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## Social Research Ethics-1

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Question Number: 1 Question Id: 70959729991 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes

Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

If the researcher subscribes to the idea that social reality is external to the individuals – the approach to study social reality then follows the path of 'empiricism'.

- a. True
- b. False

Question Number : 2 Question Id : 70959729992 Question Type : MCQ Option Shuffling : No Display Question Number : Yes Single Line Question Option : No Option Orientation : Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Why is scientific validity an ethical concern?

- a. Scientific validity assures scientific and social value
- b. Scientific validity avoids unnecessary harm
- c. Both of the above
- d. Neither of the above

Question Number : 3 Question Id : 70959729993 Question Type : MCQ Option Shuffling : No Display Question Number : Yes Single Line Question Option : No Option Orientation : Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

A researcher studied the experiences of women in public hospital labour wards during their delivery. She conducted a qualitative in-depth interview of the mothers 6 weeks after delivery. She finished her study and reported her findings, which of the following statements in her results is valid?

- 40% of the women were abused by the health care provider
- b. All the women found the toilets to be unclean
- c. The women found the experience to be very difficult and said they would never return to the hospital for their delivery
- 8% of the women were satisfied with the services of the hospital.

Question Number : 4 Question Id : 70959729994 Question Type : MCQ Option Shuffling : No Display Question Number : Yes Single Line Question Option : No Option Orientation : Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Which of these represent possible harms from research participation?

- a. Physical, psychological, social, economic, legal and dignitary
- b. Physical, spiritual, social, economic, anatomical and astronomic
- c. Economic, social, cultural, dignitary, physical and educational
- d. Dignitary, psychological, behavioural, emotional and relational

Question Number: 5 Question Id: 70959729995 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Which one of these harms is an economic harm?

- a. Inability to read a consent form because of being slightly visually impaired
- b. Loss of wages due to staying back from work for participating in a research
- c. Feeling embarrassed to say that one cannot read the consent form without glasses

Question Number: 6 Question Id: 70959729996 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

What is a good way to balance risk-benefit in survey research when there are no direct benefits

to participants?

- a. By assessing the indirect benefits and balancing it against the risks
- By assessing the risks and evaluating them for their reasonableness
- c. By assessing the benefits to society at large
- d. By assessing the benefits to the researchers in general

Question Number: 7 Question Id: 70959729997 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

The philosophical perspective that undergirds quantitative research accepts that:

- a. There are multiple truths that can be shaped by who one is
- b. There are multiple ways to see the world and it depends on where you stand
- c. There are multiple truths that can be shaped by where one is
- d. There is only one truth and that it can be established by use of appropriate methods

Question Number: 8 Question Id: 70959729998 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes

Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

An ethical world view that is tolerant of other notions of what is right while holding alternative ideas of 'right' for one's own behaviour is:

- a. Ethical imperialist
- b. Ethical relativist
- c. Ethical universalist
- d. Ethical nomadist

Question Number: 9 Question Id: 70959729999 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes

Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

The ethical challenges to social science research vary by

- a. The methods being used
- b. The person undertaking the study
- c. The physical capabilities of the researcher
- d. The choice of instruments.

Question Number: 10 Question Id: 70959730000 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes

Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Identify the incorrect option in the choices below

Obtaining informed consent in participant observations in communities is difficult because:

- a. Identifying individuals is difficult when it is a collective action
- b. It is difficult to interrupt the process of conversations
- c. Trust in the relationship could be impaired by the constant need to hark upon consent
- It is enough if the leader has consented.

Question Number: 11 Question Id: 70959730001 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes

Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

A survey of senior residents and junior faculty in Indian institutions found that 65% of those who replied to the survey said they were aware of gift authors. What is gift authorship?

- a. Where authors get gifts
- b. Where authors open gifts
- c. Where authorship is gifted
- d. Where authors like gifts

Question Number: 12 Question Id: 70959730002 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Identify what <u>does not</u> constitute a key element to claim authorship for a journal article or book publication?

- a. Conceptualizing the writing
- Substantial writing
- c. Mentoring the writing
- d. Willing to be accountable to all aspects of the paper

Question Number: 13 Question Id: 70959730003 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Increasing health inequities point to (fill in the blank)

- a. Superstitions
- b. Health beliefs and practices
- c. Social injustice
- d. Poor health seeking behaviour

Question Number: 14 Question Id: 70959730004 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

The researcher heads of a Committee to select proposals to fund research from various colleges including's her own college. What is the ethical concern here?

