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Statistics MCQs – Sampling Distributions Part 1

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- 1. Choose the correct word (s) from the list below to correctly complete the following sentence: If the original population from which the samples were drawn is not normally distributed, then the sampling distribution of the mean will be _____ for large sample sizes.
- a. normal
- b. approximately normal
- c. the same as the original population distribution
- d. unidentifiable
- e. uniform

Answer: B

- 2. Which of the following statements is false?
- a. the sampling distribution of the mean will have the same standard deviation as the original population from which the samples were drawn
- b. the sampling distribution of the mean will have the same mean as the original population from which the samples were drawn
- c. the sampling distribution of the mean will be normal if the original population from which the samples were drawn is normally distributed
- d. sample data are used as a basis from which to make probability statements about the true (but unknown) value of the population mean or proportion
- e. using information from a sample to reach conclusions about the population from which it was drawn is referred to as inferential statistics

Answer: A

- 3. Consider a large population with a mean of 160 and a standard deviation of 25. A random sample of size 64 is taken from this population. What is the standard deviation of the sample mean?
- a. 3.125
- b. 2.500
- c. 3.750
- d. 5.625

e. 5.000

Answer: A

- 4. Consider a large population with a mean of 160 and a standard deviation of 20. A random sample of size 64 is taken from this population. What is the standard deviation of the sample mean?
- a. 3.125
- b. 2.500
- c. 3.750
- d. 5.625
- e. 5.000

Answer: B

- 5. Consider a large population with a mean of 160 and a standard deviation of 30. A random sample of size 64 is taken from this population. What is the standard deviation of the sample mean?
- a. 3.125
- b. 2.500
- c. 3.750
- d. 5.625
- e. 5.000

Answer: C

- 6. Consider a large population with a mean of 160 and a standard deviation of 45. A random sample of size 64 is taken from this population. What is the standard deviation of the sample mean?
- a. 3.125
- b. 2.500
- c. 3.750
- d. 5.625
- e. 5.000

Answer: D

- 7. Consider a large population with a mean of 160 and a standard deviation of 40. A random sample of size 64 is taken from this population. What is the standard deviation of the sample mean?
- a. 3.125
- b. 2.500
- c. 3.750
- d. 5.625

e. 5.000

Answer: E

- 8. A sample of size n is selected at random from a large population. As n increases, which of the following statements is true?
- a. the population standard deviation decreases
- b. the standard deviation of the sample mean decreases
- c. the population standard deviation increases
- d. the standard deviation of the sample mean increases
- e. the standard deviation of the sample mean remains unchanged

Answer: B

- 9. Which of the following statements is correct?
- a. If X is normally distributed then the sample mean is skewed to the right
- b. If X is normally distributed then the sample mean is normally distributed with the same mean and variance as X.
- c. If X is not normally distributed then the sample mean is approximately normally distributed as long as the sample size is greater than 30
- d. If X is not normally distributed then the sample mean is not normally distributed
- e. none of the above statements is correct

Answer: C

- 10. Why is the Central Limit Theorem so important to the study of sampling distributions?
- a. It allows us to disregard the size of the population we are sampling from
- b. It allows us to disregard the size of the sample selected when the population is not normal
- c. It allows us to disregard the shape of the sampling distribution when the size of the population is large
- d. It allows us to estimate the sampling distribution of any population when the sample size is large enough is large
- e. None of the above is a correct statement

Answer: D

- 11.In a given year, the average annual salary of professional South African soccer players was R189,000 with a standard deviation of R20,500. If a sample of 50 players was taken, what is the probability that the sample mean of their salaries was more than R192,000?
- a. 0.1515
- b. 0.3669
- c. 0.2451
- d. 0.2549

e. 0.3485

Answer: A

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Answer: B

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- c. 0.2451
- d. 0.2549
- e. 0.3485

Answer: C

14.In a certain stats class, the marks obtained by students on a class test followed a normal distribution with a mean of 68% and a standard deviation of 10%. What is the probability that the mean test mark from a sample of 25 students from the class was more than 72%?

- a. 0.0228
- b. 0.0668
- c. 0.1587
- d. 0.3085
- e. 0.9332

Answer: A

15.In a certain stats class, the marks obtained by students on a class test followed a normal distribution with a mean of 68% and a standard deviation of 10%. What is the probability that the mean test mark from a sample of 25 students from the class was more than 71%?

- a. 0.0228
- b. 0.0668
- c. 0.1587
- d. 0.3085

e. 0.9332

Answer: B

16.In a certain stats class, the marks obtained by students on a class test followed a normal distribution with a mean of 68% and a standard deviation of 10%. What is the probability that the mean test mark from a sample of 25 students from the class was more than 70%?

- a. 0.0228
- b. 0.0668
- c. 0.1587
- d. 0.3085
- e. 0.9332

Answer: C

17.In a certain stats class, the marks obtained by students on a class test followed a normal distribution with a mean of 68% and a standard deviation of 10%. What is the probability that the mean test mark from a sample of 25 students from the class was more than 69%?

- a. 0.0228
- b. 0.0668
- c. 0.1587
- d. 0.3085
- e. 0.9332

Answer: D

18.In a certain stats class, the marks obtained by students on a class test followed a normal distribution with a mean of 68% and a standard deviation of 10%. What is the probability that the mean test mark from a sample of 25 students from the class was more than 65%?

- a. 0.0228
- b. 0.0668
- c. 0.1587
- d. 0.3085
- e. 0.9332

Answer: E

19. The average daily temperature in Johannesburg during summer follows a normal distribution with a mean of 27 degrees Celsius and a standard deviation of 15 degrees Celsius. What is the probability that a randomly chosen sample of 10 summer days will have an average temperature of less than 28 degrees?

- a. 0.5832
- b. 0.4168
- c. 0.3372

- d. 0.7357
- e. 0.2643

Answer: A

20. The average daily temperature in Johannesburg during summer follows a normal distribution with a mean of 27 degrees Celsius and a standard deviation of 15 degrees Celsius. What is the probability that a randomly chosen sample of 10 summer days will have an average temperature of less than 26 degrees?

- a. 0.5832
- b. 0.4168
- c. 0.3372
- d. 0.7357
- e. 0.2643

Answer: B

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