

History & Approaches Review Questions

- The view that knowledge is innate or inborn, rather than acquired from experience is known as:
 - empiricism
 - functionalism
 - structuralism
 - nativism
 - monism
- John felt the shape of Susie's skull and suggested that this related to her personality traits and behavioral tendencies. John is engaging in the pseudo-scientific practice of:
 - dualism
 - structuralism
 - neurology
 - functionalism
 - phrenology
- Edward Titchener trained participants to reflect on and communicate their experience of consciousness, a process known as:
 - dualism
 - structuralism
 - introspection
 - empiricism
 - free association
- The idea that people are motivated by unconscious drives is most associated with this early psychologist:
 - Wilhelm Wundt
 - William James
 - Sigmund Freud
 - Hermann von Helmholtz
 - Edward Titchener
- Anton specializes in helping people to manage stress in their relationships and family. He is most likely a(n):
 - counseling psychologist
 - psychiatrist
 - clinical psychologist
 - industrial-organizational psychologist
 - behavioral neuroscientist
- Widely considered one of the "fathers" of psychology, he founded a lab at the University of Leipzig which trained several early experimental psychologists:
 - Edward Titchener
 - William James
 - Sigmund Freud
 - Hermann von Helmholtz
 - Wilhelm Wundt
- A psychologist who investigates employee morale and productivity would be a(n):
 - evolutionary psychologist
 - industrial-organizational psychologist
 - social psychologist
 - developmental psychologist
 - clinical psychologist
- This early approach to psychology was heavily influenced by Charles Darwin and emphasized understanding the purpose of traits or behaviors:
 - functionalism
 - gestalt psychology
 - structuralism
 - behaviorism
 - psychoanalysis
- Artie studies how the presence of other people influences an individual's everyday behavior. He is most likely a:
 - clinical psychologist
 - developmental psychologist
 - social psychologist
 - cognitive psychologist
 - neuroscientist
- Joan is interested in how personality and behavior change in elderly adults. She is most likely a:
 - behavioral psychologist
 - clinical psychologist
 - psychiatrist
 - social psychologist
 - developmental psychologist

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1. D - nativism

Associated with Plato, nativism is the view that knowledge is innate and is gradually revealed or rediscovered.

2. E – phrenology

Phrenology was a practice developed by Franz Josef Gall attempting to link bumps and dents in the skull to personality and behavior.

3. C – introspection

Introspection was practiced by Edward Titchener and involved training to describe one's thoughts and reactions in order to study consciousness.

4. C – Sigmund Freud

Freud proposed a dynamic unconscious which held thoughts, desires, and fears which would cause anxiety if accessible to consciousness.

5. A – counseling psychologist

Counseling psychologists tend to work to help people manage personal problems and stressors, rather than mental illness.

6. E – Wilhelm Wundt

Wilhelm Wundt was a psychology pioneer at the University of Leipzig who trained a number of doctoral students (including Edward Titchener and G. Stanley Hall) who both went on to found psychology labs in other places.

7. B – industrial-organizational psychologist

Industrial-organizational psychologists focus on employee behaviors, attitudes, and management; also known as “occupational psychology”.

8. A - functionalism

William James promoted a functionalist approach which emphasized understanding the adaptive purpose of traits and behaviors, rather than trying to understand the structure of consciousness (structuralism).

9. C – social psychologist

Social psychologists investigate how other people and groups can influence individual behavior and interpersonal interactions.

10. E – developmental psychologist

While mostly associated with studying children, developmental psychologists investigate changes in behavior and cognition across the lifespan.