Exam #3 Sociology 403

1.(t/f) Neoliberal theory claims the world is undergoing a process of transformation towards a homogenous global system.

2.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, utopian capitalism will be characterized by which of the following?

a. global free market b. democracy in every country c. cultural diversity

d. a and b e. all of above

3.(m/c) Neoliberal theory has all of the following theoretical components EXCEPT:

a. neo-social Darwinism b. free market theory c. instrumental theory of technology

d. neo-biological determinism e. none are exceptions

4.(t/f) According to free market theory, the market does not need government regulation unless really greedy people upset its natural equilibrium.

5.(t/f) According to free market theory, capitalism is the best economic system because it understands the truth about human nature, all human beings are motivated by self-interest.

6.(t/f) According to neoliberal theory, the free market is the space where individual freedom can be realized.

7.(m/c) Neoliberal theory understands freedom in all of the following ways EXCEPT:

a. as citizens, the freedom to choose between candidates. b. freedom to collectively participate in shaping society.

c. as entrepreneurs, the freedom from government regulation.

d. as consumers, the freedom to choose between products. e. none are exceptions

8.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, all of the following characterize the globalization process EXCEPT:

a. it is natural. b. it is progressive. c. it will be good for everyone in the long run.

d. TINA. e. none are exceptions

9.(t/f) Neoliberal theory claims that once peoples of the world are introduced to the wonders of consumerism, they will abandon their traditional cultures and embrace consumer culture.

10.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, the government should be limited to performing which of the following functions?

a. guarantee freedom of entrepreneurship b. guarantee freedom of choice

c. help those who are hurt the most by neoliberal policies. d. a and b

e. all of above

11. (t/f) According to neo-social Darwinism, caring for others is pathological.

12.(t/f) According to neo-biological determinism, cultures and peoples that resist neoliberal globalization are backward, ignorant and superstitious.

13. (m/c) According to the instrumental theory of technology, all of the following are true about science and technology EXCEPT:

a. they are driving forces of globalization. b. they are progressive forces of globalization.

c. they have made significant contributions to solving problems for human beings, like hunger and disease.

d. technology can have unintended consequences which may lead to unsolvable problems, like nuclear weapons.

e. none are exceptions

14.(t/f) According to Milton Friedman, people all over the world have become used to the unfreedom of government regulation and dependent on social services and will need shock therapy to accept the freedom neoliberalism offers.

15.(t/f) When neoliberal policies fail to help the people of a country, neoliberal theorists usually suggest letting things return to the way they were.

16.(t/f) According to Klein, neoliberal policies and practices can be summed up as privatization, deregulation and cutbacks in social services.

17.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, deregulation means that governments must do all of the following EXCEPT:

a. eliminate wage and hour laws such as minimum wage. b. eliminate unemployment benefits

c. eliminate environmental regulations d. eliminate welfare for the rich, like bailouts e. none are exceptions

18.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, all of the following should be privatized EXCEPT:

a. schools b. post office c. fire departments d. National parks e. none are exceptions

19.(t/f) The city of Chicago privatized its parking meters..

20.(t/f) According to neoliberal theory, the main method for creating a global free market must be free trade agreements.

21.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, which of the following are barriers to free trade that must be eliminated?

a. tariffs b. subsidies c. patents/intellectual property right d. a and b e. all of the above

22.(m/c) All of the following are conditions attached to developmental loans EXCEPT:

a. privatization of profitable national industries b. privatization of government services

c. increased use of tariffs d. decrease in social services e. none are exceptions

23.(m/c) Structural Adjustment Plans directed at the first world countries are called austerity measures and they include all of the following EXCEPT:

a. cuts in government spending on education b. cuts in government spending on health care

c. increasing taxes on the rich to create more revenue d. cuts in spending on entitlements e. none are exceptions

24.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, all institutions in a society need to be redefined and restructured according to which of the following?

a. The principles of the free market. b. The goal of developing the unique potentialities of each person.

c. Central focus on technology. d. a and c e. all of above.

25.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, all of the following are essential for redefining of education EXCEPT:

a. school reform is necessary because public schools have failed.

b. primary function of education is preparation for labor force. c. everything should be measurable.

d. the business model should be adopted e. none are exceptions

26.(m/c) According to neoliberal theory, all of the following are necessary in the restructuring of education EXCEPT:

a. charter schools b. rigorous accountability for remaining public schools

c. expand teacher input in the restructuring process d. labor flexibility e. none are exceptions

27.(t/f) According to neoliberal theory, teachers need to be made accountable for the success and/or failure of students, and teacher effectiveness can be quantified by the value-added method.

28.(m/c) The restructuring of higher education involves which of the following?

a. developing means to generate greater revenue. b. Administrators viewed as CEOs and managers.

c. Increased labor flexibility. d. a and b e. all of above

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29.(t/f) The transformation of SDSU to a research institution is an example of neoliberal theory and practice applied to higher education.

30.(t/f) Critical theory of education views the neoliberal theory of education as an ideology of power.

31.(t/f) According to Freire, love is a necessary component of the pedagogy of the oppressed.

