

Divinsagar Institute of Maragement a Research Methods MCQ 104 Business Research Methods MCQ

UNIT - 1

| Q No | Questions | Option A | Option B | Option C | Option D | Answer |
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| 1 | The main concept behind doing research is to | Study and explore knowledge. | Start with predefined and clear-cut objectives. | Get new ideas. | Define clear objectives. | С |
| 2 | In order to begin research, one must | Start with a number of clear goals. | Start with a number of predefined objectives. | Have a well defined research method. | Solve the research problem. | В |
| 3 | A bibliography is | The theoretical framework of a research. | Resources such as books, journals and other publications identified by | _ | The books that are going to be used in a research. | С |

| 4 | Research is considered to be more than just a way of skills, it is | Planning to what, why and where type of questions to determine a goal. | A way of critical thinking about professional aspects related to your work. | The research methods used within the research methodology. | Discovering the relationship between variables. | В |
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| 5 | Research aims for finding "answers" to "questions" it implies | A framework of philosophies. | Using valid and reliable methods and techniques. | An unambiguous & unbiased design. | All the above. | D |
| 6 | In order to make the research reliable, it requires that | There is no deliberate attempt to either to conceal or highlight | Quantitative and qualitative methods are to be used. | Repeatability and precision are provided for the quality of measurement | The solution to the research problem is known in advance. | С |
| 7 | The main difference between research and non-research is | The type of skills we use to discover something. | The utilization of acceptable scientific methodology to solve problems to create new | The quantitative and qualitative methods that are to be | All the above. | В |
| 8 | The research process has certain characteristics. One of the statements below is not part of these characteristics: | Controlled & systematic. | Quantitative & qualitative. | Scientific & organized | Rigorous & valid. | В |

| 9 | The most essential step in the research process that determines every step that follows is to | A- Decide whether qualitative or quantitative methods are to be used. | B- Review the literature in order to acquaint yourself with knowledge. | C- Have a clear idea about the conclusions you need and drafting a | D- Formulate a problem statement. | D |
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| 10 | When considering a research problem, it is extremely important to select a topic that | A- You can manage within the time you have. | B- You can manage within the resources you have. | C- You can narrow down to something manageable and specific. | D- You can narrow down to something clear. | D |
| 11 | Research is:- | A - Systematic & unorganized effort to investigate a specific problem | B - Unsystematic & organized effort to investigate a specific problem encountered in | C -Systematic & organized effort to investigate a specific problem | D - Unsystematic & unorganized effort to investigate a specific | С |
| 12 | Should we conduct more training sessions for our employees in order to increase productivity?" is | A) Research question | B) Management question | C) Measure ment question | D) Investigati ve question | A |
| 13 | Reviewing the literature can be | A- Bring clarity and focus to your research problem. | B- Improve your methodology. | C- Broaden your knowledge. | D- Contextualize your findings. | A |

| 14 | A review of the literature prior to formulating research questions allows the researcher to do which of the | To become familiar with prior research on the phenomenon of interest | To identify potential methodological problems in the research area | To develop a list of pertinent problems relative to the phenomenon | All of the above | D |
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| 15 | It is important that the process of investigation in research is foolproof and free from drawbacks. This | the procedures followed to find answers are relevant, appropriate and justified. | the process adopted and the procedures used must be able to withstand critical scrutiny. | the conclusions drawn are based upon hard evidence gathered from | none of the above. | В |
| 16 | The central theme in scientific method is that all evidence must be | empirical, based on evidence. | theoretical, based on theory. | research problem dependent. | all the above. | С |
| 17 | To help ensure that your research study will remain manageable & you stay motivated, a number of issues are | Interest, magnitude, measurement of concepts & relevance. | study population, subject area, observation and experiment. | availability of goals, non- ethical issues, relevance and level of experience. | All the above. | A |
| 18 | Having an adequate level of expertise is essential in choosing a research problem because | you can specify the goals and conclusions clearly before starting the | there are several levels you must be aware of. | you will carry the research tasks yourself and hence you need the "Know- | none of the above. | С |

| 19 | Formulating a research problem requires dissecting the broad area of research into subareas. This done in | identify the general goals of research. | select what is of most interest to the researcher. | review the literature. | improve the methodology. | В |
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| 20 | In order to acquaint yourself with the body of knowledge in the research area of interest, you are required to | do a literature review. | do a survey in the research area. | formulate the research questions. | all the above. | A |
| 21 | The literature review can help to improve the researcher's methodology since | the selection of appropriate survey respondents will be much easier. | the researcher will be aware of the procedures/meth ods used by others. | have answers to the research questions considered. | all the above. | В |
| 22 | The procedure for reviewing the literature consists of searching for existing literature in the area of study in order to | find answers to your research questions. | develop a theoretical and conceptual frameworks. | read books, journals and conference proceedings. | have some idea about the broad subject area that you know nothing about. | В |
| 23 | Research is based on | Experiments | General principles | Scientific method | Scientists | С |

| 24 | A research should be | Scientific | Valid | Reliable | All of the above | D |
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| 25 | What practical steps can you take before you actually start your research? | Find out exactly what your institution's requirements are for a | Make sure you are familiar with the hardware and software you plan to use | Apply for clearance of your project through an ethics committee | All of the above | D |
| 26 | Why do you need to review the existing literature? | to make sure you have a long list of references | Because without it, you could never reach the required word- count | To find out what is already known about your area of interest | To help in your general studying | С |
| 27 | A systematic literature review is: | One which starts in your own library, then goes to on- line databases and, finally, to | A replicable, scientific and transparent process | One which gives equal attention to the principal contributors to the area | A responsible, professional process of time- management for research | В |
| 28 | When accessing the internet, which of these steps is the most essential? | Recording the full URL | Noting the access dates | Downloading material to be referenced | They are all equally important | D |

