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Chapter 11 Top 5

1. At the start of the chapter, the book says that some topics are just way too big for any one person, let alone a researcher, but how would one define a big topic, is this similar to the wicked problems we learned of last semester?
2. In the study section, a particular quote caught my eye; it described racial groups interacting with each other, seeming to lean heavily on a “black and white paradigm”, I almost took this in a literal sense, almost like what is happening now, Black People vs White People, Rich vs Poor the list could go on, did they intend that?
3. Another topic in the study section, Dr. Marrow wanted to expand the horizons of the multigroup contact, and expanded from race and socioeconomic status to accent, skin color, and citizenship status, and I realized that these could go hand in hand with the first two points, such as darker skinned people being less likely to be given job opportunities and being stuck near the bottom of the socioeconomic ladder, did they know that?
4. I like how in the challenges and throughout the chapter, it consistently mentioned the struggles along the way, one of the most prominent ones was a lack of communication, what other ways could a lack of communication be a hindrance?
5. In the validity section, it mentions two things, internal validity and external validity, and with my limited understanding, I feel that external validity is regarding surface-level facts, such as making a project look pretty, internal validity is what gives a project a skeleton, structure, more deep facts. Was this definition close?