

EXAMPLES OF EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

- Kriesi (1989) introduces the division between Technocrats and Social and Cultural Specialist within the New Middle Class.
 - Describe the occupational groups included in each, Give two examples,
 - How would you describe the differences between Old and New Middle Class
 - How would you describe the differences between Technocrats and Social-Cultural Specialists?
 - Is Kriesi's theory about the segmentation of the New Middle class a rejection of an extension of Inglehart's theory of the Silent Revolution?
- With the term "intergenerational shift" Inglehart refers to cohort explanation of social changes,
 - Explain briefly what cohorts are and which role they play in Inglehart's explanation of the rise of post-materialist values.
 - Contrast a 'cohort explanation' to an 'age explanation'. How is cohort related to age?
 - Explain why Inglehart also refers to his theory as the theory of the Silent Revolution. Explain the words "Silent" and "Revolution".
- Explain what Bovens & Wille mean by the "Education Gap in Political Participation". Explain whether the education gap – if existent – is critical of Inglehart's theory of rising post-modern values.
- Three main structural trends that characterize the transition from traditional to modern societies are:
 - Industrialization
 - Educational expansion
 - Bureaucratization of government

Describe whether and how these three trends would continue, change or transform in post-modern societies.
- Three main trends in social values that characterize the transition from traditional to modern societies are:
 - Achievement motivation
 - Secularization
 - Rational kosmology (science)

Describe whether and how these three trends would continue, change or transform in post-modern societies.
- Inglehart argues repeatedly that change in political values and the underlying transition from modern to post-modern society is "non-linear". Explain what he means by this.
- Explain how the rise of anti-immigration parties in North-Western Europe – parallel to the rise of new social movement -- is explained by Inglehart. Then explain how Bovens & Wille would approach this problem.

- How are post-materialist values operationally defined – i.e. how is it measured in questionnaires?
- Explain the difference between “erosion” and “non-conversion” in non-participation in social movement. Reproduce a hypothesis from Oegema & Klandersmans on each alternative.