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Model-Question paper

Duration: 2 hours

Max Marks 140

Note : This is a sample paper. The main examination paper will be online and consists of 35 questions each in section A and section B

Section A: Research Methodology

1. Essence of both basic and applied research lies in
 - a. market orientation
 - b. scientific method
 - c. performance monitoring research
 - d. costing methods
2. Which of the following is the first step in starting the research process?
 - a. Searching sources of information to locate problem
 - b. Survey of related literature
 - c. Identification of problem
 - d. Searching for solutions to the problem
3. Before searching you should define the timeframe of your search. Why?
 - a. So, you don't find the library busy
 - b. So, you find the most articles
 - c. So, you work when you are most efficient
 - d. So, you do not incur unnecessary costs
4. Why is it important for a researcher to review the literature?
 - a. Because it is traditional
 - b. Because it will find if anyone has done the work before
 - c. Because it identifies like-minded researchers
 - d. Because it shows time has been spent on the subject
5. The literature review will examine:
 - a. all aspects of a topic
 - b. only facts
 - c. only one side of the main argument
 - d. only opinions
6. What do you think might happen if you started a research project, but hadn't written any clear research objectives?
 - a. Confusion about the limits of study
 - b. Collection of data is unlimited
 - c. Identify barriers and concerns
 - d. Only a is correct
 - e. Both a & b is correct

7. Surveying the literature involves
- narrow the problem itself
 - identify the gaps
 - limited information about the existing theories
 - b is correct
 - both a & b is correct
8. The purpose of attribution is
- similar to citation
 - not similar to citation
 - used to quote (or paraphrase all or a portion of an openly licensed work)
 - both a & c
 - none of the above
9. Who is responsible for plagiarism?
- Lecturers and supervisors
 - The participant
 - Institution
 - The researcher
 - All of the above
10. How do you prepare for presentation?
- Writing main argument or conclusion
 - Writing the main points as headings
 - Timing the presentation & discuss the main issue by clear opening and closing line remarks
 - All of the above
 - Only a & b

Section B: Biotechnology

1. Process Optimization is a mathematical discipline that focuses on finding:
- Maxima points of a process
 - Maxima and minima points of a process
 - Minima points of a process
 - None of the above
2. The design of a drier is not affected by:
- Temperature
 - Diffusion
 - Air velocity
 - Pressure
3. To produce genetically engineered bacteria that make a human protein, which of the following steps does a scientist have to take first?
- Insert the human gene for the protein into a plasmid
 - Extract the protein from the bacterial culture
 - Use a restriction enzyme to cut out the gene from human DNA
 - Transform bacteria with the recombinant plasmid

4. DNA finger printing was developed by
- Francis crick
 - Khorana
 - Alec Jeffrey
 - James Watson
5. The term 'endonuclease' refers to cutting the DNA sequence from:
- only within the polynucleotide chain, not at the ends
 - the ends of the chain
 - anywhere in the chain
 - exactly in the middle of the chain
6. The heat of combustion of ammonia and hydrogen are 9.06 and 68.9 Kcal, respectively. The heat of formation of ammonia is
- 74.29
 - 84.29
 - 94.29
 - 104.29
7. Mention the steps that are involved in the PCR amplification of DNA
- Initial Denaturation, Melting, Annealing, regulation
 - Denaturation, Degradation, Extension, ligation
 - Initial Denaturation, Denaturation, Annealing, Extension, Final Extension
 - Denaturation, Degradation, Melting, Extension
8. Calculate the kinetic energy of 100 kg of liquid flowing through a pipe at a speed of 15ms^{-1}
- 75000 kg ms⁻²
 - 11,250 kg ms⁻²
 - 37,500 kg ms⁻²
 - 5625 kg ms⁻²
9. A solution contains 40 wt% water 35wt% ethanol 15wt% glycerol and 10 wt% acetic acid. What is the mole fraction of each component? (MW: 18, 46, 92 and 60 respectively.)
- 0.67, 0.23, 0.05 & 0.05
 - 0.8, 0.1, 0.05 & 0.05
 - 0.7, 0.2, 0.04 & 0.06
 - 0.85, 0.1, 0.02 & 0.03
10. Briefly describe the phases of a cell cycle
- G1, G2, G3
 - S1, G1, S2
 - S1, S2, G1
 - G1, S, G2