

Critical thinking in academic research, credit-test 1, 29.05.2008

Circle the best answer.

1. The apparent contradiction in the Arseniuk quote is best explained with reference to:

- (a) the various senses of the term "law" (natural vs. legal),
- (b) statistics,
- (c) time limits,
- (d) fuzziness of legal language,
- (e) [there is no contradiction].

2. *Ceteris paribus* means:

- (a) *taxonomically speaking*,
- (b) reference to common sense,
- (c) *ergo propter hoc*,
- (d) *as mentioned above*,
- (e) *other things being equal*.

3. The classical definition of truth is based on:

- (a) axiology,
- (b) adequacy,
- (c) usefulness,
- (d) experiment,
- (e) consistency.

4. Persuasion should be avoided most in:

- (a) arguing,
- (b) inferring,
- (c) defining,
- (d) reviewing,
- (e) hypothesizing.

5. One of the premisses in the classical syllogism is called:

- (a) global,
- (b) fundamental,
- (c) general,
- (d) major,
- (e) universal.

6. In the ad on the right, the salient rhetorical element is:

- (a) *post hoc ergo propter hoc*,
- (b) teleology,
- (c) *circulus vitiosus*,
- (d) abduction,
- (e) ambiguity.

7. *WEAP* stands for:

- (a) Weak Explanatory Association Paradigm,
- (b) Weak Evidence Assessment Process,
- (c) Writing English for Academic Purposes,
- (d) Word-processing Enhancement for Academic Purposes,
- (e) Windows Embedded Academic Program.

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