

## Test Bank

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### Chapter 1: General Research Orientations

#### Multiple Choice Questions

1. Which of the following was a goal of Milgram's (1963) famous study of obedience?

- a. To assess racial prejudices
- b. To assess compliance with authority
- c. To assess the placebo effect
- d. To assess depth perception

Answer: b

Textbook Reference: Introduction

2. What is a theory?

- a. An explanation of observed regularities or patterns
- b. A common sense idea about some phenomena
- c. A philosophy or worldview
- d. An epistemological position

Answer: a

Textbook Reference: Theory and Research

3. Which of the following is *not* a component of a theory?

- a. Definitions
- b. Descriptions
- c. Relational statements
- d. Observations

Answer: d

Textbook Reference: Theory and Research

4. Which of the following is among the forms of relational statements between variables?

- a. Descriptive
- b. Deterministic
- c. Middle range
- d. Deductive

Answer: b

Textbook Reference: Theory and Research

5. Theories that are limited in scope are called \_\_\_\_\_, whereas theories that are grand and abstract are called \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. grand theories; theories of the middle range
- b. theories of the middle range; grand theories