

Critical thinking in academic research, credit-test, BA3, 07.06.2011
Circle the best answer

1. "Knowledge without love is extremely dangerous" is a ... statement:

- (a) empirical,
- (b) axiological,
- (c) definitional,
- (d) experimental,
- (e) deductive.

2. *Rational* means:

- (a) based on reason,
- (b) relating to motives,
- (c) relating to aims/goals,
- (d) wise,
- (e) testable.

3. "I believe – pace Smith – that ..." means that:

- (a) I am using *ad personam* with regard to Smith,
- (b) I am using *ad populum* here,
- (c) I am using *ad verecundiam* here,
- (d) I disagree with Smith,
- (e) I agree with Smith.

4. Compared to observation, experimenting requires more:

- (a) subjects,
- (b) funding,
- (c) control,
- (d) time,
- (e) research.

5. *Surreptitious* means:

- (a) sudden,
- (b) unqualified,
- (c) unauthorized,
- (d) shortened,
- (e) lizardly.

6. Analogy is one of the best ... strategies:

- (a) defining,
- (b) observational,
- (c) algorithmic,
- (d) taxonomizing,
- (e) heuristic.

7. There's a problem here with:

- (a) spelling,
- (b) punctuation,
- (c) predicting,
- (d) justifying,
- (e) *differentia specifica*.



Best answers: 1b, 2a, 3d, 4c, 5c, 6e, 7b.