

## Daily Learning Goals & Terms

### WEEK #1: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

#### A. Learning Objectives for the Day

- What is the difference between Darwin's ideas of evolution, the ideas of social evolution, and the ideas of our anthropological forefather, Franz Boas?
- How did Boas's critique of race influence the direction of American anthropology?

#### B. Terms to know:

evolution versus social evolution/evolutionism/unilineal evolution/social darwinism

Franz Boas

biological determinism vs. cultural constructionism

### WEEK #1: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

#### A. Learning Objectives for the Day

- Wrap up: How did Boas's critique of race influence the direction of American anthropology?
- What does Miner's article "Body Ritual Among the Nacirema" tell us about the goals of anthropology?

#### B. Terms and Concepts that we Covered

historical particularism

holism

comparativism

### WEEK #2: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

#### A. Learning Objectives for the Day

- What is culture?
- What is ethnography or fieldwork, and what methods does it involve?

#### B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered

culture

adaptive

symbolic

fieldwork

participant-observation

### WEEK #2: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

#### A. Learning Objectives for the Day

- What are some of the personal challenges of fieldwork?

#### B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered

ethnography

ethnology

### WEEK #2: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

#### A. Learning Objectives for the Day

- **finish above**
  - **What lessons did the following articles teach us about the personal challenges of fieldwork?**
    - “Eating Christmas in the Kalahari”
    - “Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief”
    - “The Midday Sun and Other Hazards”
  - **What are some advantages and disadvantages of long-term participant-observation as a method for collecting data about people?**
- B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**  
none

**WEEK #3: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **What was Professor Perry’s fieldwork like in Senegal?!**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

Senegal (West Africa)  
Wolof people

**WEEK #3: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **What paradox is at the heart of participant-observation?**
- **What ethical dilemmas might cultural relativism pose for the anthropologist?**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

key informant/collaborator  
ethnocentrism  
cultural relativism  
female genital cutting

**WEEK #3: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **Finish above**
- **What lessons does the film “N!ai: The Story of a !Kung Woman” tell us about hunter-gatherer societies today?**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

subsistence strategies  
hunter-gatherers/foragers

**WEEK #4: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **What are some general characteristics of forager/hunter-gatherer societies?**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

fissioning  
infanticide & senilicide  
reciprocity  
diseases of development

## **gatherer-hunters**

### **WEEK #4: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

#### **A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **finish above**
- **What are some general characteristics of horticultural societies?|**  
→ **What lesson does “Guarani Production” teach us about horticulturalism?**
- **What are some general characteristics of pastoralist societies?**  
→ **What lesson does “Beating the Odds in Arid Africa” teach us about pastoralism?**

#### **B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

**“The original affluent society”**

**horticulture**

**slash-and-burn**

**extensive cultivation**

**fallow**

**intercropping**

**pastoralism**

**transhumance vs. nomadism**

### **WEEK #4: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

#### **A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **finish above**
- **What are some general characteristics of agriculturalist societies?**

#### **B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

**inputs**

### **WEEK #5: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

#### **A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **finish above**  
→ **How widespread is poverty in “the global village”? (slideshow presentation)**  
→ **What lessons do the articles “The Worst Mistake in the History of the Human Race” and “Death without Weeping” teach us about agriculture?**

#### **B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

**intensive cultivation**

**progressivist versus revisionist interpretations of agriculture**

**passive infanticide**

### **WEEK #5: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

#### **A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **What important questions about Teduray culture does Stuart Schlegel’s book address?**  
→ **group work on discussion question**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**  
**“primitive” versus “non-Western”**  
**Egalitarian**

**WEEK #5: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **continue above**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**  
**gender constructionism**  
**mediation versus courts**  
**shamanism**

**WEEK #6: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **finish above**
- **How and why do men and women do different types of work?**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**  
**sacred versus profane**  
**animism**  
**polytheism**  
**the gendered division of labor**

**WEEK #6: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **What does the film “Guardians of the Flutes” have to tell us about gender?**
- **What is the social construction of gender?**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**  
**rite of passage**  
**social construction of gender**  
**Margaret Mead**  
**sex versus gender**

**WEEK #7 : MONDAY, OCTOBER 11**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **How do we explain the widespread subordination of women?**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**  
**hijra and berdache**  
**public/private opposition**  
**nature/culture opposition**

**WEEK #7 : WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **What kind of marriage do the Mosuo people of China practice?**  
☺ **Film: “A World without Fathers or Husbands”**

**WEEK #7 : FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**A. Learning Objectives for the Day**

- **What terms and concepts do we use to discuss the diversity of marital practices around the world?**

**B. Terms and Concepts that We Covered**

**marriage**

**polygamy**

**polygyny**

**polyandry**

**monogamy**

**woman marriage**

**levirate**

**sororate**

**endogamy**

**exogamy**

**bridewealth**

**dowry**

**patrilocal/virilocal**

**matrilocal/uxorilocal**

**neolocal**