

Study Guide Questions for Test 4
(reviews Chapters 10, and 12; Power Point slides; Henslin Readings)

Chapter 10

1. What is feminism? The glass ceiling? Sexual harassment? What has contributed to a closing of the gender gap?
2. How are women treated differently than men when considering education? Health? The workplace?
3. What is gerontology? An age cohort? Graying of America? Agism? OASDI? A pig in a python?
4. How was Social Security changed so that there would be enough funds available? Is Social Security doomed—why or why not?
5. What are Area Agencies on Aging? What do they provide? What Act allows for this?
6. What are some functionalist theories of aging? Describe each. How do conflict theorists view aging? Explain.

Chapter 12

1. What is a family?
2. Describe common cultural themes including endogamy/exogamy, patrilineal/matrilineal, and patriarchy/matriarchy?
3. Describe the functionalist, conflict, and symbolic interactionist perspective of the family. Give an example of each.
4. Describe each stage of the family life cycle.

5. What are major causes of divorce? What reduces divorce?
6. How do lower class parents raise their children differently than middle class parents?
7. What are the major trends for U.S. families? What is the "sandwich" generation?
8. What affects divorce?
9. What causes men to be abusive to their spouses?