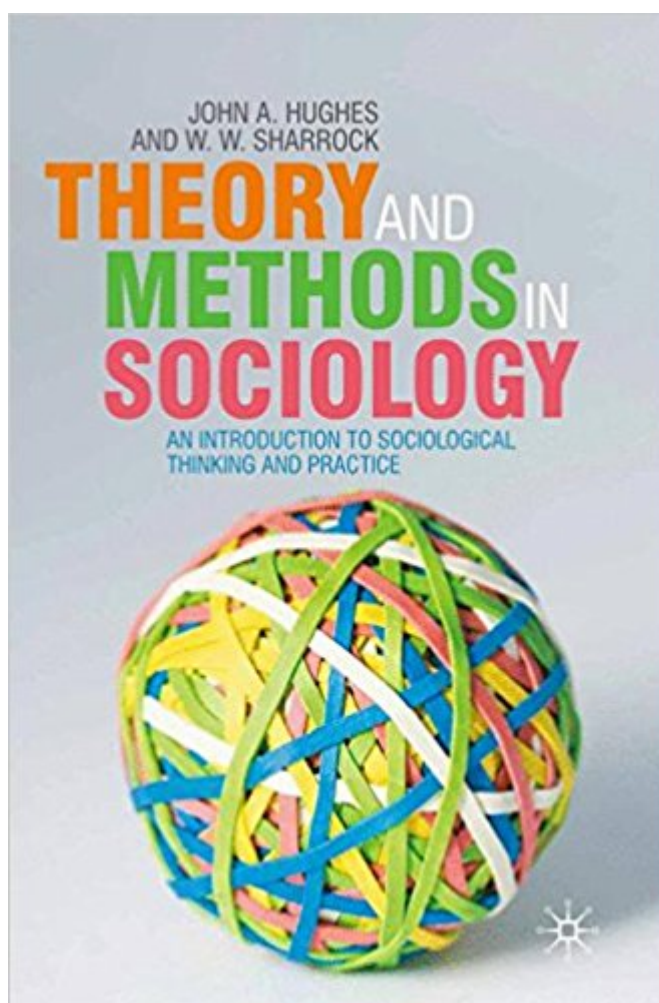


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I am not a student of sociology but my work (I am a writer) sometimes requires knowledge of sociological concepts and terms, so I bought the book with the intention of getting an overview. I do have a background in political science and cultural studies, so some of the concepts and theories used in sociology were known to me, yet others I was unfamiliar with. This book really helped me to familiarize myself with basic concepts, terms, and methods in sociological research. The book has a somewhat chronological structure. It does not just explain basic concepts but it also walks the reader through the history of sociology. In most cases, one would have to do additional reading to go into depths but overall it is a useful introduction.

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