***Experience Psychology, 4e* (King)**

**Chapter 1 The Science of Psychology**

1) According to the science of psychology, a behavior is a(n)

A) feeling that is acknowledged.

B) attitude that can be changed.

C) action that can be directly observed.

D) goal for life.

Answer: C

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 2

Topic: Definition of Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the scope and goals of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

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APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

2) Which of the following is an example of behavior?

A) thinking of a family vacation

B) two people holding hands in a park

C) a student's memory of a motorcycle trip

D) a baby's feelings when his or her mother leaves the room

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 2

Topic: Definition of Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the scope and goals of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

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APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are the thoughts, feelings, and motives that each of us experiences privately but that cannot be observed directly.

A) Mental processes

B) Behaviors

C) Fetal processes

D) Mannerisms

Answer: A

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 2

Topic: Definition of Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

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APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

4) Which of the following attitudes are central to the scientific approach to psychology?

A) critical thinking, curiosity, skepticism, and objectivity

B) critical thinking, curiosity, skepticism, and subjectivity

C) critical thinking, curiosity, political correctness, and objectivity

D) critical thinking, curiosity, political correctness, and subjectivity

Answer: A

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 3

Topic: Approaches to Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

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APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

5) Which of the following statements about critical thinking is FALSE?

A) Critical thinking is the process of thinking deeply and actively, asking questions, and evaluating the evidence.

B) Critical thinking comes into play when scientists consider the conclusions they draw from research.

C) Critical thinking increases the likelihood that conclusions will be based on unreliable personal beliefs, opinions, and motions.

D) Critical thinkers question and test what some people say are facts.

Answer: C

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 3

Topic: Critical Thinking

Learning Objective: Illustrate critical thinking.

Bloom's: Understand

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APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

6) Which of the following statements best defines critical thinking in psychology?

A) It is the process of accepting observed events as true.

B) It is the process of reflecting deeply, asking questions, and evaluating evidence.

C) It is a form of thinking intended to create something new and different.

D) It is a form of thinking that has been rejected by contemporary psychologists.

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 3

Topic: Critical Thinking

Learning Objective: Illustrate critical thinking.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

7) The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ involves gaining knowledge by observing events, collecting data, and reasoning logically.

A) process of debriefing

B) empirical method

C) biological approach

D) process of deception

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 4

Topic: Research

Learning Objective: Summarize the scope and goals of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

8) Which of the following goals of science does the empirical method best fulfill?

A) expectations

B) objectivity

C) subjectivity

D) political correctness

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 4

Topic: Definition of Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the scope and goals of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

9) Psychology began as a science in the discipline of

A) philosophy.

B) physics.

C) chemistry.

D) sociology.

Answer: A

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 6

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

10) Which of the following theorists primarily used the structuralism approach to studying human behavior?

A) William James

B) Wilhelm Wundt

C) Charles Darwin

D) Sigmund Freud

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 6

Topic: Structuralism

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

11) Wilhelm Wundt's approach to discovering the basic elements of mental processes is called

A) functionalism.

B) structuralism.

C) humanism.

D) behaviorism.

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 6

Topic: Structuralism

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

12) In which of the following psychological approaches did researchers ask participants to think about what was going on mentally as various events took place?

A) behaviorism

B) functionalism

C) structuralism

D) humanism

Answer: C

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 7

Topic: Structuralism

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

13) If you were a psychologist who adopted the structuralism approach, you would be interested in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the mind, using \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as your primary research method.

A) functions; experimentation

B) structures; externalization

C) functions; retrospection

D) structures; introspection

Answer: D

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 7

Topic: Structuralism

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

14) Wilhelm Wundt was the founder of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, whereas William James was the founder of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) structuralism; behaviorism

B) behaviorism; functionalism

C) functionalism; behaviorism

D) structuralism; functionalism

Answer: D

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 7

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

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APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

15) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is most often regarded the "founding father" of modern psychology.

A) William James

B) Wilhelm Wundt

C) Sigmund Freud

D) Charles Darwin

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 7

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

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APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

16) Which of the following statements correctly differentiates between structuralism and functionalism in early psychology?

A) Functionalism focused on the elements of the mind; structuralism focused on the purpose of thoughts.

B) Functionalism focused on the purposes of the mind; structuralism focused on the elemental parts of mental processes.

C) Functionalism relied on introspection; structuralism relied on a stream of consciousness.

D) Functionalism was about the "why" of the mind; structuralism was about the "what" of the mind.

Answer: B

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 7

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

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APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

17) William James, a prominent American psychologist and philosopher, focused on human interactions with the outside world to understand the purpose of thoughts. His view is known as

A) psychoanalysis.

B) behaviorism.

C) functionalism.

D) structuralism.

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 7

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

18) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ involves using introspection to investigate the components of the mind, whereas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ involves the functions or purposes of the mind and behavior in the individual's adaptation to the environment.

A) Structuralism; functionalism

B) Functionalism; structuralism

C) Functionalism; psychodynamic theory

D) Behaviorism; structuralism

Answer: A

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 7

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

19) Which of the following terms refers to Charles Darwin's principle of an evolutionary process; the process in which organisms that are best adapted to their environment will survive and, importantly, produce offspring?

A) natural selection

B) replication

C) placebo effect

D) functionalism

Answer: A

Explanation: Defining Psychology and Exploring Its Roots

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 7

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

20) Psychologists who adopt a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach examine behavior and mental processes by focusing on the body, especially the brain and nervous system.

A) biological

B) psychodynamic

C) behavioral

D) evolutionary

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 9

Topic: Biological Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

21) Michelle, a researcher, conducts a study to investigate how people's hands sweat during stressful interviews. In this scenario, Michelle is most likely following the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to psychology.

A) behavioral approach

B) cognitive approach

C) evolutionary approach

D) biological approach

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 9

Topic: Biological Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

22) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the scientific study of the structure, function, development, genetics, and biochemistry of the nervous system.