| 29 | Which one of the following is an ideal referencing convention? | Bryman, A. (2012, 4e) Social Research Methods, Oxford; | Bryman (2012, fourth edition), Oxford University Press | Bryman, Alan, Social Research Methods (2012: OUP) | Bryman, A. Social Research Methods (2012) | A |
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| 30 | Which is / are the characteristic (s) of a good research | Generation of dependable data | Purpose clearly defined | Biased research design | Both 1 & 2 | D |
| 31 | Functions of decision support system includes | Capturing and saving information from previous activities | Data processing | Both 1 & 2 | none of the above | С |
| 32 | Data retrival is not the function of decision support system | TRUE | FALSE | Can't say | | В |
| 33 | Which of the following is a characteristic of a scientific research | Testability | Replicability | Generalizabili ty | All of the above | D |

| 34 | Sponsorer of research is the one | for whom the research is conducted | who carries out the research | who provides funding for research | both 1 & 3 | D |
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| 35 | For carrying out literature review, which of the following can be used? | Questionnaires | Feedback forms | Internet | Interview with respondents | С |
| 36 | The problem statement in research should be | Relevent | Infeasible | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | A |
| 37 | which of the following is a must in research proposal | Time frame of the study | The budget of research | Qualification of the researcher | Both 1 & 2 | D |
| 38 | which of the following is a must in research proposal | The scope of the study | Selected bibliography | Specific problem to be investigated | All | D |

| 39 | Which is / are the characteristic (s) of a good research | Findings presented clearly / unambiguousl y | Conclusions not justified | Research process not detailed | None of the above | A |
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| 40 | Productivity of employees is a function of his /her past experience & training. The HR manager is interested | Past work experience | Training | Productivity | HR Manager | A |
| 41 | Which of the following is a characteristic of a scientific research | Purposiveness | Rigor | Partiality | Both 1 & 2 | D |
| 42 | Should we increase the salary of the workers to reduce the attrition in the organisation? Is which type of the | Investigative question | Research question | Management question | Measurement question | В |
| 43 | The problem statement in research should be | Feasible | Interesting | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | С |

| 44 | Would you stay with the organisation if salary is increased by 15%? This can be best described as | Investigative question | Research question | Management question | Measurement question | D |
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| 45 | How can the firms increase the organisational loyalty their employees? This can be best described as | Research problem statement | Purpose of the research | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | A |
| 46 | This research analyzes the problem of high turnover of employees within Banking industry in Pune city. This | Purpose of the research | Research problem statement | Scope of the study | None of the above | С |
| 47 | How can we reduce the attrition rate in our organisation? Is which type of the following | Investigative question | Research question | Management question | Measurement question | С |
| 48 | Productivity of employees is a function of his /her past experience & training. The HR manager is interested | Past work experience | Training | Productivity | HR Manager | С |

| 49 | Should we reduce the interest rate on fixed deposit to increase the profitability of our bank? Is which type of following? | Investigative question | Research question | Management question | Measurement question | В |
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| 50 | What is the probability that by reducing the interest rate on fixed deposit the profitability of our bank will go up? Is | Investigative question | Research question | Management question | Measurement question | A |
| 51 | The share price is a function of the dividend & future growth prospects for the company. The CEO the organisation | Share price | future growth prospects | Dividend | The CEO | A |
| 52 | What is the chance that workers will stay with the organisation if we increase the salary by 10%? Is which type of the | Investigative question | Research question | Management question | Measurement question | A |
| 53 | which of the following is a must in research proposal | The relevance of the study | Research Design | Neither 1 or 2 | Both 1 & 2 | D |

| 54 | The first step in the formal research process is best described as being one where the manager has to | define the problem and research objectives. | interpret and report the findings | develop the research plan for collecting information | implement the research plan, and collect and analyze the data | A |
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| 55 | What is a good research? The following are correct except | Purpose clearly defined | Research process detailed | Research design thoroughly planned | Findings presented ambiguously | D |
| 56 | Applied research | extends the abstract frontiers of knowledge | is simplified research | is of no use for business | solves a particular problem in a company | D |
| 57 | Basic research is | employer funded research | research conducted by an external consultant | research that extends the frontiers of knowledge | solves a particular problem in a company | С |
| 58 | Reviewing the literature can be | bring clarity and focus to your research problem | improve your methodology | broaden your knowledge | all the above | D |

| 59 | Carrying out an organised inquiry is called | Research | Survey | Analysis | Methodology | В |
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| 60 | The characterstics of good research are | Systematic | Ambiguity | Biased | All of the above | A |
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| 1 | Which of the following is the type of research | A- Causal Research | B- Descriptive Research | C- Exploratory Research | D- All of the above. | D |
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| 2 | If we want to find out the effect of employee commitment on the profitability of the company, which research is suited? | A- Causal Research | B- Descriptive Research | C- Exploratory Research | D- All of the above. | A |
| 3 | "Logically inferred relationships between two or more variables expressed in the form of testable statements" are | Problem statements | Hypotheses | Research Proposition | Research assumptions | В |
| 4 | Identify directional hypothesis from following | The greater the stress experienced in the job, the lower the job satisfaction of | Women are more emotional than men | There is a relation between age & job satisfaction | both 1 & 2 | D |
| 5 | Identify non directional hypothesis from following | There is a difference between commitment level of employees in | Women are more emotional than men | There is a relation between age & job satisfaction | both 1 & 3 | D |

