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DOP 111 :CRITICAL THINKING AND ACADEMIC WRITING IN HEALTH

DATE: 28TH NOVEMBER 2022

DURATION: 2 HOURS

Start: 2:00 PM

Finish: 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This exam is out of 70 marks
2. This Examination comprises THREE Sections. Section A: Multiple Choice Questions (20 marks) Section B: Short Answer Questions (30 marks) and Section C: Long Answer Questions (20 marks)
3. Answer ALL Questions.
4. Do Not write anything on the question paper -use the back of your booklet for rough work if need be.
5. This online exam shall take 2 Hours
6. Late submission of the answers will not be accepted
7. Ensure your web-camera is on at all times during the examination period
8. No movement is allowed during the examination
9. Idling of your machine for 5 min or more will lead to lock out from the exam
10. The Learning Management System (LMS) has inbuilt integrity checks to detect cheating
11. Any aspect of cheating detected during and or after the exam administration will lead to nullification of your exam
12. In case you have any questions call the Head of Department
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SECTION A: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

(20 MARKS)

1. Critical thinking concerns:

- A. Determining the cause of our beliefs
- B. Pinpointing the psychological basis of our beliefs
- C. Determining the quality of our beliefs
- D. Assessing the practical impact of our beliefs

2. A belief is worth accepting if: -

- A. We have good reasons to accept it
- B. It is consistent with our needs
- C. It has not been proven wrong
- D. It is accepted by our peers

3. The word critical in critical thinking refers to: -

- A. A fault-finding attitude
- B. Attempts to win an argument
- C. Using careful judgment or judicious evaluation
- D. A lack of respect for other people

4. Critical thinking complements:

- A. Our prejudices
- B. Our emotions
- C. Peer pressure
- D. Our unconscious desires

5. A statement is:

- A. A question or exclamation
- B. An affirmation of prior beliefs
- C. An assertion that something is or is not the case
- D. An assertion that is neither true nor false

6. Statements backed by good reasons are:

- A. Worthy of strong acceptance
- B. To be believed with certainty
- C. Never false
- D. Beyond all possible doubt

7. The statements (reasons) given in support of another statement are called:

- A. An argument
- B. The conclusion
- C. The premises
- D. The complement

9. The statement that premises are intended to support is called:
- A. A related premise
 - B. An argument
 - C. A description
 - D. The conclusion
10. The process of reasoning from a premise or premises to a conclusion based on those premises is known as:
- A. Extended reasoning
 - B. Subordinate premise
 - C. Dialectic
 - D. Inference
11. Words that frequently accompany arguments and signal that a premise or conclusion is present is called:
- A. Inference words
 - B. Premise indicators
 - C. Indicator words
 - D. Equivalent words
12. A word that is not a premise indicator word is:
- A. Therefore
 - B. As
 - C. Since
 - D. For
13. The following is not a characteristic of a critical thinker:
- A. They use logical skills in reasoning.
 - B. They refuse to recognize the limitations of his mind and consistently pursue excellence.
 - C. They think independently and do not always succumb to peer pressure.
 - D. He upholds the standards of critical thinking.
14. When you encounter information, what should be kept in mind?
- A. Is it current?
 - B. Is it complete?
 - C. Is it accurate?
 - D. All of the above
15. Which of these can be considered thinking critically?
- A. Thinking emotionally
 - B. Thinking logically
 - C. Think actively and be aware of potential problems in the information you encounter.
 - D. None of the above

16. What is the worst thing for a critical thinker?

- A. A logical mind
- B. An emotional mind
- C. Reaching to conclusion too soon.
- D. None of the above

17. What should you NOT rely on when making a judgment call?

- A. intuition
- B. common sense
- C. gossip
- D. past experience

18. How can critical thinking improve your chances of making better choices?

answer choices

- A. Critical thinking helps you pick the correct and best choice for all situations
- B. Critical thinking helps you explore only your own perspective and no others
- C. Critical thinking helps you examine information and make unreasonable choices
- D. Critical thinking provides you the tools to sift through complex information logically

19. Considering the implications of a decision means:

- A. Examining its potential outcomes and effects
- B. Asking questions to determine your goal
- C. Gathering information to weigh out options
- D. Determining whether information is logical

20. When making a decision, what is the main purpose of gathering facts and information?

- A. To make sure your assumptions are illogical
- B. To weigh out various options or choices
- C. To ignore the implications of your choices
- D. To explore your own perspective and point of view

SECTION B: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

1. Discuss the principles of academic writing. (10mks)
2. Discuss ethical concerns in a research paper (10mks)
3. Gaining the attention of an audience is key while writing a thesis. Explain ways in which one would start an interesting and relevant introduction (10mks)
4. Evaluate what is entailed in the following: A thesis statement, Introductory statement, Body. (10mks)

SECTION C: LONG ANSWER QUESTION: ANSWER ONE QUESTION

1. What should you do to improve your academic writing style (20MKS)
2. The Police Service in your country is worried about the high incidence of Gender- based Violence in your country. You have been identified and recognized by the Inspector-General of Police as a high-flying scholar. The IGP has asked you to write a structured and compendious report for her perusal on the topic of gender-based violence. Write your report. (20mks)

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