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Chapter 2

Type: fill-in-blank

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 01

01) Political theories are alternative approaches to politics. At the broadest level there is the difference between positivist and _____ approaches to politics.

- a. constructivist

Type: multiple response question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 02

02) The author postulates a greater use of triangulation in order to improve research quality in comparative politics. What is triangulation? Please select all that apply.

- *a. To explore the same data with several alternative theories.
- b. To explore several forms of data with one underlying theory.
- c. To explore several forms of data with several alternative theories.
- d. To explore the same data with one single theory.

Type: multiple response question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 03

03) An important distinction is between grand theories and middle-range theories. Which of the following approaches can be classified as grand theories? Please select all that apply.

- *a. Structural functionalism
- *b. Marxism
- *c. Systems theory
- *d. Governance

Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 04

04) What are the five 'I's in the chapter?

- *a. The five main approaches in comparative politics.
- b. The chronological order of the five dominating paradigms in comparative politics.
- c. The five competing schools in comparative politics.
- d. The five main fields of research in comparative politics.

Type: matching question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 05

05) Match the following fields of research to the respective 'I'.

- a. The welfare state = Institutions
- b. Corporatism = Interests
- c. Social capital = Ideas
- d. Voting behaviour = Individuals

Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 06

06) What is the main disadvantage of the institutionalist approaches?

- *a. They are relatively weak in explaining change.
- b. They are weak in explaining policy-outcomes.
- c. They are inaccessible to triangulation.
- d. They are often blinders for new innovative research approaches.

Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 07

07) Which of the five 'I's is the root of comparative politics?

- *a. Institutions
- b. Interests
- c. Ideas
- d. International environment

Type: true-false

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 08

08) One of the outstanding achievements of comparative politics is the understanding of the political process.

- a. True
- *b. False

Type: fill-in-blank

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 09

09) According to the author, _____ is the ultimate dependent variable of comparative politics.

- a. governance

Type: multiple choice question

Title: Chapter 02 - Question 10

10) The concept of path dependence belongs to:

- *a. Historical institutionalism
- b. Normative institutionalism
- c. Rational institutionalism
- d. Interaction