

MPC - 005 Research Methods in Psychology

September 2020 Exam



EXAM **FOCUS**

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Further, all marking details and patterns related to respective exam and blocks are exhibited for respective subjects so that one can easily make decisions/assumptions and follow the same for the study.

Though important books/blocks/units/points are given in this booklet but it is strongly advisable to go through the entire content provided by the University.

Highest Marks	2 nd Highest Marks	3 rd Highest Marks	Lowest Mark
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Year and Month of Exam

4 Blocks of the subject.. Normally every subject is having 4 blocks or books

Year	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
June 15	10,3,3	10,6,6,3	10,10	6,6,6
	20%	32%	25%	23%
Dec 15	10,6,3,3	10,6	10,6,3	10,6,6
	28%	20%	24%	28%
June 16	6,6,3	10,10,10,6	6,3	10,6,3
	19%	46%	11%	24%
Dec 16	10	10,6,6,6,3	10,6	10,6,3,3
	13%	39%	20%	28%
June 17	10,6,3	10,6,6,3	10,6,3	10,6
	24%	32%	24%	20%
Dec 17	10,6,6,3,3	10,6	10,6,3	10,6
	36%	20%	24%	20%
June 18	10,6,6,3,3	10,6	10,6,3	10,6
	36%	20%	24%	20%
Dec 18	10,6,3	10,6,6,3	10,6,3	10,6
	24%	32%	24%	20%

Marks in the exam In new exam pattern...
 4 ques of 10 marks 5 ques of 6 marks
 & 3 ques of 3 marks ..are normally
 asked

Weightage of each Block
 in that respective exam

Past Performance

Important Chapters/Units

	Success %				
Name of the Subject	Dec 17	June 18	Dec 18	June 19	Dec 19
Cognitive	88%	88%	100%	82%	100%
Lifespan	94%	94%	76%	88%	100%
Personality	94%	94%	100%	100%	88%
Social	88%	100%	66%	92%	100%
Research	76%	100%	88%	88%	94%
Statistics	100%	100%	82%	100%	100%

Past Performance

Important Topics

Name of the Subject	Success %		
	Dec 18	June 19	Dec 19
Cognitive	96%	100%	100%
Lifespan	100%	74%	94%
Personality	100%	74%	100%
Social	68%	88%	94%
Research	70%	84%	100%
Statistics	88%	100%	100%

Question Repeats % in Exam

	Question Repeats %		
Name of the Subject	Dec 18	June 19	Dec 19
Cognitive	96%	94%	100%
Lifespan	100%	88%	94%
Personality	100%	94%	100%
Social	64%	84%	88%
Research	94%	100%	100%
Statistics	100%	100%	100%

