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1) Statistical data shows that the likelihood of crime commission declines with age.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

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Skill: Recall

2) In Canada, rates of violent victimization were lowest among those aged 65 and older.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

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Type: TF

Page Reference: 60

Skill: Recall

3) According to the text, people aged 65 and older commit fewer than one percent of all crimes.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

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Page Reference: 43

Skill: Recall

4) Both the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (UCR) and the Victimization Survey, conducted through the General Social Surveys, fall under the auspices of Canada's national statistics department, Statistics Canada.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

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Type: TF

Page Reference: 46

Skill: Recall

5) Crime statistics in Canada are reported in three major surveys: the UCR, the Victimization Survey, and the Self-Report Survey.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: b

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Page Reference: 46

Skill: Recall

6) André Michel Guerry calculated per capita crime rates throughout various French provinces in the early 1800s.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

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Type: TF

Page Reference: 44

Skill: Recall

7) Adolphe Quételet proposed what he called the "thermic law" that morality undergoes seasonal variation.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

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Type: TF

Page Reference: 44

Skill: Recall

8) Just as crime statistics are used as a basis for developing social policy, they are also crucial in evaluating that policy.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 45

Skill: Recall

9) Most criminologists agree that the prevention of crime is generally considered preferable to its punishment and prevention is largely based on prediction.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 45

Skill: Recall

10) Demographics are the characteristics of population groups, usually expressed in statistical form.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 44

Skill: Recall

11) The first officially published crime statistics appeared in London's *Gazette* beginning in 1828 and France's 1825 *Compte generale*.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 44

Skill: Recall

12) Victimization Surveys are useful for identifying under-reported crimes.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 51

Skill: Recall

13) The work of statisticians such as André Michel Guerry and Adolphe Quételet formed the historical basis for what has been called the statistical school of criminology.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 44

Skill: Recall

14) Correlates of crime are those variables observed to be related to criminal activity such as age, sex and gender, ethnicity, and social class. Often classified into statis and dynamic factors.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 59

Skill: Recall

15) The Victimization Survey has always been part of the General Social Survey.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: b

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 52

Skill: Recall

16) The *dark figure of crime* refers to that portion of criminal activity that goes unreported and/or undetected by official sources.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 50

Skill: Recall

17) Crime rate is the term used to describe crime per capita based on the number of recorded crimes calculated per 100 000 population.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 48

Skill: Applied

18) To calculate the traditional police-reported crime rate, all offences are counted equally, regardless of their seriousness.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 48

Skill: Recall

19) The legal definition of crime impacts the way crime is counted.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 51

Skill: Applied

20) A Statistics Canada report indicated that persons aged 15 to 24 represented 14 percent of the total population but accounted for 45 percent of those charged with property crimes and 32 percent of those charged with violent crimes.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 60

Skill: Recall

21) According to your text, and compared to non-Aboriginal inmates, Aboriginal inmates are younger (median age is 27), less formerly educated, and more likely to present a history of substance abuse, addictions, and mental health concerns.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 65

Skill: Recall

22) According to your text, and compared to non-Aboriginal inmates, Aboriginal inmates are over-represented in segregation and maximum-security populations as well as disproportionately involved in use-of-force interventions and prison self-injury in Canada.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 65

Skill: Recall

23) According to the results of the 2014 UCR, police-reported crime, which measures the volume of police-reported crime, decreased in 2011, representing the eleventh consecutive decrease in police-reported crime in Canada.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 49

Skill: Recall

24) The equation to calculate a crime rate includes the number of reported crimes in the numerator.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 48

Skill: Recall

25) According to published highlights of the 2014 UCR, police-reported youth crime also dropped in 2014, with the youth rate declining 9% from the previous year.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: TF

Page Reference: 49

Skill: Recall

26) According to published highlights of the 2014 UCR, the overall rate of *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA)* violations decreased in 2014, down 6% from the previous year.

- a. True
- b. False

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: TF

Page Reference: 49

Skill: Recall

27) The Uniform Crime Reporting System _____.

- a. was initiated by Statistics Canada and the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police in 1991, and became the responsibility of the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics in the same year
- b. was initiated in 1961 through the efforts of Statistics Canada and the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police
- c. was initiated by the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics in 1991
- d. was initiated by the Canadian Centre for justice Statistics in 1961
- e. was initiated by Statistics Canada in 1961

Answer: b

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 47

Skill: Recall

28) In 2008, a police-reported Crime Severity Index (PRCSI) was introduced to _____.

- a. Gather information on the number and types of offences reported to police
- b. Gather information on the number and sex of adults and youths charged
- c. Measure changes in the severity of crime from year to year
- d. Gather information on circumstances of the incidence
- e. Gather information on the genetic history of the accused

Answer: c

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 47

Skill: Recall

29) _____ has been referred to as 'the best single predictor of criminality.'

