PRETEST…..Adolescence and Adulthood

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| 1. | During the last couple of years, sixteen-year-old Arthur has become distant from his parents and difficult to get along with. His parents are concerned because, in addition to Arthur's losing interest in school work, they suspect that he is using drugs. Based on the textbook, what would you tell Arthur's parents? | |
| A) | Loss of interest in school is rather common among adolescents and is independent of other problems like use of drugs. |
| B) | Loss of interest in school work rarely takes place in isolation from other problem behaviors like use of drugs. |
| C) | Don't worry—most adolescents tend to follow their parents' advice when it comes to drugs. |
| D) | Don't worry—the majority of adolescents only talk about using drugs. |
| E) | Don't worry—most adolescents have increased supervision during and after school once they are in high school. |

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| 2. | Which of the following is TRUE with respect to adolescents? | |
| A) | The most dramatic increase in sexual activity has occurred among teenage boys. |
| B) | Sexual activity is not related in any way to adolescents' ethnicity. |
| C) | Adolescents tend to have the same amount of “say” in parent-child relationships as they did when they were younger. |
| D) | Adolescents have the highest rates of STD of any age group. |
| E) | Sexual activity hardly ever affects academic achievement or interest. |

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| 3. | Emily has just graduated from high school and feels very uncertain about her future. She is overwhelmed by all the career choices that are available and doesn't know who she is or what she wants out of life. Erikson would say that Emily is going through what psychosocial crisis? | |
| A) | Industry vs. inferiority |
| B) | Identity vs. role confusion |
| C) | Autonomy vs. doubt |
| D) | Generativity vs. stagnation |
| E) | Trust vs. mistrust |

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| 4. | Ashanti has just graduated from high school and is now in college. At college, he finds opportunities to try lots of new things, but still isn't sure of a major or whether he belongs in college. According to Erikson, Ashanti is going through a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ crisis. | |
| A) | intimacy |
| B) | trust |
| C) | generativity |
| D) | integrity |
| E) | identity |

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| 5. | Rachel has missed several classes because of family troubles. On the day of the midterm, Rachel asks you if she can copy your answers so she does not fail the exam. According to Kohlberg, how would you respond if you were using postconventional moral reasoning? | |
| A) | “No way! I could get caught by the instructor, and then I'd fail.” |
| B) | “I cannot let you cheat because it would be unfair to the students who worked hard and attended class.” |
| C) | “Okay. As a friend, it's my duty to help you.” |
| D) | “I'll let you copy my answers, but you owe me a favor now.” |
| E) | “I cannot let you cheat. The university has rules about improper conduct.” |

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| 6. | Batina is very poor and she steals a loaf of bread to feed her son. When she is caught, Batina tells the judge that she stole the bread because her son's health was more important than the store's profit. The judge said that stealing is illegal, so Batina should not have stolen even a loaf of bread. Batina's moral reasoning is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; the judge's is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | |
| A) | postconventional; conventional |
| B) | conventional; postconventional |
| C) | preconventional; conventional |
| D) | postconventional; preconventional |
| E) | conventional; preconventional |

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| 7. | Because Lawrence Kohlberg used an all-male sample, Carol Gilligan rejected his findings that the “moral ideal” is based only on some abstract concept of justice. Gilligan's research findings suggest that the female view of morality is based on | |
| A) | competition and success. |
| B) | education and intelligence. |
| C) | religious values and compassion. |
| D) | caring and relationships. |
| E) | language and emotion. |

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| 8. | Julianna has just begun attending grade school. She is eager to learn and pursues academic projects enthusiastically. Julianna is most likely in Erikson's \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ stage. | |
| A) | intimacy vs. isolation |
| B) | success vs. shame |
| C) | trust vs. mistrust |
| D) | initiative vs. guilt |
| E) | industry vs. inferiority |

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| 9. | According to several studies, most college students will choose their academic major based on all of the following influences *except* | |
| A) | their interests and abilities. |
| B) | family background. |
| C) | previous work experiences. |
| D) | considering all possible major options. |
| E) | their gender. |

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| 10. | During adulthood \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mental abilities degenerate, while \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mental abilities do not. | |
| A) | convergent; divergent |
| B) | crystallized; fluid |
| C) | abstract; concrete |
| D) | concrete; abstract |
| E) | fluid; crystallized |

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| 11. | As your grandmother has been getting older, you have noticed several ways in which her cognitive abilities have begun to decline. As she ages, she is most likely to lose her ability to | |
| A) | read a novel. |
| B) | remember her pet's name. |
| C) | write you a letter. |
| D) | navigate in a city she never visited before. |
| E) | tell stories from her childhood. |

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| 12. | Social changes, such as becoming more inward looking, cautious, and conforming, are most characteristic of | |
| A) | adolescence. |
| B) | early adulthood. |
| C) | middle adulthood. |
| D) | late adulthood. |
| E) | childhood. |

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| 13. | Otis feels free since his recent divorce. He quit his bank job and has gone back to school to pursue a career in music performance. Otis is probably having a(n) | |
| A) | midlife transition. |
| B) | crisis of generativity. |
| C) | identity crisis. |
| D) | peak experience. |
| E) | trust issue. |

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| 14. | Derek is middle-aged and is debating between staying home with his seven children or pursing his lifelong dream of using his engineering degree overseas to construct a new dam. According to Erikson's stages of psychosocial development, Derek's crisis most likely involves | |
| A) | autonomy vs. shame and doubt. |
| B) | initiative vs. guilt. |
| C) | identity vs. role confusion. |
| D) | industry vs. inferiority. |
| E) | generativity vs. stagnation. |

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| 15. | Wilhelmine, a ninety-year-old former accountant, has recently had difficulty balancing her checkbook and remembering to get her mail. Reading, which used to be her recreation in life, has now become difficult. Wilhelmine is most likely experiencing | |
| A) | a cognitive coping strategy. |
| B) | a midlife crisis. |
| C) | the generativity vs. stagnation crisis. |
| D) | terminal drop. |
| E) | conditional regard. |

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| 16. | Marlon, an older adult, would like to extend his longevity. According to your textbook, Marlon should do all of the following to have a longer life except | |
| A) | restrict his caloric intake. |
| B) | get a pet. |
| C) | live independently. |
| D) | be unwilling to try new things. |
| E) | exercise regularly. |

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| 17. | Tim loves Sarah and asks her to marry him. He is disappointed when she says she needs time to think about whether or not she wants to make a life-long commitment to him. According to Erikson's stages of psychosocial development, Sarah is struggling with | |
| A) | trust vs. mistrust. |
| B) | integrity vs. despair. |
| C) | intimacy vs. isolation. |
| D) | generativity vs. stagnation. |
| E) | autonomy vs. shame and doubt. |

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| 18. | A forty year-old who was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at age 20 will be less likely to be dissatisfied in middle adulthood. | |
| A) | athletic |
| B) | sociable |
| C) | intellectual |
| D) | Both athletic and social. |
| E) | agreeable |

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| 19. | Gordon is wondering if he should marry Eunice. Thorne tells Gordon that he should consider that recent statistics show that \_\_\_\_\_\_ of marriages in the United States end in divorce. | |
| A) | 20% |
| B) | 30% |
| C) | 50% |
| D) | 80% |
| E) | 95% |

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| 20. | Which of the following is *not* true with regards to menopause? | |
| A) | estrogen levels drop |
| B) | menstrual cycle ceases |
| C) | reproductive capability ends |
| D) | progesterone levels rise |
| E) | occurs in women during their late forties or early fifties |