https://twitter.com/thesociproject Sociology Twitter Posts Tutorial Assignment (SOCI 3660):



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**This project/twitter account includes quotes, sayings current news events, insightful questions and thoughts based off families and social change within sociology



Above is the **@thesociproject** twitter profile picture. To me, this image resembles diversity and communities coming together no matter one's age, sex, ethnicity, gender, status quo, class, sexuality, race etc. I wanted to incorporate a lot of colour as well as images and create a very colourful twitter account on this page to showcase happiness, excitement and passion into this project, and how colour can represent culture within different family customs. In society, I believe that we need to create peace and unity for individuals to form families, which is why I believe this picture demonstrates togetherness. The main concept within this assignment is based off **Nuclear Families/Standard North American Family - in relation to family.**

LEGEND

Tweet: The tweet column is in the exact tweet that I have tweet on the <u>@thesociproject</u> twitter account I have created

Explanation: The explanation column is to explain the tweet and expand more regarding my thoughts on the tweet and relating it to family and how it is relevant

Additional Information: The additional information column is only when I feel that something else need to be added to the tweet and explanation such as a video/article link or anything else I felt needed more additional notes to support the explanation of the tweet

1. Is an ideal family in society today; a heterosexual couple, 2 kids, and a pet in a white picket fence home?

The idea of the nuclear family and SNAF follow society's expectations and standards of the "ideal family". But is this really an ideal family? Who created this notion? What can we do within society to change this narrative? Everyone has their own way of family and even though society believes there should be one mother and one father in raising children and forming a family, parents still have different strengths and weakness and not the stereotypes of moms having to do household chores and take care of the kids and dads being the breadwinner of the family



These pictures resemble a family, even if it is not accepted by society



2. For the most part, nuclear families often have secure finances because when both parents work, their combined incomes can take care and provide for the children

This tweet is a thought I had, if two parents work and have a decent pay of income, together they can provide for the children and be considered financially stable within today's economy

3. Dua demonstrates that racism is essentially shaped based off of the normalization of the nuclear family within Canada (Dua 1999)

In Canada, history has essentially destroyed and/or prevented individuals of colour from participating in various family relations of their own creation. With this being said, many women were racialized, and their families were devalued

Additionally, a white settler society/community was known to be more superior with the sustainment from various nuclear family formations and structures

4. Why do individuals within modern society have to follow the expectations in order to form a family? that it can be

Many families believe that they must follow the standards and expectations in order to design a family that is socially acceptable to others. However. individuals should design the family the way they want and not conform to societal standards to "fit in" or be "socially accepted". I believe that many families are scared and insecure that their family will be frowned upon by society if it does not follow the nuclear family guidelines

What do these notions create for the younger generation? Do we have freedom in picking our family? Why is any other family that is not the nuclear family frowned upon by society?

I believe that society needs to change this notion of having a perfect and nuclear family as it is not always the case for many people and should be more normalized as everyone's family is different in their own way and the nuclear family and SNAF follow a very old mentality when forming a family

5. Coontz, the author, helps us remember considered a myth to see the "nuclear family" as always culturally dominant The nuclear family has assumptions of its assumed roles of the male being the "breadwinner" and female being the "nurturer" Coontz (2016)

It is evident that the nuclear family has been emerged as 'normal' by society. More for the white settlers within the 19th century

6. Many people would refer to the show "The Simpsons" as an example of the nuclear family



"The Simpsons" follows the concept of SNAF and is an example of a nuclear family as there is a mother, a father and kids all living together as a family.

(Start video from 0:08-3:02) https://www.voutube.com/wa tch?v=uasLsjdfxfk

This video showcases many different types of families from The Simpsons, these are all different types of families that we see in communities today. Everyone does family different, and I believe that this Simpsons video explains this very well as they show all the characters on the show and how they play the

| | | part of different types of family which I found very interesting, and it relates to a lot content learned in class |
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| 7. "School year off to a rocky start? 4 ways parents can help kids get back on track" Here is a link to a news article I found very intriguing regarding family | This news article highlights the "rocky start" COVID-19 had on children going back to school and transitioning from in person learning to online learning once the pandemic hit. | |
| 8. All families come in different structures and sizes | There are many different types of families that do not conceptualize the "nuclear family" such as single parents, extended family, stepfamily, grandparents, childless family etc. With this being said, not all families are constrained and/or limited to the idea of SNAF in modern society. | For example, my mom's side of the family is small compared to my dad's side who has a big family |
| 9. Family Guy, All in the Family, Family Ties and Modern Family are just a few shows with the word "family" in them. All these different TV shows demonstrate how families are different in their own way | I have realized that there are many different shows that have the word "family" in them. Families are all around as us and each of these TV shows demonstrate how there are many different types of families within society and just because they may not follow the "nuclear family" they are still family in different ways | |

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| 10. Nuclear families fit best within the industrial society | The theorist Parsons essentially believed that nuclear families fit best within industrial societies as they help to encourage geographic mobility and structure. Within the industrial society helping to encourage any geographic mobility and structure was an assumed characteristic | Do these industrial economies within society only function if there is an active job movement? |
| 11. We need to be sceptical and more critical of any notion that the nuclear family is "normal" and has always characterized family relations (Coontz, 2016) | Coontz ideally shows us how it is wrong to normalize a mother, a father and children as a standard unit of family relations, family identity and socialization of children | Do you think that the historical normalization of this generation will change the expectations of family in the future, as we always see a change and shift in family over time or do you think it will stay the same? |
| 12. How does COVID- 19 affect families today? What are your thoughts? | There are many ways in which COVID-19 has affected families today. I believe that this is because physical distancing from others has created a loss of employment, regular routines are heavily altered, not being able to see friends | https://www.theglobeandmai l.com/canada/article-living- without-our-other- significant-others/ This is the link to the article I did my News Article Assignment on and I believe it can be a good resource to |

| | and family to support and be there for them. | showcase how COVID-19 has affected families and relationships and how this couple has solved the hole in their relationship due to the pandemic Also, many different concepts learned in class can relate to this article as it touches on the concepts of SNAF/nuclear family and Living Apart Together |
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| 13. Do you think families help shape society? | If so, how do families shape society? I believe that it is important for families to have social development in society as racism has essentially shaped the natural development of families in relation to nation-building | |
| 14. A diverse family photo | This picture showcases a diverse family. Although different races, they have still formed a happy family bond together This proves that no matter your race, age, gender, status quo etc. a family is a family | I believe that it is important to note that historically the definition of family diversity was not the same meaning as it is today. As it referred to different alterations of the nuclear family. Back then, this belief insinuated that there was only one family type, and any other families were seen as deviant and/or were alienated from society. Now in a more light and contemporary society, the family diversity definition is seen as various characteristics of families |
| 15. The British and French settlers endorsed nuclear family structures and sought to | As the Indigenous peoples of Canada have a long history of being colonized from various families, the way of life has been | |

include the Indigenous peoples into "society" as they had conceptualized it changed from colonization This is true from the lecture content of 'Indigeneity and Family' and the idea of historical traditions

**On this twitter account (@thesociproject), I have made tweets, posted images and liked other tweets, to which I believe are important to highlight regarding the concepts and lecture content taught in class. Also, I tried to follow some sociology and family accounts that I thought could form an interesting feed page where I could see some tweets to like and make this twitter page more alive and active.