A) Neurokinesis

B) Neurohumor

C) Neuroscience

D) Neuroacanthocytosis

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 9

Topic: Biological Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

23) Which of the following is true of neuroscience as a contemporary approach to psychology?

A) It focuses on natural selection as the method of evolution for any species.

B) It focuses on the unconscious elements of behavior, thought, and emotion.

C) It emphasizes that behavior can only be understood through direct observation.

D) It emphasizes that the brain is central to understanding behavior, thought, and emotion.

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 9

Topic: Biological Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

24) Neuroscience studies are based on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approaches to psychology.

A) behavioral

B) psychodynamic

C) biological

D) evolutionary

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 9

Topic: Biological Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

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APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

25) Jake, a researcher, measures the levels of testosterone in adult males who tend to be highly aggressive. He believes hormone levels are the single-most prominent cause of male aggression. In this scenario, Jake is most likely using the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach in his study.

A) cognitive

B) humanistic

C) sociocultural

D) biological

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 9

Topic: Biological Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

26) The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach emphasizes the scientific study of observable actions and/or responses and their environmental determinants.

A) environmental

B) psychodynamic

C) observational

D) behavioral

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 9

Topic: Behavioral Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

27) J. B. Watson and B. F. Skinner believed that

A) consciousness should always be investigated through the process of individual introspection.

B) psychology should focus on an organism's visible interactions with the environment—that is, behaviors.

C) psychology should study both outwardly observed behaviors and inborn mental motivations.

D) psychological methods could be developed to study the process of human cognition.

Answer: B

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 8

Topic: Behavioral Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

28) Annette is an adolescent with extreme social anxiety. Dr. Benson's treatment plan for Annette focuses on rewarding her whenever she takes a step toward conquering her fears. In this scenario, Dr. Benson adheres most closely to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology.

A) cognitive

B) behavioral

C) psychodynamic

D) sociocultural

Answer: B

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 9

Topic: Behavioral Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

29) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ believed that psychology should be about what people do, and should not concern itself with what cannot be seen, such as thoughts, feelings, and goals.

A) B. F. Skinner

B) Wilhelm Wundt

C) Sigmund Freud

D) Carl Rogers

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 9

Topic: Behavioral Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

30) Which approach to psychology emphasizes unconscious thought?

A) behavioral approach

B) sociocultural approach

C) psychodynamic approach

D) evolutionary approach

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 9-10

Topic: Psychodynamic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

31) In his practice, Dr. Wagner stresses the role of unconscious processes and unresolved childhood conflicts that influence an individual's behavior. Dr. Wagner's belief aligns with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology.

A) behavioral

B) cognitive

C) psychodynamic

D) evolutionary

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 9

Topic: Psychodynamic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

32) During a therapy session, Mrs. Brown's therapist, Donald, asks Mrs. Brown about her dreams because he believes that they are a key to her unconscious mind. In this scenario, Donald is most likely using the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology.

A) behavioral

B) cognitive

C) sociocultural

D) psychodynamic

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 10

Topic: Psychodynamic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

33) Which of the following statements is true of Sigmund Freud, the founding father of the psychodynamic approach?

A) He based his ideas about human nature on random people he saw on the street.

B) He believed that most of human behavior was caused by pleasant, conscious impulses trying to be expressed.

C) He placed less emphasis on sexual drives and more on cultural or social experiences as determinants of behavior.

D) He theorized that early relationships with parents shape an individual's personality.

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Psychodynamic Approach

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

34) Which of the following statements is true of the practitioners of the psychodynamic approach?

A) They believe that personality is shaped entirely by genetic factors.

B) They believe that sexual and aggressive impulses buried deep within the unconscious mind influence the way people think.

C) They emphasize that psychology should be about what people do and should not concern itself with things that cannot be seen, such as thoughts, feelings, and goals.

D) They use evolutionary ideas such as adaptation, reproduction, and natural selection as the basis for explaining specific human behaviors.

Answer: B

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Psychodynamic Approach

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

35) The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology views the mind as an active and aware problem-solving system. This view contrasts with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ outlook, which portrays actions as controlled by external environmental forces.

A) behavioral; cognitive

B) cognitive; behavioral

C) psychodynamic; humanistic

D) humanistic; psychodynamic

Answer: B

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 10

Topic: Approaches to Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

36) Which of the following techniques involves an analyst unlocking a person's unconscious conflicts by talking with the individual about his or her childhood memories, dreams, thoughts, and feelings?

A) structuralism

B) neuroscience

C) introspection

D) psychoanalysis

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 10

Topic: Psychodynamic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

37) Which of the following statements is true of humanistic psychologists?

A) They stress that people have the ability to control their lives and are not simply controlled by the environment.

B) They theorize that people are driven by unconscious impulses, which is similar to what the psychodynamic approach dictates.

C) They emphasize that people are motivated by external rewards.

D) They focus on people's visible behaviors, not thoughts or feelings.

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Approaches to Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

38) The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach emphasizes a person's positive qualities, the capacity for positive growth, and the freedom to choose one's destiny.

A) humanistic

B) psychodynamic

C) evolutionary

D) behavioral

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 10

Topic: Humanistic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

39) The humanistic approach to psychology and the behavioral approach to psychology differ in that the behavioral approach states that humans are driven by

A) unconscious impulses, whereas the humanistic approach states that humans are driven by external rewards.

B) evolutionary factors, whereas the humanistic approach states that humans are driven by unconscious impulses.

C) mental processes, whereas the humanistic approach states that humans are driven by free will.

D) biological factors, whereas the humanistic approach states that humans are driven by evolutionary factors.

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Humanistic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

40) According to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ psychologists, your brain houses a "mind" whose mental processes allow you to remember, make decisions, plan, set goals, and be creative.

A) psychodynamic

B) cognitive

C) evolutionary

D) humanistic

Answer: B

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 10

Topic: Cognitive Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

41) Abe and Carl are psychologists who believe that people have free will and can make choices based on higher human values. Abe and Carl's views reflect the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology.

