Sample Question Paper for Practice: MA/MSc (PS), 2020-21

Q1. Complete the following sentence:

A university in China ______ a medical robot that can conduct surgeries.

- A. have developed
- B. has developed
- C. are developing
- D. will developing

Answer: B (has developed)

- Q2. Select the odd one out
- A. Canteen
- B. Dancer
- C. Stage
- D. Makeup

Answer: A (Canteen)

Q3. An increase from 5% to 8% in the interest rates charged by banks would most likely encourage

- A. Businesses to invest
- B. People to purchase housing
- C. People to save money
- D. would have no effect on investment or saving or purchasing

Answer: C (People to save money)

Q4. The term 'sociology' was coined by

- A. Saint Simon
- B. Herbert Spencer
- C. Auguste Comte
- D. Durkheim

Answer: C (Auguste Comte)

Q5. Upnishads are books on:

- A. Politics
- B. Philosophy
- C. Medicine

D. Social life

Answer: B (Philosophy)

Q6. Ajmal Sultanpuri, who passed away recently, was a renowned poet of which language?

- A. Hindi
- B. Urdu
- C. Marathi
- D. Gujarati

Answer: B (Urdu)

Q7. The Chilka Lake Region is situated between the deltas of?

- A. Mahanadi and Godavari
- B. Godavari and Krishna
- C. Ganga and Mahanadi
- D. Krishna and Kaveri

Answer: A (Mahanadi and Godavari)

Q8. Visitors to a show were charged Rs. 20 each on the first day, Rs. 10 each on the second day and Rs. 5 each on the third day. The attendance on three days was in the ratio 5:9:18. The average charge per person for the whole show was

A. Rs. 8.75 B. Rs. 18.75

- C. Rs. 31.75
- D. Rs. 25.75

Answer: A (Rs. 8.75)

Q9. In an unpaired samples t-test with sample sizes $n_1 = 11$ and $n_2 = 11$, the value of tabulated *t* should be obtained for:

- A. 10 degrees of freedom
- B. 21 degrees of freedom
- C. 22 degrees of freedom
- D. 20 degrees of freedom

Answer: D (20 degrees of freedom)

Q10. Arrange the following most populous four countries in descending order:

- 1. China
- 2. India
- 3. United States of America
- 4. Indonesia
- A. 1, 2, 3, 4
 B. 2, 3, 4, 1
 C. 3, 4, 1, 2
 D. 4, 1, 2, 3

Answer: A (1, 2, 3, 4)

Q11. Reference date of 2021 census in most parts of the country will be

- A. 1st March 2021
- B. 1st July 2021
- C. 15th April 2021
- D. 15th June 2021

Answers: A (1st March 2021)

Q12. Which of the following would usually require the smallest sample size because of its efficiency?

- A. One stage cluster sampling
- B. Simple random sampling
- C. Two stage cluster sampling
- D. Quota sampling

Answer: B (Simple random sampling)