| 6 | Null hypotheses are set up for | Possible acceptance of the proposition | Possible rejection of the proposition | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | В |
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| 7 | Alternate hypotheses are set up for | Possible acceptance of the proposition | Possible rejection of the proposition | Both 1 & 2 | Neither 1 or 2 | A |
| 8 | If we are interested in analysing "the influence of culture on product choice", which of the following is useful? | Quantitative Research | Qualitative Research | Both 1 & 2 | Neither 1 or 2 | В |
| 9 | Identify alternate hypotheses for "More is the advertisement expenditure, more will be the sales". | HA : r ≠ 0 | HA:r<0 | HA:r>0 | HA: r = 0 | С |
| 10 | Which of the following is not specifically measured in a causal research? | Independent variable | Dependent variable | Concomitant variable | All of the above | С |

| 11 | Which of the following needs to be manipulated in a causal research? | Independent variable | Dependent variable | Concomitant variable | All of the above | A |
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| 12 | Which of the following needs to be controlled in an experimental research? | Impact of independent variable on dependent variable | Impact of dependent variable on independent variable | Impact of independent variable on concomitant variable | Impact of concomitant variable on dependent variable | D |
| 13 | The experience survey is used to extract which information? | What has been tried in the past to solve similar problems? | What obstacles can bee seen in solving this problem? | Whom can we count on to assist or participate in this research? | All of the above | D |
| 14 | Which of the following is / are used if we are interested to know the customer satisfaction level about "Tata | Longitudinal research | Cross sectional research | Causal research | None of the above | В |
| 15 | Which of the following is / should be used if we are interested to know the effectiveness of an advertisement | Cross sectional research | Exploratory Research | Longitudinal research | All of the above | С |

| 16 | Which of the following is / should be used if we are interested to know the impact of sales price on sales? | Cross sectional research | Exploratory Research | Descriptive Research | Causal research | D |
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| 17 | which of the following has very less or negligible impact on a causal relationship | Concomitant variable | Extraneous variable | Independent variable | Dependent variable | В |
| 18 | A variable that is observed in a statistical experiment, but is not specifically measured or utilized in the analysis of the | Independent variable | Dependent variable | Concomitant variable | All of the above | С |
| 19 | Adjusting the independent variable as per the need of research is called as | Control of independent variable | Manipulation of independent variable | Treatment of of independent variable | both 2 & 3 | D |
| 20 | What is the key defining characteristic of experimental research? | extraneous variables are never present | a positive correlation usually exists | Concomitant variables are never present | manipulation of the independent variable | D |

| 21 | Why is the statement "What are the effects of extracurricular activities on cognitive development of | Because there is no connection between extracurricular | Because there are not enough school age children engaged in extracurricular | given all the | Because the statement was not specific enough to provide an | D |
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| 22 | Research hypotheses are | Formulated prior to a review of the literature | Statements of predicted relationships between variables | Stated such that they can be accepted or rejected | understanding b and c | D |
| 23 | A research plan | Should be detailed | Should be given to others for review and comments | Sets out the rationale for a research study | All of the above | D |
| 24 | The function of the research design step in the research process is to | inform the reader of what you want to attain through the study. | search the existing literature in the area of research | formulate the problem statement to decide what you want to find out | provide for the collection of relevant information with minimal cost, effort and | D |
| 25 | Experimental research is appropriate when | the proof that is sought is to see the effect of certain variables over other variables. | it is necessary to get at facts first hand and their resources. | doing certain things is required to stimulate the production of desired goals. | none of the above. | A |

| 26 | Research methodology can is similar to undertaking a journey. It can be thought of as | an attempt to discover or establish a relationship between two or more | structured enquiry that utilizes acceptable methods. | the path to finding answers to your research questions. | having a clear- cut goals that have a clear path to follow in order to achieve them. | С |
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| 27 | The literature review can help the researcher in | understand the relationship between his/her research problem and | knowing hot to formulate the problem and all the relevant issues related to it. | having clear answers to the research questions considered (who, how, | solving the research problem. | A |
| 28 | If company wants to study the morale of employees before & after the salary increase, which of the following is most | Cross sectional research | Exploratory Research | Longitudinal research | Quantitative research | С |
| 29 | Identify alternate hypotheses for "Indians are more superstitious than Americans". | HA: μi = μa | HA : μi ≠ μa | HA : μi < μa | HA : μi > μa | D |
| 30 | Identify null hypotheses for "People from carrebean are stronger than Japanese". | H0: μc = μj | Η0 : μc ≠ μj | Н0 : μc < μj | H0 : μc > μj | A |

| 31 | What is a research design? | A way of conducting research that is not grounded in theory | The choice between using qualitative or quantitative methods | The style in which you present your research findings, e.g. a graph | A framework for every stage of the collection and analysis of data | D |
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| 32 | If a study is "reliable", this means that: | It was conducted by a reputable researcher who can be trusted | The measures devised for concepts are stable on different occasions | The degree to which the researcher feels that this was a worthwhile | How accurately the measurements represent underlying concepts | В |
| 33 | In an experimental design, the dependent variable is: | The one that is not manipulated and in which any changes are observed | The one that is manipulated in order to observe any effects on the other | A measure of the extent to which personal values affect research | An ambiguous concept whose meaning depends on how it is defined | A |
| 34 | What is a cross-sectional design? | A study of one particular section of society, e.g. the middle classes | One that is devised when the researcher is in a bad mood | The collection of data from more than one case at one moment in time | A comparison of two or more variables over a long period of time | С |
| 35 | How can you tell if your research questions are really good? | If they guide your literature search | If they are linked together to help you construct a coherent argument | If they force you to narrow the scope of your research | All of the above | D |

