

South Asian University New Delhi

Sample Questions for MA Entrance Test in Sociology

Time allowed: 02 hours

Maximum Marks: 100

(There will be 50 questions in the test and each question will carry two mark each. All questions will be compulsory.)

Please note that this sample paper contains only 15 questions

1. "Sociology is the science of understanding the meaning of social action."
Who made the above statement?
 - a.) Max Weber
 - b.) Auguste Comte
 - c.) Herbert Spencer
 - d.) Emile Durkheim
2. Who wrote the lyrics for the national anthem of Pakistan?
 - a.) Allama Muhammad Iqbal
 - b.) Abu Al-Asar Hafeez Jullundhri
 - c.) Majrooh Sultanpuri
 - d.) Mazrul Islam
3. Which one of the following communities has been at the centre of repression in Myanmar?
 - a.) Hindus
 - b.) Rohingyas
 - c.) Bamar
 - d.) Kachin
4. Which one of the following mythologies does not originate in Asia?
 - a.) The Mahavamsa
 - b.) The Ramayana
 - c.) The Book of Kings
 - d.) The Odyssey
5. Which one of the following countries does not touch the Indian Ocean?
 - a.) India
 - b.) Sri Lanka
 - c.) Somalia
 - d.) Nigeria
6. In physics, which theory is Albert Einstein best known for?
 - a.) Theory of Relativity

- b.) Big Bang Theory
 - c.) Law of Gravity
 - d.) Theories on Dark Matter
7. In which year did the Bhola Cyclone cause nearly half a million deaths in Bangladesh?
- a.) 1950
 - b.) 1970
 - c.) 1990
 - d.) 1985
8. Which is the world's largest delta encompassing both Bangladesh and a part of West Bengal?
- a.) The Ganges
 - b.) The Padma
 - c.) The Brahmaputra
 - d.) The Meghna
9. Which theory among the following, argues that people are motivated by self-interest in their interactions with other people?
- a.) Conflict Theory
 - b.) Exchange Theory
 - c.) Interaction Theory
 - d.) Structural Theory
10. For whom, among the following, is 'Collective Consciousness' a crucial idea?
- a.) Max Weber
 - b.) Auguste Comte
 - c.) Herbert Spencer
 - d.) Emile Durkheim
11. The idea of 'imperatively coordinated associations' was presented by:
- a.) Karl Marx
 - b.) Max Weber
 - c.) Lewis Coser
 - d.) Ralph Dahrendorf
12. Who wrote the book 'The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State'?
- a.) Charles Dickens
 - b.) Romila Thapar
 - c.) Max Weber
 - d.) Friedrich Engels
13. Monogamy as a practice of marriage involves:
- a.) Marrying no more than three persons at a time
 - b.) Marrying one's cross cousins only
 - c.) Marrying one person at a time
 - d.) Marrying a person outside of one's own caste
14. In sociology, the term 'kinship' refers to:

- a.) People linked to each other by ethnicity
- b.) Children of a single caste group
- c.) People related to each other in a single nuclear family
- d.) Individuals related to each other through blood and marriage

15. Kumari Jayawardena is best known in South Asian Studies for her work on:

- a.) Third World feminisms
- b.) The art history of South Asia
- c.) Kinship in Northern Sri Lanka
- d.) Modernization in Sri Lanka