

CORE COURSE XIV - GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY

UNIT -I :

Introduction to Psychology : Psychology as a Science- Aim, Nature and Scope of psychology - Its relation to other Sciences - Methods of Psychology - Branches of psychology - Associationism - Structuralism - Functionalism - Gestalt psychology - behaviorism.

UNIT-II :

Sensation, Emotion, perception & Attention: Sensation: Sense organs and Sensations visual, Auditory - Olfactory, Kinesthetic sensation - Color Blindness. Emotional feeling - physiology of Emotion - Theories of Emotion - behavioural component - Cognitive Component. Perception: Perception as Selective process - Figure and Ground relationship perception of Spatial relationship - Temporal relationship - Determinants of perception - Theories of perception - Errors of perception. Attention: Factors Determining the Selection of Stimuli - Objective and Subjective Factors - Shifting of Attention - Division and Types of attention - Distraction and Inattention.

UNIT-III :

Motivation: Nature of Motivation - Characteristics of Motivated Behaviour - Approaches of Motivation - Psychoanalytic theory - Drive Theory - Need Hierarchy Theory - Types of Learning- Learning by Imitation - Various forms of Motivation in learning - Learning Curve- Habit Formation - Theories of Learning.

UNIT-IV :

Remembering and Forgetting : Laws of Memory - Retention and Retention Curve - Measuring Retention Forgetting - Incubation Theory -Improving Memory. Imaging : Memory Images - eidetic Images - Synesthesia - Free Association and Controlled Association - Day Dreams - Manifest content and Latent Content - Thinking and Reasoning: Concepts - Syllogism - Creative Thinking - Illusion and Phantasy - Development of thinking - Errors in thinking.

UNIT-V :

Intelligence : Its nature and definition - Factors of Intelligence Testing - Intelligence Quotient (IQ) -Individual and Group Tests - Verbal and Non- Verbal tests- Joint scale and Age Scale tests- Uses of Intelligence test. Personality : Nature and definition - Development of personality - Types of personality Abnormal personality - Multiple personality.

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