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Fifth Semester

English – Core

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

(For those who joined in July 2021 & 2022 only)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer:

1. What is plagiarism in academic writing?
 - (a) Properly citing sources used in your work
 - (b) Using copyrighted images in your presentation
 - (c) Using direct quotes without paraphrasing
 - (d) Presenting someone else's ideas, words or work as your own without giving them proper credit

2. _____ is an aspect of writing common to all academic fields.
 - (a) Documenting Sources
 - (b) Plagiarism
 - (c) Academic experience
 - (d) None of the above
3. What is the primary purpose of gathering information about your sources in research methodology?
 - (a) To impress the readers with an extensive list of references
 - (b) To demonstrate your familiarity with various sources
 - (c) To provide evidence for your claims and arguments
 - (d) To fulfil the university's requirements for citation
4. What is the purpose of any documentation style?
 - (a) To allow the authors to guide their readers quickly
 - (b) To help the researchers to do research
 - (c) To assist the readers to read the text fast
 - (d) To make the readers to get an idea about the subject

5. How should the margin be set for a scholarly paper in MLA 8th edition style?
 - (a) 1 inch on all sides
 - (b) 0.5 inches on all sides
 - (c) 2 inches on the left, 1 inch on all other sides
 - (d) 1.5 inches on the left, 1 inch on all other sides
6. How do you mention an omission within a sentence?
 - (a) Using only three dots
 - (b) Using three periods with a space before each and a space after the last
 - (c) Using six dots only
 - (d) None of the above
7. What should be omitted while presenting the name of the author in documentation?
 - (a) The Initial of the author's name should be omitted
 - (b) The degrees kept after the name should be omitted
 - (c) Omit titles, affiliations and degrees the precede or follow names
 - (d) Omit the titles like sir or Mr or Mrs
8. Adding the _____ name is not essential for famous pseudonyms.
 - (a) Real
 - (b) Second
 - (c) First
 - (d) pseudonyms
9. What is the proper order of elements in an MLA 8th edition for a website?
 - (a) Author's last name, title of the website, publication date, URI
 - (b) Title of the website, author's last name, publication date, URL
 - (c) Title of the website, URL, publication date, author's last name
 - (d) URL author's last name, title of the website, publication date
10. When a title is needed in a parenthetical citation, _____ the title if it is longer than a noun phrase.
 - (a) Full name
 - (b) Second name
 - (c) Abbreviate
 - (d) Short form

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).
Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) State the reasons for documenting sources.

Or

- (b) Why plagiarism is considered a serious matter?

12. (a) 'A citation should provide a road map leading to the original'- Discuss.

Or

- (b) How do you cite the source which is edited by more than one author?

13. (a) Explain the use of quotations in a research paper.

Or

- (b) Explain the role of capitalization in a research.

14. (a) Why web publications are essential in research writing?

Or

- (b) Comment on the preparation of works cited.

15. (a) Write a short note on text citation with example.

Or

- (b) Explain the 'parenthetical documentation'.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing either (a) or (b)
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Consider Plagiarism an academic dishonesty.

Or

- (b) Why do you document sources?

17. (a) List out the core elements in creating a documentation.

Or

- (b) Explain the methods to document the sources.

18. (a) Write an essay on the mechanics of writings.

Or

- (b) How do you use quotations and capitalization in a research?

19. (a) Write an essay on documenting articles from periodical print publications.

Or

- (b) How do you document the works cited in your research work?

20. (a) Compare and contrast between co-authors and corporate authors with example.

Or

- (b) Comment on the role of MLA handbook 8th in your research writing.
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