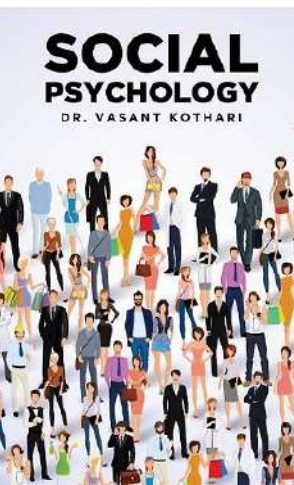
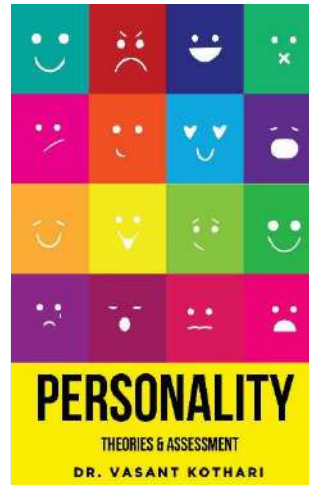
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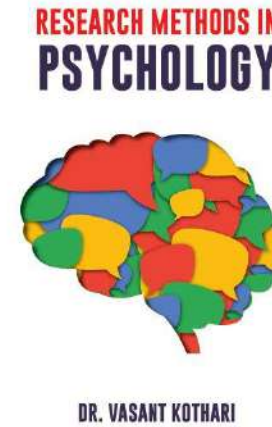
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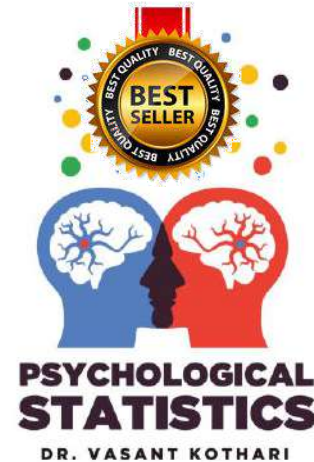
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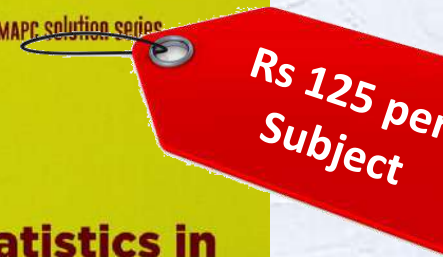
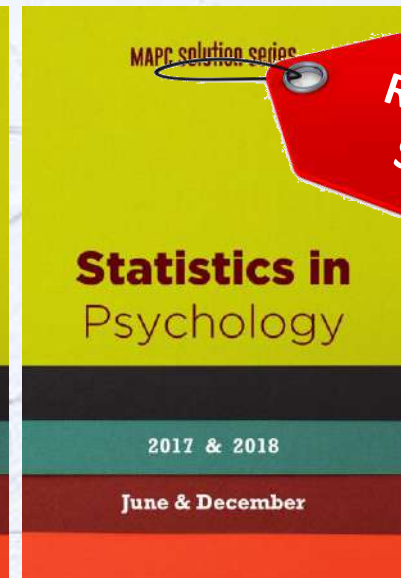
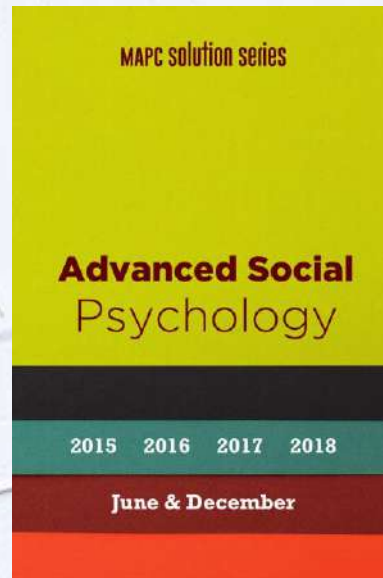
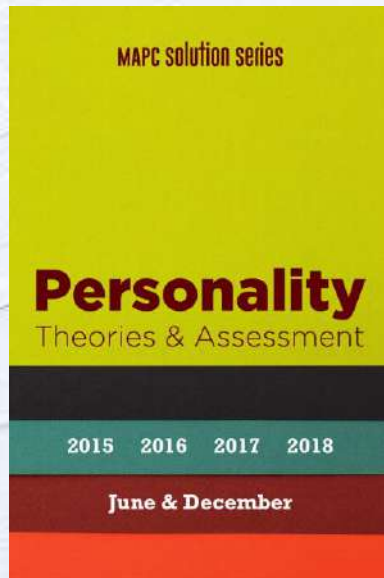
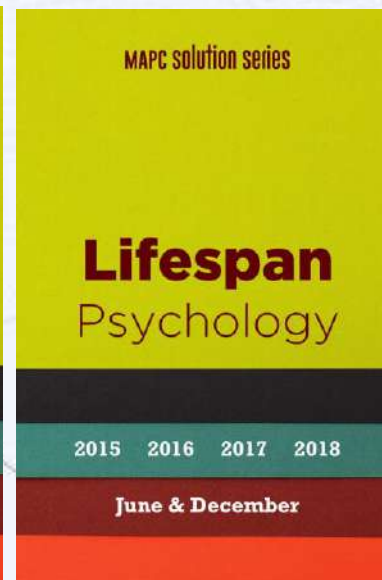
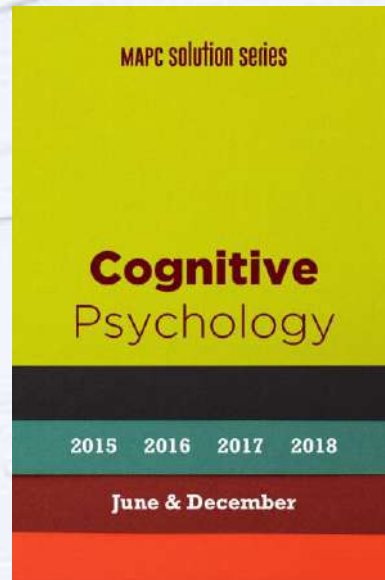
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SAMPLE DATA

