

# An Introduction to Sociology

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Sociology is derived from  
the Latin word Societus-  
meaning - Society

Greek word LOGOS  
meaning - study.

Meaning of sociology -  
Science of Society

### Definition

Sociology is the study of the  
relationships between man and his human  
environment - - - - - H.P. Fairchild

Sociology is the science of collective  
behaviour. - - - - - R.E Park and F.W Burgess

Sociology is the science of Society or  
of social phenomena - - - L.F. Ward.



Sociology is a science of society.

Sociology is a science of social relationships.

Sociology is the study of social life.

Sociology is the study of human behaviour in groups.

Sociology is the study of social action.

Sociology is the study of forms of social relationships.

Sociology is the study of social groups or social systems.



# Importance of sociology

- (i) Sociology makes a scientific study of society.
- (ii) Sociology studies role of the institutions in development of individuals.
- (iii) Sociology is of great importance in the solution of social problems.
- (iv) Sociology has made great contribution to enrich human culture.
- (v) The study of sociology is indispensable for understanding and planning of society.
- (vi) sociology as a profession.
  - As teaching.
  - As social welfare officer.
  - As a P.R.O.
  - As a social worker.

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