	Marking Cahama
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	Senior School Certificate Examination, 2025
	SUBJECT NAME PSYCHOLOGY (Theory) (Q.P. CODE 63)
Gon	eral Instructions: -
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1	You are aware that evaluation is the most important process in the actual and correct
	assessment of the candidates. A small mistake in evaluation may lead to serious problems
	which may affect the future of the candidates, education system and teaching profession.
	To avoid mistakes, it is requested that before starting evaluation, you must read and
	understand the spot evaluation guidelines carefully.
2	"Evaluation policy is a confidential policy as it is related to the confidentiality of the examinations conducted, Evaluation done and several other aspects. Its' leakage to public in any manner could lead to derailment of the examination system and affect the life and future of millions of candidates. Sharing this policy/document to anyone, publishing in any magazine and printing in News Paper/Website etc may invite action under various rules of the Board and IPC."
3	Evaluation is to be done as per instructions provided in the Marking Scheme. It should not be done according to one's own interpretation or any other consideration. Marking Scheme should be strictly adhered to and religiously followed. However, while evaluating,
	answers which are based on latest information or knowledge and/or are innovative,
	they may be assessed for their correctness otherwise and due marks be awarded to
	them. In class-X, while evaluating two competency-based questions, please try to
	understand given answer and even if reply is not from marking scheme but correct
	competency is enumerated by the candidate, due marks should be awarded.
4	The Marking scheme carries only suggested value points for the answers
	These are in the nature of Guidelines only and do not constitute the complete answer. The
	students can have their own expression and if the expression is correct, the due marks
	should be awarded accordingly.
5	The Head-Examiner must go through the first five answer books evaluated by each
	evaluator on the first day, to ensure that evaluation has been carried out as per the
	instructions given in the Marking Scheme. If there is any variation, the same should be zero
	after delibration and discussion. The remaining answer books meant for evaluation shall be
	given only after ensuring that there is no significant variation in the marking of individual
~	evaluators.
6	Evaluators will mark($$) wherever answer is correct. For wrong answer CROSS 'X" be
	marked. Evaluators will not put right (
	answer is correct and no marks are awarded. This is most common mistake which
	evaluators are committing.
7	If a question has parts, please award marks on the right-hand side for each part. Marks
	awarded for different parts of the question should then be totaled up and written in the left-
0	hand margin and encircled. This may be followed strictly.
8	If a question does not have any parts, marks must be awarded in the left-hand margin and
0	encircled. This may also be followed strictly.
9	If a student has attempted an extra question, answer of the question deserving more marks
	should be retained and the other answer scored out with a note "Extra Question".

10	No marks to be deducted for the cumulative effect of an error. It should be penalized only
	once
11	A full scale of marks(example 0 to 80/70/60/50/40/30 marks as given in
	Question Paper) has to be used. Please do not hesitate to award full marks if the answer
	deserves it.
12	Every examiner has to necessarily do evaluation work for full working hours i.e., 8 hours
	every day and evaluate 20 answer books per day in main subjects and 25 answer books
	per day in other subjects (Details are given in Spot Guidelines). This is in view of the
	reduced syllabus and number of questions in question paper.
13	Ensure that you do not make the following common types of errors committed by the
	Examiner in the past:-
	Leaving answer or part thereof unassessed in an answer book.
	Giving more marks for an answer than assigned to it.
	Wrong totaling of marks awarded on an answer.
	• Wrong transfer of marks from the inside pages of the answer book to the title page.
	Wrong question wise totaling on the title page.
	Wrong totaling of marks of the two columns on the title page.
	Wrong grand total.
	Marks in words and figures not tallying/not same.
	 Wrong transfer of marks from the answer book to online award list.
	Answers marked as correct, but marks not awarded. (Ensure that the right tick mark is
	correctly and clearly indicated. It should merely be a line. Same is with the X for
	incorrect answer.)
	• Half or a part of answer marked correct and the rest as wrong, but no marks awarded.
14	While evaluating the answer books if the answer is found to be totally incorrect, it should be
	marked as cross (X) and awarded zero (0)Marks.
15	Any unassessed portion, non-carrying over of marks to the title page, or totaling error
	detected by the candidate shall damage the prestige of all the personnel engaged in the
	evaluation work as also of the Board. Hence, in order to uphold the prestige of all
	concerned, it is again reiterated that the instructions be followed meticulously and
	judiciously.
16	The Examiners should acquaint themselves with the guidelines given in the "Guidelines
	for Spot Evaluation" before starting the actual evaluation.
17	Every Examiner shall also ensure that all the answers are evaluated, marks carried over to
	the title page, correctly totaled and written in figures and words.
18	The candidates are entitled to obtain photocopy of the Answer Book on request on
	payment of the prescribed processing fee. All Examiners/Additional Head Examiners/Head
	Examiners are once again reminded that they must ensure that evaluation is carried out
	strictly as per value points for each answer as given in the Marking Scheme.