A) sociocultural

B) behavioral

C) humanistic

D) psychodynamic

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Humanistic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

42) Dennis, a psychologist, conducts a survey to determine why most people tend to help a crying child. After the survey, he explains that most people help a crying child because they choose to live by higher values such as altruism. In this scenario, Dennis's explanation is reflective of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology.

A) biological

B) behavioral

C) humanistic

D) psychodynamic

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 10

Topic: Humanistic Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

43) Samuel, a psychologist, wants to investigate why people remember their first dates for a lifetime but tend to forget subsequent dates with the same partner. In this scenario, Samuel is most likely a(n)

A) evolutionary psychologist.

B) cognitive psychologist.

C) biological psychologist.

D) psychodynamic psychologist.

Answer: B

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 10

Topic: Cognitive Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

44) Which of the following approaches to psychology focuses on how we direct our attention, perceive, remember, think, and solve problems?

A) sociocultural

B) behavioral

C) cognitive

D) psychodynamic

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 10

Topic: Cognitive Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

45) Which of the following psychologists would be most likely to conduct research on how a child processes information and solves problems?

A) a psychoanalyst

B) a cognitive psychologist

C) a humanistic psychologist

D) a behavioral psychologist

Answer: B

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Cognitive Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

46) The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology relies on concepts such as adaptation, reproduction, and natural selection as the basis for explaining specific human behaviors.

A) humanistic

B) psychodynamic

C) evolutionary

D) behavioral

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 10

Topic: Evolutionary Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

47) According to evolutionary psychologists,

A) human behavior is traceable to problems early humans faced in adapting to their environments.

B) sexual and aggressive impulses buried deep within the unconscious mind influence the way people think, feel, and behave.

C) people have the ability to control their lives and are not simply controlled by the environment.

D) an individual's mental processes are in control of behavior through memories, perceptions, images, and thinking.

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Evolutionary Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

48) In the country of Calibria, men prefer to date women with wide hips because they believe that these women are able to reproduce better. This scenario most likely illustrates the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to psychology.

A) evolutionary approach

B) biological approach

C) humanistic approach

D) cognitive approach

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 10

Topic: Approaches to Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

49) Dr. Badal, a psychologist, is studying achievement motivation among groups of African American, Latino, and Asian American people. In this scenario, Dr. Badal is most likely practicing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology.

A) sociocultural

B) biological

C) evolutionary

D) cognitive

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 11

Topic: Sociocultural Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

50) Which of the following is a criticism of the evolutionary approach to psychology?

A) It inaccurately explains why men and women have different social roles.

B) It considers the influence of cultural diversity in shaping personalities.

C) It deemphasizes the role of environment in human psychology.

D) It considers the role of human experience in shaping personalities.

Answer: A

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 11

Topic: Evolutionary Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

51) If a psychologist studies about the behavioral differences between people from different religions, he or she is most likely following the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ approach to psychology.

A) psychodynamic

B) cognitive

C) humanistic

D) sociocultural

Answer: D

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 11

Topic: Sociocultural Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

52) Phoebe, a psychologist, conducts a study to compare people's behaviors across the countries of Bodonia, Batangonia, and Candaria. In this scenario, Phoebe is most likely a(n)

A) cognitive psychologist.

B) evolutionary psychologist.

C) socioculturalist.

D) psychoanalyst.

Answer: C

Explanation: Contemporary Approaches to Psychology

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 11

Topic: Approaches to Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

53) Which of the following is the first step in the scientific method?

A) testing through empirical research

B) observing some phenomenon in the world

C) drawing conclusions

D) formulating hypotheses and predictions

Answer: B

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 13

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

54) Which of the following is the second step in the scientific method?

A) testing through empirical research

B) evaluating conclusions

C) drawing conclusions

D) formulating hypotheses and predictions

Answer: D

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 14

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

55) A(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a broad idea or set of closely related ideas that attempts to explain observations and to make predictions about future observations.

A) theory

B) hypothesis

C) operational definition

D) experimental bias

Answer: A

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 14

Topic: Theories

Learning Objective: Distinguish between theory and hypothesis.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

56) Which of the following statements related to the scientific method is FALSE?

A) A theory gains credibility when the related hypotheses turn out to be true.

B) A hypothesis derives logically from a theory.

C) A theory can generate only one hypothesis.

D) A hypothesis is a testable prediction.

Answer: C

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 14

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Distinguish between theory and hypothesis.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

57) Allie has developed a theory concerning test grades of high school students. She believes that there is a strong causal relationship between students' frequency of study and their grades in school. In the context of psychology's scientific method, to test her theory, Allie would first have to state a

A) conclusion.

B) bias.

C) fact.

D) hypothesis.

Answer: D

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 14

Topic: Hypotheses

Learning Objective: Distinguish between theory and hypothesis.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

58) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ provide an objective description of how variables are going to be measured and observed in a particular study.

A) Independent variables

B) Operational definitions

C) External validity checks

D) Experimenter biases

Answer: B

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 15

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

59) After careful observation, Dylan has stated a hypothesis that spending money on other people leads to greater happiness than spending money on oneself. In accordance with the scientific method, which of the following steps is Dylan most likely to take next?

A) He will evaluate the results of his experiment.

B) He will test the prediction by conducting empirical research.

C) He will conclude whether spending money on others can be a strong predictor of happiness.

D) He will publish the experimental results in a reputable journal.

Answer: B

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 15

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

60) A key aspect of the process of testing hypotheses in the scientific method is

A) experimenter bias.

B) conjecture.

C) data analysis.

D) psychoanalysis.

Answer: C

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 16

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

61) Tamika hypothesizes that women are more helpful than men, and she decides to conduct an experiment to test her hypothesis. During lunchtime, she goes to the crowded food court and deliberately drops her folder containing papers. She then notes whether the person standing closest to her helps her pick up her papers and whether the person is male or female. What is the operational definition of "helpful" in Tamika's study?

A) the gender of the person

B) the person asking Tamika if she dropped her notebook

C) establishing eye contact

D) making an effort to gather the papers

Answer: D

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 16

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

62) Amelia, a researcher, conducts a study and finds that teenage boys in the country of Bodonia prefer to date fair-skinned girls and keep their relationships confidential. Michael, Amelia's colleague, tries to reproduce her study to see if he gets the same result. In this scenario, Michael's act illustrates

A) deception.