32.(m/c) SDSU is an example of the neoliberalization of higher education in all of the following ways EXCEPT:

a. increase in tuition and fees b. the transformation to a research institutions.

c. hiring and promotion of faculty determined by ability of faculty to get grants. d. focus on graduation rates e. none are exceptions

33.(m/c) Neoliberal polices in the U.S. when applied to higher education has had all of the following negative consequences EXCEPT:

a. increase in tuition has limited access to those public education is designed to serve.

b. left millions of students in a life time of debt.

c. provided a poor quality education with larger and larger classes and online learning.

d. created a student population than cannot think critically, reason complexly or write. e. none are exceptions.

34.(m/c) The critique of the “school reform” movement shows that it is really profit over people in which of the following ways?

a. Charter schools do not necessarily do better than public schools, but they receive public funding.

b. The advocates for school reform are corporations and the rich who would benefit from the $500 billion spent each year in the U.S. on education. c. Charter schools get rent free space in public schools.

d. Creates a school to prison pipeline. e. all of above

35.(t/f) According to critical theory of education, the outcome of an institutionalized neoliberal system of education is a passive, compliant, uninformed, easily manipulable populace.

36.(m/c) Which of the following are examples of how public education has been made to fail?

a. tax cuts to the rich. b. disproportionately high per cent of resources going to war.

c. wages stagnant or declining for middle class Americans d. a and b e. all of above

37.(m/c) All of the following are assumptions of a critical theory of education EXCEPT:

a. each human being is valuable and unique. b. education needs to develop critical thinking.

c. education needs to develop imagination and creativity.

d. education needs to create a space for reestablishing solidarity. e. none are exceptions

38.(t/f)As the advocates of neoliberalism consolidate their control of education, dialogical education needs to find alternative places, reading groups, independent study groups.

39.(t/f) According to Freire, the system of oppression reduces everything to an object, or thing, that it can control, even human beings, what he calls dehumanization.

40.(t/f) According to Freire, the vocation of the people is humanization and that requires both critical thought and action (praxis).

41.(m/c) All of the following are characteristics of the pedagogy of the oppressed EXCEPT:

a. commitment to transforming the world. b. reveal the system of oppression

c. it must be a pedagogy for all humankind

d. once a society is transformed those who were oppressed must rule e. none are exceptions

42.(t/f) According to Freire, science and technology are being used by those in power to control the people.

43.(t/f) While Freire identifies the banking method of education as a component of the system of domination, he believes it is, for the time being, a necessary step in liberation.

44.(m/c) All of the following are characteristics of the banking method EXCEPT:

a. it assumes human beings are manageable and adaptable. b. it eliminates or lessens students creative power.

c. it eliminates or lessens student’s ability to think critically

d. it assumes that students are passive receptacles e. none are exceptions

45.(t/f) According to Freire, within the banking system, the highly educated person is the person who has been the most adaptable.

46.(m/c) Education as the practice of freedom, is characterized by all of the following EXCEPT:

a. a problem posing approach b. education as dialogue c. emphasis on critical thinking

d. focus on creativity and imagination e. none are exceptions

47.(t/f) For Freire, dialogue is the collective, interhuman, process of coming to understand the world and transform it into a more just world.

48.(m/c) According to Freire, all of the following are necessary for dialogue EXCEPT:

a. recognition of and commitment to humanity of others b. belief in humankinds ability to transform the world for the better c. mutual trust d. critical thinking e. none are exceptions

49.(m/c) According to Klein, Donald Rumsfeld’s attempt to privatize the U.S. military meant all of the following EXCEPT:

a. cutting the military budget. b. outsourcing services previously performed by the military

c. privatizing housing for soldiers d. privatizing military intelligence operations e. none are exceptions

50.(t/f) According to Klein, the U.S military under the neoliberal Donald Rumsfeld continued to give out guaranteed profit contracts, what are called “cost plus” contracts, even though this practice contradicts free market theory.

51.(m/c) According to Klein, which of the following is true about the disaster capitalism complex?

a. It is increasingly profitable for the corporations involved.

b. The profits of the complex depend on disaster therefore the complex needs/wants “disaster.”

c. The complex is good for democracy. d. a and b e. all of above

52.(m/c) According to Klein, the Bush administration attempted to privatize all of the following EXCEPT:

a. military b. prisons c. Amtrak d. social security e. none are exceptions

53.(t/f) According to Klein, the U.S. is not really a democracy; it a corporatist state; she calls it corporatism.

54.(t/f) According to Klein, the Department of Homeland Security does nothing except give out contracts to companies in the disaster capitalism complex.

55.(m/c) All of the following are parts of South Africa’s Freedom Charter EXCEPT:

a. free and compulsory education for all. b. land to be returned to the people of South Africa.

c. living wages and shorter work hours. d. right to live and move about freely. e. none are exceptions

56.(m/c) South Africa’s new government was able to introduce which parts of the Charter (see above)?

a. a and b b. c c. all of the parts d. none of the parts

57.(m/c) In the Last Week Tonight episode on standardized testing, the mascot for standardized testing was a:

a. fox b. bear c. monkey d. gorilla e. there is no mascot for standardized testing, that’s stupid!!

58.(m/c) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the company that dominates standardized testing.

a. Pearson b. McGraw-Hill c. Cengage Learning d. Blackboard

59.(t/f) Student anxiety over standardized testing results in many students throwing up, so a manual has been developed to help teachers deal with the problem.

60.(m/c) An example of an absurd question on a standardized test had to do with which of the following?

a. a talking pineapple b. a race between a hare and a pineapple c. a pineapple being eaten

d. a and c e. all of above