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Praxis II Psychology Exam by ETS

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The exam aimed for those individuals who wants to teach psychology at the secondary school level. Two hours will be provided, to complete 120 multiple choice questions. There will be 30 questions based on physiological psychology, perception, sensation and cognition, 24 questions based on emotion, motivation and learning, 18 questions based on statistics and research methodology, 24 questions based on abnormal psychology, personality and social psychology and 24 questions based on human growth and development.

- **Physiological Psychology, Perception, Sensation and Cognition:** This section will focus on thought processes, sensory processes, information processing, perception and physiological behavioral determinants. The thought process questions will include concept formation, creativity, problem-solving, insight, and imagery. Sensory processing questions will include the 5 senses. Informational process questions will include memory measurement techniques, selective attention, pattern recognition, learning transference, short term memory as well as long-term memory. Questions pertaining to physiological determinants of behavior will include the nervous system, the endocrine system, and the brain. Questions pertaining to perception will cover perceptual phenomena, the role of expectations and Gestalt.
- **Emotion, Motivation, and Learning:** Your knowledge of operant conditioning, classical conditioning, emotion and states of consciousness will be tested in this section. Questions pertaining to states of consciousness will include drug states, sleep, hypnosis and being awake. Questions pertaining to operant conditioning will include reinforcements, punishment, generalization, discrimination, extinction, acquisition, shaping and behavior modification. Questions pertaining to classical conditioning will include discrimination, generalization, extinction, spontaneous reincludedy and reinforcement. Questions pertaining to emotion will cover the social, biological and psychological theories of emotion.
- **Statistics and Research Methodology:** Questions pertaining to psychological statistics, inquiry methods, data interpretation and data collection will be included in this section of the exam. The psychological statistics questions will include descriptive statistics, validity, reliability, distribution, correlation, cause and effect and inferential statistics. Questions pertaining to enquiry methods will include drawing inferences, independent variables, dependent variables, theory creation and formulating hypotheses. The questions pertaining to interpretation of data, collection will include graphs, figures and

charts. Questions pertaining to data collection will cover case study, observation, interviewing and experimentation.

- **Abnormal Psychology, Personality and Social Psychology:** Questions pertaining to social determinants of behavior, stress, types and characteristics of mental disorders, defense mechanisms, therapy techniques, major psychological theories and stress will be included in this section. Questions pertaining to characteristics of mental disorders will include substance abuse, personality disorders, schizophrenia, anxiety disorders, affective disorders and dissociative disorders. Questions pertaining to defense mechanisms will include denial, displacement, projection and rationalization. Your knowledge of the following therapy techniques will be tested like cognitive, humanistic, psychoanalytic, behaviorist and defining normalcy versus abnormality. Major psychological theory questions will include behaviorist, humanistic, cognitive and psychoanalytic. Questions pertaining to stress will cover stress management.
- **Human Growth and Development:** This section will focus on prenatal development, intellectual development, social development, emotional development, cognitive development, personality development, physical development and language development. The prenatal development questions will include the childbirth process, childbirth practices, nutrition, sensory development and physical development. Intellectual development questions will include IQ testing, development of the exceptional intellect and normal intellectual development. Social development questions will include genetic determinants of intelligence and behavior, play behavior, aging, death and dying and the entire human life span. Questions pertaining to emotional development will include the emotional development of adolescents, children and infants. The cognitive development questions will include recent research and Jean Piaget's child development theory. The personality development questions will focus on personality development from birth to adulthood. The physical development questions will include physical development from birth to adolescence. Questions pertaining to language development will cover the development of language from birth to early childhood.

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