

# Discussion on Health & Family

Coming next...

- Journal #4 due this Thursday by midnight
- Journal #5 due April 28<sup>th</sup>
- Exam 3: May 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Book review due by noon on May 13<sup>th</sup>

# Book Review

- You need to state 2-4 arguments in the review
- Although you can make any arguments, “culture” should be the central, or at least relate to one of your major arguments.
- It is about YOUR critical thinking on the ideologies in this book
- DO NOT overly restate the stories from the book
- Organize your paper properly (introduction, main arguments, conclusion)
- Try to avoid emotional comments (like or dislike)
- Treat it as a term paper, academic writing is expected
- Proofread before submitting (get help from the writing center)
- 800 words minimum, double space, 12-point font
- Turn-It –In assignment to test for originality

# Book Review Suggested Prompts

- Use cultural capital to explain Chua's parenting philosophy.
- How does Chinese culture play a role in her parenting philosophy?
- Have you found anything that may share a common ground as western parenting?
- How does the book relate to any topics we have learned in this class?
- Chua's book contains stories that may seem not directly relate to parenting but are part of her family life, such as her marriage with Jed, her relationship with her parents, and her relationship with her mother in-law. How do you think those experiences shaped her parenting style?
- Is there anything from Chua's arguments you may found reasonable, or valuable?
- Other than parenting, what else in her book that interested you?
- Overall, how did you like the experience of reading this book?

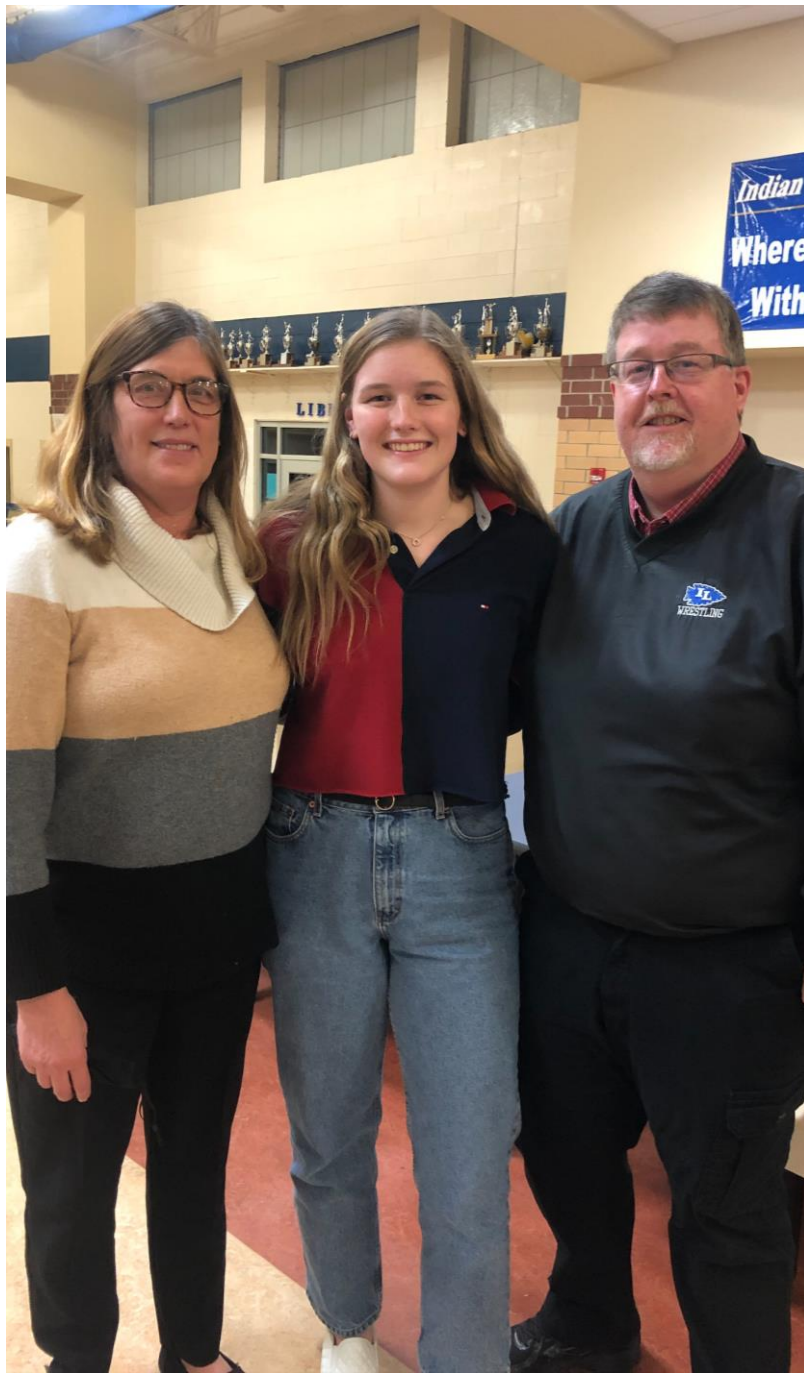
# Book Review Grading Rubric

- (8 points) Ideas & Contents: arguments are clear, and support are sufficient; address to at least 3 prompts
- (4 points) Organization: Ideas are properly organized, includes proper introduction/transition/conclusion, and the structure of the paper is easy to be identified
- (3 points) Vocabulary & Spelling & Grammar: academic writing, minimum spelling and grammar errors

# Warm Up: Family Album

- Thank you for those who shared the family pictures!
- Let's take a look at these wonderful pictures😊
- Discuss: in your opinion, what was the most important thing you parent did to you (other than gave birth to you)?





