Exam #3 Sociology 102

1.(t/f) According to the text, the primary criterion for determining whether an act is criminal is how it supports, threatens or can be used to further the interests of those in power.

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Match the following type of crime to its example.

Type Example

2. political crime a. marketing dangerous and harmful products, Vioxx

3. corporate crime b. Watergate

4. moral order crime c. embezzlement, tax evasion

5. white collar crime d. prostitution, drugs, gambling

6. organized crime e. supplying illegal goods and services

7.(m/c) Which of the following is (are) true?

a. The U.S. has the highest violent crime rate of any industrial country.

b. The U.S. has a higher per cent of its population incarcerated than any other country.

c. Violent crime rates in the U.S. have been on the increase.

d. a and b e. all of above

8.(t/f) The police spend the majority of their time investigating crimes against the moral order.

9.(m/c) All of the following are examples of how American society focuses on street crime and crimes against the moral order EXCEPT:

a. corporate news, if it bleeds it leads. b. politicians campaign being tough on crime, street crime.

c. the criminal justice system focuses on street crime and crimes against the moral order.

d. crime shows dominant television and focus primarily on street crime. e. none are exceptions

10.(t/t). The prosecutor in a grand jury does not have to reveal evidence of innocence to the jury.

11.(t/f) The Annenberg study of television viewers determined that those who watch television are more likely to buy a gun, buy a dog and fortify their homes.

12.(m/c) According to the text, the U.S. has an “unjust system of justice.” All of the following

are examples of this EXCEPT:

a. laws that discriminate against minorities and poor.

b. the biases of police officers towards the minorities.

c. the bail process is discriminatory to the poor.

d. the process of plea-bargaining is discriminatory to the poor. e. none are exceptions

13.(m/c) Which of the following are examples of the racial bias of the criminal justice system?

a. disproportionately high percent of black Americans are arrested.

b. disproportionately high percent of black Americans are convicted.

c. white juveniles receive harsher treatment in the system d. a and b e. all of above

14.(m/c) All of the following are the primary reasons for wrongful convictions EXCEPT:

a. police misconduct including forced confessions b. faulty eyewitness testimony

c. prosecutorial misconduct including suborning perjury.

d. jailhouse snitches e. none are exceptions

15.(t/f) A Grand Jury does not determine guilt or innocence, but whether there is probable cause that a crime has been committed and the person the grand jury is investigating should be indicted and tried in court for the crime.

16.(m/c) All of the following are characteristics of a grand jury EXCEPT:

a. defense attorneys are not allowed in the proceedings. b. trial rules of evidence do not apply

c. the defendant can call witnesses on his/her behalf d. members of the jury are not screened for biases

e. none are exceptions

17.(t/f) As in a court trial, the judge explains the relevant legal statutes to the jurists and determines what evidence can and cannot be presented.

18.(t/f) The prosecutor in a grand jury does not need to reveal to the jury evidence of innocence of the person being investigated.

19.(t/f) Ninety-nine per cent of the time grand juries return indictments; police who are subjects of a grand jury investigation are frequently those that are not indicted by grand juries.

20.(t/f) The drug war is hypocritical because many Americans spend their leisure time getting high on harmful and addictive legal drugs.

21.(m/c) A public health approach to drugs would be beneficial to society in which of the following ways?

a. it would eliminate the black market. b. it would eliminate the cost of fighting the war on drugs

c. it would generate revenue, Colorado is an example d. a amd b e. all of above

22.(t/f) Because he was a born-again Christian who thought drug use was immoral, Jimmy Carter started the war on drugs when he was president.

23.(m/c) Which of the following are the negative consequences of the war on drugs?

a. creates a black market b. creates a costly bureaucracy to fight the war

c. it disenfranchises people d. a and b e. all of above

24.(t/f) SWAT units were created to deal with situations like hostage taking, snipers and extreme violence.

25.(t/f) At present, the majority of cities with populations of 25,000 or more have SWAT units.

26.(t/f) There are now more than 40,000 SWAT raids per year in the U.S.

27.(m/c) All of the following are true about SWAT raids EXCEPT:

a. the majority are to serve search warrants. b. the majority are no knock raids

c. over one half involve violent entry and find no drugs

d. middle class white homes are the usual targets

e. none are exception

28.(t/f) According to Last Week Tonight, civil asset forfeiture is a legal means by which the police can confiscate the money and/or property from Americans without convicting them of a crime.

29.(m/c) According to Last Week Tonight, all of the following are true about civil asset forfeiture EXCEPT:

a. more and more traffic stops involve questions like “Are there large sums of money in the vehicle”?

b. many police departments are allowed to keep most or all of the money they get through civil asset forfeiture.

c. civil asset forfeitures are fairly infrequent and don’t amount to a lot of money.

d. a district attorney’s office purchased a margarita machine with money from civil asset forfeiture.

e. none are exception

30.(m/c) Walmart violated all of the following labor laws EXCEPT:

a. time card fraud b. forcing employees to work off the clock overtime

c. using illegal immigrant labor d. firing workers trying to unionize e. none are exceptions.

