**Unit 1 Review Questions– Perspectives**

1. Contrast Rational and Empirical knowledge. Use definitions and examples.
2. How does Sociology differ from the other social sciences like economics, history, psychology, anthropology, and political science?
3. Which historical era gave birth to the field of sociology? Why?
4. Has sociology become more “prescriptive” or “descriptive” over time? Explain what that means, and give two historical examples of why this change occurred.
5. Why does the Micro level of Sociology match best with Qualitative methods? Why does the Macro level match best with Quantitative methods?
6. Describe the focus of each of the three main Sociological Perspectives.

1. How do the Functionalist and Conflict perspectives differ in how they view the role/nature of competition over scarce resources?
2. Why are each of these figures considered to be “Founding Sociologists” – Weber, Durkheim, and Marx? Explain using specific examples for each.
3. Define the “sociological imagination” and give examples of how it applies to sociology.
4. What is the specific role of sociology in dealing with social problems?