# Children and Parenting



# What Are Parents Supposed to Do for Children?

- Supply love, nurturing, and care to develop a sense of trust in other human beings.
- Train children in skills needed to become more autonomous.
- Provide guidance, support, and discipline needed in order to become a competent member of the society.

# Major Source of Socialization

- Socialization is the process of teaching and learning social norms, values and beliefs.
- Families are the major source of primary socialization.
- *Norm: acceptable behaviors in society*
- *Value: standard of living, what is worth of pursuing*
- *Belief: what is "truth"*

## Discussion: Parental Socialization

- Based on the reading from Amy Chua's Tiger Mother book, what are some norms, values and believes you think that Chua has **taught** her children and her children may have **learned**?
- How do the above parental socializations in Chua's family differ(or not) from yours?

# Theoretic Frameworks

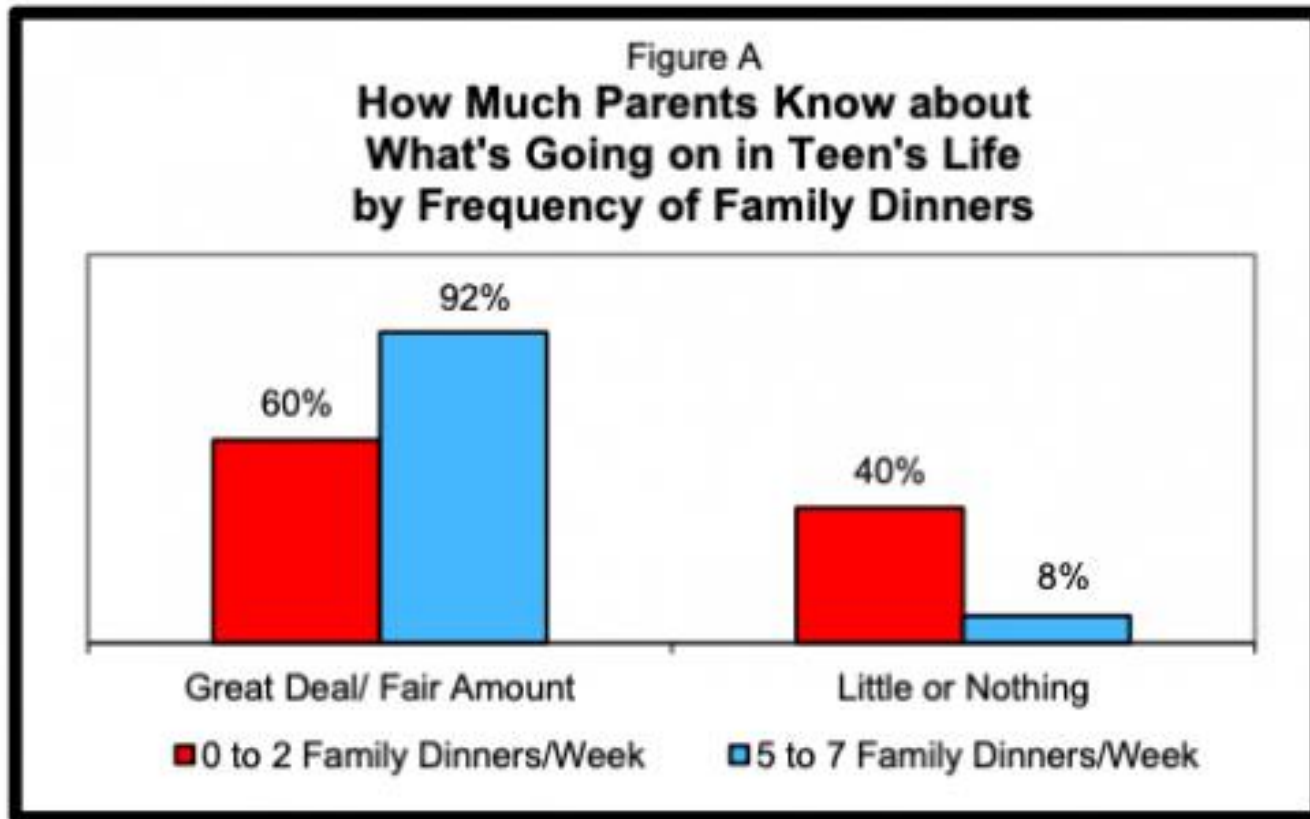
- Investment framework
- Life course framework

# Social Capital

- Family social capital refers to the **bonds** between parents and children useful in promoting child socialization and, as such, includes the time and attention parents spend in interaction with children and in monitoring their activities and promoting child well-being (Kim and Schneider, 2005; Dufur, Parcel, and McKune, 2008).

