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Multiple Choice (16)

Q1. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which of the following approaches is most closely associated with the idea that much of our social behaviour is determined by our concern with increasing the opportunities to pass on our genes?

a) Discursive psychology
b) Critical theory
c) Situationalist approaches
d) Evolutionary psychology ✓ correct

Q2. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which approach in social psychology is most closely associated with the idea that talk can be understood as *doing* or *accomplishing* interaction?

a) Rational actor theory
b) Situationalist approaches
c) Discursive psychology ✓ correct
d) Evolutionary psychology

Q3. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which of the following approaches considers the ways in which social behaviours are understood in terms of the broader social context in which they occur?

a) Cognitive approaches
b) Evolutionary approaches
c) Critical theory ✓ correct
d) Discursive psychology

Q4. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which of the following ideas is *most closely* associated with cognitive approaches to social psychology?

a) Much of our social behaviour can be understood as a consequence of the way in which we think about social stimuli ✓ correct
b) It is important to emphasise collective or shared beliefs and understandings that circulate in society
c) Interaction is intricately organized – to understand it, careful attention needs to be paid to the action being accomplished within specific sequential positions
d) Much of our social behaviour is determined by our concern with increasing the opportunities to pass on our genes

Q5. *[Multiple Choice]*

The discursive approach understands talk as:

a) Expressing unconscious desires
b) Doing or accomplishing interaction ✓ correct
c) Reflecting underlying cognition
d) Less effective at conveying affect than non-verbal communication

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Q6. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which of the following is the best example of a situationalist perspective in social psychology?

a) Lorenz's idea that aggression has an instinctual basis

b) Billig's work on rhetorical social psychology

c) Tajfel's idea that categorisation saves thinking effort

d) Zimbardo's idea that role shapes behaviour ✓ correct

Q7. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which approach in social psychology most explicitly emphasises the logical self-interest of our decision making and behaviour?

a) Discursive psychology

b) Rational actor theory ✓ correct

c) Cognitive consistency theory

d) Evolutionary psychology

Q8. *[Multiple Choice]*

According to Billig (2008) what are the potential problems with believing that psychology started with the establishment of Wundt's laboratory?

a) It underestimates the importance of experimental research in the development of social psychological thinking

b) It underestimates the importance of cognitively orientated research in the development of social psychological research

c) It underestimates the extent to which critical perspectives have been a crucial and long-established dimension to social psychological thinking ✓ correct

d) It underestimates the importance of subsequent experimental and cognitive research in social psychology

Q9. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which of the following best describes what critical social psychologists see as one of the key problems with conceptualising social phenomena in terms of individuals?

a) It can draw attention away from societal issues and portray the individual person as responsible for social ills ✓ correct

b) It can underestimate the importance of personal factors in social phenomena

c) It can underestimate the importance of social cognition in understanding social phenomena

d) It can draw attention away from intergroup aspects to social phenomena and see the person separate from their group membership and their social identity

Q10. *[Multiple Choice]*

What did Wundt mean when he argued that psychological knowledge gained from experiments should be supplemented with v■lkerspsychologie?

a) Latest relevant technological equipment must be used in laboratory experiments

b) Care should be taken to remove cultural bias on the part of experimenters

c) There should be an examination of language myth and custom ✓ correct

d) The knowledge should be supplemented with the understandings within the psychological community

Q11. *[Multiple Choice]*

Blum (2018), Le Texier (2019) and Haslam et al. (2019) suggest that participant guards in Zimbardo's Stanford Prison Experiment were informed that aggressive guard behaviour could increase the positive social impact of the research. What implications could this have for our understanding of why guards behaved as they did in Zimbardo's experiment?

a) It confirms Zimbardo's role theory account

b) It raises the possibility that guards enacted aggression as a result of information about its potential link to social reform ✓ correct

c) It confirms Zimbardo's idea that in certain circumstances deindivduation can arise and may lead to aggressive behaviour

d) It raises the issue that guards may have acted on the basis of individual personality traits

Q12. *[Multiple Choice]*

Which of the following best describes the core concern in social psychology's 'replication crisis' from 2011?

a) The identification that findings in one experiment were often not confirmed in later experiments ✓ correct

b) The issue with social psychologists replicating each other's research focus and methodology

c) A concern about plagiarism within academic social psychology

d) A concern that social psychology could not replicate the great advances in the discipline made in previous eras

Q13. *[Multiple Choice]*

What do famous ambiguous or reversable figures such as the images duck/rabbit images demonstrate in the context of*social*psychology?

a) Role of expectations in shaping interpretation of ambiguous stimuli ✓ correct

b) Reliability of sensory perception

c) Universal nature of visual perception

d) Insignificance of background knowledge in perception

Q14. *[Multiple Choice]*

According to Kuhn, why don't scientific communities radically revise their fundamental assumptions with every new piece of research?

a) Because of the overwhelming amount of supporting empirical evidence

b) Due to the empirical research being shaped by paradigmatic assumptions ✓ correct

c) Because new research always aligns with existing theories

d) Owing to the lack of alternative theoretical frameworks

Q15. *[Multiple Choice]*

Thomas Kuhn's concept of 'paradigms' in social psychology refers to:

a) The frameworks guiding how research should be conducted and interpreted ✓ correct

b) A strict set of rules that all researchers must follow

c) An outdated scientific methodology

d) The process of peer review in scientific publications

Q16. *[Multiple Choice]*

The controversy surrounding the interpretation of Reicher and Haslam's BBC prison study highlights what aspect of social psychological research?

a) The irrelevance of empirical evidence in theoretical debates

b) The clear-cut nature of experimental results

c) Uniformity in theoretical approaches among social psychologists

d) Different interpretations of data reflect theoretical commitments ✓ correct