

Society

It is quite correct to say that society is objective fact, coercing and even creating us. But it is also correct to say that our own meaningful acts help to support the ediface of society and may on occasion help to change it.

**Indeed,
the two statements contain between them
the paradox of social existence:
That society defines us,
but is in turn defined by us.**

Peter L. Berger, *An Invitation to Sociology*