#### **PSYCHOLOGY**

#### **SECTION I**

## Time--\_\_\_ Minutes

## \_\_\_ Questions, Unit 4 Practice/Quiz

### **Unit 4 Practice**

**Directions:** Each of the questions or incomplete statements below is followed by five suggested answers or completions. Select the one that is best in each case and then fill in the corresponding circle on the answer sheet.

- 1. Sensation is to \_\_\_\_\_ as perception is to
  - a. encoding; detection
  - b. detection; interpretation
  - c. interpretation; organization
  - d. organization; accommodation
  - e. threshold: transduction
- 2. While a man provided directions to a construction worker, two experimenters rudely interrupted by passing between them carrying a door. The student's failure to notice that the construction worker was replaced by a different person during this interruption illustrates
  - a. blind spot.
  - b. gate-control theory.
  - c. bottom-up processing.
  - d. change blindness.
  - e. top-down processing.
- 3. The local fire department sounds the 12 o'clock whistle. The process by which your ears convert the sound waves from the siren into neural impulses is an example of
  - a. sensory adaptation.
  - b. accommodation.
  - c. parallel processing.
  - d. transduction.
  - e. sensory interaction.

- 4. Although Manuel was sitting right next to his parents, he smelled a skunk minutes before they did. Apparently, Manuel has a lower for skunk odor than his parents have.
  - accommodation level
  - b. absolute threshold
  - c. tolerance level
  - d. olfactory saturation level
  - e. adaptation level
- 5. During a hearing test, many sounds were presented at such a low level of intensity that Mr. Antall could hardly detect them. These sounds were below Mr. Antall's
  - a. subliminal threshold.
  - b. absolute threshold.
  - c. adaptation threshold.
  - d. difference threshold.
  - e. auditory threshold.
- 6. Diminished sensitivity to an unchanging stimulus is known as
  - a. sensory accommodation.
  - b. blindsight.
  - c. sensory adaptation.
  - d. transduction.
  - e. equilibrium.

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- 7. Stereotypes are mental conceptions that can strongly influence the way we interpret the behaviors of individuals belonging to specific racial or ethnic groups. A stereotype is most similar to
  - a. a feature detector.
  - b. perceptual adaptation.
  - c. a perceptual set.
  - d. a difference threshold.
  - e. gate-control theory.
- 8. The study of phenomena such as clairvoyance and telepathy is called
  - a. parapsychology.
  - b. Gestalt psychology.
  - c. human factors psychology.
  - d. ESP.
  - e. perceptual adaptation.
- 9. Intensity is to brightness as wavelength is to
  - a. accommodation.
  - b. frequency.
  - c. amplitude.
  - d. hue.
  - e. disparity.
- 10. The adjustable opening in the center of the eye is the
  - a. fovea.
  - b. iris.
  - c. cornea.
  - d. pupil.
  - e. blind spot.

- 11. Supercell clusters are
  - a. located in the spinal cord and conduct most pain signals to the somatosensory cortex in the parietal lobe.
  - b. connected to hair cells located along the basilar membrane in the inner ear.
  - c. photoreceptor cells, located in the retina, that combine to send information to the visual cortex.
  - d. teams of cells that fire in response to complex patterns, such as the human face.
  - e. combined messages from the semicircular canals and vestibular sacs in the inner ear that monitor head position and movement.
- 12. Opponent-process cells have been located in the
  - a. thalamus.
  - b. cochlea.
  - c. spinal cord.
  - d. visual cortex.
  - e. semicircular canals.
- 13. The principles of continuity and closure best illustrate the importance of
  - a. binocular cues.
  - b. perceptual adaptation.
  - c. Weber's law.
  - d. perceptual constancy.
  - e. top-down processing.
- 14. Imagine your friend walking toward you in the hall at school. As your friend gets closer, the image cast on your retina
  - a. gets smaller.
  - b. gets larger.
  - c. gets darker.
  - d. stays exactly the same.
  - e. appears higher in your field of vision.