B) the principle of confidentiality.

C) natural selection.

D) replication.

Answer: D

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 16

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

63) The final step in the scientific method of psychology is

A) conducting empirical research.

B) formulating predictions.

C) evaluating conclusions.

D) conducting data analysis.

Answer: C

Explanation: Psychology's Scientific Method

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 16

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

64) The goal of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ research is to determine the basic dimensions of a phenomenon.

A) descriptive

B) normative

C) experimental

D) applied

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 17

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

65) Dr. Okawa is interested in studying the effect that neurological trauma can have on short-term memory. Firstly, he collects detailed information from a small number of individuals who have experienced brain damage. Using information provided by medical records, interviews, and observations, he attempts to create an in-depth portrait of each individual. What type of research method was used in this study?

A) case study

B) naturalistic observation

C) experimental method

D) surveys

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 18

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

66) In the context of descriptive research methods in psychology, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are performed mainly by clinical psychologists when, for either practical or ethical reasons, the unique aspects of an individual's life cannot be duplicated and tested in other individuals.

A) case studies

B) surveys

C) correlational studies

D) experiments

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 18

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

67) In the context of psychological research methods, which of the following scenarios is an example of the survey method?

A) Dr. Adele observes children as they learn to read.

B) Dr. Gomes studies his patients while they undergo psychological counseling.

C) Dr. Trooper collects children's school grades and test scores.

D) Dr. Frank asks people how many hours of television they watch per week.

Answer: D

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 18

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

68) A case study

A) is an in-depth look at a single individual.

B) is useful for studying large populations.

C) involves random assignment of participants.

D) relies on the experimental method.

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 18

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

69) According to Peterson and others (2011), participants in research studies tend to answer questions in a way that will make them look good rather than in a way that communicates what they truly think or feel. This is a potential problem with

A) experiments.

B) double-blind experiments.

C) surveys.

D) case studies.

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 18

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

70) A correlation coefficient is a statistic that tells the

A) strength and direction of association between two variables.

B) direction of the causal relationship between two variables.

C) extent to which demand characteristics have biased the results of the study.

D) extent to which experimenter bias has influenced the results of the study.

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 20

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

71) What does the magnitude of the correlation coefficient indicate about the variables in a correlational study?

A) size of the variables

B) strength of the relationship between the variables

C) number of data points

D) direction of the relationship between the variables

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 20

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

72) Gary, a psychologist, conducts a study to determine the association between beer sales and the number of road accidents. He finds that an increase in beer sales results in an increase in the number of road accidents. However, he realizes that the time of year could also significantly affect the obtained results because there could be an increase in the number of road trips. Which of the following is most likely exemplified in this scenario?

A) replication

B) the third variable problem

C) the principle of natural selection

D) deception

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 21

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

73) Aaron wants to study the association between sleep deprivation and the number of hours spent on a computer every day. He is not keen to establish causation, but would like to determine whether and how the increase or decrease in one variable is related to the increase or decrease in the other variable. Which of the following research methods is likely to be most effective for Aaron's study?

A) survey

B) correlational research

C) experimental research

D) case study

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 20

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

74) Professor Izadi is interested in determining the association between sleep and cognitive performance. He surveyed his students about the number of hours they slept the night before an exam and then correlated these scores with their test grades. He found a +.81 correlation between these two variables. What does this result mean?

A) There is a high negative correlation between hours of sleep and exam performance.

B) There is a low negative correlation between hours of sleep and exam performance.

C) There is a high positive correlation between hours of sleep and exam performance.

D) There is a low positive correlation between hours of sleep and exam performance.

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 20

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

75) Dr. Simpson found a +.50 correlation between ice cream cone sales and violent crimes in a community. Which of the following represents the best interpretation of this result?

A) Ice cream causes people to become more violent and aggressive.

B) A third variable, such as heat, may account for the association between ice cream sales and violent crime.

C) Violent people like ice cream more than nonviolent people.

D) Ice cream consumption is not related to violent crime.

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 22

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

76) In correlations research, third variables are also known as

A) confederates.

B) confounds.

C) allies.

D) boosters.

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 22

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

77) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is defined as a special kind of systematic observation, used by correlational researchers, that involves obtaining measures of the variables of interest in multiple waves over time.

A) A longitudinal design

B) A double-blind experiment

C) Naturalistic observation

D) Structuralism

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 22

Topic: Longitudinal Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

78) Longitudinal research involves

A) observing and measuring the same variables periodically over time.

B) randomly assigning participants to the control and experimental groups.

C) the random selection of participants within a particular population.

D) uncovering unconscious motives and conflicts.

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 22

Topic: Longitudinal Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

79) Professor Wong measures the intelligence and temperament of a group of preschoolers. He plans to study the same group of participants over time and collect data when the children are in Grades 3, 6, and 9. This is an example of which type of research design?

A) sampling design

B) experimental design

C) longitudinal design

D) double-blind experiment

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 22

Topic: Longitudinal Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

80) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ provide ways by which correlational researchers may attempt to demonstrate causal relations among variables, even though the causal relationship may still be somewhat unclear.

A) Random selection techniques

B) Sampling designs

C) Longitudinal designs

D) Survey designs

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 23

Topic: Longitudinal Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

81) Which of the following is a potential problem of using correlational studies in psychological research?

A) They fail to establish a clear causal relationship between variables.

B) They do not allow researchers to use just one variable to predict the movement of the other variable.

C) They cannot be used in situations where the issue of ethics is important.

D) They can be used to study the relationship between only two variables.

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 23

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

82) Dr. Steinguard wants to demonstrate a cause-and-effect relationship between stress and memory. Which of the following research methods should he use?

A) correlational studies

B) the survey method

C) naturalistic observation

D) the experimental method

Answer: D

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 23

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

83) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ refers to researchers' assignment of participants to groups by chance, to reduce the likelihood that an experiment's results will be due to preexisting differences between groups.

