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Chapter 01: Multiple Choice

1. What is one difference between a college and a university?
   a. Colleges are private, and universities are public.
   b. Universities offer graduate degrees, and colleges tend not to do so.
   c. Colleges are named after important people, and universities are named after locations.
   d. Universities are typically smaller than colleges.

ANSWER: b

2. About how many high school graduates enrolled in a college or university in 2016?
   a. 500,000
   b. 125,000
   c. 1.5 million
   d. 4.5 million

ANSWER: c

3. Which of the following is *not* one of the "very important" reasons students cited for going to college in 2016?
   a. to be able to get a better job
   b. to become a famous person
   c. to be able to make more money
   d. to become a more cultured person

ANSWER: b

4. Which of the following objectives for going to college was endorsed by the lowest percentage of students before their first year of college?
   a. helping others who are experiencing difficulty
   b. being very well off financially
   c. becoming an authority in their field
   d. developing a meaningful philosophy of life

ANSWER: d

5. What percentage of students claimed to be satisfied after their first year of college?
   a. 75%
   b. 90%
   c. 45%
   d. 58%

ANSWER: a

6. Among students going to college in the fall of 2016, what percentage of freshmen indicated psychology as their likely major?
   a. 2%
   b. less than 4.5%
   c. less than 1%

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d. 7%

ANSWER: b

7. Which is the *most* popular social science major?
   a. sociology
   b. economics
   c. political science
   d. psychology

ANSWER: d

8. What is the *most* likely destiny of psychology graduates?
   a. becoming clinical psychologists
   b. going to graduate school
   c. getting a job in the workforce
   d. going on welfare

ANSWER: c

9. What is the estimated difference in earning potential over one's lifetime that is facilitated by achieving a college degree?
   a. $200,000
   b. $500,000
   c. $1 million
   d. $3 million

ANSWER: b

10. In 2013, American college graduates earned _____% more per hour compared with those who did not possess a degree.
   a. 50
   b. 25
   c. 83
   d. 98

ANSWER: d

11. What is the average debt load from student loans carried by college graduates from the class of 2017?
   a. $25,900
   b. $37,172
   c. $10,000
   d. $77,000

ANSWER: b

12. What is the definition of cocurricular activities?

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a. campus events that are scheduled at the same time as classes
b. campus athletic obligations
c. employment on campus
d. activities that take place outside of formal classes

ANSWER: d

13. Which of the following is *not* a cocurricular activity?
a. joining a fraternity or sorority
b. participating in a Harry Potter Club
c. enrolling in a political science class
d. volunteering in a community organization

ANSWER: c

14. About what percentage of first-year college students reported finding a balance between their academic work and their extracurricular activities?
a. close to 80%
b. close to 10%
c. close to 35%
d. close to 95%

ANSWER: a

15. What is the *best* rationale for pursuing extracurricular activities?
a. to get every penny's worth of your tuition dollars
b. to allocate more time to in-depth study in the major
c. to have a constructive outlet to renew your energy and outlook
d. to prove you are well rounded

ANSWER: c

16. Developing expertise in the subject area of psychology has been referred to as being psychologically:
a. enriched.
b. literate.
c. autonomous.
d. immersed.

ANSWER: b

17. When a person is overconfident regarding the quality of his or her own performance, the individual is likely demonstrating:
a. psychological reactance.
b. the Dunning-Kruger effect.
c. the anchoring effect.
d. loss aversion.

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ANSWER: b

18. What is a characteristic of psychologically literate students?
    a. They are quick to analyze the motives of others.
    b. They tend to act out of self-interest.
    c. They are skeptical when evaluating claims about behavior.
    d. They prefer associating with other psychology majors.

ANSWER: c

19. As of 2013, approximately what percentage of American adults had completed a 4-year degree?
    a. 32%
    b. 58%
    c. 73%
    d. 21%

ANSWER: a

20. Attending college is a(an):
    a. privilege.
    b. right.
    c. obligation.
    d. burden.

ANSWER: a

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Chapter 01: Essay

1. List four of the eight reasons that first-year students in 2016 reported as "very important" for going to college.

ANSWER: Suggested Answer:
Any four of the following eight:
- to be able to get a better job
- to gain a general education and appreciation of ideas
- to become a more cultured person
- to be able to make more money
- to learn about things of personal interest
- to get training for a specific career
- to prepare myself for graduate or professional school
- to please my family

2. Is attending college worth the costs involved?

ANSWER: Suggested Answer:
All signs continue to suggest that a college degree is a sound investment. College graduates make much more money during their careers than do high school graduates (college grads were found to make on average 98% more per hour compared to those without a degree), and the type of work they are eligible to do is often more interesting and engaging. Although the average debt load is approximately $37,000, college graduates can anticipate earning at least half a million dollars more on average than nongraduates, so the risks involved are probably worth it.

3. How can students make the most out of their college experiences?

ANSWER: Suggested Answer:
Besides studying and doing well in their classes, students are advised to take advantage of the extracurricular opportunities that are available to them. These include participating in sports teams, clubs, social organizations, volunteer efforts, student government, and other campus groups. Finding a good balance between course work and recreational pursuits is likely to provide a worthwhile experience.

4. What is psychological literacy? What does it mean to become psychologically literate?

ANSWER: Suggested Answer:
Psychological literacy involves learning a great deal about psychology and using that knowledge to improve one's own and others' daily lives. Becoming psychologically literate entails qualities like these:
Solving problems in creative, amiable, and skeptical ways
Having a well-defined vocabulary of psychological terms and concepts
Appreciating and respecting diversity, diverse groups, and people
Being reflective about one's own thought processes and those of others
Becoming adept at evaluating information and using technology
Being eager to apply psychology principles to understanding and improving personal relationships, work issues, and community events
Being able to act ethically and not out of self-interest
Being good at communicating and doing so in different ways (writing, speaking, public presentations) to different types of people and audiences

5. List some reasons indicating that attending college is likely to be a good choice for a student.

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ANSWER: Suggested Answer:
Has a clear understanding of motives for seeking a degree
Previous academic record predicts a successful transition to college
Can set aside the time it will take to secure a diploma
Has determined eligibility for financial aid
Has considered what kind of living arrangements will be affordable
Has some reasonable idea about what major might be a good choice
Possesses reasonable time-management strategies to keep up with course work
Will be excited to learn with a wide variety of people
Can live and function independently from family members
Will be able to balance family and friends with school demands
Should be able to cope with any debt load resulting from cost of education
Is prepared to seek academic advice to clarify direction during college

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