| 36 | What is the main difference between a focus group and a group interview? | Group interviews involve fewer participants | Focus groups are used to study the way people discuss a specific topic | There is no moderator present in a focus group | Focus groups save more time and money | В |
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| 37 | Why is it particularly difficult to get an accurate record and transcript of a focus group session? | Because the researcher often forgets to take notes | Because focus groups are transcribed several years after they are conducted | Because you cannot use a tape recorder in a focus group | ecause there are so many different voices to follow | D |
| 38 | What is the role of the moderator in a focus group? | To stimulate discussion and keep the conversation on track | To ask leading questions and dominate the discussion | To sit away from the group and observe their behaviour | To evaluate the group's performance on a particular task | A |
| 39 | What should the moderator say in their introductory remarks? | Thank you to the participants for coming | Who they are and what the research is about | How the focus group will proceed | All of the above | D |
| 40 | Which of the following is <i>not</i> a limitation of the focus group method? | The researcher has little control over how the discussion proceeds | It reveals the way social meanings are jointly constructed | It produces a large volume of data that can be difficult to analyse | People in groups tend to agree and express socially desirable | В |

| 41 | Which criterion does the following hypothesis most violate? 'Courses in civics will produce better adult citizens | hypotheses should be worthy of testing | hypotheses should be brief | hypotheses should be testable | all of the above | D |
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| 42 | The average living age of the people in London is higher than that of those in Washington DC' is best described as: | a non- directional hypothesis | an hypothesis | a non- directional prediction | a directional hypothesis | D |
| 43 | A CEO is of the opinion that contrary to common belief, increasing pay will decrease employees' job satisfaction. What | Pay | CEO | Job satisfaction | Employee | С |
| 44 | On the basis of application we can devide the research as | pure and applied research | exploratory and descriptive research | theoretical and empirical | cross sectional and longitudinal research | A |
| 45 | Descriptive research studies is a category of research that aims to | Achieve new insights of a concept. | Analyze characteristics of something. | Describe, explain & analyze the facts & events happening | Test the relationship between variables. | С |

| 46 | Descriptive research is the type of research that | Is made for performing the basic or pure research; it's a theoretical research. | Is intended for finding some solution to the problem considered. | Includes fact- finding enquires and surveys. | Uses available information as the base to make the further critical evaluation. | С |
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| 47 | Identify the correct hypotheses statement from the following | A) How do price & quality of a product affect the sales? | B) Why the training sessions are not effective? | C) If the customers are provided with better service, profitability of the bank | D) Employees are not committed to their work. | С |
| 48 | Which one of the following is not a part of research design? | A) Data collection design | B) Sampling design | C) Both a & b | D) Neither a or b | D |
| 49 | "How can the company be more profitable? is which type of the following? | A) Research question | B) Management question | C) Measure ment question | D) Investigati ve question | В |
| 50 | "What is the possibility that the new product will not be accepted by the customers? is which type of the | A) Research question | B) Management question | C) Measure ment question | D) Investigati ve question | D |

| 51 | Which of the following is the type of nonexperimental research in which the primary independent variable | causal- comparative research | experimental research | qualitative research | mixed research | A |
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| 52 | The strongest evidence for causality comes from which of the following research methods? | Experimental | Causal- comparative | Correlation | Ethnography | A |
| 53 | If the study is carried out once and represent a snapshot of one point in time, then the study is | Time related study | Longitudinal study | Cross sectional study | Case studies | c |
| 54 |) Which of these is not a exploratory research design. | Secondary data analysis | Experience survey | Focus group | Reporting | d |
| 55 | What is a research design? | A way of conducting research that is not grounded in theory | The choice between using qualitative or quantitative methods. | The style in which you present your research findings, e.g. a graph | A framework for every stage of the collection and analysis of data | d |

| 56 | In an experimental design, the dependent variable is | the one that is not manipulated and in which any changes are observed | the one that is manipulated in order to observe any effects on the other. | the extent to which personal values affect research | an ambiguous concept whose meaning depends on how it is defined. | a |
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| Q No | Question | Option A | Option B | Option C | Option D | Answer |
| 1 | Which of the following is not a characteristic of good research? | a) High ethical standards applied | b) Conclusions justified | c) Purpose clearly defined | d) None of the above | D |
| 2 | Main function of Business Intelligence System is:- | a) Take decisions | b) Analyze the information | c) Provide information to the decision maker | d) Both a & b | С |

| 3 | Which one of the following is not a benefit of Business intelligence system? | A) Get deeper insights into the business | B) Informed decision making | C) Analyze the data in a meaningful way | D) None of the above | D |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| 4 | Which one of the following is a characteristic of scientific research? | A) Low precision & confidence | B) Objectivity | C) Unsyste matic approach | D) None of the above | В |
| 5 | Which one of the following is not a step in research process? | A) Generation of hypotheses | B) Preparation of report | C) Analysis of data | D) None of the above | D |
| 6 | To qualify research, the research process must be systematic. This means that the researcher tires to | Minimize the effect of other factors affecting the relationship among those | makes sure that whatever is concluded in the findings is correct and could be verified by | Ensure that conclusions are drawn based upon hard evidence gathered from | Follow a certain logical sequence in adopting the procedures needed to | D |
| 7 | Research objectives falls into a number of categories that include | planning to get answers for what, why & where type of questions. | considering the logic behind the methods we use in the context of the research. | formulative, concept, and planning for research methods. | exploratory, descriptive, diagnostic and experimentatio n research. | D |