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Q.NO		NCERT BOOK	DISTRIBU
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		REFERENCE	MARKS
	SECTION - A	•	
Q1	(C) Level I, associative learning	Pg 6, Ch1	1
Q2	(B) 1-III, 2-II, 3-I, 4-IV	Pg 10, Ch 1	1
Q3	(D) Social desirability	Pg 43, Ch 2	1
Q4	(A) Divergent	Pg 20, Ch 1	1
Q5	(C) The concepts are well defined and easily submitted to scientific testing.	Pg 38, Ch 2	1
Q6	(A) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true, and Reason(R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).	Pg 4, Ch 1	1
Q7	(C) Impaired immune response due to stress	Pg 60, Ch 3	1
Q8	(D) Affective, Behavioural and Cognitive	Pg 105, Ch 6	1
Q9	 (C) Community social workers and doctors talking to people directly 	Pg 114, Ch 6	1
Q10	 (C) The polarisation of attention and shared emotions among the audience 	Pg 123, Ch 7	1
Q11	 (B) Mesomorphs – Strong musculature, strong body build, rectangular, energetic, courageous 	Pg 31, Ch 2	1
Q12	 (B) Encouraging frequent, informal interactions among members 	Pg 126, Ch 7	1
Q13	(B) Overgeneralisation	Pg 75, Ch 4	1
Q14	 (C) Societal norms are derived from society's culture, including its history, values and institutions and these 	Pg 71, Ch 4	1
	norms can change over time.		
	SECTION – B	I	
Q15	(With reference to Neeraj)	Pg 12-13, Ch 1	1+1=2
	• Gifted children show early signs of intellectual superiority. Even during infancy and early childhood, they show larger attention span, good recognition memory, preference for novelty, sensitivity to environmental changes, and early appearance of language skills.		
	• To equate giftedness with brilliant academic performance		

	is not correct. Athletes who show superior psychomotor ability are also gifted. Each gifted student possesses different strengths, personalities and characteristics. OR (Above points or any other relevant points on giftedness or any other valid/connected theory of intelligence)		
Q16(a)	 A simple attitude system contains only one or a few attitudes, such as attitude towards a person. Complex attitude is made of many attitudes. For example attitude towards health and well-being consists of several 'member' attitudes, such as one's concept of physical and mental health views about happiness and well-being and beliefs about how one should achieve health and happiness. 	(Pg 107, Ch 6)	(1½ +
	Example		1⁄2 =2
(b)	OR In the early years of life, parents and other family members play a significant role in shaping attitude formation. Later, the school environment becomes an important background for attitude formation. Learning of attitudes within the family and school usually takes place by association, through rewards and punishments, and through modelling.	Pg 108, Ch 6	-2 1+1=2
Q17	 Social loafing may be reduced by: Making the efforts of each person identifiable. Increasing the pressure to work hard(making group members committed to task performance). Increasing the apparent importance or value of a task. Making people feel that their individual contribution is important. Strengthening group cohesiveness which increases the motivation for successful group outcome/s. (Any two points from above mentioned) 	Pg 128, Ch 7	1+1=2
Q18	 Assertiveness is a behaviour or skill that helps to communicate, clearly and confidently, our feelings, needs, wants, and thoughts. It is the ability to say no to a request, to state an opinion without being self conscious, or to express emotions such 	Pg 64, Ch 3	1+1=2

	as love, anger, etc. openly.		
	 If you are assertive, you feel confident, and have high self- 		
	esteem and a solid sense of your own identity.		
	(Any two from the above mentioned points)		
Q19	When people have common motives and goals, they get	Pg 126, Ch 7	1+1=2
	together and form a group.		
	Any relevant example		
	SECTION – C		
Q20	Stress resistant personality / hardiness by Kobasa –	Pg 63, Ch 3	1+1+1 =3
	Explain.		
	 3C's – control, commitment and challenge. 		
	 Commitment – to work, family, hobbies and social life. 		
	 Control – which is a sense of purpose and direction in life. 		
	Challenge – see changes in life as normal and positive.		
	(Any three points of the above)		
	Note: If the student is able to evaluate the clients ability to		
	manage stress effectively using any model or theory,		
	should be awarded marks accordingly.		
Q21	Age of Reason & Enlightenment as the scientific method	Pg 72-73, Ch 4	1+1+1=3
	replaced faith and dogma.		
	Contributed to Reform Movement.		
	• Increased compassion for people who suffered from these		
	disorders.		
	Reforms of asylums initiated in Europe and America.		
	New inclination for deinstitutionalisation focussing on		
	community case.		
	(Any three points from above)		
Q22 (a)	According to Terman persons with high IQ were not	Pg 19-20, Ch 1	1+1+1 =3
	necessarily creative. Creative ideas could come from		
	persons who did not have a very high IQ.		
	Both high and low levels of creativity can be found in		
	highly intelligent children and also children of average		
	intelligence.		
	• The same person can be creative as well as intelligent but		
	it's not necessary that intelligent ones must be creative.		
	Intelligence by itself does not ensure creativity.		

