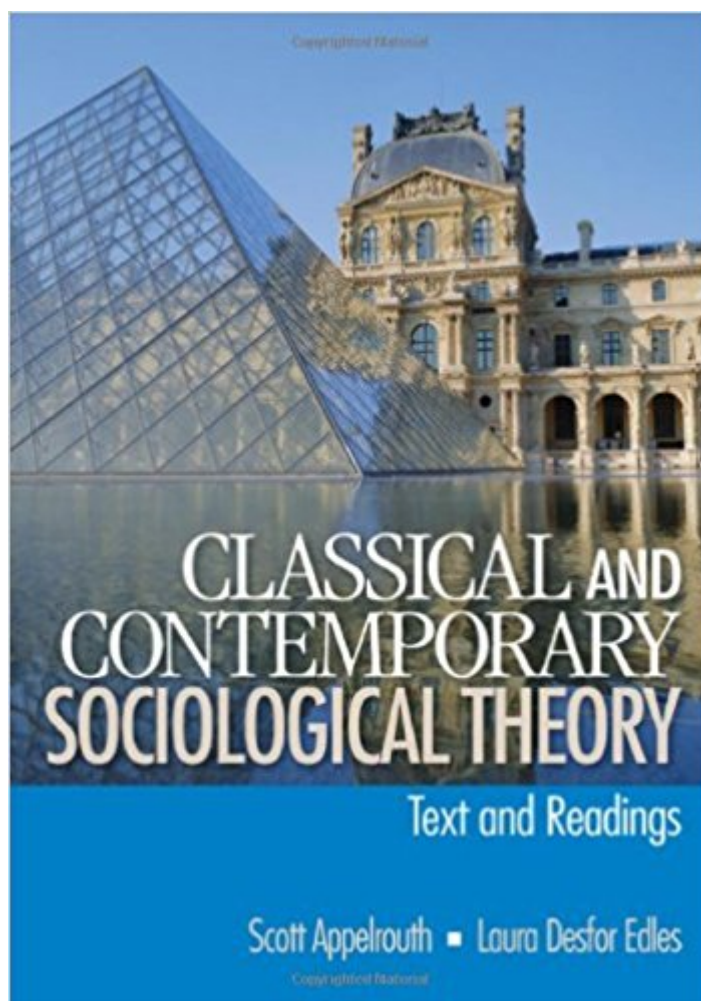


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Great book. Chapter on Critical Theory (The Frankfurt Institute for Social Research) is a bit too abbreviated and seems a little too short and does not contain a full focus on the positive contributions The Frankfurt School has had on society.

Received, thank you

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