| 8 | Identify the sources of secondary data from the following | A) Questionn aire & surveys | B) Feedback forms | C) Face to face interviews with respondents | D) Business magazines | D |
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| 9 | Identify the sources of primary data from the following | A) Newspape r articles | B) Feedback forms | C) Face to face interviews with respondents | D) Both B & C | D |
| 10 | "How many times in a month you visit a shopping mall? is which type of the following? | A) Research question | B) Management question | C) Measure ment question | D) Investigati ve question | С |
| 11 | Which of the following includes examples of quantitative variables? | age, temperature, income, height | grade point average, reading performance | gender, religion | both a and b | D |
| 12 | Which of these is not a method of data collection. | Questionnaires | Interviews | Experiments | Observations | С |

| 13 | Data collection design consists of | Type of data | Data collection method | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | С |
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| 14 | Which of the following is not a data collection tool? | Observation | Elite interview | Case studies | None of the above | D |
| 15 | Which of the following is (are) data collection tool (s)? | Depth interview | Movies | Photographs | All of the above | D |
| 16 | One type of scale is defined as having "both order and distance, but no unique origin." Which is it? | Nominal | Ordinal | Interval | Ratio | D |
| 17 | Which of the following best describes a semantic differential? | A bi-polar rating scale using adjectives to describe the ends of the | A five point preference scale | A way of wording an attitude statement | A scientific way of measuring differences | A |

| 18 | A condition or characteristic that can take on different values or categories is called | a constant | a variable | a cause-and- effect relationship | a descriptive relationship | В |
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| 19 | A variable that is presumed to cause a change in another variable is called a(n): | categorical variable | dependent variable | independent variable | intervening variable | С |
| 20 | Which of the following can best be described as a categorial variable? | age | annual income | grade point average | religion | D |
| 21 | Which of the following is not a type of structured question? | a. multiple choice | b. dichotomous | c. scale | d. none of the above | D |
| 22 | Which of the following activities is not fieldwork? | a. a worker mailing questionnaires from an office | b. an observer counting customers in a particular section of a store | c. a statistician analyzing the results of a survey | d. a telephone interviewer calling from a central location | С |

| 23 | Which statement is correct about measurement? | a. The assignment of numbers to characteristics must be isomorphic | b. The rules for assigning numbers should be standardized and applied uniformly | c. Assigned numbers must not change over objects or time | d. All of the above statements are true. | D |
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| 24 | Which of the following statistics is not permissible with nominally scaled data | a. chi-square | b. median | c. range | d. both b and c are not permissible | D |
| 25 | 39. Which of the following statistics is permissible with ordinally scaled data | a. percentages | b. mode | c. rank order correlation | d. all of the above | D |
| 26 | 49. Which of the following scales is not a type of comparative scale? | a. semantic differential | b. constant sum | c. Likert | d. both a and c | D |
| 27 | 47. Which of the following statements is not true about the comparative scales technique? | a. An example of using comparative scales is asking respondents to | b. Comparative scale data must be interpreted in relative terms and have only ordinal or rank | c. Comparative scaling is also referred to as non-metric scaling | d. Comparative scales include paired comparisons, rank order, | A |

| 28 | A is a seven point rating scale with endpoints associated with bi-polar labels that have semantic meaning | a. semantic differential scale | b. Likert scale | c. continuous rating scale | d. Stapel scale | A |
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| 29 | Which scale asks the respondent to indicate how accurately or inaccurately each term describes the object by selecting an | a. continuous rating scale | a. Stapel scale | a. semantic differential scale | a. Likert scale | В |
| 30 | Which of the following is not an objective of a questionnaire? | a. A questionnaire must translate the information needed into a set of specific | b. A questionnaire must be easy to use. | c. A questionnaire must uplift, motivate, and encourage the respondent to | d. A questionnaire should minimize response error | В |
| 31 | A researcher studies achievement by children in poorly funded elementary schools. She develops a model | Manipulated variable | Extraneous variable | Confounding variable | Mediating or intervening variable | D |
| 32 |) In the statement an examination of the effects of discretionary behavior on employee performance, | Independent variable | Dependent variable | Extraneous variable | Causal variable | a |

| 33 |) The following are the synonyms for independent variable except | Stimulus | Manipulated | Consequence | Presumed Cause | С |
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| 34 | The following are the synonyms for dependent variable except | Presumed effect | Measured Outcome | Response | Predicted from | d |
| 35 | The introduction of the new models of Nokia mobile will lead to a decrease in the sales of Siemens mobiles". In this | The introduction of the new models of Nokia mobile, is the | The introduction of the new models of Nokia mobile, is the dependent variable, and the | There are no independent or dependent variables | Both are independent variable | a |
| 36 | What sort of variable is manipulated by the researcher? | Independent. | Dependent. | Co- dependent. | are manipulated by the researcher | a |
| 37 | "How many times in a month you visit a shopping mall? is which type of the following? | A) Research question | B) Management question | C) Measure ment question | D) Investigati ve question | С |

