

## Research Assessment

35 Points

**Directions:** (#1-6) Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Use your notes, book and/or materials on the class website. (2 Points each)

1. What is the scientific method and why is it used?
2. What is the importance of correlation in sociological research?
3. How do sociologists conduct participant observation?
4. For what purpose do sociologists use statistical analysis?

5. Why is it important that sociologists provide enough information about their research so that others are able to repeat it? Explain.

6. Do you think it is ever ethical to use deception in sociological research? Why or why not?

7. Fill in the following graphic organizer (1 point each)

Method	Definition	Advantages	Disadvantages
Survey			
Analysis of Existing Documents			
Observation			
Experiment			

8. Suppose you wanted to conduct research into the connection between internet use and social isolation. Write three paragraphs on a separate paper explaining which method you would use and why. (9 Points)