- 15. The perception that Bugs Bunny is hopping across a movie screen best illustrates
  - a. the Müller-Lyer illusion.
  - b. retinal disparity.
  - c. the Ponzo illusion.
  - d. stroboscopic movement.
  - e. opponent-process.
- 16. Lightness constancy refers to the fact that
  - a. the frequency of light waves has a fixed relationship to the brightness of the light.
  - b. objects are perceived to have consistent lightness even if the amount of light they reflect changes.
  - c. light waves reflected by an object remain constant despite changes in illumination levels.
  - d. the perceived whiteness of an object has a constant relation to its lightness.
  - e. one of the depth cues involves perceiving dimmer objects as being farther away.
- 17. Color constancy refers to the fact that
  - a. light waves reflected by an object remain constant despite changes in lighting.
  - b. objects are perceived to be the same color even if the light they reflect changes.
  - c. the perceived color of an object has a constant relation to its brightness.
  - d. the frequency of light waves is directly proportional to the light's wavelength.
  - e. colors remain the same hue even when the tint changes under our difference threshold.
- 18. Who emphasized that perceptual understanding comes from inborn ways of organizing sensory experience?
  - a. Immanuel Kant
  - b. Aristotle
  - c. John Locke
  - d. Sigmund Freud
  - e. B. F. Skinner

19. Damage to the basilar membrane is most likely to result in

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- a. loss of movement.
- b. accommodation.
- c. conduction hearing loss.
- d. loss of the sense of balance.
- e. nerve deafness.
- 20. Cones and rods are to vision as \_\_\_\_\_ are to audition.
  - a. eardrums
  - b. cochleas
  - c. oval windows
  - d. hair cells
  - e. semicircular canals
- 21. The discovery that high-frequency sounds trigger large vibrations near the beginning of the basilar membrane supports the \_\_\_\_\_ theory.
  - a. gate-control
  - b. frequency
  - c. Young-Helmholtz
  - d. opponent-process
  - e. place
- 22. A time lag between left and right auditory stimulation is important for accurately
  - a. locating sounds.
  - b. detecting pitch.
  - c. recognizing rhythms.
  - d. judging amplitude.
  - e. determining frequency.
- 23. Researchers have identified receptors for which of the following skin sensations?
  - a. pain
  - b. cold
  - c. warmth
  - d. pressure
  - e. hot

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- 24. According to the gate-control theory, a back massage would most likely reduce your physical aches and pains by causing
  - release of pain-killing endorphins in your muscles.
  - b. activation of nerve fibers in your spinal cord.
  - c. the release of adrenaline into your bloodstream.
  - d. deactivation of the pain receptors on the surface of your skin.
  - e. the cochlea to transduce impulses sent to the spinal cord.
- 25. The role of central nervous system activity for the experience of pain is best highlighted by
  - a. prosopagnosia.
  - b. frequency theory.
  - c. phantom limb sensations.
  - d. the opponent-process theory.
  - e. perceptual adaptation.
- 26. Which of the following best explains why children are more likely to resist eating strong-tasting foods?
  - a. Sensory interaction makes certain foods more unpleasant to taste.
  - b. Young children have more taste receptors, so their sensitivity to taste is greater.
  - c. Children are more strongly influenced by the McGurk effect than adults are.
  - d. Receptor cells on a child's tongue are replaced more slowly than those of adults.
  - e. Only children are deterred from eating foods with aversive tastes.

- 27. Kinesthesis refers to the
  - a. quivering eye movements that enable the retina to detect continuous stimulation.
  - b. process by which stimulus energies are changed into neural signals.
  - c. diminished sensitivity to an unchanging stimulus.
  - d. system for sensing the position and movement of individual body parts.
  - e. process of organizing and interpreting sensory information.
- 28. The influence of bodily sensations, gestures, and other states on cognitive preferences and judgments is known as
  - a. synesthesia.
  - b. kinesthesia.
  - c. perceptual set.
  - d. parallel processing.
  - e. embodied cognition.
- 29. As Maria and her little brother looked up at the clouds, he exclaimed, "That one looks like a giant dinosaur!" Maria thought it looked more like a giant duck. Which of the following concepts best explains their different interpretations of the same ambiguous stimuli?
  - a. shape constancy
  - b. context effects
  - c. perceptual set
  - d. selective attention
  - e. difference thresholds
- 30. The feature detectors identified by Hubel and Weisel respond to specific aspects of \_\_\_\_\_\_ stimulation.
  - a. vestibular
  - b. visual
  - c. auditory
  - d. olfactory
  - e. kinesthetic