| 38 | Which of the following includes examples of quantitative variables? | age, temperature, income, height | grade point average, reading performance | gender, religion | both a and b | D |
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| 39 | Which of these is not a method of data collection. | Questionnaires | Interviews | Experiments | Observations | С |
| 40 | Data collection design consists of | Type of data | Data collection method | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | С |
| 41 | Which of the following is not a data collection tool? | Observation | Elite interview | Case studies | None of the above | D |
| 42 | Which of the following is (are) data collection tool (s)? | Depth interview | Movies | Photographs | All of the above | D |

| 43 | One type of scale is defined as having "both order and distance, but no unique origin." Which is it? | Nominal | Ordinal | Interval | Ratio | D |
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| 44 | Which of the following best describes a semantic differential? | A bi-polar rating scale using adjectives to describe the ends of the | A five point preference scale | A way of wording an attitude statement | A scientific way of measuring differences | A |
| 45 | A condition or characteristic that can take on different values or categories is called | a constant | a variable | a cause-and- effect relationship | a descriptive relationship | В |
| 46 | A variable that is presumed to cause a change in another variable is called a(n): | categorical variable | dependent variable | independent variable | intervening variable | С |
| 47 | Which of the following can best be described as a categorial variable? | age | annual income | grade point average | religion | D |

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| Q No | Question | Option A | Option B | Option C | Answer | |
| 1 | Which ONE of these methods is the most expensive way to collect data per respondent? | Personal | Online. | Phone | Postal | A |
| 2 | Interviewing all members of a given population is called | a sample | a Gallup poll. | a census. | a Nielsen audit. | С |

| 3 | Which ONE of these sampling methods is a probability method? | Quota. | Judgment. | Convenience. | Simple random | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| 4 | For probability sampling, which ONE of the following should be up-to-date, complete and affordable? | A census. | A CAPI machine. | A sampling frame | A respondent. | С |
| 5 | Which ONE of the following is the benefit of using simple random sampling? | We can calculate the accuracy of the results. | Most likely representative sample | Interviewers can choose respondents freely | Informants can refuse to participate. | В |
| 6 | Which of the following is not a type of non-probability sampling? | Strataified Sampling | Snowball sampling | Quota Sampling | Convenience Sampling | A |
| 7 | What effect does increasing the sample size have upon the sampling error? | It reduces the sampling error. | It increases the sampling error | It has no effect on the sampling error. | None of the above. | A |

| 8 | A simple random sample is one in which | from a random starting point, every nth unit from the sampling frame is | a non-probability strategy is used, making the results difficult to generalize | the researcher has a certain quota of respondents to fill for various social | every unit of the population has an equal chance of being selected. | D |
|----|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| 9 | Snowball sampling can help the researcher to: | Access deviant or hidden populations | Theories inductively in a qualitative study | Overcome the problem of not having an accessible sampling frame | All of the above | D |
| 10 | Which of the following statements regarding systematic sampling is incorrect? | Is generally treated as equivalent to simple random sampling. | Chooses k elements, each with the same selection probability of less than one | Chooses the first of k elements at random, and then every kth element | Can give economic and statistical efficiency | D |
| 11 | If a researcher wishing to draw a sample from sequentially numbered invoices uses a random | simple random | Sequential | Stratified | systematic | D |
| 12 | Which of the following is NOT part of the sampling design process? | Defining of the population of the study. | Determining the relevant sample frame | Selection of the sampling technique | Refining the research question. | D |

| 13 | The target population be defined in terms of: | elements - the object about which information is desired. | extent - the geographical boundaries and time - the time period under | sampling units - the set of elements available for selection during the | all of the above | D |
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| 14 | Which of the following is not a type of non-probability sampling? | Strataified Sampling | Snowball sampling | Quota Sampling | Convenience Sampling | A |
| 15 | When each member of a population has an equally likely chance of being selected, this is called: | simple random sampling | quota sampling | convenience sampling | snowball sampling | A |
| 16 | Which of the following techniques yields a simple random sample? | Choosing volunteers from an introductory psychology class to | Listing the individuals by ethnic group and choosing a proportion from within | Numbering all the elements of a sampling frame and then using a | Randomly selecting schools, and then sampling everyone within the | С |
| 17 | If the customers are provided with better service, profitability of the bank will go up. This can be best described as | Null hypothesis | Directional hypothesis | Non directional hypothesis | All of the above | В |

| 18 | Which of the following is not a type of research? | Qualitative Research | Alternate research | Exploratory Research | None of the above | В |
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| 19 | If CEO of the company is interested to know the impact of training on productivity of the employees, which of | Descriptive research | Exploratory Research | Causal research | None of the above | С |
| 20 | If the CEO wants to study the sales pattern for 10 values of sales price, which of the following is most suitable? | Cross sectional research | Exploratory Research | Descriptive Research | Longitudinal research | D |
| 21 | The share price is a function of the dividend & future growth prospects for the company. The CEO the organisation | Share price | future growth prospects | Dividend | The CEO | С |
| 22 | How to increase the profitability of our bank? Is which type of following? | Investigative question | Research question | Management question | Measurement question | С |