- a. Age
- b. Socio-economic status
- c. Sex
- d. Ethnicity or race
- e. Profession

Answer: c

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 61

Skill: Recall

30) A(n) _____ refers to an offence that is closed when police have formally charged a person or when there is sufficient evidence to lay a charge against an identified person, even if that person has not been apprehended by police.

- a. arrest rate
- b. offence cleared otherwise
- c. offence cleared by charge
- d. crime rate
- e. clearance rate

Answer: c

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 48

Skill: Recall

31) According to the Highlights of the 2014 UCR, there were just under _____ *Criminal Code* incidents (excluding traffic) reported by police in 2014, approximately 33,000 fewer incidents than in 2013.

- a. 24 million
- b. 28 million
- c. 75 million
- d. 1.8 million
- e. 3.5 million

Answer: d

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 49

Skill: Recall

32) Unlike data from the United States, Canadian crime statistics do not routinely report on the _____ of offenders.

- a. age
- b. victimization
- c. gender
- d. type of crime
- e. racial and ethnic makeup

Answer: e

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 63

Skill: Recall

33) Unreported and underreported criminal activity has been called the _____ of crime

- a. actual measure
- b. unbalanced rate
- c. dark figure
- d. unmeasurable rate
- e. measurable rate

Answer: c

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 50

Skill: Recall

34) According to the Highlights of the 2015 UCR, the overall volume and severity of violent crime, as measured by the violent Crime Severity Index, declined _____ percent between 2013 and 2014.

- a. five
- b. twenty-five
- c. twenty
- d. ten
- e. fifty

Answer: a

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 49

Skill: Recall

35) Although not an official source of crime data, Self-Report Studies do help to _____.

- a. highlight the realities of crime victims
- b. highlight the discrepancies between the UCR and Victimization Survey
- c. overcome the methodological shortcomings of the UCR
- d. overcome the methodological shortcomings of the Victimization Survey
- e. highlight the relationship between crime and education levels, home life, peer group, and general socio-economic realities of the offender

Answer: e

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 59

Skill: Recall

36) If someone breaks into a store, severely assaults the security personnel, and steals a laptop, how many incidents of assault are recorded in the UCR?

- a. Four, because there were four charges laid.
- b. One, because only the assault is recorded.
- c. It depends how many of the youths are convicted on the assault charges.
- d. It depends on the gender of the youths involved.
- e. We do not have enough information to answer the question.

Answer: b

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 50

Skill: Applied

37) For violent crime, and according to the UCR, if one person assaults two people, how many incidents are recorded?

- a. One
- b. Two
- c. Four
- d. Eight
- e. Three

Answer: b

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 51

Skill: Recall

38) The term "social dimensions of crime" is used to describe aspects of crime and victimization as they relate to _____ by which groups are defined, and according to which individuals are assigned group membership.

- a. common characteristics
- b. socially significant attributes
- c. socio-economic traits
- d. commonalities
- e. cultural traits

Answer: b

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 58

Skill: Recall

39) Based on 516 incidents of homicides reported and a total population of 35 540 400, what would the rate of crime be for homicides?

- a. 140.00
- b. 14.00
- c. 1.40
- d. 1400.00
- e. 2800.00

Answer: c

Diff: 3

Type: MC

Page Reference: 48

Skill: Applied

40) Correlations are of two sorts: _____.

- a. beneficial and destructive
- b. agreeable and antagonistic
- c. positive and negative
- d. random or select
- e. applied or distinct

Answer: c

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 59

Skill: Recall

41) In Canada, those at the highest risk of personal victimization are between the ages of _____.

- a. 12 and 18
- b. 12 and 21
- c. 14 and 20
- d. 15 and 24
- e. 21 and 25

Answer: d

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 60

Skill: Recall

42) Sex appears so closely linked to most forms of criminal activity that it has been called _____.

- a. "the investigator's key"
- b. "the prosecutor's crutch"
- c. "the solution to investigative stalls"
- d. "the best single predictor of criminality"
- e. "the defence council's ace"

Answer: d

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 61

Skill: Recall

43) It is believed that _____ is the most seriously under-reported crime.

- a. sexual assault
- b. theft \$5 000 and under
- c. robbery
- d. fraud
- e. assault with a weapon

Answer: b

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 50

Skill: Recall

44) The apparently low rate of female criminality has been explained by some criminologists as being primarily due to all of the below cultural factors except _____.

