

Exam Practice Guide

Unit 1 Psychology Examination 1

Key Features:

- ✓ 119 original examination style questions on all examinable topics.
- ✓ Full solutions and a marking guide to all questions.
- Separated into key topic areas within each Area of Study, enabling students to master one topic at a time.
- ✓ Written by VCE assessors who mark the real examinations.
- ✓ Excellent resource for examination practice.

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AREA OF STUDY 1: How does the brain function?

Topic 1 – Roles of the brain in mental processes and behaviour

Question 1

The central nervous system comprises of the

- A. Brain.
- **B.** Spinal cord.
- C. Heart.
- **D.** Both A and B.

Question 2

The structure of the neuron that sends messages to other neurons is called the

- A. Dendrite.
- B. Axon terminals.
- C. Myelin sheath.
- D. Soma.

Question 3

The two divisions of the peripheral nervous system are the

- A. Sympathetic and parasympathetic nervous systems.
- **B.** Somatic and parasympathetic nervous systems.
- C. Autonomic and sympathetic nervous systems.
- D. Somatic and autonomic nervous systems.

Question 4

____ neurons transmit afferent information to the CNS, whereas _______ neurons transmit

- efferent information from the CNS.
- A. Interneuron; sensory
- B. Motor; interneuron
- **C.** Motor; sensory
- D. Sensory; motor

Question 5

Which type of neuron is only located in the central nervous system and is responsible for the reflex action?

- A. Sensory neuron
- B. Motor neuron
- **C.** Complex neuron
- D. Interneuron

Question 6

The activity of a neuron is controlled by the

- A. Soma.
- B. Dendrite.
- **C.** Nucleus.
- D. Axon.

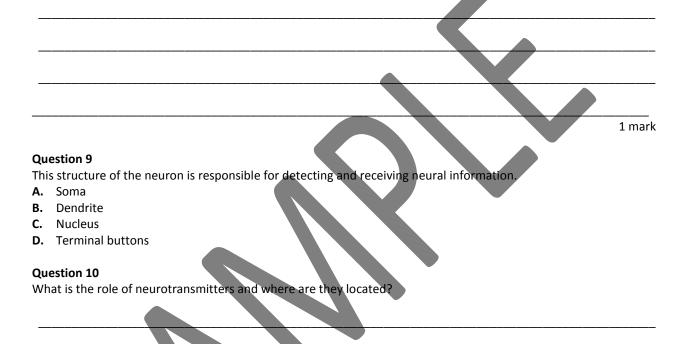
Question 7

One role of the myelin sheath around axons is to

- A. Keep them warm.
- **B.** Increase the speed of neural impulses.
- C. Decrease the speed of neural impulses.
- **D.** Stop neural impulses.

Question 8

What role do dendrites play in neural communication?



Question 11

The forebrain is

- **A.** In control of higher cognitive functions.
- B. In control of basic survival functions.
- **C.** Responsible for detecting environmental energy.
- D. Both A and B

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