

Guideline Quizzes for Module 2

Question 1

1 point

Explain *mean causal effects* based on King, Keohane, and Verba (1994).

Question 2

1 point

According to the King, Keohane, and Verba (1994), which statement best captures the relationship between qualitative and quantitative research?

Choose at least one correct answer

☒ A The differences between qualitative and quantitative research are mainly stylistic.

Correct answer

☐ B Quantitative research is more scientific than qualitative research.

☐ C Qualitative research should be avoided in favor of quantitative methods.

☐ D Both types of research follow fundamentally different logics of inference.

Question 3

1 point

What is the difference between *descriptive* inference and *causal* inference?

Question 4

1 point

The chapter "The Science in Social Science" aims to bridge the gap between [Blank 1] and qualitative research by applying a unified logic of inference to both.

Blank 1 quantitative

Correct answer

Responses must match exactly

Scoring: All or nothing

Question 5

1 point

Which one is *not correct* according to King, Keohane, and Verba (1994)?

Choose at least one correct answer

- ☐ (A) Scientific research has the following four characteristics: *inference, public procedures, uncertain conclusion, and methods and rules.*
- ☐ (B) Conclusions rarely follow easily from a research design and data collected in accordance with it.
- ☒ (C) When making scientific inferences, certainty can be attained if we use highly advanced methods with ample empirical data. Correct answer
- ☐ (D) The mean causal effect is the difference between the systematic component of a dependent variable when the causal variable takes on two different values.
- ☐ (E) Two units are homogeneous when the expected values of the dependent variables from each unit are the same when our explanatory variable takes on a particular value.

Question 6

1 point

Which of the following is emphasized as a crucial aspect of all good research in social science?

Choose at least one correct answer

- ☐ (A) Strict adherence to quantitative methods
- ☐ (B) A focus on philosophical questions
- ☒ (C) The application of a unified logic of inference Correct answer
- ☐ (D) Conducting surveys and fieldwork

Question 7

1 point

Scientific research, according to the chapter, must involve an explicit effort to make [Blank 1] or/and [Blank 2] inferences that extend beyond the immediate data.

Blank 1 Correct answer

Responses must contain the acceptable answers

Blank 2 Correct answer

Responses must contain the acceptable answers

Scoring: Allow partial credit

Question 8

1 point

What is the primary purpose of social science as described in the chapter three of King, Keohane, and Verba (1994)?

Choose at least one correct answer

☐ (A) To collect large amounts of data without making inferences

☐ (B) To develop philosophical arguments about society

☒ (C) To make descriptive and causal inferences based on empirical data

Correct answer

☐ (D) To apply historical methods to modern issues

Question 9

1 point

Which of the following challenges is particularly relevant when making causal inferences in social science?

Choose at least one correct answer

☒ (A) The presence of confounding variables

Correct answer

☐ (B) The overabundance of data

☐ (C) The lack of interest in causal relationships

☐ (D) The simplicity of social phenomena

Question 10

1 point

The [Blank 1] is a key concept in causal inference, involving the comparison of what actually happened with what could have happened under different conditions.

Blank 1 counterfactual

Correct answer

Responses must match exactly

Scoring: All or nothing