A) Selection bias

B) Experimenter bias

C) Random assignment

D) Random selection

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 23

Topic: Random Assignment

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

84) Which of the following research methods allow(s) researchers to determine causality?

A) survey method

B) observations

C) experimental studies

D) case study

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 23

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

85) When conducting an experiment on time management, Jamie assigns everyone who arrives before noon to the experimental group and everyone who arrives after noon to the control group. In the context of experimental research methods, what is wrong with Jamie's experiment?

A) The experiment is not ethical.

B) Jamie has not used random assignment.

C) Jamie has introduced a confederate into the experiment.

D) The experiment is deceptive.

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 23

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

86) In the context of psychological research methods, which of the following refers to a carefully regulated procedure in which the researcher manipulates one or more variables that are believed to influence some other variable?

A) experiments

B) correlational studies

C) case studies

D) surveys

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 23

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

87) In the context of experimental research, the logic of random assignment is

A) if participants in an experiment are assigned to each group by stratification, the actual differences between the groups will sustain over the long run.

B) if participants in an experiment are assigned to each group only by chance, the actual similarities between the groups will sustain over the long run.

C) if participants in an experiment are assigned to each group by stratification, the potential differences between the groups on other characteristics will cancel out over the long run.

D) if only chance determines which participants are assigned to each group in an experiment, the potential differences on other characteristics will cancel out over the long run.

Answer: D

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 23

Topic: Random Assignment

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

88) A researcher conducts an experiment to test the effects of playing violent video games on aggression. Which of the following could be the dependent variable in this example?

A) frequency of violent video game play

B) video game preferences

C) scores on an aggressive behavior survey

D) the number of hours spent playing video games

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 25

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

89) In experimental research, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a manipulated experimental factor, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the outcome.

A) dependent variable; independent variable

B) independent variable; dependent variable

C) confounding variable; independent variable

D) dependent variable; confounding variable

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 25

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

90) Professor Stenson is examining the effects of color on patients' anxiety levels. She randomly assigns patients to either a room painted white or a room painted black, and then she records their blood pressure. In this case, the independent variable is the

A) participant's blood pressure.

B) participant's anxiety level.

C) room color.

D) building type.

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 25

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

91) Andrea, a psychologist, conducts a study to determine the effect of students' ages on their college grades. She divides a class into two groups: Below Age and Above Age. Members of the Below Age group are less than 18 years of age, whereas members of the Above Age group are 18 years of age or above. In this scenario, which of the following illustrates the dependent variable?

A) members of the Below Age group

B) members of the Above Age group

C) college grades

D) ages of the students

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 25

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

92) A(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a person who is given a role to play in a study so that the social context can be manipulated.

A) confederate

B) henchman

C) accessory

D) control group member

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 25

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

93) Independent variables are

A) measured by researchers.

B) manipulated by researchers.

C) confounds that are typically irrelevant to the hypothesis being tested.

D) the factors that change in response to the changes in dependent variables.

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 25

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

94) In an experiment, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is conceptualized as the "potential cause" and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is conceptualized as the "resulting effect."

A) dependent variable; independent variable

B) independent variable; dependent variable

C) third variable; independent variable

D) third variable; dependent variable

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 25

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

95) Dr. Grant conducts research on stress management. Group A receives progressive relaxation training prior to taking the test, while Group B receives no training. Group A is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, while Group B is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) treatment group; placebo group

B) experimental group; control group

C) control group; treatment group

D) placebo group; control group

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 26

Topic: Experimental and Control Groups

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

96) Sara, a researcher, and her team conduct a study to examine the effect of WakeMe, an energy drink, on the intelligence quotient (IQ) levels of people in a small district of Casadia. The people of Casadia are randomly divided into two equal groups. Members of one group, Group WM, are made to drink WakeMe and then take the IQ test. Members of the other group, Group NoWM, are made to drink plain water packaged in WakeMe bottles and then take the IQ test. In this scenario, who among the following exemplifies the control group?

A) members of Group NoWM

B) members of Group WM

C) Sara and her team

D) the team that designs the IQ test

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 26

Topic: Experimental and Control Groups

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

97) An experimenter studies the relationship between caffeine and reaction time. She designs her experiment with four groups. Group one receives 100 mg of caffeine each in their cups of coffee; group two receives 200 mg of caffeine each in their cups of coffee; group three receives 300 mg of caffeine each in their cups of coffee; and group four receives no coffee. Twenty minutes later, participants from all the groups are given a reaction-time test. In this experiment, which group is the control group?

A) group four

B) group three

C) group two

D) group one

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 26

Topic: Experimental and Control Groups

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

98) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ refers to the soundness of the conclusions that a researcher draws from an experiment.

A) Validity

B) Reliability

C) Accuracy

D) Stability

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 26

Topic: Validity

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

99) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ refers to the degree to which an experimental design really reflects the real-world issues it is supposed to address.

A) Internal validity

B) External validity

C) Face validity

D) Reliability

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 26

Topic: Validity

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

100) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ refers to the degree to which changes in the dependent variable are due to the manipulation of the independent variable.

A) Internal validity

B) External validity

C) Face validity

D) Reliability

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 27

Topic: Validity

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

101) In the case of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, one wants to know whether the experimental methods are free from biases and logical errors that may render the results suspect.

A) internal validity

B) external validity

C) face validity

D) reliability

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 27

Topic: Validity

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

102) Brian conducts a study to examine the ability of boys and girls in solving difficult mathematical problems. He expects girls to perform much better than boys and communicates his expectation to the participants in a subtle manner. This is an example of

A) research participant bias.

B) experimenter bias.

C) placebo effect.

D) double-blind experiment.

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 27

Topic: Experimental Bias

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

103) In experimental research, demand characteristics tend to

A) increase the reliability of experimental results.

B) eliminate confounds in a study.

C) threaten the validity of experimental results.

D) affect the duration of a study.

Answer: C

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 27

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

104) Aspects of a study that communicate to the participants how the experimenter wants them to behave are known as

A) research cues.

