

CLEP Introductory Psychology Examination Guide

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1. Which of the following steps is most likely to maximize performance on an exam?

- (A) Reading the lecture notes out loud while studying
 - (B) Wearing the same clothes while studying and taking the exam
 - (C) Studying with other people known to do well on exams
 - (D) Connecting new material to personally relevant examples
 - (E) Studying for the exam in a noisy setting to improve selective attention
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2. Which of the following is the independent variable in the study?

Researchers are exploring affect contagion in mothers and infants... They conclude that mothers can pass stress on to their infants.

- (A) Type of feedback
 - (B) The topic of the speech
 - (C) Infants' heart rates after being reunited with their mothers
 - (D) Mothers' heart rates after the task
 - (E) Ages of mothers and infants
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3. According to the facial feedback hypothesis, which activity will most help relieve sadness?

- (A) Staring at pictures of happy people
 - (B) Looking at happy photos of yourself
 - (C) Moving your eyebrows up and down
 - (D) Looking at photos of people worse off than yourself
 - (E) Arranging your facial muscles into a smile
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4. Robert Sternberg's concept of analytical intelligence is best illustrated by

- (A) a musical prodigy
 - (B) a salesperson who exceeds a sales quota for the fifth straight month
 - (C) a marriage counselor working with a couple in the middle of a divorce
 - (D) an award-winning novelist
 - (E) a student who wins a citywide math competition
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5. An infant's emotional reactivity and intensity is referred to as its

- (A) Attitude
 - (B) Emotionality
 - (C) Heritability
 - (D) Personality
 - (E) Temperament
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6. In Abraham Maslow's hierarchy of needs, which must be satisfied before all others?

- (A) Social
 - (B) Esteem
 - (C) Safety
 - (D) Physiological
 - (E) Self-actualization
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7. Musicians who often play loud concerts may experience damage to their cochleas, causing which change in their sensory abilities?

- (A) Loss of high-pitched frequency hearing
 - (B) Vertigo when traveling by car
 - (C) Inability to hear any loud noises
 - (D) Greater sensitivity to bright light
 - (E) Hallucinations in dimly lit rooms
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8. According to Jean Piaget, during which period of cognitive development is thinking generally described as egocentric and illogical?

- (A) Preoperational
 - (B) Concrete operational
 - (C) Formal operational
 - (D) Sensorimotor
 - (E) Postconventional
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9. Which of the following allows a person with vision in only one eye to perceive depth?

- (A) Retinal disparity
 - (B) Stereopsis
 - (C) Convergence
 - (D) Lateral inhibition
 - (E) Linear perspective
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10. An early approach that emphasized knowing the purpose of consciousness is

- (A) Behaviorism
- (B) Humanism
- (C) Structuralism
- (D) Functionalism
- (E) Psychoanalysis