

Exam Practice Guide

Unit 3 Psychology Examination Questions

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- ✓ 269 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.
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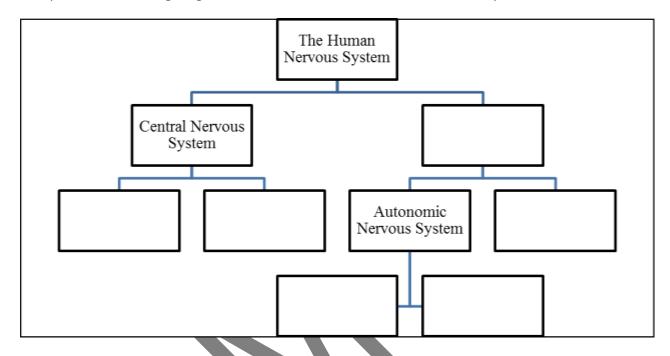
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AREA OF STUDY 1: How does the nervous system enable psychological functioning?

Topic 1 – Nervous System Functioning

Question 1 (6 marks)

Complete the following diagram of the structure of the human nervous system.



Question 2

The Central Nervous System is composed of

- A. the brain and the spinal cord.
- **B.** the sympathetic and the parasympathetic nervous systems.
- **C.** the spinal cord and the autonomic nervous system.
- **D.** the somatic cord and the brain.

Question 3

Which of the following is not a response consistent with arousal?

- A. decreased contractions of the stomach
- B. decreased production of saliva
- C. decreased respiratory function
- **D.** dilated pupils

Question 4

The autonomic nervous system

- **A.** controls all of the body's voluntary muscle movements and functions.
- **B.** controls all of the bodies involuntary muscle movements and automatic functions.
- C. controls all skeletal muscles.
- **D.** calms the body in times of stress.

Question 5 (2 marks

The parasympathetic nervous system returns the body to a state of homeostasis. What does this mean?
Question 6 (2 marks) What are the two main functions of the spinal cord?

Question 7

The two subdivisions of the peripheral nervous system are

- **A.** the brain and the spinal cord.
- **B.** the parasympathetic and sympathetic nervous systems.
- C. the somatic and sympathetic nervous systems.
- **D.** the somatic and the autonomic nervous systems.

Question 8

Physiological responses to the activation of the parasympathetic nervous system include

- **A.** slowing heart rate and contracting the airways.
- **B.** decreasing contractions of the stomach and slowing the digestion rate.
- C. increasing the production of saliva and dilating pupils.
- **D.** decreasing production of saliva and increasing the production of noradrenalin.

Question 9

The returning of the body to a state of homeostasis is due to the actions of the

- **A.** peripheral nervous system.
- **B.** sympathetic nervous system.
- C. parasympathetic nervous system.
- **D.** somatic nervous system.

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