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1. The spatial zone that Hall called social distance
 - a. Eliminates personal communication between individuals
 - b. Is usually maintained by some kind of physical barrier
 - c. Allows good eye contact and sense of being personal
 - d. Is usually found in contact sports

2. Which of the following statements can be made about case study method?
 - a. It is a social microscope of a person, a social institution, a community or any such cases employing qualitative analysis
 - b. It involves diagnosis and identification of antecedent factors as a basis for remedial or developmental treatment
 - c. It is the method of post-facto analysis of significant psychosocial episodes or life-events

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a. 1 and 2
 - b. 1 and 3
 - c. 2 and 3
 - d. 1,2 and 3
3. Match List-I (Research Methods) with List-II (Basic Problems) and select the correct answer:

List-I	List-II
A. Case study	1. Respondents may distort their response to make them socially acceptable

B. Correlational research	2. Difficulties in generalizing to the population at large
C. Observation	3. The behaviour of the persons may change, when they are aware of the process of data collection
D. Survey research	4. The findings show the nature of association but not cause-and-effect relationship

A B C D

a. 2 3 4 1

b. 1 4 3 2

c. 1 3 4 2

d. 2 4 3 1

4. Consider the following types of investigation:

- Field experiment
- Laboratory experiment
- Ex-post facto field study

The typical sequential arrangement of these investigations in descending order in terms of the researcher's ability to control secondary variance would be

- 1,2, 3
- 2,1, 3
- 2,3, 1
- 3,1, 2

5. In an experimental study of the effects of a new drug on depression a double-blind control technique is used. Which of the following persons should NOT be informed as to which drug, experimental or placebo, is being administered to each individual research participant?

- Research participants in the experimental group
- Research participants in the control group
- Persons administering the drug
- Persons evaluating the drug effect

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a. 2 only
 - b. 1 and 3
 - c. 1,2 and 4
 - d. 1,2, 3 and 4
6. Which one of the following is the most essential characteristic of the experimental method?
- a. Active manipulation of the independent variable
 - b. Ability to test complex hypotheses
 - c. Precise measurement and recording of the dependent variables
 - d. Use of sophisticated tools and equipment
7. A psychologist investigating child abuse wants to test the hypothesis that those parents who abuse their children were frequently mistreated themselves by their parents when they were younger. Which one of the following methods is suitable for this purpose?
- a. Case study
 - b. Introspection
 - c. Correlational method
 - d. Survey method
8. The mean and standard deviation for English marks of fifty students in a class were calculated. Later, since the results were judged to be strict, it was decided to give five additional marks to every student. This process
- a. Would not change mean and standard deviation
 - b. Would change mean but not standard deviation
 - c. Would change standard deviation but not mean
 - d. Would change both mean and standard deviation
9. Match List-I (Psychometric concept) with List-II (Description) and select the correct answer:

List-I	List-II
A. Objectivity	1. Uniformity in administering and scoring the test
B. Reliability	2. Yielding consistent and stable scores

C. Standardization	3. Scoring a test in accordance with a key, and independently of personal bias
D. Validity	4. Being able to assess the intended characteristic/trait

A B C D

- a. 1 2 3 4
- b. 3 4 1 2
- c. 3 2 1 4
- d. 1 4 3 2
10. The new intelligence test would be of
- Satisfactory predictive validity
 - Unsatisfactory predictive validity
 - Satisfactory content validity
 - Unsatisfactory content validity
11. The new intelligence test would have
- Satisfactory parallel from reliability
 - Unsatisfactory parallel from reliability
 - Satisfactory internal consistency reliability
 - None of the above
12. A psychologist developed a test for the army. Since the army unit in which he was collecting the data had to move out shortly, he could not administer the test twice to the same sample. By correlating which of the following, could he get some assessment of the reliability?
- The scores based on odd items and the scores based on even items
 - Each item-score with every other itemscore
 - The scores based on randomly formed two halves of the test

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a. 1 alone

- b. 2 alone
 - c. 2 and 3
 - d. 1,2 and 3
13. The only function of a particular neuron in the spinal cord is to send messages to the brain, This neuron is labeled as an
- a. Afferent neuron
 - b. Association neuron
 - c. Efferent neuron
 - d. Interneuron
14. Which one of the following is true of neural impulses in a single neuron?
- a. The strength of a neural impulse is the same each time the neuron fires
 - b. The strength of a neural impulse decreases as the strength of the incoming message gets stronger
 - c. The strength of a neural impulse increases as the strength of the incoming message gets stronger
 - d. The neuron may fire during the absolute refractory period
15. Which one of the following neurotransmitters plays an inhibitory role in the regulation of emotions, learning, memory, wakefulness and arousal?
- a. Acetylcholine
 - b. Dopamine
 - c. Norepinephrine
 - d. Serotonin