Deeper Analysis shows priority of Units or Chapter of respective Blocks or books

1st Priority		2nd Priority		3rd Priority	
Block	Unit/Chapter	Block	Unit/Chapter	Block	Unit/Chapter
1	4	1	1,2	1	3
2	1,3	2	2	2	4
3	3	3	1	3	2,4
4	4	4	2,3	4	1
49% of Questions		35% of Questions		16% of Questions	
39 Marks		28 Marks		13 Marks	

Should not missed these Units at any cost to PASS the exam

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Can study these Units for SCORING purpose only

Please note that these are the

MUST READ TOPICS

and

NOT THE ONLY READ Topics

Also, the Guesses **are not expected** to be exact we used our logic of analysis and you can follow it **at your discretion**

Just one request....kindly don't ask for any clarification regarding this document

Please use it as per your understanding

Thank you!!

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	24%	24%	32%	20
June 16	10,6	10,10,6,6,3,3	10	6,6,3
	20%	48%	13%	19%
Dec 16	6	10,6,6	10,10	10,6,6,3,3,3
	8%	28%	25%	39%
June 17	10,6,6,3	10,3	10,6,6	10,6,3
	32%	16%	28%	24%
Dec 17	10,6,3	10,3	10,6	10,6,6,6,3
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	32%	24%	20%	24%
June 19	10,6,6,3	6	10,10,6,6	10,3,3
	32%	8%	41%	20%
Dec 19	10,10,10,6,3	6,6,4,3	6	6,6,3
	49%	24%	8%	19%

1st Priority		2nd Priority		3rd Priority	
Block	Unit/Chapter	Block	Unit/Chapter	Block	Unit/Chapter
1	1,2,4	1	**	1	3
2	**	2	1,2,3	2	4
3	3	3	2,4	3	1
4	1,3,4	4	**	4	2
58% of Questions		26% of Questions		16% of Questions	
45 Marks		21 Marks		13 Marks	

Block 1 and 4 are most Important as approx. 60% questions were there from these blocks only

This entire subject is important for future and exam point of view so if possible, please go through the entire subject for the exam

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1 st Priority
Chapter No.
1,2,4,5,12, 14,16,18, 19
58% of Questions
45 Marks

2 nd Priority
Chapter No.
7,8,9,11, 13
26% of Questions
21 Marks

3 rd Priority
Chapter No.
3, 6,10, 15,17
16% of Question
13 Marks

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MUST READ TOPICS

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Chapter No.	Topic No.				
1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5.1.2
2	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.5.3	2.5.5.1
3	3.3	3.4	**	**	**
4	4.3	4.4	4.5	**	**
5	5.1	5.3	5.5.1	5.5.2	**
6	**	**	**	**	**
7	7.2	7.3	7.6	7.9	**
8	8.2	8.3	8.4	8.8	**
9	9.5	9.6	9.7	**	**
10	10.3	10.3.1	**	**	**
11	11.1	11.2	11.3	11.4	**
12	12.1	12.3	12.4	**	**
13	13.1	13.2	13.3	13.5	13.6
14	14.3	**	**	**	**
15	15.1	15.2	15.3	15.4	**
16	16.1	16.3	16.4	16.6	**
17	17.2	17.3	17.5	17.6	17.7
18	18.1	18.2	18.3	18.4	18.5/6
19	19.1	19.6	19.7	**	**

