[Name of the Writer]

[Name of Instructor]

[Subject]

[Date]

Sociology

1. How does the American Dream influence our perceptions of economic inequality and opportunity?

The American dream is the collective dreams of equal economic opportunity for everyone. The vision offers a chance to everyone if they are willing to work. The polls show that most American believes that it is possible to rise form rags to riches (Rank, p.84). Due to the perception of opportunity that the American dreams offer people don't care about the inequality anymore. People have the opinion that they don't care if someone is earning more because the American dream offers them to make as much as any other person. The perception is creating inequality which is getting harder to overcome with each passing day.

1. Does the American Dream serve the interests of some economic classes more than others?

People have the perception that that with the utilization of American dream they have the opportunity to become as rich as any other successful American. Many Americans are fooled by seeing the wealthy achievers looking down on the society and think that they could become one of them. The concept of the American dream originated when backs were being oppressed, so it is the imagination of a group of people that is being adopted by every American. "The white obviously seldom picture brown and yellow folk, but for five hundred centuries they have exhausted every ingenuity of trick of ridicule and caricature on black folk" (Allan, p.203). The American dream has been benefiting specific type of racial groups in the past, and now some economic groups are benefiting from it.

1. Does the American Dream limit us from developing other kinds of dreams?

The American dream provides equal, and this perception of equal opportunity is what separates America from the rest of the world. Hegemony is the condition in which society has a high level of consensus and social stability even when it is exploited (Storey, p.80). The American dream is based on the Hegemony as individual groups in the society utilize it, and people still support the same ideals that are being exploited and are benefiting certain classes. Remaining true to American dreams is limiting the ability of people to rely more on themselves than the American dream.

# Works Cited

Top of Form

Allan, Kenneth. *The Social Lens: An Invitation to Social and Sociological Theory*. , 2013. Print.

Rank, Mark R. *Chasing the American Dream: Understanding What Shapes Our Fortunes*. New York, New York: Oxford University Press, 2014. Internet resource.

Storey, John. *Cultural theory and popular culture: An introduction*. Routledge, 2018.