| 23 | There is a relation between salary & commitment level of the workers. This can be best described as | Null hypothesis | Directional hypothesis | Non directional hypothesis | None of the above | С |
|----|---|--|---|---|-------------------|---|
| 24 | To find a solution to the problem of 40% employee turnover within the first 2 years of their recruitment. This can | Research hypothesis | Research problem statement | Purpose of the research | None of the above | С |
| 25 | A focus group interview can be used for | New product development | Employee motivation program | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | С |
| 26 | Identify correct statement | Generally Cross sectional research is short term in nature | Generally Longitudinal research is short term in nature | Generally Cross sectional research is long term in nature | None of the above | A |
| 27 | "God has created this world." This is not a / an | Assumption | Guess | Belief | Hypothesis | D |

| 28 | To qualify research, the research process must be valid & verifiable. This means that the researcher tries to | A- Minimize the effect of other factors affecting the relationship among those | B- makes sure that whatever is concluded in the findings is correct and could be verified by | C- Ensure that conclusions are drawn based upon hard evidence | D- Ensure that procedures followed to find answers are relevant, | В |
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| 29 | Research aims for finding "answers" to "questions" it implies | a framework of philosophies. | using valid and reliable methods and techniques. | an unbiased design. | all the above. | D |
| 30 | The literature review is about the work and studies | that you have created including all your results. | that you have collected including your conclusions. | of others people who worked within the same field of research with | listed in books, journals and other publications having a | С |
| 31 | Objectives are | the aims the researcher set out to attain. | aspects related to the research area. | the research questions you prepare before starting the research. | all the above. | A |
| 32 | Which of the following is a characteristic of a scientific research | Precision | Confidence | Both 1 & 2 | None of the above | С |

| 33 | Which of the following is not the step in Research Process | Literature Review | Data Analysis | Formulation of Hypothesis | Consulatation Process | D |
|----|---|--|--|--|---|---|
| 34 | Which of the following is not the characteristic of scientific research | Testability | Factor loading | Generalibility | Replication | F |
| 35 | The statement of purpose in a research study should | Identify the design of the study | Identify the intent or objective of the study | specify the type of people to be used in the study | describe the study | В |
| 36 | A review of the literature prior to formulating research questions allows the researcher to do which of the | To become familiar with prior research on the phenomenon of interest | To identify potential methodological problems in the research area | To develop a list of pertinent problems relative to the phenomenon | All of the above | D |
| 37 | What kind of ideas can't be empirically researched? | Effectiveness of different methods of instruction | Description of educational practices | Issues of values and morality such as the correctness of having prayer | Factors helpful in predicting future drug use | С |

| 38 | Rejection of the null hypothesis is a conclusive proof that the alternative hypothesis is | TRUE | FALSE | Neither 1 or 2 | Can't say | С |
|----|--|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| 39 | Acceptance of the null hypothesis is a conclusive proof that the alternative hypothesis is | TRUE | FALSE | Neither 1 or 2 | Can't say | В |
| 40 | In testing hypotheses, the researcher initially assumes: | the alternative hypothesis is true. | the null hypothesis is true | errors cannot be made | Null & alternate hypotheses are true | A |
| 41 | Speculations about the relationship between two or more variables are called: | theories | hypotheses | principles | correlations | A |
| 42 | There will be no difference between the scores on the Morale Scale between skilled and unskilled employees' is a | Null | Alternate | Directional | Non directional | A |

| 43 | If the investigator obtains a statistically significant result, they can state that the results: | verify the hypothesis | prove the hypothesis | confirm the hypothesis | support the hypothesis | D |
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| Q N O. | Question | Option A | Option B | Option C | Option D | Answer |

| 1 | r = 0 indicates: | a. X and Y have a relationship | b. X and Y don't have a linear relationship | c. X and Y are unrelated | d. X and Y have a linear relationship | В |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|---|
| 2 | 25. Which statement is not true about the report preparation and presentation process? | a. The findings should be presented in such a way that they can be used directly | b. Conclusions should be drawn but recommendation s should not be made | c. The researcher should assist the client in understandin g the report. | d. The researcher should evaluate the research process in | В |
| 3 | 35. Which of the following is not considered an aspect of report writing? | a. easy to follow | b. arrangement of data items | c. basis of measurement | d. both b and c | D |
| 4 | When interpreting a correlation coefficient expressing the relationship between two variables, it is very | checking the strength of relationship | jumping to the conclusion of causality | checking the direction of the relationship | expressing a relationship with a correlation coefficient | В |
| 5 | Following is/are assumption(s) in null hypotheses | There is no relationship exists between two or more variables. | There is no difference between the two sample groups | There exists a relationship between two or more variables | both 1 & 2 | D |

| 6 | Identify alternate hypotheses for"There is a difference between commitment level of employees in India & Japan" | HA: μi = μj | HA : μi ≠ μj | HA : μi < μj | HA : μi > μj | В |
|----|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 7 | Identify alternate hypotheses for "The greater the stress experienced in the job, the lower the job satisfaction of | HA : r ≠ 0 | HA:r<0 | HA:r>0 | HA: r = 0 | В |
| 8 | Identify alternate hypotheses for"Women buy more clothes than men". | HA: μw = μm | HA : μw ≠ μm | HA : μw < μm | HA : μw > μm | D |
| 9 | Identify null hypotheses for"Women buy more clothes than men". | H0: μw = μm | H0 : μw ≠ μm | H0 : μw < μm | H0 : μw > μm | A |
| 10 | The words like" How many, How much, how frequently" are associated with:- | Qualitative Research | Quantitative Research | Exploratory Research | Descriptive Research | В |

