

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-14128-4 - Sociology in its Place and Other Essays

W. G. Runciman

Frontmatter

[More information](#)

*Sociology in its Place
and Other Essays*

CAMBRIDGE

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-14128-4 - Sociology in its Place and Other Essays

W. G. Runciman

Frontmatter

[More information](#)

SOCIOLOGY IN
ITS PLACE
and Other Essays

by
W. G. RUNCIMAN



CAMBRIDGE
AT THE UNIVERSITY PRESS
1970

Cambridge University Press
978-0-521-14128-4 - Sociology in its Place and Other Essays
W. G. Runciman
Frontmatter
[More information](#)

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS
Cambridge, New York, Melbourne, Madrid, Cape Town, Singapore,
São Paulo, Delhi, Dubai, Tokyo

Cambridge University Press
The Edinburgh Building, Cambridge CB2 8RU, UK

Published in the United States of America by Cambridge University Press, New York

www.cambridge.org
Information on this title: www.cambridge.org/9780521141284

© Cambridge University Press 1970

This publication is in copyright. Subject to statutory exception
and to the provisions of relevant collective licensing agreements,
no reproduction of any part may take place without the written
permission of Cambridge University Press.

First published 1970
This digitally printed version 2010

A catalogue record for this publication is available from the British Library

Library of Congress Catalogue Card Number: 75-120194

ISBN 978-0-521-07905-1 Hardback
ISBN 978-0-521-14128-4 Paperback

Cambridge University Press has no responsibility for the persistence or
accuracy of URLs for external or third-party internet websites referred to in
this publication, and does not guarantee that any content on such websites is,
or will remain, accurate or appropriate.

Contents

PREFACE	vii
PART I	
1. <i>Sociology in its Place</i>	I
2. <i>What is Structuralism?</i>	45
3. <i>The Sociological Explanation of 'Religious' Beliefs</i>	59
4. <i>Class, Status and Power?</i>	102
PART II	
5. <i>Embourgeoisement, Self-rated Class and Party Preference</i>	141
6. <i>Charismatic Legitimacy and One-party Rule in Nkrumah's Ghana</i>	157
7. <i>Status Consistency, Relative Deprivation and Attitudes to Immigrants</i> (WITH C. R. BAGLEY)	176
PART III	
8. <i>Misdescribing Institutions and Misdescribing Misdescriptions</i>	195
9. <i>'Social' Equality</i>	201
10. <i>'False Consciousness'</i>	212
11. <i>Games, Justice and the General Will</i> (WITH A. K. SEN)	224
INDEX	233

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-14128-4 - Sociology in its Place and Other Essays

W. G. Runciman

Frontmatter

[More information](#)

Preface

These papers have all, except the first, been published before, but I hope that by being brought together in this volume they will lend support to some of the arguments of the opening essay. They are grouped under three headings. The first four are purely methodological; the second three, although they too are methodological in part, contain in addition some results of empirical research; the last four are philosophical, if only in the sense that they first appeared in journals of philosophy. I have made a number of minor amendments and added a prefatory note to each, but they are left in the main as they were originally written.

London
October 1969

W. G. R.