Assignment: Read ch. 10 (pg. 219-245) and complete Parts I and II listed below.

Part I: Define the following terms on a separate sheet.

Social Stratification Social Class **Absolute Poverty** Power **Reputational Method Relative Poverty Power Elite Subjective Method Social Mobility Objective Method** Status System **Vertical Mobility** Caste System **Life Chances Horizontal Mobility** Class System Lifestyles **Individual Mobility**

Part II: Answer the following questions:

- 1. In what ways is the power basis of stratification different from the system of prestige?
- 2. What are three examples of stratification in American society?
- 3. What are the least stratified societies historically and today?
- 4. What are the three methods for identifying social class?
- 5. What are some of the larger social forces that have created homelessness?
- 6. How can individual factors, like race and sex, influence possible social mobility?