Chapter 9:

Social Stratification in the United States

All responses should be in your own words. Avoid using definitions or quotes from the text. While it is easy to repeat what is in the text, the ability to rephrase concepts into your own words will increase the likelihood that you will be able to understand and retain the information.

Please type your response with all the details to each question directly under the question.

1. Define and explain social stratification in your own words.
2. What is social stratification based on in most societies? How does this differ from income?
3. How does an open system differ from a closed system?
4. What are the three types of stratification systems discussed in the text? (Note: there are many more, but the text only discusses three)
5. Define status consistency. Provide a detailed example of status consistency and status inconsistency.
6. List and define the six types of mobility
7. Explain how structural functionalist view stratification. A full response must include a detailed explanation of the Davis-Moore Thesis
8. Explain how social conflict theorists view stratification.
9. Explain how symbolic interactionists view stratification.

\*\*At the end of each chapter you will find a list of key terms, section summaries, section quizzes, and topics for future research. While these sections are not required, these are useful study aids. Their utilization is strongly encouraged.\*\*