

Influence of Heredity & Environment MCQ

Question 1: The interaction between genetic factors and environmental influences in shaping an individual's development is known as: a) Nature vs. Nurture b) Cognitive dissonance c) Social constructivism d) Behaviorism

Answer: a) Nature vs. Nurture

Question 2: Which of the following is an example of a hereditary trait? a) Language spoken b) Educational level attained c) Hair color d) Taste in music

Answer: c) Hair color

Question 3: The process by which genetic information is passed from parents to offspring is known as: a) Mutation b) Evolution c) Heredity d) Adaptation

Answer: c) Heredity

Question 4: Which factor contributes to heredity? a) Peers and social interactions b) Environmental experiences c) Genetic inheritance d) Education and upbringing

Answer: c) Genetic inheritance

Question 5: Which of the following is NOT an example of an environmental influence? a) Nutrition b) Parenting style c) Skin color d) Cultural practices

Answer: c) Skin color

Question 6: The genetic material that carries information for an individual's characteristics is called: a) DNA b) RNA c) Protein d) Carbohydrate

Answer: a) DNA

Question 7: Which term refers to the genetic variability within a population due to different alleles of genes? a) Inheritance b) Evolution c) Mutation d) Diversity

Answer: d) Diversity

Question 8: Which theory suggests that both heredity and environment interact to influence development? a) Behaviorism b) Social constructivism c) Nature vs. Nurture d) Psychoanalytic theory

Answer: c) Nature vs. Nurture

Question 9: Which of the following represents a hereditary disorder? a) Obesity due to poor dietary habits b) Allergies caused by environmental factors c) Down syndrome caused by a chromosomal abnormality d) Asthma triggered by air pollution

Answer: c) Down syndrome caused by a chromosomal abnormality

Question 10: The study of how genes and environment interact to influence behavior and development is known as: a) Psychology b) Sociology c) Genetics d) Behavioral genetics

Answer: d) Behavioral genetics

Question 11: How do genetic factors contribute to an individual's traits and characteristics? a) Genetic factors solely determine an individual's traits b) Genetic factors interact with environmental influences to shape traits c) Genetic factors have no impact on an individual's traits d) Genetic factors are influenced by cultural practices

Answer: b) Genetic factors interact with environmental influences to shape traits

Question 12: The shared genetic makeup of parents and children can lead to similarities in traits. This is known as: a) Heritability b) Mutation c) Adaptation d) Socialization

Answer: a) Heritability

Question 13: Which of the following represents an environmental factor that can influence development? a) Genetic mutations b) Peer interactions c) Inherited traits d) Genetic code

Answer: b) Peer interactions

Question 14: Which of the following factors is influenced by both heredity and environment? a) Eye color b) Genetic mutations c) Blood type d) Height

Answer: d) Height

Question 15: Which of the following is NOT an example of an inherited trait? a) Intelligence b) Skin color c) Sense of humor d) Physical abilities

Answer: c) Sense of humor

Question 16: What does the term "epigenetics" refer to in the context of genetics and development? a) The study of hereditary diseases b) The interaction between nature and nurture c) The study of DNA replication d) The process of natural selection

Answer: b) The interaction between nature and nurture

Question 17: Which of the following is an example of an environmental influence on development? a) Genetic mutations b) Blood type c) Parenting style d) Eye color

Answer: c) Parenting style

Question 18: The study of how environmental factors can influence the activation or deactivation of genes is known as: a) Genetics b) Epigenetics c) Natural selection d) Evolution

Answer: b) Epigenetics

Question 19: Which of the following terms refers to the study of the distribution of traits within a population and the influence of heredity and environment? a) Adaptation b) Genetics c) Behaviorism d) Developmental psychology

Answer: b) Genetics

Question 20: How do environmental factors contribute to an individual's traits and characteristics? a) Environmental factors have no impact on an individual's traits b) Environmental factors solely determine an individual's traits c) Environmental factors interact with genetic factors to shape traits d) Environmental factors are unrelated to an individual's traits

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Question 21: Which of the following best describes the influence of heredity and environment on development? a) Heredity is more influential than environment b) Environment is more influential than heredity c) Heredity and environment equally influence development d) Heredity and environment have no impact on development

Answer: c) Heredity and environment equally influence development

Question 22: Which principle suggests that development proceeds from the head to the feet? a) Proximodistal principle b) Cephalocaudal principle c) Maturation principle d) Nature vs. Nurture principle

Answer: b) Cephalocaudal principle

Question 23: How does the concept of "attachment" relate to child development? a) Attachment has no impact on child development b) Attachment refers to genetic factors c) Attachment is a critical component of emotional and social development d) Attachment is irrelevant to cognitive development

Answer: c) Attachment is a critical component of emotional and social development

Question 24: What is the significance of play in child development? a) Play is solely for entertainment and relaxation b) Play has no impact on development or learning c) Play facilitates cognitive, social, and emotional development d) Play hinders cognitive growth and should be minimized

Answer: c) Play facilitates cognitive, social, and emotional development

Question 25: According to Maslow's hierarchy of needs, which needs include safety, security, and stability? a) Physiological needs b) Safety needs c) Love and belonging needs d) Self-esteem needs

Answer: b) Safety needs

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Answer: c) Social learning theory

Question 27: According to Piaget's stages of cognitive development, during which stage does object permanence develop? a) Sensorimotor stage b) Preoperational stage c) Concrete operational stage d) Formal operational stage

Answer: a) Sensorimotor stage

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cognitive development c) Interaction between individual and environmental factors
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Answer: b) Accommodation

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