THEORISTS

- ***1*** J. Locke 1632–1704
- ***1*** T. Hobbes 1588–1679
- ***1*** M. Wollstonecraft 1759–1797
- ***1*** Montesquieu 1689–1755
- ***1*** I. Kant 1724–1804
- ***1*** J.-J. Rousseau 1712–1778
- ***1*** E. Burke 1729–1797
- ***1*** J. de Maistre 1754–1821
- ***1*** L. de Bonald 1754–1850
- ***1*** G. W. F. Hegel 1770–1831
- ***2*** Saint–Simon 1760–1825
- ***2*** A. Comte 1798–1857
- ***2*** H. Martineau 1802–1876
- ***3*** H. Spencer 1820–1903
- ***3*** W. G. Sumner 1840–1910
- ***4*** E. Durkheim 1858–1917
- ***5*** K. Marx 1818–1883
- ***5*** F. Engels 1820–1895
- ***6*** R. Luxemburg 1871–1919
- ***6*** V. I. Lenin 1870–1924
- ***7*** Max Weber 1864–1920
- ***7*** Marianne Weber 1870–1954
- ***8*** G. Simmel 1858–1918
- ***9*** R. Michels 1876–1936
- ***9*** V. Pareto 1848–1923
- ***10*** J. Schumpeter 1883–1950
- ***10*** T. Veblen 1857–1929
- ***11*** C. D. Gilman 1860–1935
- ***11*** B. P. Webb 1858–1943
- ***12*** W. E. B. Du Bois 1868–1963
- ***13*** C. H. Cooley 1864–1929
- ***13*** G. H. Mead 1863–1931
- ***14*** T. Parsons 1902–1979
- ***14*** R. K. Merton 1910–
- ***15*** A. Giddens 1938–
- ***15*** N. Luhmann 1927–1998
- ***16*** H. Marcuse 1898–1979
- ***16*** M. Horkheimer 1895–1973
- ***16*** T. Adorno 1903–1969
- ***16*** J. Habermas 1929–
- ***17*** N. Poulantzas 1936–1979
- ***17*** R. Dunayevskaya 1909–1987
- ***17*** E. O. Wright 1947–
- ***18*** I. Wallerstein 1930–
- ***18*** E. Service 1915–
- ***18*** T. Skocpol 1947–
- ***20*** A. Hochschild 1940–
- ***20*** E. Goffman 1922–1982
- ***21*** J. Coleman 1926–1995
- ***22*** D. Smith 1926–
- ***22*** P. H. Collins 1948–
- ***23*** M. Foucault 1926–1984

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EVENTS

2000

1990s
- 1999 Western intervention in Bosnia
- 1998 Economic recession in Asia
- 1994 Nelson Mandela becomes President of South Africa
- 1991 Gulf War occurs

1980s
- 1989 Soviet Union begins to crumble; China crushes protest at Tiananmen Square
- 1986 U.S. involvement in Iran-Contra affair is exposed
- 1982 Great Britain wins battle with Argentina over Falkland Islands
- 1980s AIDS virus becomes a concern

1970s
- 1979 Word processor developed
- 1976 Mao Tse-tung dies
- 1974 President Richard Nixon resigns
- 1973 Chilean President Salvador Allende is killed
- 1971 Bangladesh wins independence
- 1963–1973 Vietnam War occurs

1960s
- 1969 Neil Armstrong lands on moon
- 1967 First successful heart transplant
- 1966 China's cultural revolution begins
- 1963 President John F. Kennedy is assassinated
- 1960 Congo civil war begins
- 1959 Cuban revolution begins

1950s
- 1958 European Economic Community is established
- 1957 Sputnik flight begins Space Age
- 1954 Nigeria wins independence; Racial segregation is outlawed in U.S.
- 1952 Birth control pill in use
- 1950–1953 Korean War occurs
- 1950s Color and cable TV appear

1940s
- 1949 Communist government is established in China
- 1947 India and Pakistan win independence
- 1945 U.S. drops atomic bomb on Hiroshima
- 1941 Japan attacks Pearl Harbor

1930s
- 1939–1945 World War II is fought
- 1939 Atomic fission is demonstrated
- 1936–1939 Spanish Civil War occurs
- 1933 Adolf Hitler takes control in Germany
- 1931 Japan attacks China

1920s
- 1929 Great Depression begins with stock market crash
- 1926 Talking movies are introduced
- 1924 V. I. Lenin dies, Josef Stalin takes control in the Soviet Union
- 1922 Benito Mussolini takes control in Italy

1910s
- 1917–1918 Bolshevik revolution; Tsar murdered
- 1914–1918 World War I is fought
- 1911 Chinese Republic is established

1900s
- 1905 Albert Einstein proposes theory of relativity
- 1903 Wilbur and Orville Wright successfully fly
- 1903 V. I. Lenin founds Bolshevik Party
- 1900 China is defeated in Boxer rebellion against Western influence

1890s
- 1899–1902 Boer War takes place in South Africa

1880s
- 1886 Gold is discovered in South Africa
- 1885 Berlin Treaty divides Africa among European nations

1870s
- 1876 Telephone is invented
- 1871 Otto von Bismarck's German Empire is established

1860s
- 1869 Suez Canal is completed

1850s
- 1859 Charles Darwin publishes Origin of Species
- 1858 Britain takes control of India
- 1856 Bessemer steel converter is invented
- 1854 Florence Nightingale proposes nursing reforms

1840s
- 1848 Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels publish Communist Manifesto
- 1846 Ireland experiences potato famine
- 1844 Samuel Morse invents telegraph

1830s
- 1832 German writer Johann Wolfgang Goethe dies

1820s
- 1823 U.S. adopts Monroe Doctrine to stop European colonization of western hemisphere
- 1820 First railroad begins running in England

1810s

1800s
- 1809–1825 Latin American wars of independence take place

pre-1800
- 1798 Thomas Malthus publishes Essay on Population
- 1795–1815 Napoleon rules France
- 1789 French Revolution begins
- 1789 George Washington becomes first U.S. President
- 1784–1792 Iron refining, steam engine, power loom, and cotton gin are invented
- 1776 Adam Smith publishes Wealth of Nations
- 1776 Declaration of Independence is published
- 1757 East India Company establishes dominion over India
- 1687 Isaac Newton unveils his theory of gravity
- 1685 Chinese ports are opened to foreign trade
- 1619 First slaves land in Virginia
- 1610 Galileo invents telescope and views the heavens