B) participant effects.

C) confederates.

D) demand characteristics.

Answer: D

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 27

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

105) The placebo effect is an example of a(n)

A) experimenter bias.

B) participant bias.

C) random assignment bias.

D) random selection bias.

Answer: B

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 28

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

106) Which of the following situations occurs when participants' expectations, rather than the experimental treatment, produce an experimental outcome?

A) the placebo effect

B) the third variable problem

C) experimenter bias

D) deception

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 28

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Explain how experimental research can establish cause and effect relationships.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

107) Sonja believes that the pill prescribed to her by the doctor has cured her of anxiety disorder. However, the pill contains no active ingredients. Sonja's belief that she is better now is an example of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ effect.

A) control

B) double-blind

C) confound

D) placebo

Answer: D

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 28

Topic: Experimental Research

Learning Objective: Identify possible sources of experimental bias in research.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

108) In a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, neither the experimenter administering the treatment nor the participants are aware of which participants are in the experimental group and which are in the control group until the results are calculated.

A) double-blind experiment

B) correlational research

C) longitudinal design

D) case study

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 28

Topic: Experimental Bias

Learning Objective: Identify possible sources of experimental bias in research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

109) A(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ allows researchers to identify the specific effects of the independent variable from the possible effects of the experimenter's and the participants' expectations about it.

A) double-blind experiment

B) measure of central tendency

C) meta-analytical study

D) interview

Answer: A

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 28

Topic: Experimental Bias

Learning Objective: Identify possible sources of experimental bias in research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

110) Margaret is appointed as a research director at a well-known pharmaceutical company. She is asked to design a set of research studies that will test the effectiveness of the drugs that are being manufactured by the company. To ensure that experimenter bias and research participant bias do not influence the results, Margaret should design a set of

A) case studies.

B) correlational studies.

C) naturalistic observations.

D) double-blind experiments.

Answer: D

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 28

Topic: Experimental Bias

Learning Objective: Identify possible sources of experimental bias in research.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

111) While conducting research, Dr. Aoki used double-blind experiments to reduce the potential for

A) poor operational definitions.

B) experimenter bias and selection bias.

C) participant bias and social desirability.

D) experimenter bias and participant bias.

Answer: D

Explanation: Types of Psychological Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 28

Topic: Experimental Bias

Learning Objective: Identify possible sources of experimental bias in research.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

112) The subset of a population chosen by an investigator for study is a

A) sample.

B) case.

C) confederate.

D) placebo.

Answer: A

Explanation: Research Samples and Settings

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 29

Topic: Research Samples

Learning Objective: Describe research settings and samples in psychological research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

113) A population is

A) the entire group about which investigators want to draw conclusions.

B) a smaller subset of a group of people researchers want to draw conclusions about.

C) a smaller subset of a group of people about whom researchers want to draw conclusion.

D) randomly defined.

Answer: A

Explanation: Research Samples and Settings

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 29

Topic: Research Samples

Learning Objective: Describe research settings and samples in psychological research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

114) Which of the following best exemplifies a random sample?

A) a sample that consists of all boys whose names begin with an "A"

B) a sample that consists of all girls who have been selected arbitrarily

C) a sample that consists of all women who are 40 years old

D) a sample that consists of all men who have specialized in accounting

Answer: B

Explanation: Research Samples and Settings

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 30

Topic: Research Samples

Learning Objective: Describe research settings and samples in psychological research.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

115) A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a sample that gives every member of the population an equal chance of being selected.

A) stratified sample

B) random sample

C) convenience sample

D) cluster sample

Answer: B

Explanation: Research Samples and Settings

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 30

Topic: Research Samples

Learning Objective: Describe research settings and samples in psychological research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

116) Which of the following is an advantage of conducting psychological research in a laboratory?

A) It is easy to conduct laboratory research without subjects knowing that they are being observed.

B) A laboratory setting is close to the real world and therefore causes subjects to behave naturally.

C) A laboratory is a controlled setting with many of the complex factors of the real world removed.

D) It is possible to study all aspects of the mind and behavior in a laboratory.

Answer: C

Explanation: Research Samples and Settings

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 32

Topic: Research Setting

Learning Objective: Describe research settings and samples in psychological research.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

117) Emma, a psychologist, wants to study the relationship that exists among college girls who stay in hostels. She disguises herself as a college student and shares a dorm with some girls for a month. During her stay, she observes their various behaviors and makes notes when the girls are fast asleep. Which of the following is best exemplified in this scenario?

A) the placebo effect

B) experimenter bias

C) a double-blind experiment

D) naturalistic observation

Answer: D

Explanation: Research Samples and Settings

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 32

Topic: Naturalistic Observation

Learning Objective: Describe research settings and samples in psychological research.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.3: Describe applications of psychology.

118) The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has developed ethics guidelines for its members, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ evaluates the ethical nature of research conducted at their colleges and universities.

A) Institutional Review Board (IRB); American Psychological Association (APA)

B) American Psychological Association (APA); Institutional Review Board (IRB)

C) county government; state government

D) state government; county government

Answer: B

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 34

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

119) According to the principle of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, all participants must know what their participation will involve and what risks might develop.

A) deception

B) informed consent

C) confidentiality

D) freedom from harm

Answer: B

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 34

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

120) According to the principle of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, researchers are responsible for keeping all of the data they gather on individuals completely confidential and, when possible, completely anonymous.

A) deception

B) informed consent

C) confidentiality

D) freedom from harm

Answer: C

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

121) Inmates at a correctional facility take part in an experiment on social development. Once the experiment is over, the correctional officer goes home and tells his roommates about the results of the study and about the inmates who did not perform well. In this scenario, which ethical guideline of psychological research has been violated by the correctional officer?

A) limited deception

B) informed consent

C) freedom from coercion

D) confidentiality

Answer: D

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

122) Which of the following is one of the issues addressed by the ethics guidelines developed by the American Psychological Association?