# **Unit 4 Practice Answer Section**

## MULTIPLE CHOICE

1.	ANS:			1		Difficult		· ·		
		Basic Principles of Sensation and per						Conceptual		
2.	ANS:			1		Easy		Unit IV   16-2		
		Selective inattention				Factual/Definitional				
3.	ANS:		PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   16-3		
	TOP:	Transduction			SKL:	Conceptual/Application				
4.	ANS:	В	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   16-4		
	TOP:	Absolute thresholds			SKL:	Conceptual/Application				
5.	ANS:	В	PTS:	1	DIF:	Easy	OBJ:	Unit IV   16-4		
	TOP:	Absolute thresholds			SKL:	Conceptual/Application				
6.	ANS:	C	PTS:	1	DIF:	Easy	OBJ:	Unit IV   16-5		
	TOP:	Sensory adaptation			SKL:	Factual/Defini	Factual/Definitional			
7.	ANS:	C	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   17-1		
	TOP:	Perceptual set			SKL:	Conceptual				
8.	ANS:	A	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   17-2		
	TOP:	ESP - Percepti	ion witl	hout sensation			SKL:	Factual/Definitional		
9.	ANS:	D	PTS:	1	DIF:	Difficult	OBJ:	Unit IV   18-1		
	TOP:	The stimulus i	input: li	ght energy	SKL:	Conceptual		·		
10.	ANS:				DIF:		OBJ:	Unit IV   18-1		
	TOP:	The eye	SKL:	Factual/Defin	itional	·		·		
11.	ANS:	D	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   18-2		
	TOP:	: Feature detection			SKL:	Factual/Defini		·		
12.	ANS:	A	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   18-3		
	TOP:	Color vision	SKL:	Factual/Definition	itional			·		
13.	ANS:	E	PTS:	1	DIF:	Difficult	OBJ:	Unit IV   19-1		
	TOP:	Visual organiz	zation		SKL:	Conceptual				
14.	ANS:	_		1	DIF:	_	OBJ:	Unit IV   19-2		
	TOP:	Motion percep	otion		SKL:	•		· ·		
15.	ANS:			1	DIF:	Medium		Unit IV   19-2		
		Motion percep	otion			Conceptual/A				
16.	ANS:		PTS:	1				Unit IV   19-3		
	TOP:	Color and brightness constancy				Factual/Definitional				
17.	ANS:	-	-		DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   19-3		
		Color and brightness constancy			Factual/Definitional					
18.	ANS:	-	PTS:	•		Medium		Unit IV   19-4		
10.		Experience an				Factual/Defini				
19.	ANS:	_	PTS:	_	DIF:	Medium		Unit IV   20-1		
		The ear		Factual/Definition						
20.	ANS:		PTS:			Difficult	OBJ:	Unit IV   20-1		
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21.	ANS:		PTS:	-	DIF:	Easy	OBJ:	Unit IV   20-2		
		Perceiving pite		_		Factual/Defini				
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22.	ANS:	A	PTS:	1	DIF:	Easy	OBJ:	Unit IV   20-3	
	TOP:	Locating sounds			SKL:	Factual/Definition			
23.	ANS:	D	PTS:	1	DIF:	Easy	OBJ:	Unit IV   21-1	
	TOP:	Touch	SKL:	Factual/Definition	itional				
24.	ANS:	В	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   21-2	
	TOP:	Pain	SKL:	Conceptual/Application					
25.	ANS:	C	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   21-2	
	TOP:	Pain	SKL:	Factual/Definition	itional				
26.	ANS:	В	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   21-3	
	TOP:	Taste	SKL:	Factual/Definition	itional				
27.	ANS:	D	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   21-4	
	TOP:	Body position and movement			SKL:	Factual/Definitional			
28.	ANS:	E	PTS:	1	DIF:	Easy	OBJ:	Unit IV   21-5	
	TOP:	Sensory intera	ction		SKL: Factual/Definitional				
29.	ANS:	C	PTS:	1	DIF:	Medium	OBJ:	Unit IV   17-1	
	TOP:	Perceptual set			SKL:	Conceptual/Application			
30.	ANS:	В	PTS:	1	DIF:	Easy	OBJ:	Unit IV   18-2	
	TOP:	Feature detect	ion		SKL:	Factual/Definition	itional		