- a. A reluctance among criminal justice officials to prosecute women
- b. role expectations
- c. a reluctance among criminal justice officials to arrest women
- d. early socialization
- e. proximity of victim's residence to the accused's residence

Answer: e

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 62

Skill: Recall

45) Population statistics have been collected since pre-Roman times. Indeed, historians believe that Roman population counts were made every _____.

- a. 3 years
- b. 4 years
- c. 5 years
- d. 7 years
- e. 10 years

Answer: c

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 43-44

Skill: Recall

46) The national centre for the collection, collation, and dissemination of crime data in Canada is known as _____.

- a. Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics (CCJS)
- b. Centre for Police Reporting Data (CPRD)
- c. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)
- d. Data and Justice Centre of Canada (DJCC)
- e. Centre for Criminal Justice Statistics and Police Reporting (CCJSPR)

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 46

Skill: Recall

47) According to the Violence Against Women Survey (VAWS) undertaken by Statistics Canada in 1993, _____ of all Canadian women reported having experienced at least one incident of violence since age 16.

- a. one-sixth
- b. one-third
- c. about 50%
- d. two-thirds
- e. nearly 75 percent

Answer: c

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 53

Skill: Recall

48) The accuracy of self-report studies is largely predicated on _____.

- a. the honesty and forthrightness of the respondent
- b. the age and gender of the respondent
- c. the ability of the respondent to analyze data
- d. the gender and social class of the respondent
- e. The social class and age of the respondent

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 57

Skill: Recall

49) According to the text, the proportion of women charged with criminal activity has increased by as much as _____ over the past three decades.

- a. 12 percent
- b. 15 percent
- c. 90 percent
- d. 80 percent
- e. 8 percent

Answer: b

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 61

Skill: Recall

50) According to the most recent available statistics (2016), the racial group least represented as a percentage of the federal offender population is _____.

- a. Caucasian
- b. Aboriginal
- c. Asian
- d. Hispanic
- e. Black

Answer: d

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 64

Skill: Recall

51) While there is no doubt that people from all social classes commit crimes, a number of studies point to a _____ between lower socio-economic status and criminal activity.

- a. significant correlation
- b. insignificant correlation
- c. highly significant correlation
- d. marginal correlation
- e. near-zero correlation

Answer: a

Diff: 2

Type: MC

Page Reference: 66

Skill: Recall

52) The crime rate used in the UCR is based on a population of _____.

- a. one million
- b. 100,000
- c. 10,000
- d. 1,000
- e. 10 million

Answer: b

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 48

Skill: Recall

53) Many of the difficulties surrounding research into the relationship between social class and crime appear to stem from _____.

- a. a lack of social dimension analysis
- b. a lack of definitional clarity
- c. a lack of correlation of crime analysis
- d. a lack of geographic information studies
- e. a lack of self-dimension analyses

Answer: b

Diff: 1

Type: MC

Page Reference: 66

Skill: Recall

54) List and briefly elaborate upon the four central reasons for not reporting a crime such as sexual assault.

Answer:

Reasons for not reporting a crime such as sexual assault include (1) the victim's fear of the perpetrator; (2) the victim's shame, which may carry over from traditional attitudes about sexual behaviour and a woman's role in sexual encounters; (3) fears the victim may have of not being believed; and (4) the victim's fear of further participation in the justice system (such as the possibility of the victim being required to go to court and testify against the offender, thereby exposing herself to potentially embarrassing cross-examination and public scrutiny).

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Page Reference: 50

Skill: Recall

55) Briefly define what can be considered the “social dimensions of crime.”

Answer:

The social dimensions of crime are generally referred to as aspects of crime and victimization as they relate to socially significant attributes by which groups are defined, and according to which individuals are assigned group membership. Socially significant attributes include sex and gender, ethnicity or race, age, income or wealth, profession, and social class or standing within society. Such personal characteristics provide criteria by which individuals can be assigned to groups such as “the rich,” “the poor,” “male,” “female,” “young,” “old,” “black,” “white,” “white-collar worker,” “manual labourer,” and so on.

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Type: ES

Page Reference: 58-59

Skill: Recall; Application

56) According to the Ministry of Industry, 2013, report, what were the two key responses to violence against women in Canada?

Answer:

First, and according to victimization data, less than one-third (30%) of female victims of spousal violence stated that the incident came to the attention of the police, down from 36% in 2004. No change was recorded in the levels of reporting to police for non-spousal violence against women (28%). Second, certain types of spousal violence were more likely to come to the attention of police, including incidents where the woman was sexually assaulted (53%) or beaten, choked, or had a weapon used against her (60%). By contrast, sexual assaults perpetrated by someone other than a spouse were least likely to come to the attention of police. None in 10 non-spousal sexual assaults were never reported to the police.

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Type: ES

Page Reference: 56

Skill: Recall