31. (m/c) Which of the following corporations was convicted of committing over 40 crimes?

a. Walmart b. General Electric c. General Motors d. IBM e. Microsoft

32.(t/f) An example of the corporate media’s different treatment of corporate crime as opposed to street crime is Time magazine’s suggestion that the CEO who oversaw the Ford Pinto should run for president.

33.(m/c) Which of the following are examples of the response of politicians to corporate crime?

a. tort reform b. limit funding of regulatory agencies c. limit enforcement of regulatory agencies

d. a and c e. all of above

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Match the corporate crime to the example of the corporate criminal that was given in class.

Crime Criminal/Crime

34. Knowingly selling dangerous and defective products a. General Electric/Hudson River

35. Knowingly exposing workers to dangerous and b. Merck/Vioxx

hazardous conditions

36. Knowingly polluting the environment with PCB’s c. WR Grace/asbestos mining

37. Human rights violations d. ChevronTexaco/pollution of Oriente

38. Corporate fraud e. Bank of America/illegal foreclosures

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39.(t/f) U.S. corporations have sweatshops in Saipan, a U.S. territory, in the south Pacific.

40.(m/c) Which of the following companies was found guilty of hiring paramilitary to kill the leaders of a nonviolent movement in Nigeria?

a. ExxonMobil b. Chiquita c. Royal Dutch Shell d. Coca Cola e. none of above

41.(m/c) According to the text, all of the following are true about the U.S. military EXCEPT:

a. it has over 800 bases in more than 100 nations around the world.

b. it has the world’s largest navy and air force.

c. the defense budget for 2011 was more than $700 billion.

d. the U.S. spends more on education than it does on the military. e. none are exceptions

42.(m/c) According to the text, corporate military contractors covet military contracts for all of the following reasons EXCEPT:

a. the goods they produce have a guaranteed buyer, the U.S. military. b. they are patriotic

c. almost all contracts are awarded without bidding and profit is guaranteed.

d. they receive free government subsidies from the military. e. none are exceptions

43.(t/f) According to the text, Lockheed Martin, despite being a serial corporate criminal, is the number one supplier of military goods to the U.S. government.

44.(m/c) According to the text, all of the following energized domestic terrorism in the U.S. EXCEPT:

a. The attack by the government on White supremacist Randy Weaver.

b. The attack by the government on the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas.

c. The attack by the government on the American Indian Movement’s occupation of Wounded Knee.

d. The election of Barack Obama e. none are exceptions

45.(t/f) According to the text, the Bush Doctrine states that the U.S. can wage war anywhere and at anytime, if it determines that a country or group poses a potential or future threat.

46.(m/c) The human costs of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan take together have been significant. Which of the following are examples?

a. Over 5,000 U.S. soldiers have been killed.

b. Over 80, 000 U.S. soldiers have been wounded.

c. Soldiers who return physically unharmed have high rates of PTSD. d. b and c e. all of above

47. (t/f) Millions of Iraqis have been displaced, either fled to other countries as refugees or been displaced within Iraq.

48.(t/f) In the U.S., the burden, and the sacrifice, for the war on terror has disproportionately fallen on young people from poor, minority and working-class families.

49.(t/f) According to your professor, the first casualty of war is democracy.

50.(m/c) All of the following are examples of democracy being the first casualty of war EXCEPT:

a. Espionage Act b. EO9066 c. COINTELPRO d. Patriot Act e. none are exceptions

51.(m/c) Which of the following Bill of Rights establishes the right to *habeas corpus*?

a. Fourth Amendment b. Fifth Amendment c. Sixth Amendment d. a and b

e. all of above

52.(m/c) The U.S.A. Patriot act allows “sneak and peak” searches of American citizens. This violates which Constitutional Amendment?

a. First b. Fourth c. Fifth d. Sixth e. Eighth

53. (t/f) U. S. drone warfare is so successful because it kills high ranking members of Al Qaeda 90% of the time and because of its sophisticated technology eliminates “collateral damage.”

54.(m/c) Civilians can be killed after a war ends by which of the following?

a. cluster bombs b. depleted uranium c. land mines d. b and c e. all of the above

55.(m/c) Which of the following could be considered *blowbac*k from the US war on terror in Afghanistan and Iraq?

a. Increased opium production in Afghanistan. b. Increasing insurgency in Iraq

c. Increasing terrorism d. a and c e. all of the above

56.(t/f) If all the money in the federal budget that goes to the military, directly and indirectly, is taken

into account, the U.S. spends more on its military than all the other countries of the world added together.

57.(m/c) The Pentagon cannot account for approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dollars.

a. $10 billion b. $100 billion c. $1 trillion d. $1.7 trillion

58.(t/f) According to Last Week Tonight, the U.S. only authorizes a drone strike if there is an imminent threat, clear evidence

that there will be an attack on U.S. persons or interests in the immediate future.

59.(t/f) According to Last Week Tonight, able bodied military age males killed in drone attacks are considered terrorists unless

there is concrete evidence to prove their innocence.

60.(t/f) The U.S. never launches a drone attack unless it is absolutely sure who is being targeted.