	Relationship between creativity and intelligence is		
	positive.		
	(Any three relevant points from above)		
	OR		
(b)	Howard Gardner proposed the theory of multiple	Pg 7, Ch 1	1+1+1=3
	intelligences. According to him, intelligence is not a single		
	entity; rather distinct types of intelligences exist.		
	• Each of these intelligences are independent of each other.		
	If a person exhibits one type of intelligence, it does not		
	necessarily indicate being high or low on other types of intelligences.		
	Different types of intelligences interact and work together		
	to find a solution to a problem.		
	• There are eight types of intelligence : Spatial, linguistic,		
	interpersonal, intrapersonal, musical, bodily-kinesthetic,		
	logical-mathematical, naturalistic intelligence.		
	(Any three points of the above)		
	OR		
	(Any one point from above and explanation of any two		1+2=3
	types of intelligences)		
Q23	Kundalini Yoga	Pg 101, Ch 4	1½+1½=3
	Mindfulness based meditation		
	Cognitive-behavior therapy		
	Sudarshan Kriya Yoga		
	(Naming and justifying any one of the above)		
	SECTION – D (4 r	marks)	
Q24	Comparison between Technological and Integral	Pg15-17, Ch 1	2+2=4
(a)	Intelligence.		
	Technologically advanced societies adopt child rearing		
	practices that foster skills of generalisation and		
	abstraction, speed, minimal moves, and mental		
	manipulation among children.		
	Intelligence in the Indian tradition can be termed as		
	integral intelligence, which gives emphasis on connectivity		
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	as well as their integration.		
	Cultural factors:		
	The cultural environment provides a context for		
	intelligence to develop. Vygotsky, a Russian psychologist,		
	has argued that culture provides social context in which		
	people live, grow, and understand the world around them.		
	• For example, in less technologically developed societies,		
	social and emotional skills in relating to people are valued,		
	while in technologically advanced societies, personal		
	achievement founded on abilities of reasoning and		
	judgment is considered to represent intelligence.		
	• Four facets of integral intelligence: Cognitive. social,		
	emotional and entrepreneurial competence.		
	(Any two points from the above)		
	OR		
(b)	Characteristics of Emotionally Intelligent person which	Pg 17, Ch 1	1x4=4
	contribute to Manoj's popularity as compared to Sunil-		
	• The ability to monitor one's own and others emotions.		
	To discriminate among them.		
	Understand the powerful influence of the nature and		
	intensity of your emotions.		
	• Use this information to guide one's thinking and actions.		
	(Any four of the above or any other relevant		
	characteristics of emotionally intelligent persons).		
Q25	Four methods/processes of attitude formation	Pg 107-108,	1+1+1+1=
	Association	Ch 7	4
	Being Rewarded or Punished		
	Through Modelling		
	Through Group or Cultural Norms		
	Through exposure to information		
	(Explanation of any four points of the above)		
	OR		
	Factors influencing attitude formation:	Pg 108-109,	
	Family and social environment	Ch 7	
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Reference groups

Personal experiences

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	Media related influences.		
	(Explanation of all four above points)		
	NOTE: As 'methods' term not being used in textbook, so		
	might confuse students thus 'factors' too may be		
	considered along with 'process'.		
Q26	Sentence Completion test:	Pg 45-46, Ch 4	2+2=4
	Makes use of a member of incomplete sentences. The		
	starting part of the sentence is presented and the subject		
	has to provide an ending to the sentence.		
	• The type of ending reflects the subject's attitudes,		
	motivation and conflicts.		
	OR		
	Provides subjects with several opportunities to reveal their		
	underlined unconscious motivations.		
	• Sample/ example		
	My father		
	Draw-a-Person Test		
	• The subject is asked to draw a person, then ask to draw		
	the figure of an opposite sex person. Finally he/she has to		
	make a story about the person as if he/she is a character		
	in a novel or play.		
	Example of interpretation.		
	(a) Omission of facial features suggest that the person tries to		
	evade a highly conflict – ridden interpersonal		
	relationships.		
	(b) Graphic emphasis on the neck suggests lack of control		
	over impulses.		
	(c) Disproportionately large head suggests organic brain		
	disease and preoccupation with headaches.		
	(Brief description of both the techniques covering all		
	relevant points).		
Q27	Identification:	Pg 76, Ch 4	(1/2 +1/2+
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	a) Specific Phobia		
	b) Panic Disorder		4)
	Any coping strategy or stress management technique		
	or treatment explained.		

