

Circle the LETTER of the one best answer:

1. All religions and all societies (including our own) describe their creation and early history with “stories” about the supernatural; social scientists (and most theologians) refer to these stories as:
 - A. myths
 - B. hypotheses
 - C. humanities
 - D. evolutions
 - E. biosyntheses
 - F. Theories
2. Which of these is NOT one of the four traditional sub-fields of anthropology?
 - A. Archaeology
 - B. Genetics
 - C. Physical Anthropology
 - D. Linguistic Anthropology
3. Mammals can be distinguished from other animals in that only mammals, and all mammals, have:
 - A. backbones
 - B. warm blood
 - C. live births
 - D. nipples
 - E. eyes
 - F. ears
 - G. brains
4. Primates can be distinguished from other mammals in that all primates, and only primates, have:
 - A. The ability to walk long distances on two legs
 - B. Stereoscopic vision
 - C. Nipples
 - D. Grasping hands with fingernails
 - D. Hair
 - F. Prehensile tails
 - G. All of these
5. The method of science is to observe the natural world, which leads to the discovery of patterns in the observations; tentative explanations for the causes of those patterns are called:
 - A. myths
 - B. hypotheses
 - C. humanities
 - D. evolutions
 - E. biosyntheses
 - F. Deductions
6. Linnaeus grouped species into larger categories such as families and orders; he based this “phenetic” taxonomy of animals on their:
 - A. visible external characteristics, such as color of fur
 - B. whether they were edible
 - C. important anatomical characters such as type of skeleton and teeth
 - D. time of creation by God.
 - E. Similarity to humans
 - F. All of these
7. Which is FALSE about Linnaeus’ system for naming plants and animals?
 - A. It used Latin.
 - B. it was binomial — each species name had two parts
 - C. The name of the genus is the first part of the name of the species
 - D. Both parts are always capitalized — like Ursus Arctos, the American black bear
- 8a. Primatologists study:
 - A. Artifacts, and ruins of ancient cities
 - B. Monkeys and apes
 - C. early written languages
 - D. Fossils of ancient humans
 - E. Non-Western societies and their cultures, such as the Yanomamo
- 8b. Paleoanthropologists belong to what subfield of anthropology?
 - A. Biological
 - B. Cultural
 - C. Linguistic
 - D. archaeological
 - E. forensic
9. Give a definition or description of “anthropology” that could appear in a college guide for high school students:

10a. Archaeologists study:

- A. Artifacts, and ruins of ancient cities
- B. Non-human primates
- C. early written languages
- D. Fossils of ancient humans
- E. Non-Western societies and their cultures, such as the Yanomamo

10b. Linnaeus grouped species into larger categories such as families and orders; he based this “phenetic” taxonomy of plants partially on their:

- A. Leaf shape
- B. Flower anatomy and sex organs
- C. Thickness of sap
- D. Types of birds that ate their seeds.
- E. Edibility and taste

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Bonus question: What did the author mean when he said that we should NOT be in Anthropodenial?