- a. Confidentiality
- b. Conflict of Interest
- c. Regulation
- d. Selection

Question Number: 15 Question Id: 70959730005 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

A researcher receives a list of women who have sought medical termination of pregnancy (abortion) from a Doctor to enable her to select her sample. What is the ethical concern here:

- a. Breach of Privacy
- b. Deception
- c. Breach of Confidentiality
- d. Conflict of interest

Question Number: 16 Question Id: 70959730006 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Identify what is NOT a discrete variable in the list below:

- a. Economic classification Upper class middle class lower class
- b. Satisfaction with a service Excellent Good Fair Poor
- Heights 6.1 feet; 5.8 feet; 5.2 feet; 5.10 feet
- d. Cities Delhi; Bengaluru; Chennai; Mumbai

Question Number: 17 Question Id: 70959730007 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Children of mothers with no literacy have lower chances of survival than mothers with schooling. This is

- a. Inequity
- b. Inequality
- c. Equality
- d. Equity

Question Number: 18 Question Id: 70959730008 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

Data anonymization is a type of information sanitization whose intent is to

- a. Protect Integrity
- b. Protect Privacy
- c. Enable Data Analysis
- d. Enable good Hygiene

Question Number : 19 Question Id : 70959730009 Question Type : MCQ Option Shuffling : No Display Question Number : Yes Single Line Question Option : No Option Orientation : Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

## What do Institute Ethics Review Boards (IERB) NOT expect from researchers -

- a. To produce good science
- b. To follow ethical guidelines
- c. To acknowledge the IERB's contribution
- d. To be accountable to research participants

Question Number: 20 Question Id: 70959730010 Question Type: MCQ Option Shuffling: No Display Question Number: Yes

Single Line Question Option: No Option Orientation: Vertical

Correct Marks: 1 Wrong Marks: 0

. Match the following by connecting the Concepts on the left with arrows to the correct

Meanings on the right:

Equality = fairness

Inequality = unfair or unjust

Equity = sameness

Inequity = unequal

- a. ABCD
- b. CDAB
- b. CBAD
- d. ADCB

Social Research Ethics-2

**Section Id:** 709597423

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Question Number: 21 Question Id: 70959730011 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes

**Correct Marks: 3** 

Describe what is 'triangulation'?

Question Number: 22 Question Id: 70959730012 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

Explain 'retrospective cohort studies' within quantitative research designs.

Question Number: 23 Question Id: 70959730013 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

What is the most common critique of the Randomized Control Trials (RCTs) that use the case and control arms for carrying out interventions?

Question Number: 24 Question Id: 70959730014 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

Give an example to explain how Mixed Methods are used in research?

Question Number: 25 Question Id: 70959730015 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

How does an Ethics Review Board assess the social validity of a research proposal?

Question Number: 26 Question Id: 70959730016 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

What are the research ethics issues relating to employing 'deception' as a research strategy?

Question Number : 27 Question Id : 70959730017 Question Type : SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number : Yes Correct Marks : 3

What is wrong with copying from other's published research?

Question Number: 28 Question Id: 70959730018 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

What is fidelity to research paradigm?

Question Number: 29 Question Id: 70959730019 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

Define a variable?

Question Number: 30 Question Id: 70959730020 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 3

Write a short Information Sheet for sharing with a rural community for a study to be done to understand the reasons for school drop out among girls. **Section Id:** 709597424

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Question Number: 31 Question Id: 70959730021 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 10

Why is 'social relevance of research' one of the foundational principles in research ethics discourse? Please discuss.

Question Number : 32 Question Id : 70959730022 Question Type : SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number : Yes Correct Marks : 10

Why is it said that scientifically invalid research amounts to unethical research? Please discuss with examples.

Question Number: 33 Question Id: 70959730023 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 10

Taking a 'life-span' approach (conceptualization, designing, ethics review, conduct of the study, data analysis, writing and dissemination) to a research initiative, please discuss key research ethics issues that you would anticipate and your response/strategies to address them in your research in a community based empirical research on one of the topics: women and health or health of aging people or health of adolescents?

Question Number: 34 Question Id: 70959730024 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 10

Please discuss the concept of 'risk' in the research ethics discourse; enlist some of the risks in social sciences and behavioural research; and discuss at least three of them in-depth including how to pre-empt and/or respond to them with the help of examples.

Question Number: 35 Question Id: 70959730025 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes Correct Marks: 10

What is privacy and confidentiality? How are they different from each other? Please discuss these with the help of examples.

Question Number: 36 Question Id: 70959730026 Question Type: SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number: Yes

**Correct Marks: 10** 

What is the concept of 'vulnerability' in research ethics discourse? Please discuss it with the help of three to five examples to cover different study context (topic of enquiry, study sites) and participating communities alongside research ethics issues it poses.

Question Number : 37 Question Id : 70959730027 Question Type : SUBJECTIVE Display Question Number : Yes Correct Marks : 10

Please discuss the concept of 'publication ethics' in terms of its various facets and discuss its significance using examples from research in social sciences or behavioural sciences or public health research or biomedical research.