| 11 | Which research is more suitable to extract the feelings, emotions, perceptions of individual about something | Quantitative Research | Qualitative Research | Descriptive Research | None of the above | В |
|----|--|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| 12 | Which one of the following represents the +ve relationship between two variables | r ≠ 0 | r < 0 | r > 0 | r = 0 | С |
| 13 | Which one of the following represents the -ve relationship between two variables | r = 0.5 | r = 0 | r = 0.3 | r = -0.45 | D |
| 14 | A variable that is presumed to cause a change in another variable is called a(n): | dependent variable | independent variable | intervening variable | None of the above | С |
| 15 | A positive correlation is present when | two variables move in opposite directions. | two variables move in the same direction. | one variable goes up and one goes down | several variables never change | В |

| 16 | Which correlation is the strongest? | r=+.10 | r=-0.95 | r=+.90 | r=-1.0 | D |
|----|--|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| 17 | If dealers are given more incentives, sales of the company's products will increase. Identify null hypothesis | r ≠ 0 | r < 0 | r > 0 | r = 0 | D |
| 18 | " More the dedication of employees towards his/her work, brighter are the prospects for his/her growth in an organisation. Identify | HA : r ≠ 0 | HA:r<0 | HA:r>0 | HA: r = 0 | С |
| 19 | The greater the stress experienced in the job, the lower the job satisfaction of employees. This can be best described as | Null hypothesis | Directional hypothesis | Non directional hypothesis | None of the above | В |
| 20 | If dealers are given more incentives, sales of the company's products will increase. Identify alternate hypothesis | r ≠ 0 | r < 0 | r > 0 | r = 0 | С |

| 21 | "If production department functions extremely efficienty, company will normally earn a high profit". Identify null | r ≠ 0 | r < 0 | r > 0 | r = 0 | D |
|----|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| 22 | "If production department functions extremely efficienty, company will normally earn a high profit". Identify | r ≠ 0 | r < 0 | r > 0 | r = 0 | С |
| 23 | Suppose a researcher is concerned with a nominal scale that identifies users versus nonusers of bank credit cards. The | Mean | Median | Mode | Average | С |
| 24 | Coding is the process of | Preparing the analysis specification | Converting text into numeric codes for data processing | Encrypting data for transfer to the client | Preparing a questionnaire script for computeraided data capture | В |
| 25 | Which of the following best describes a crosstabulation? | An inferential statistical test | A data input technique | A way of analyzing the relationship between two variables | A univariate analysis technique | С |

| 26 | A positive correlation is present when | two variables move in opposite directions | two variables move in the same direction. | one variable goes up and one goes down | several variables never change. | В |
|----|---|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| 27 | Which of the following includes examples of quantative variables? | age, temperature, income, height | average marks, reading performance, weight | gender, religion | both and b | D |
| 28 | What is the opposite of a variable? | a constant | an extraneous variable | a dependent variable | a data set | A |
| 29 | Which correlation is the strongest? | 0.1 | -0.95 | 0.9 | -1 | D |
| 30 | The correlation between intelligence test scores and grades is: | Positive | Negative | Perfect | They are not correlated | A |

| 31 | A mathematical distribution whose objective is to obtain a count of the number of responses associated with | a. t distribution | b. frequency distribution | c. chi-square distribution | d. F distribution | В |
|----|---|--|---|---|--|---|
| 32 | A frequency distribution helps determine | a. the extent of nonresponse | b. the extent of illegitimate responses | c. the presence of outliers or cases with extreme values | d. all of the above | D |
| 33 | A frequency distribution helps | a. determine how close a sample comes to the null hypothesis | b. us to understand how one variable, X, relates to another variable, Y | c. determine if a systematic association exists between two | d. determine the shape of the empirical distribution of the variable | D |
| 34 | A statistic that describes a location within a data set is a | a. measure of variability | b. measure of shapes | c. measure of occasion | d. measure of location | D |
| 35 | The value obtained by summing all elements in a set and dividing by the number of elements is the | Mean | Median | Mode | range | A |

| 36 | The is the value that occurs most frequently. | Mean | Median | Mode | range | С |
|----|--|------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|------------------|---|
| 37 | A measure of central tendency given as the value above which half of the values fall and below which half of the values fall is | Mean | Median | Mode | range | В |
| 38 | Business intelligence is everyday information about developments in business environment that assists managers | Newspaper Article | Customer feedback | Trade journals | All of the above | D |
| 39 | Research Proposal is except one | A plan | A Draft | A report | An outline | С |
| 40 | The main concept behind doing research is to | study and explore knowledge. | start with a predefined and clear-cut objectives. | define clear objectives | all the above. | D |

| 41 | A good qualitative problem statement: | Defines the independent and dependent variables | Conveys a sense of emerging design | Specifies a research hypothesis to be tested | Specifies the relationship between variables that the researcher expects to find | В |
|----|--|---|---|--|--|---|
| 42 | According to the text, which of the following orders is the recommended in the flowchart of the development of a | Research topic, research problem, research purpose, research | Research topic, research purpose, research problem, research | Research topic, research problem, research purpose, | Research topic, hypothesis, research problem, research | A |
| 43 | The feasibility of a research study should be considered in light of: | Cost and time required to conduct the study | Skills required of the researcher | Potential ethical concerns | All of the above | D |
| 44 | Following is/are assumption(s) in null hypotheses | There is no relationship exists between two or more variables. | There is no difference between the two sample groups | There exists a relationship between two or more variables | both 1 & 2 | D |
| 45 | Identify alternate hypotheses for"There is a difference between commitment level of employees in India & Japan" | HA: μi = μj | HA : μi ≠ μj | HA : μi < μj | HA : μi > μj | В |