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Question: 1

Which author was among the founders of the Modernist movement and authored *A Room of One's Own* in 1929?

- A. Fyodor Dostoevsky
- B. Francis Bacon
- C. Charles Dickens
- D. Virginia Woolf

Answer: D

Explanation:

Virginia Woolf had a powerful effect on the modern novel. Other authors that influenced the Modernist movement include T. S. Eliot, Ezra Pound, James Joyce, and Gertrude Stein. The Modernist movement took place in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The authors questioned traditional forms of literature and in doing so, wrote novels and poems that were full of modern thought.

Question: 2

Which author's works have explored the experience and roles of black women in American society?

- A. Toni Morrison
- B. Washington Irving
- C. Richard Wright
- D. Flannery O'Connor

Answer: A

Explanation:

Toni Morrison's novels focus on black women and their search for a place within American culture and society. She often uses fantasy to explore the themes of racism, gender bias, and class conflict. She is both a Nobel Prize and Pulitzer Prize winner. Her novels include *The Bluest Eye*, *Sula*, *Song of Solomon*, and *Beloved*.

Question: 3

Which author is associated with the Contemporary movement?

- A. Homer
- B. Henry David Thoreau
- C. George Orwell
- D. William Shakespeare

Answer: C

Explanation:

Authors of the Contemporary movement wrote from 1945 to the present. George Orwell wrote Animal Farm in 1945 and 1984 in 1949.

Question: 4

Catherine and Heath cliff are main characters from which novel?

- A. Jane Eyre
- B. Wuthering Heights
- C. The Awakening
- D. The Scarlett Letter

Answer: B

Explanation:

Heath cliff and Catherine are main characters in Wuthering Heights, written by Emily Bronte in 1847.

Question: 5

What is one strategy for prewriting?

- A. Clustering
- B. Reconsidering arguments
- C. Retell, Recite, Relate
- D. Getting the reader's attention

Answer: A

Explanation:

Clustering is a prewriting strategy. The writer starts with a circle in the middle that contains a main idea and then draws lines to other. smaller circles that contain sub-ideas or issues related to the main idea. Other prewriting strategies include free-writing, brainstorming, tagmemics, and journalistic techniques.

Question: 6

The main difference between a topic outline and a sentence outline is

- A. a topic outline helps arrange ideas.
- B. ideas are numbered or lettered in a sentence outline.
- C. ideas are fully stated in a sentence outline.
- D. a sentence outline only uses brief phrases or single words.

Answer: C

Explanation:

The headings and subheadings of a topic outline are words or phrases, and it is brief. The headings and subheadings of a sentence outline are full sentences, and it is longer and more detailed.

Question: 7

If a student is writing a thesis on brain disorders, the best source of information would be a(n):

- A. medical journals.
- B. encyclopedia.
- C. webpage.
- D. newspaper.

Answer: A

Explanation:

The best source for information would be a medical journal. While the other sources may have information on the topic, the medical journal would have the most reliable information.

Question: 8

Which is the best revision of this sentence?

I will start the music after the guests have arrived.

- A. After the guests have arrived, I will start the music.
- B. I will start the music after the guests arrive.
- C. I start the music when the guests have arrived.
- D. I will have started the music when the guests have arrived.

Answer: B

Explanation:

No matter what the tense of the main part of a sentence, the verb that follows after should be in the simple present (arrive) or the simple past (arrived). In this case, it should be the simple present.

Question: 9

To which nation would you go to study the living traditions of the Mayans?

Ethnic Groups in Selected Central American Countries

	Honduras	Nicaragua	El Salvador	Costa Rica	Belize
Mestizo [European and Native American]	90%	69%	90%		49%
Amerindian	7%	5%	1%	1%	
Black	2%	9%		3%	
White	1%	17%	9%	94% [includes Mestizo]	
Chinese				1%	
Creole [African and European]					25%
Mayans					11%

- A. Honduras
- B. Costa Rica
- C. Belize
- D. Nicaragua

Answer: C

Explanation:

The Mayan population of Belize stands at about 10 percent. The first option, Honduras, does not have a Mayan presence. Thus it is incorrect. Choice B, Costa Rica, does not have a statistically significant Mayan population either, making this a false choice. Choice D suggests Nicaragua, but it does not have enough Maya to show up on the chart at all.

Question: 10

Which of the following conclusions is valid?

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- A. The Creole population is the largest ethnic group in Latin America.
- B. The Maya have completely died out.
- C. Few people in Nicaragua are of mixed heritage.
- D. The Amerindian population of many Central American countries was destroyed by war and disease.

Answer: D

Explanation:

Only in Belize does the Amerindian population exceed 10 percent, and that by a slim margin. Choice A is incorrect because the Creole population is not the largest ethnic group in the entire region but makes up about a fourth of Belize's population, The second response is also false; the Maya make up about 10 percent of the Belize population. Choice C is not correct; more than two-thirds of Nicaragua's people are of mixed descent.

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