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If I were to choose among the three theoretical perspectives, functionalist perspective is what I would choose because of its importance on the way it views human society in a couple of ways. Firstly, it helps in understanding how society is a complex system with interconnected parts working harmoniously in promotion of stability and solidarity. Secondly, it is useful in understanding how different parts of the society interrelate where each part contributes to societal well-being. Although the exploitation and conflict as Marxist stresses is ignored by the functionalist perspective, it offers a sound view of a family and society at large (Mooney, Knox & Schacht, 2007)

Lastly, since it focuses on how interconnected the society is it essentially explores how different parts of society influence each other. This perspective is critical as it describes ways in which social institutions operate at different levels not only to fulfil the need of everyone but also to meet the needs of entire society at a go. It would be the best theoretical perspective since it focuses on societal basic institutions, the way they are structured and their role in the entire society.

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