	NOTE: The second part of the question is worded as		
	coping instead of treatment, giving scope for interpreting		
	the question in different ways.		
	SECTION – E (6	marks)	1
Q28 (a)	Any statement that explains Freud's viewpoint	Pg 36-37, Ch 2	1+5=6
	Stages of psycho-sexual development :		
	1. Oral Stage		
	2. Anal Stage		
	3. Phallic Stage		
	4. Latency Stage		
	5. Genital Stage		
	(Explanation of all stages)		
	OR		
(b)	Introduction:	Pg 39-40, Ch 2	2+2+2=6
	Cultural approach attempts understand personality in		
	relation to the features of ecological and cultural		
	environment.		
	People develop various personality(behavioural) qualities		
	or an attempt to adapt to the ecological and cultural		
	features of a group's life.		
	Economic maintenance system, climatic conditions,		
	nature of terrain of the habitat, availability of food etc.		
	• Rituals, ceremonies, religious practices, arts, recreational		
	activities, games, plays, people's skills, abilities,		
	behavioural styles and value priorities etc. are the ways		
	through which people's personalities gets perfected in a		
	culture.		
	(any two points of the above)		
	Birhor Society (Hunting and Gathering): The Birhor of		
	Jharkhand live a nomadic lifestyle, moving between		
	forests to hunt and gather. Children are given significant		
	freedom to explore, learn hunting skills, and gather forest		
	products from an early age.		
	Socialization practices focus on developing independence,		
	autonomy, and a willingness to take risks. This approach		
	fosters self-relience and achievement-oriented behaviours		
	essential for their subsistence lifestyle.		

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	Agricultural Societies: In agricultural settings, children		
	are socialized to be obedient to elders, nurturing towards		
	younger siblings, and responsible for their duties. These		
	traits are crucial for the structured, community-focused		
	nature of agricultural work. As a result, obedience,		
	nurturance, and responsibility are emphasized,		
	contrasting with the independence and risk taking valued		
	in hunting – gathering societies.		
Q29 (a)	Aaron Beck's therapy	Pg 97-98, Ch 5	6
	Fundamental Principle/ Irrational Belief		
	• Explanation of core schema – Childhood experience, with		
	example		
	Negative automatic thoughts- irrational thoughts, with		
	example		
	Cognitive distortion- define or explanation – Dysfunctional		
	cognitive structure		
	Non-threatening disputation		
	Cognitive restructuring		
	OR		
	Rational Emotive Therapy (RET) : Developed by Albert Ellis,	Pg 96-98, Ch 5	2+2+2=6
	RET focuses on identifying and challenging irrational beliefs		
	that distort reality and cause psychological distress. Through		
	antecedent-belief-consequence (ABC) analysis and		
	nondirective questioning, RET aims to replace irrational beliefs		
	with rational ones, reducing negative emotions and behaviors.		
	Aaron Beck's Cognitive Therapy : Beck's approach centers		
	on identifying core schemas formed from childhood		
	experiences that trigger negative automatic thoughts during		
	critical incidents. These thoughts, marked by cognitive		
	distortions, lead to anxiety and depression. Therapy involves		
	gentle questioning to challenge and restructure dysfunctional		
	beliefs, aiming to alleviate psychological distress.		
	Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT) : CBT integrates		
	cognitive and behavioral techniques to address psychological		
	distress. It takes a bio-psychosocial approach, targeting		
	biological, psychological, and social aspects through relaxation		
	techniques, cognitive restructuring, and environmental		
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	manipulations. CBT is effective for a range of disorders and is		
	known for its short-term efficacy.		
	Ethical issues of Psycho-therapy		
(b)	1. Informed consent	Pg 100, Ch 5	6
	2. Confidentiality		
	3. Alleviating personal distress and suffering should be the goal		
	of all attempts of the therapist		
	4. Integrity of the practitioner-client relationship is important		
	5. Respect for human rights and dignity		
	6. Professional competence and skills are essential		
	SECTION – F		
Q30	Social stress can lead to a range of observable and		1
	measurable responses related to health outcomes.		
	(or any other relevant impact)		
Q31	Difficult social interactions, for example, a conflictual or		1+1
	tumultuous marital or family relationship		
	Evaluated performance situations -		
	One feels rejected, ostracized, or ignored.		
	(above points or any relevant answers)		
	(Assessment based on performance), Q30, Q31		
Q32	People who are exposed to adverse circumstances – including		1
	poverty, violence, disability, inequality etc.		
	(or any relevant answer)		
Q33	Social support, including support in developing and		1+1
	maintaining personal, family, and social relationships.		
	Support for educational programmes, employment, housing,		
	and participation in other meaningful activities.		
	(above points or any relevant answer)		
	(Assessment based on performance), Q32, Q33		