# Time Together

- Timings of parental work schedules can influence the ways in which parents invest in their children.
- Nonstandard work schedules are linked to complications in cognitive development among young children, behavioral problems and academic disengagement among young children, and delinquency and psychological problems.



## Discussion: Family Dinner

Studies show that having family dinner together is beneficial to children. Why?



# Intergenerational Closure

- When parents know their children's friend's parents, enables parents to pool resources in establishing and enforcing norms for children.
- Example?

# Cultural Capital

- Cultural capital is the accumulation of knowledge, behaviors, and skills that a person can tap into to demonstrate one's cultural competence and social status. (Bourdieu, 1973)

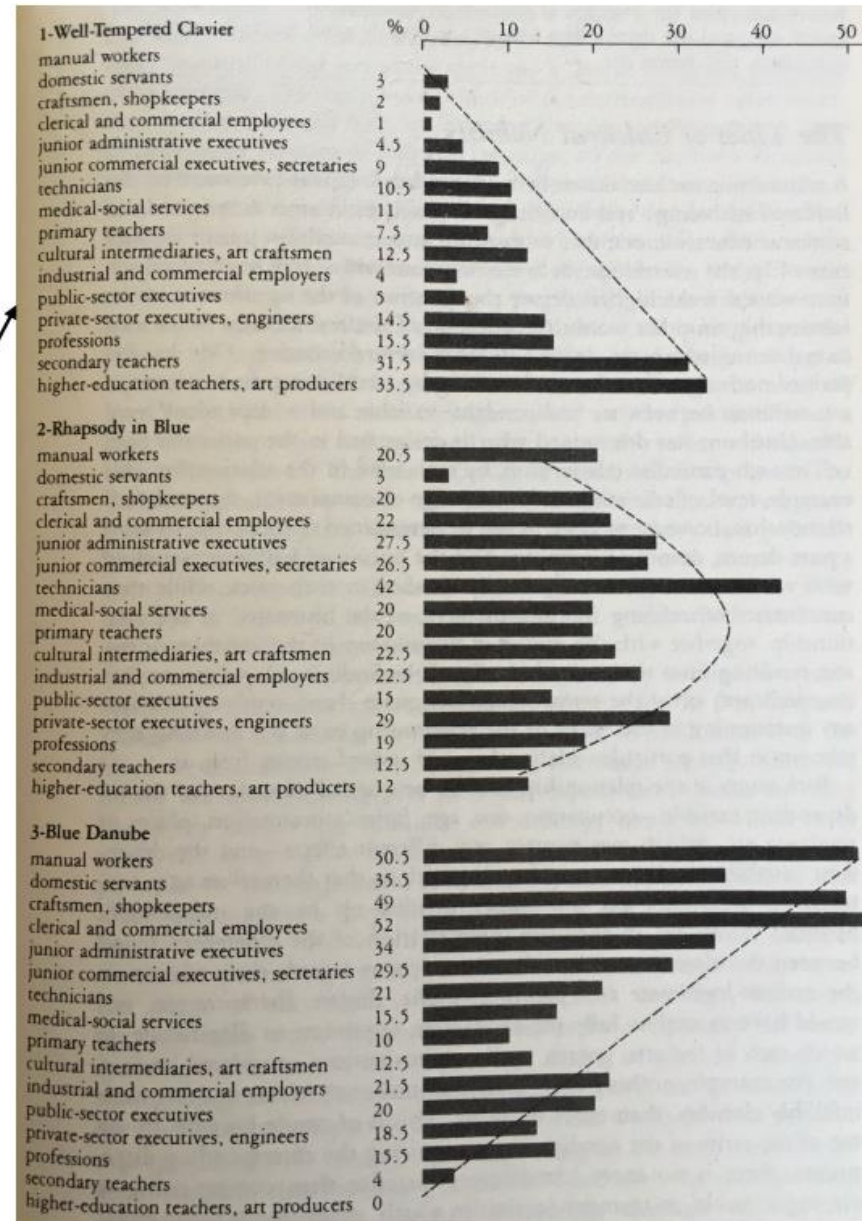


# Activity: Music Preference part 1

- I will play three two pieces of music; can you guess which social class (upper vs. working class) would prefer this type of music? (feel free to guess the singer / composer )
- [https://youtu.be/Ybg2BEy\\_puo](https://youtu.be/Ybg2BEy_puo)
- <https://youtu.be/U2waTgTxPUo>

# Bourdieu on Music preferences

“Legitimized taste”



# Cultural Capital and Parenting

- More privileged families teach their children to cultivate certain preferences, behaviors, and attitudes that institutions, such as schools and organizations, value and reward.
- Cultural capital is exclusionary and contributes to social reproduction.

# Tiger Mother's Logic



# Tiger Mother's Logic on Parenting

- Children don't know what they want.
- Parents know what is the best for their kids. (mother knows best...)
- Chinese parents push their children to challenge themselves, so they can excel and feel rewarding when they succeed (e.g. win a medal, and the medal has to be gold). Thus, they will appreciate what their parents did for them.
- Is any of the above problematic?

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