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(AUTONOMOUS)

M.Ed. Degree Second Semester Examination, May 2019
(For the candidates admitted for the academic year 2018-2020)

**Tool Courses - ESSENTIALS IN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND
STATISTICS**

Course code: M2TC1810

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

SECTION A (10 x 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions by selecting the appropriate answers.

1. Causal comparative research is also known as
 - a) Historical research
 - b) Ex post facto research
 - c) Basic research
 - d) Ethnographic research
2. Experimental design used when it is difficult or impossible to equate experimental and control groups by randomization is
 - a) Quasi-experimental design
 - b) True experimental design
 - c) Pre-experimental design
 - d) Factorial design
3. The interviewer has no list of pre-determined questions in
 - a) Focused interview
 - b) Structured interview
 - c) Clinical interview
 - d) Unstructured interview
4. Test that measures a person's ability before he undergoes special training to develop those abilities is called as
 - a) Achievement test
 - b) Prognostic test
 - c) Aptitude test
 - d) Diagnostic test
5. In census survey researches, one can collect a lot of information quickly with the help of
 - a) Rating scale
 - b) Observation
 - c) Checklist
 - d) Interview
6. The method for establishing reliability associated with internal consistency of the test is
 - a) Test-retest method
 - b) Split half method
 - c) Parallel forms method
 - d) Criterion test method

7. The type of scale of measurement used for 'Numbering of houses', 'Roll numbers to students', 'Vehicle registration numbers' is
- Interval scale
 - Nominal scale
 - Ordinal scale
 - Ratio scale
8. The preparation of readymade items like garments, shoes etc are based on the measures of
- Mode
 - Mean
 - Median
 - Standard deviation
9. As the demand of an article decreases, its supply also decreases. This is an example of the concept of
- Negative correlation
 - Zero correlation
 - Partial correlation
 - Positive correlation
10. The frequency distribution in which more high achievers and few average achievers are found is called as
- Negative skewness
 - Normal distribution
 - Positive skewness
 - Kurtosis

SECTION B (5 x 3 = 15 marks)

Answer ALL questions in about 100 words each.

- What are the advantages and limitations of quantitative research?
- What is rating scale? Explain the different types.
- Explain the measures of central tendency.
- Explain sampling error.
- What is Kurtosis? Explain the types.

SECTION C (5 x 5 = 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions in about 200 words each.

- Describe causal comparative research.
- Explain about observation as a research tool.
- Explain the different types of scales with an example each.
- What is correlation? Explain the different types with an example.
- What is Skewness? Explain its types with examples.
- Explain the steps in preparing a standardized research tool.

- What are standard scores? Why do we need them?

SECTION D (2x 10 = 20 marks)

Answer BOTH the questions in about 500 words.

- (a) Explain the different types of true experimental designs.

(Or)

- (b) Calculate Pearson product moment coefficient of correlation for the following 2 sets of scores and interpret the results.

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- (a) Explain the characteristics of a good research tool.

(Or)

- (b) What is normal probability curve? What are its characteristics and applications?