Please do all sub points unless and until specified

Block-1 Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology

Unit 1 - Basic Process Concept in Research

- Qualities, Criteria and Objectives of Good Research

Unit 2 -Reliability and Validity

- Reliability
- Methods of Estimating Reliability
- Validity
- Type of Validity
- Threats External validity

Unit 3 - Variables and Constructs

- Types of Variables
- Constructs

Unit 4 - Hypothesis Formulation and Sampling

- Possible Difficulties in Formulation of a Good Hypothesis
- Types of Hypothesis
- Errors in Testing a Hypothesis
- Sampling
- Purpose of Sampling
- Non Probability Sampling
- Probability Sampling

Block-2 Types of Research
Unit 1 - Survey Research
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steps involved in conducting survey research • Methods/ Instruments Used in Collecting Data Through Survey Research • Types of Survey Research • Difficulties and Issues of Survey Research
Unit 2 - Ex-Post Facto Research
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept and Meaning of Ex-post Facto Research • Characteristics of Ex-post Facto Research • Differences between an Experimental and an Ex-post Facto Research • Concept of Post Hoc Fallacy
Unit 3 - Experimental Research (Field Experiment)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengths and Weaknesses of Field Experiments • Research Design • Types of Experimental Research Design
Unit 4 - Case Study
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature of case study • Criteria for Selection of Case Study • Types of case study • Steps of case study

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Block-3 Research Design
Unit 1 - Single Factor Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single Factor Design • Between Group Design
Unit 2 - Factorial Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaning of Factorial Design • Terms related to factorial design • Simple two factor design • Types of factorial design
Unit 3 - Quasi Experimental Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaning quasi experimental design • Types of quasi experimental design • Advantages and disadvantages of quasi experimental design
Unit 4 - Comparative and Correlational Designs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correlational Research • Types of Correlational Research Design • Advantages and disadvantages of correlational design • What are the Standard of Quality used when assessing correlational design • Comparison Between Causal-Comparative and Correlational Designs • Causal comparative research design vs experimental research design

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Block-4 Qualitative Research in Psychology

Unit 1 - Ethnography

- Qualitative vs Quantitative research
- Meaning, Types Steps, and assumptions of ethnography
- Advantages and Disadvantages

Unit 2 - Grounded Theory

- Goals and Perspectives of Grounded Theory
- Methods of Grounded Theory
- Steps in Grounded Theory
- Relevance Grounded Theory
- Implications of grounded theory

Unit 3 - Discourse Analysis

- Definition of discourse analysis
- Assumptions of Discourse Analysis
- Approaches or Theories of Discourse Analysis
- Steps of discourse analysis
- Relevance/Implications/Significance of the Discourse Analysis
- Content Analysis
- Issues of Reliability and Validity in Discourse Analysis

Unit 4 - Reporting and Evaluating in Qualitative Research

- Concept and Meaning of Evaluating or Analysing of Data in Qualitative
- Steps of Preparing a Report of the Data in Qualitative Research
- Contents of Research Report

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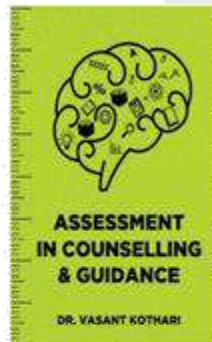
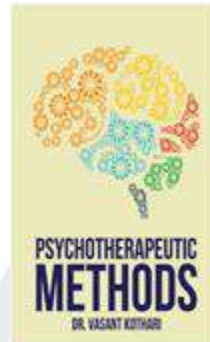
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