradition is correct?

**What is Agency?**

- How does agency complicate sociological analysis?

**What are the three sociological perspectives?**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

**What is the Functionalist Perspective?**

- How does the Organic Model fit with this perspective
- What about things that are dysfunctional?
  - o Natural Disasters
  - o Disruptive Ideas
- In what ways is war functional?
- What are the benefits of the Functional Perspective

**What is a Dominant Group?**

**What is the Conflict Perspective?**

- What is Dialectical Materialism?

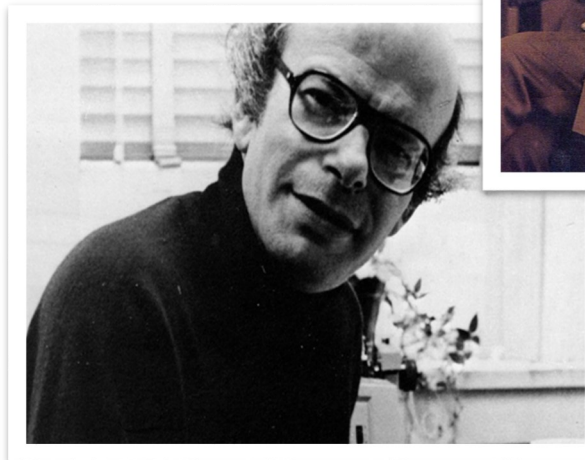
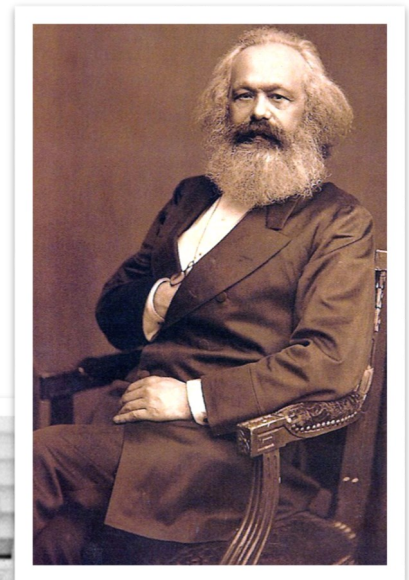
**What is a Macro Level Analysis?**

**What is a Micro Level Analysis?**

**What is the Interactionist Perspective?**

**Innovations of the Three Perspectives (Describe)**

- Innovations resulting from changing historical factors
  - o Mid-Range Analysis
  - o Globalized Perspectives
- Innovations resulting from challenges to the perspectives themselves
  - o Feminism
  - o Post-modernism
  - o What is modernism
  - o Urbanization
  - o Multiculturalism
  - o Technology
  - o What is reality?



**Write a summary of your notes by answering the Essential Question**