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Assignment 6

The due date for submitting this assignment has passed.
As per our records you have not submitted this assignment.

Due on 2020-03-11, 23:59 IST.

1) Who among the following thinkers defines power as 'A has power over B, to the extent that A can get B to do something that B would not otherwise have done'?

- Robert Dahl
- Michael Foucault
- Robert Nozick
- Hannah Arendt

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Robert Dahl

1 point

2) Who among the following thinkers is credited with 'three dimensional view of power'?

- Michael Foucault
- Steven Lukes
- Talcott Parsons
- Robert Dahl

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Steven Lukes

1 point

3) Which among the following is not included in the types of authority as described by Max Weber?

- Rational Bureaucratic authority
- Traditional authority
- Charismatic authority
- Military authority

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Military authority

1 point

4) Which one among the following sentences is not correct about the concept of power?

- Power is the relationships between or among the individuals shaped by the structural nature of that society
- Hannah Arendt talked about power as attributes of collective that is enabled through communication among or between people
- Power is not always understood as 'power over' but also as 'power to'
- Steven Lukes argued about disciplinary power

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Steven Lukes argued about disciplinary power

1 point

5) Which one among the following sentences is not correct about the concept of authority?

- Authority neither makes claim to power nor exercise it through persuasion
- The very definition of authority is based on some form of legitimacy
- De jure authority is a form of authority that has the legal basis to exercise power
- De facto authority refers to an authority which actually exercises power such as the power exercised by military over the democratically elected government in a society

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Authority neither makes claim to power nor exercise it through persuasion

1 point

6) Who among the following thinkers has argued about the concept of 'hegemony'?

- Michael Foucault
- Antonio Gramsci
- Hannah Arendt
- Max Weber

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Antonio Gramsci

1 point

7) Who among the following thinkers has argued that 'power is productive'?

- Karl Marx
- Robert Dahl
- Michael Foucault
- Steven Lukes

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Michael Foucault

1 point

8) Which one among the following sentences is not correct about Talcott Parsons's conceptualization of power?

- There is facilitative form of power
- Power is something that circulates in society like money in the economy
- Power is knowledge
- There is systemic form of power

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Power is knowledge

1 point

9) Which one of the following sentences is correct about Hanna Arendt's conception of power?

- Power is understood as 'power over' something
- Power is knowledge
- Power is physical strength
- Power is enabled through communication among people

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Power is enabled through communication among people

1 point

10) Who among the following thinkers has argued about the concept of 'governmentality'?

- Robert Dahl
- Michael Foucault
- Steven Lukes
- Hannah Arendt

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
Michael Foucault