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Chapter 1

1. A study has ecological validity when it

A. Is conducted in natural conditions

B. Is conducted in artificial conditions

C. Is conducted in a laboratory

D. Can identify cause and effect

2. A psychological experiment always involves

A. Manipulating conditions

B. Asking questions

C. At least interval level measurement

D. A laboratory

3. A major problem of observation is

A. The need to be selective

B. Boredom

C. Getting distracted

D. Staying unobserved yourself

4. Informed consent involves

A. Participants giving their agreement to take part in the research knowing what it entails

B. Participants being told that they must identify the statements in a questionnaire with which they agree

C. Asking participants after a study why they agreed with certain statements

D. Telling participants about a hypothetical situation and asking whether they agree that a certain outcome is likely

Chapter 2

1. Boolean operators are

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A. Ways to help to narrow searches in databases

B. Unique codes to identify journal articles

C. Organisations which supply inter-library loans

D. Learned societies

2. Reliability assesses whether

A. A measure will produce the same result when taken on different occasions

B. A participant perceives the study as investigating what the researcher intends

C. All members of a research team behaved ethically

D. A participant was appropriate for the condition into which he or she was assigned

3. Validity is to do with whether q

A. Measure is measuring what the researchers intended

B. Variable is a confounding variable

C. Measure has good specificity

D. Hypothesis is appropriately worded

4. A pilot study is

A. A test run of a study on a few participants

B. A study using a flight simulator

C. The main study after researchers have practised the procedure

D. A study in which the sample is chosen to be representative of the population of airline pilots.

Chapter 3

1. An independent variable is a variable which

A. Is thought to influence another variable

B. Changes as a result of manipulation in a study

C. Is thought not to be relevant to the current study

D. Doesn’t interact with other variables in a study

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2. External validity is to do with whether

A. The results of a study can be generalised

B. A measure gives the same result as a previous measure

C. A causal link can be identified

D. A study is considered by an ethics panel to be acceptable

3. A Null Hypothesis in an experiment

A. States that there will be no difference between groups after the study is conducted

B. Is the score that a person will achieve if he or she is in the control group

C. Is that, due to random allocation, participants in different groups will not differ before a study

D. Is that those in a placebo condition will be affected by the study

4. Attrition is

A. The loss of participants from a study

B. Where a participant scores less on a second occasion than on the first

C. When participants are given too much to do in a study

D. When participants don’t put any effort into performing a task

Chapter 4

1. A between-subjects design is also referred to as

A. An independent design

B. A matched design

C. A non-independent design

D. A repeated measures design

2. A balanced design

A. Has the same number of participants in each condition

B Has the same number of conditions in each variable

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C. Has as many control conditions as there are treatment conditions

D. Is a design which doesn't put too much of a burden on participants

3. A mixed design

A. Is also known as a split-plot design

B. Has different participants in each condition

C. Involves participants doing more than one task

D. Is also known as a nested design

4. When testing whether an intervention works

A. Include a control condition

B. Try to use conditions which are ecologically valid

C. Debrief participants after they have taken part in the study

D. Include a range of participants

Chapter 5

1. Demographic questions refer to such topics as:

A. Age and gender

B. Health and happiness

C. Smoking and drinking

D. Opinions and attitudes

2. Open-ended questions

A. Do not limit respondents to a list of options

B. Include negatively worded items

C. Are not complete

D. Are ambiguous

3. A filter question

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