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**Social Inequality**

I observed the module material to be a comprehensive material that allows a reader to understand the presence of social inequality even in the modern world and why it would be close to impossible to eradicate such disparities. The course material allowed me to gain a lot of information, which is critical in understanding how society is set up. I also found the material to be highly credible since it bases its arguments on many theories on sociology that have been developed in the past. Doing this enhances its reliability in providing information on the said topics.

The concepts of social mobility, choice, context, and chance wereall discussed in the course material. Social mobility refers to the movement of people between various social strata in the community (Ferrante, 2015). Such action is determined by many things, including chance, context, and choice. An example of an opportunity is one being born in a wealthy household and another in a poor family. These individuals will have different lives and occupy different social strata due to chance. Choice in social mobility refers to the decisions that are made by people in regard to their welfare and livelihood. People who make poor choices are bound to remain immobile or in the same social strata that they were born in. However, people who make educated and better decisions are well-positioned to improve their welfare and help enhance their social levels.

Context refers to the aspect where people from a given social stratum tend to bring forth children who will follow their steps into the same social levels. The setting can thereby be used to ascertain the social strata that people belong to in the future. In the given example, a person born in a wealthy family is an example of upward social mobility. The individual will automatically belong to higher social strata by chance.

Question: What are some of the strategies that can be applied to help to improve the social strata that one occupies in society?

Reference

Ferrante, J. (2015). *Sociology: A Global Perspective.* 9th ed. Stamford, CT: Cengage Learning.