A) debriefing

B) sampling

C) introspection

D) validity

Answer: A

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

123) After a research study has been completed, the researchers should inform the participants of its purpose and the methods they used. This is in accordance with the principle of

A) deception.

B) informed consent.

C) confidentiality.

D) debriefing.

Answer: D

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

124) In the context of ethical guidelines in psychological research, when data are confidential, it is possible

A) to link a participant's identity to his or her data.

B) to clearly tell participants how they should act during the research.

C) to explain the results of the study to the participants.

D) to share a participant's details with the other participants.

Answer: A

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

125) Olivia, a research student, wants to determine the effect of alcoholism on domestic violence as part of her thesis paper. She realizes that informing the participants of her study about its exact nature will affect the results. The participants are likely to feel ashamed of openly discussing such sensitive issues. In this scenario, which of the following would be the best approach for Olivia?

A) requesting her family members and friends to participate in the study

B) obtaining informed consent from the participants

C) debriefing her participants after the study's completion

D) changing the topic for her thesis

Answer: C

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

126) In the context of ethics guidelines in psychological research, identify a true statement about deception.

A) Participants in studies involving deception are likely to be harmed during the study.

B) Researchers who employ deception in their studies avoid debriefing the participants even after the study's completion.

C) Participants in studies involving deception are unable to withdraw their consent.

D) Researchers who employ deception in their studies must be able to justify lying to participants.

Answer: D

Explanation: Conducting Ethical Research

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.

127) What can you do to become a better consumer of psychology in everyday life?

A) Stay up to date by reading about psychological research online and blogs available from all sources.

B) Avoid overgeneralizing based on little information.

C) Only believe in psychological principles that have been derived on the basis of personal experience.

D) Draw causal conclusions from correlational studies.

Answer: B

Explanation: Learning About Psychology Means Learning About You

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 37

Topic: Profession of Psychology

Learning Objective: Discuss psychological and social tools that promote effective life change.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

128) Which of the following is a guideline to follow to consume psychological information critically and wisely?

A) Consider the source of psychological information.

B) Apply conclusions from a group to an individual.

C) Do not look for answers beyond a single study.

D) Draw causal conclusions from correlational studies.

Answer: A

Explanation: Learning About Psychology Means Learning About You

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 38

Topic: Profession of Psychology

Learning Objective: Discuss psychological and social tools that promote effective life change.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

129) Researchers usually should submit their findings to a journal for review by their colleagues, who make a decision about whether to publish the paper, depending on its scientific merit. This process is known as

A) publishing review.

B) literature review.

C) peer review.

D) subject review.

Answer: C

Explanation: Learning About Psychology Means Learning About You

Difficulty: 1 Easy Page Ref: 38

Topic: Profession of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Remember

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.1: Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.

130) Summarize the three approaches (structuralism, functionalism, evolutionary approach) that shaped the history of psychology.

Answer: Wilhelm Wundt founded the structuralism approach. Structuralism involves identifying the structures of the human mind through the method of introspection. William James founded the functionalist approach. From James's perspective, the key question for psychology is not so much what the mind is (that is, its structures) as what it is for (its purpose or function). James's view was eventually named functionalism. Structuralism is focused on understanding the "what" of the mind, whereas functionalism is focused on understanding the "why." Functionalism fits well with Charles Darwin's evolutionary theory. According to evolutionary theory, species change through random genetic mutation. That means that essentially by accident, some members of a species are born with genetic characteristics that make them different from other members.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 6-7

Topic: History of Psychology

Learning Objective: Describe the history and early foundations of psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

131) Compare and contrast the behavioral and psychodynamic approaches to psychology.

Answer: According to behaviorists, rewards and punishments determine our behavior. Behavior is primarily seen as driven by the environmental forces. Skinner believed that psychology should focus on explicit behaviors and should not concern itself with that which cannot be seen and/or measured. In contrast, the psychodynamic approach suggests that unconscious conflicts and drives determine our behavior. Behavior is primarily seen as driven by unconscious conflicts and early childhood experiences. Practitioners of this approach believe that sexual and aggressive impulses buried deep within the unconscious mind influence the way people think, feel, and behave. Freud's theory was the basis for the therapeutic technique that he called psychoanalysis, which involves an analyst's unlocking a person's unconscious conflicts by talking with the individual about his or her childhood memories, dreams, thoughts, and feelings.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 9-10

Topic: Approaches to Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

132) Explain the cognitive approach to psychology.

Answer: According to cognitive psychologists, your brain houses a "mind" whose mental processes allow you to remember, make decisions, plan, set goals, and be creative. The cognitive approach, then, emphasizes the mental processes involved in knowing: how we direct our attention, perceive, remember, think, and solve problems. Cognitive psychologists view the mind as an active and aware problem-solving system. This view contrasts with the behavioral outlook, which portrays behavior as controlled by external environmental forces. In the cognitive perspective, an individual's mental processes are in control of behavior through memories, perceptions, images, and thinking.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 10

Topic: Cognitive Approach

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

133) Summarize the seven contemporary approaches to psychology with the help of a suitable example.

Answer: The seven approaches to studying psychology provide different views of behavior, and therefore each may contribute uniquely valuable insights. Think about the simple experience of seeing a cute puppy. Looking at that puppy involves physical processes in the eyes, nervous system, and brain—the focus of the biological approach to psychology. The moment you spot that puppy, though, you might smile without thinking and reach down to pet the little guy. That reaction might be a learned response based on your past learning with your own dog (behavioral perspective), or unconscious memories of a childhood dog (psychodynamic perspective), or conscious memories that you especially like this breed of dogs (cognitive perspective), or even evolutionary processes that promoted cuteness to help offspring survive (evolutionary approach). You might find yourself striking up a conversation with the puppy's owner, based on your shared love of dogs (humanistic perspective). Further, sociocultural factors might play a role in your decision about whether to ask the owner if holding the puppy would be okay, whether to share those warm feelings about the puppy with others, and even whether (as in some cultures) to view that puppy as food.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 8-11

Topic: Approaches to Psychology

Learning Objective: Summarize the key characteristics of the major approaches to psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

134) Summarize the five steps of the scientific method.

