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Child Development and Pedagogy - 2016

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Multiple Choice Questions

1. There are vast differences among the students. Of these, a teacher needs to be sensitive to
- I. differences based on cognitive capabilities and learning levels.
 - II. differences based on diversity of language, caste, gender, religion, community.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- A. Only II
- B. Both I and II
- C. Neither I nor II
- D. Only I

Answer

2. Assessment by only paper-pencil tests
- A. facilitates comprehensive evaluation
 - B. facilitates continuous evaluation
 - C. promotes holistic assessment
 - D. limits assessment

Answer

3. A teacher has a 'hearing impaired' child in her middle school class. It is important for her to
- A. keep pointing to what the child cannot do over and over again
 - B. ridicule the child and make her sit separately so that she joins an institution for hearing impaired
 - C. ask the school counsellor to talk to the child's parents and tell them to withdraw their child from school
 - D. make the child sit at a place from where she can see the teacher's lips and facial expressions clearly

Answer

4. A teacher can effectively respond to the needs of the children from 'disadvantaged sections' of society by
- A. making them sit separately in the classroom so that they do not mix with other children
 - B. telling other children to treat the children from disadvantaged background with sympathy
 - C. adapting her pedagogy to the needs of every child in the classroom

D. ignoring their background and asking them to do chores in the school
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A. cannot learn anything

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B. struggle with some aspects of learning

C. are very active, but have a low IQ

D. are very wise and mature

Answer

6. Teachers can encourage children to think creatively by

A. asking them to memorise answers

B. asking them recall-based questions

C. giving them multiple-choice questions

D. asking them to think of different ways to solve a problem

Answer

7. Which one of the following philosophical perspectives needs to be followed to deal with children with special needs?

A. They should be segregated and put in separate educational institutions

B. They should be given only vocational training

C. They have a right to inclusive education and study in regular schools

D. They do not need any education at all

Answer

8. Learner-centred approach means

A. that teachers draw conclusions for the learners

B. traditional expository methods

C. use of methods in which teacher is the main actor

D. methods where learners' own initiative and efforts are involved in learning

Answer

9. Which one of the following is central to learning?

A. Conditioning

B. Rote memorisation

C. Imitation

D. Meaning-making

Answer

10. In a constructivist classroom as envisioned by Piaget and Vygotsky, learning

A. is dictated by the teacher and the students are passive recipients of the same

B. happens by pairing of a stimulus and a response

C. is offering of reinforcement by the teacher

D. is constructed by the students themselves who play an active role

Answer

11. Which one of the following is a good example of 'scaffolding' (learning of a problem-solving task

like the student is able to do it by herself). Print - Your Favourite Questions. Join www.zigya.com

B. Telling her she cannot go home till she solves the problem

C. Offering a reward for solving the problem quickly

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D. Telling her that she can do it by trying again and again

Answer

12. Your class has learners with different learning styles. To assess them, you would give them

- A. a variety of tasks and tests
- B. the same time to perform on the tests
- C. a uniform set of instructions and subsequently label the children according to their marks in the test
- D. the same set of tasks and tests

Answer

13. Nowadays, there is a tendency to refer to 'wrong concepts' of children as 'alternative conceptions'. This could be attributed to

- A. using fancy terms to describe children's errors
- B. children being thought of as adult-like in their thinking
- C. children's understanding being nuanced and their being passive in their own learning
- D. recognition that children are capable of thinking and their thinking is different from that of adults

Answer

14. Which one of the following best describes a teacher's role in a middle school classroom?

- A. Providing opportunities for discussions
- B. Promoting students to compete amongst themselves for the first position
- C. Discouraging multiple perspectives and focusing on the uni-dimensional perspective
- D. Using Powerpoint presentations to give lectures

Answer

15. Which one of the following statements about motivation and learning is correct?

- A. Learning is effective only when the students have intrinsic motivation - a desire to learn from inside
- B. Learning is effective only when the students are extrinsically motivated - motivated by external factors
- C. Motivation does not have any role to play in learning
- D. Learning is effective only when the students are motivated using external rewards

Answer

16. Which one of the following statements about learning is correct?

- A. Learning is equivalent to acquisition of skills
- B. Learning is facilitated by social actions
- C. Learning is a passive receptive process
- D. Learning does not depend on learner's previous knowledge

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- B. Instruction
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C. Reward

D. Dialogue

Answer

18. Which one of the following statements about development is correct?

- A. Development occurs at a different rate among different individuals
B. Development occurs at a very fast pace from birth till adolescence and then it stops
C. Development proceeds from birth to adolescence in a forward manner and then it goes backwards
D. Developmental changes go forward in a straight line

Answer

19. Middle childhood is the period from

- A. 2 yr to 6 yr
B. 6 yr to 11 yr
C. 10 yr onwards
D. birth to 2 yr

Answer

20. "Environmental factors do not play any role in shaping an individual, since growth of each individual is determined by his genetic makeup." This statement is

- A. correct, since there have been several researches to prove that genetic material alone predicts an individual's development
B. incorrect, since environmental factors contribute little in an individual's growth and development
C. incorrect, since there have been several researches to prove that environment can have a major influence on development
D. correct, since genetic makeup of an individual is very strong

Answer

21. _____ is a process through which a human infant begins to acquire the necessary skills to perform as a functioning member of the society.

- A. Learning
B. Maturation
C. Development
D. Socialisation

Answer

22. According to Piaget, which one of the following factors plays an important role in influencing development?

- A. Experience with the physical world

Answer

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23. The cognitive ability that comes in pre-operational period is

- A. ability of goal-directed behaviour
- B. ability to take other's perspective
- C. hypothetico-deductive thinking
- D. ability for abstract thinking

Answer

24. Which one of the following is a correctly matched pair?

- A. Good boy and good girl orientation-One earns approval by being nice
- B. Law and order orientation-Ethical principles are self-chosen on the basis of the value of human rights
- C. Social contract orientation-Physical consequences of an action determine whether it is good or bad
- D. Punishment and obedience orientation-Laws are not fixed, but can be changed for the good of society

Answer

25. The concept of 'private speech' of children as proposed by Vygotsky

- A. shows that children love themselves
- B. illustrates that children use speech to guide their own actions
- C. shows that children are stupid and thus need guidance of adults
- D. illustrates that children are egocentric

Answer

26. According to Vygotsky, learning cannot be separated from

- A. reinforcement
- B. a measurable change in behaviour
- C. perception and attentional processes
- D. its social context

Answer

27. Progressive education entails that the classroom is

- A. authoritarian, where the teacher dictates and the students follow meekly
- B. free for all with the teacher absent from it
- C. in full control of the teacher, who is dictatorial
- D. democratic and there is space given to children for understanding

Answer

28. Which one of the following illustrates a person with linguistic intelligence?

- A. Sensitivity to pitch, melody, and tone
- B. The ability to notice and make distinctions among others
- C. The ability to handle long chains of reasoning

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29. Language _____ thought processes.

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A. totally governs our

B. has an influence on our

C. cannot determine the

D. does not influence the

Answer

30. A textbook of Class VIII has following illustrations women as teachers and maids while men as doctors-and pilots.This type of depiction is likely to promote

A. gender role play

B. gender constancy

C. gender empowerment

D. gender stereotyping

Answer