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PHENIKSA Introduction to Research Methods --Course 1

Time: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: This question paper consists of three parts: Part – A, Part-B and Part-C. Number of words to answers each question is only indicative. Attempt all parts.

Part-A contains 10 compulsory questions, of multiple choice/fill in the blank/ very short answer type questions. Answer all questions. Each question carries 01 mark. (10x1=10 marks)

Part-B contains 08 questions, of which students are supposed to answer 05 questions. Answer each question in approximately 200 words. Each question carries 06 marks. (5x6=30 marks)

Part-C contains 05 questions, of which students are supposed to answer 03 questions. Answer each question in approximately 500 words. Each question carries 10 marks. (3x10=30 marks)

Answer all the following: (10x1=10)

Part A

Present the following information as reference/work citation entry in APA or MHRA or MLA documentation style.

- i. Richard D. Altick 1963 the art of literary research New York ww norton and company.
- Complete the following statements:*
- ii. Qualitative research focuses on _____ while quantitative is concerned with behavior.
 - iii. Three stages in the education process are: 1) _____, 2) mastery of techniques by which knowledge is tested and 3) the period of discovery or research.
 - iv. 'Research misconduct is traditionally defined as fabrication, falsification or _____'.
 - v. A '_____ is the arrangement of conditions for collection and analysis of data'
 - vi. The scientific research method involves generally the steps of: 1) _____, 2) collecting and recording the facts of observation, 3) classification of the facts of observation and 4) generalization from the facts of observation.
 - vii. The term _____ comes from the Greek *proballein*.
 - viii. '_____ is observation under artificial condition.'
 - ix. '_____ are conditioned statements of what happens.'
 - x. A _____ has been defined as a central tendency in a distribution of data.

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Part B

Attempt any five of the following: (5x6=30)

- 2) How a scholar is required to be cautious with respect to 'Error: Its Prevalence, Progress, and Persistence' in his/her research?
- 3) What is literary research? What are the functions of literary research?
- 4) What does 'violation of research integrity' mean? Discuss.
- 5) What is normative research method? Explain.
- 6) Discuss different types of hypothesis?
- 7) What are different types of literature review? Explain.
- 8) What is a 'problem' in research? How to find the problem? Discuss.
- 9) What is thesis? Discuss.

Part C

Attempt any three of the following: (3x10=30)

- 10) 'Discuss 'Some Scholarly Occupations' referring to the text recommended for your study.
- 11) What are the necessary steps needed in scientific research method? Discuss.
- 12) How research in literature is similar to the research in history? Explain.
- 13) Write a comprehensive note on Print and Non-Print Sources citations in MLA or MHRA or APA documentation styles.
- 14) Present in tabular form your proposed research area, research problem, research questions, research hypothesis and research aim/objective.
