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23. In the context of industrial production models, which of the following are characteristics of Fordism and Post-Fordism?

- I. Standardized mass production
- II. Flexible production techniques
- III. Specialized job roles
- IV. Customizable products

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) I, II, and III only
- (2) II and III only
- (3) I, III, and IV only
- (4) II and IV only

Answer Key: 4

Solution:

Statement I (Incorrect): Standardized mass production is a characteristic of Fordism, not Post-Fordism.

Statement II (Correct): Flexible production techniques are associated with Post-Fordism.

Statement III (Incorrect): Fordism involves specialized job roles, whereas Post-Fordism often includes multi-skilled roles.

Statement IV (Correct): Customizable products are a hallmark of Post-Fordism, accommodating consumer demands.

Hence, the correct answer is Option (4).

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24. Which of the following concepts are associated with David Harvey's theory of time-space compression?

- I. Acceleration of global integration
- II. Homogenization of cultural experiences
- III. Reduction of geographic constraints
- IV. Increased localism

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) I, II, and III only
- (2) II and III only
- (3) I, III, and IV only
- (4) All of the above

Answer Key: 3

Solution:

Statement I (Correct): Time-space compression involves an acceleration of economic and social processes, leading to faster global integration.

Statement II (Incorrect): While some argue that global integration might lead to cultural homogenization, Harvey's concept primarily focuses on the overcoming of temporal and spatial barriers.

Statement III (Correct): A core aspect of time-space compression is the reduction of the impact of geographic distance.

Statement IV (Correct): Although it seems counterintuitive, increased global connectivity can also foster heightened awareness and preservation of local identities.

Hence, the correct answer is Option (3).

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25. Regarding the Industrial Revolutions, which of the following align correctly with the respective technologies or developments?

- I. Steam power
- II. Electric grid
- III. Information and Communication Technology (ICT)
- IV. Artificial Intelligence and Internet of Things (AI-IoT)

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) I, II, and III only
- (2) II and III only
- (3) I, III, and IV only
- (4) All of the above

Answer Key: 2

Solution:

Statement I (Incorrect): Steam power was the driving force behind the first Industrial Revolution, not included in the options together with II and III.

Statement II (Correct): The electric grid was foundational to the second Industrial Revolution.

Statement III (Correct): ICT was central to the third Industrial Revolution.

Statement IV (Incorrect): AI-IoT is associated with the fourth Industrial Revolution, but is not grouped correctly with II and III.

Hence, the correct answer is Option (2).