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**BACHELOR'S OF ARTS
PSYCHOLOGY Hons. PROGRAMME
(BAPCH)**

**ASSIGNMENT 2020
(January 2020 session)**

BPCG 171 : GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY



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Dear Learner,

As we have informed you in the Programme Guide, evaluation at IGNOU consists of two parts: i) continuous evaluation through assignments, and ii) term-end examination. In the final result, assignments of a Course will carry 30% weightage while 70% weightage is given for term-end examination (total 100 marks).

This Assignment booklet has three TMAs for the generic elective course **BPCG 171 General Psychology**, which is a six-credit course. Its total marks add up to 100 and carry a weightage of 30 %.

Assignment One has Descriptive Category Questions (DCQs). These are meant for writing essay type answers, with an introduction and a conclusion. These are intended to test your ability to describe understanding/knowledge about the topic in a systematic, to-the-point, and coherent manner.

Assignment Two has Middle Category Questions (MCQs). These questions require you to first analyse the topic in terms of arguments and explanations and then write the answers in a concise manner. They are meant to test your ability to clearly understand concepts and processes.

Assignment Three has Short Category Questions (SCQs). These questions are meant to improve your skill of recall the relevant/precise information about persons, writing, events, and or clear understanding of concepts and processes.

Before you attempt the assignments, read the instructions given below. Remember, writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skill and sharpen your understanding of the concepts. It will also help you prepare for the term-end examination.

You need to submit the assignments within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. **The completed assignment should be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre by 30 September 2020.**

Please obtain a receipt from the study centre for the assignments submitted and retain it. Also keep a photocopy of the assignments with you. The Study Centre will return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. The completed assignment should be sent only to the Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you.

Following instructions are to be carefully followed before writing the assignments:

1. You will find it useful to keep the following points in mind:
 - i. **Planning:** Read the assignments carefully. Go through the Units on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then re-arrange these in a logical order.
 - ii. **Organisation:** Read the study material carefully, analyze it, and then prepare a rough outline of your answer. Give adequate attention to your introduction and conclusion. Make sure that your answer:
 - a) is logical and coherent;
 - b) has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs;
 - c) is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation
 - iii. **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission. Write each answer neatly with proper spacing, and

underline the points you wish to emphasize. Make sure that the answer is around the suggested word limit.

2. Use sA4 size ruled paper for your response and tie all the pages carefully. Allow a 4 cm margin on the left and leave some space between each answer. This will facilitate the evaluator to write useful comments in the margin at appropriate places.
3. ***Answers should be in your own handwriting.*** Do not print or type the answers. Do not copy your answers from the study material sent to you by the University or from other learners. If you copy, you will get zero marks for the respective question.
4. You need to attach a copy of the TMA with the completed assignment before submitting it.
5. In case you have requested for a change of Study Centre, you should submit your Tutor Marked Assignments only to the original Study Centre until the change of Study Centre is notified by the University.
6. If you find that there is any factual error in evaluation of your assignments, e.g., any portion of assignment response has not been evaluated or total of score recorded on assignment response is incorrect, you should approach the coordinator of your study center for correction and transmission of correct score to headquarters.

Wish you all the best!

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GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (BPCG171)
Tutor Marked Assignments (TMA)

Course Code: BPCG 171
Assignment Code: Asst /TMA /January 2020
Total Marks: 100

NOTE: There are three Sections in the Assignment. You have to answer all questions in the Sections.

Assignment - I

Answer the following in about 500 words each.

1. Discuss the meaning, types of neurons and nerve impulse. Explain the structure and functions of nervous system. 20
2. Elaborate upon the different types and theories of motivation. 20

Assignment - II

Answer the following questions in about 250 words each.

3. Discuss the various theories of intelligence. 10
4. Elaborate upon the various laws of perception. 10
5. Explain the models of memory. 10

Assignment - III

Answer the following questions in about 100 words each.

6. Nature and characteristics of behaviour. 6
7. Depth and distance perception. 6
8. Concept of problem solving. 6
9. Steps of decision making 6
10. Learning in a digital world. 6