Answer: Step 1 involves observing a phenomenon and thinking about theories that can explain these observations. Step 2 involves formulating an educated guess or hypothesis. A hypothesis is derived from a theory, and offers a prediction that can be tested. Step 3 requires that the researchers provide operational definitions of the variable they are studying. The researchers then begin the process of empirical research by collecting and analyzing data. In step 4 researchers draw conclusions from their results. It is important that research is replicated using different investigators and different methods. Replicable research results strengthen the validity and reliability of the scientists' conclusions. Finally, in step 5 of the scientific method, researchers submit their work for publication and it undergoes rigorous review. The research community is constantly evaluating and questioning conclusions in that after step 5, researchers begin the scientific method over again as they seek to revise their theory, methods, and so on.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 13-16

Topic: Scientific Method

Learning Objective: Summarize the scientific method.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

135) Compare and contrast the three types of research methods (descriptive, correlational, and experimental) used by psychologists.

Answer: Descriptive research methods involve discovering the basic dimensions of the variables being studied (for example, how often do teens play video games?). Observations, interviews, surveys, and case studies are examples of descriptive research methods. Correlational research methods examine the relationships between variables (for example, is video game play associated with aggression?). Correlations inform researchers about the magnitude and direction of association between two variables. However, correlation is not causation. Experimental research methods are useful for establishing causal relationships between variables (for example, does video game play cause aggression?). In an experiment, a researcher manipulates the independent variable and examines the effect on the dependent variable. Participants are randomly assigned to either the control group or experimental group. In sum, these research methods correspond to the major goals of the science of psychology. Descriptive methods allow researchers to describe human behavior, correlational methods allow researchers to predict human behavior, and experimental studies allow researchers to explain human behavior.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 17-23

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

136) Briefly describe the importance of surveys and interviews as descriptive research methods.

Answer: Sometimes the best and quickest way to get information about people is to ask them for it. One technique is to interview them directly. A related method that is especially useful when information from many people is needed is the survey, or questionnaire. A survey presents a standard set of questions, or items, to obtain people's self-reported attitudes or beliefs about a particular topic. Although surveys can be a straightforward way to measure psychological variables, constructing them requires care. One particular problem with surveys and interviews is the tendency of participants to answer questions in a way that will make them look good rather than in a way that communicates what they truly think or feel. Another challenge in survey construction is that when questionnaires are used to operationally define variables, it is crucial that the items precisely probe the specific topic of interest and not some other characteristic. The language used in surveys therefore must be clear and understandable if the responses are to reflect the participants' actual feelings. Surveys and interviews can cover a wide range of topics, from religious beliefs to sexual habits to attitudes about gun control. Some survey and interview questions are unstructured and open-ended. Such questions allow for unique responses from each person surveyed. Other survey and interview questions are more structured and ask about quite specific things.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 18

Topic: Descriptive Research

Learning Objective: Describe the types of research that are used in psychology.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

137) Your local newspaper publishes the result of a current scientific study that shows exercise is positively correlated with happiness. The correlation coefficient is +.72. Interpret what this result means.

Answer: In this case, the result of +.72 suggests that exercise and happiness are associated. As exercise increases, happiness increases. If an individual's score on one variable is known, the score on the other variable can be predicted. Although exercise and happiness are related, one should not conclude that exercise causes happiness.

Difficulty: 3 Hard Page Ref: 20

Topic: Correlational Research

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Apply

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

138) Describe the third variable problem with a suitable example.

Answer: Sometimes some other variable that has not been measured accounts for the relationship between two others. Researchers refer to this circumstance as the third variable problem. Third variable problem refers to a circumstance where a variable that has not been measured accounts for the relationship between two other variables. To understand the third variable problem, consider the following example. A researcher measures two variables: the number of ice cream cones sold in a town and the number of violent crimes that occur in that town throughout the year. The researcher finds that ice cream cone sales and violent crimes are positively correlated, to the magnitude of + .50. This high positive correlation would indicate that as ice cream sales increase, so does violent crime. Would it be reasonable for the local paper to run the headline "Ice Cream Consumption Leads to Violence"? Should concerned citizens gather outside the local Frosty Freeze to stop the madness? Probably not. Perhaps you have already thought of the third variable that might explain this correlation—heat. Third variables are also called confounds.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 21-22

Topic: Variables

Learning Objective: Describe how correlational research determines the relationship between two sets of variables.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 1.2: Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.

139) Describe the four issues addressed by the American Psychological Association (APA) guidelines.

Answer: The four issues that are addressed by the American Psychological Association (APA) guidelines are: informed consent, confidentiality, debriefing, and deception. Informed consent: All participants must know what their participation will involve and what risks might develop. Participants also should be informed that in some instances a discussion of the issues might improve their relationships but that in others it might worsen the relationships and possibly end them. Even after informed consent is given, participants must retain the right to withdraw from the study at any time and for any reason. Confidentiality: Researchers are responsible for keeping all of the data they gather on individuals completely confidential and, when possible, completely anonymous. Confidential data are not the same as anonymous. When data are confidential, it is possible to link a participant's identity to his or her data. Debriefing: After the study has been completed, the researchers should inform the participants of its purpose and the methods they used. In most cases, the experimenters also can inform participants in a general manner beforehand about the purpose of the research without leading the participants to behave in a way that they think that the experimenters are expecting. Deception: This is an ethical issue that psychologists debate extensively. In some circumstances, telling the participants beforehand what the research study is about substantially alters the participants' behavior and invalidates the researcher's data. In all cases of deception, however, the psychologist must ensure that the deception will not harm the participants and that the participants will be told the true nature of the study (will be debriefed) as soon as possible after the study is completed.

Difficulty: 2 Medium Page Ref: 35

Topic: Ethics

Learning Objective: Summarize ethical concerns regarding the use of animals and humans as participants in experimental research.

Bloom's: Understand

Accessibility: Keyboard Navigation

APA Outcome: 3.1: Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.