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AS GCE PSYCHOLOGY

G541/01 Psychological Investigations

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour



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- Answer all the questions.
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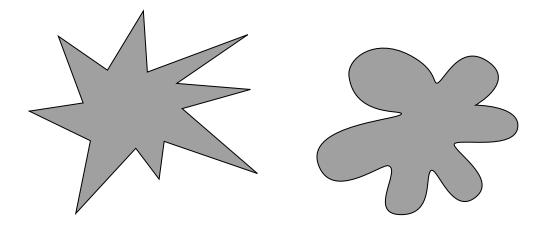
- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 60.
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SECTION A

Answer all questions

A psychologist wants to investigate how symbols influence the way we think. Using the self-report method, participants will be shown the two shapes below and asked which one they think is called "ziki" and which one "soso".



Explain the difference between open and closed questions in this study.
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2	Outline one strength and one weakness of using closed questions in this study.
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(a)	Identify how qualitative data could be obtained in this study.	
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(b)	Outline one strength and one weakness of having qualitative data in this study.	
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4	Outline how participants could be recruited for this study using self-selected sampling.
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SECTION B

Answer all questions

A psychologist investigated selective attention using a laboratory experiment. Participants wore headphones through which a different nursery rhyme was played to each ear at the same time. Afterwards, the participants were asked 15 true or false questions relating to the content of the nursery rhymes. The psychologist was interested in the difference in how men and women performed in this task.

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7	Identify the independent variable (IV) and dependent variable (DV) in this study.
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8	Suggest an appropriate one-tailed alternate hypothesis that could have been used in this study.
	[4]

(a)	Explain what is meant by the descriptive statistic called the mean.
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(b)	Explain how the mean would be calculated for the men and women in this study.
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SECTION C

Answer all questions

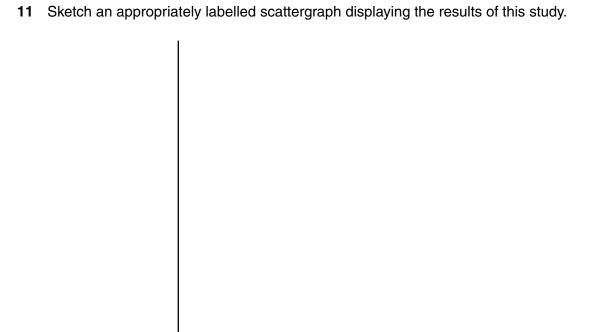
Emotions are strange. Sometimes people enjoy feeling sad! To investigate this, a psychologist conducted a correlation study assessing how people felt after watching a sad film. Each person was asked to rate on a 20-point scale, how much they enjoyed the film (1 = not very much, 20 = very much) and how sad it made them feel (1 = not very sad, 20 = very sad). The findings from the study are presented in Table 10.1 below.

Participant	Rating of how much the film was enjoyed	Rating of how sad the film made the participant feel
1	16	18
2	5	6
3	10	12
4	12	10
5	2	2
6	13	15
7	4	19
8	6	8
9	9	9
10	7	3

Table 10.1

10	Outline two findings from the data in Table 10.1.
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Evaluate the reliability and validity of the way in which the psychologist measured how sad the film made people feel.
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Explain what a positive correlation is in this study.
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