

PRAGMATISM MCQs

1. Pragmatism originated mainly in:
A. England B) America C) France D) Germany
2. The word Pragmatism is derived from:
A. Latin "Pragma" B) Greek "Pragma" C) Sanskrit "Pragya"
D) French "Pratique"
3. The term Pragmatism was first used by:
A. William James B) John Dewey C) Charles Sanders Peirce
D) W.H. Kilpatrick
4. Pragmatism emphasises:
A. Thought over action B) Action over thought C) Faith over
reason D) Idealism over realism
5. Who called Pragmatism "Cash Value Philosophy"?
A. Archie J. Bahm B) J.S. Ross C) Will Durant D) Arnold
Reid
6. Humanistic Pragmatism focuses on:
A. Experiments B) Human welfare C) Nominalism D)
Instrumentalism
7. Experimental Pragmatism believes:
A. Truth is absolute B) Truth is what works C) Truth is
eternal D) Truth is divine
8. Nominalistic Pragmatism emphasises:
A. Universal ideas B) Concrete results C) Spiritual values
D) Eternal truths

9. Biological Pragmatism is also known as:
A. Humanism B) Instrumentalism C) Idealism D) Naturalism
10. John Dewey is associated with:
A. Humanistic Pragmatism B) Nominalistic Pragmatism C) Biological Pragmatism D) Experimental Pragmatism
11. Pragmatism revolts against:
A. Absolutism B) Democracy C) Liberalism D) Socialism
12. According to Pragmatism, truth:
A. Is eternal B) Always changes C) Is divine D) Is predetermined
13. Pragmatism considers values like truth, goodness, beauty as:
A. Fixed B) Man-made C) Eternal D) Divine
14. Pragmatism gives supreme importance to:
A. Ideas B) Action C) Faith D) Authority
15. Pragmatism has deep faith in:
A. Monarchy B) Democracy C) Dictatorship D) Authoritarianism
16. Pragmatists believe in:
A. Rigidity B) Flexibility C) Absolutism D) Dogmatism
17. According to John Dewey, "Truth is made just as":
A. God made it B) Health, wealth, strength are made C) Ideals are made D) Nature is made
18. Pragmatism emphasises:
A. Past B) Present and future C) Tradition D) Authority

19. Pragmatism upholds:
A. Monism B) Dualism C) Pluralism D) Absolutism
20. William James said:
A. Truth is eternal B) Cash value of truth is in experimental terms C) Truth is divine D) Truth is absolute
21. Pragmatism rejects:
A. Democracy B) Authoritarianism C) Freedom D) Equality
22. Knowledge according to Pragmatism is:
A. Predetermined B) By-product of action C) Eternal D) Divine gift
23. Education in Pragmatism is considered as:
A. Preparation for life B) Life itself C) Discipline D) Training
24. John Dewey defined education as:
A. Transmission of knowledge B) Reconstruction of experiences C) Preparation for future D) Discipline and training
25. According to Pragmatism, growth is:
A. Function of society B) Real function of education C) Eternal truth D) Divine gift
26. Education is seen as:
A. Individual process B) Social process C) Religious process D) Political process
27. Pragmatists stress that education is the responsibility of:
A. Family B) State C) Church D) Individual
28. Pragmatic education insists on:

A. Authority B) Freedom and responsibility C) Rigidity D) Dogmatism

29. The ultimate aim of Pragmatic education is:

A. Discipline B) Growth C) Authority D) Faith

30. The project method of teaching was introduced by:

A. William James B) John Dewey C) W.H. Kilpatrick D) Charles S. Peirce

Answer Key

1-B 2-B 3-C 4-B 5-A 6-B 7-B 8-B 9-B 10-C

11-A 12-B 13-B 14-B 15-B 16-B 17-B 18-B 19-C
20-B

21-B 22-B 23-B 24-B 25-B 26-B 27-B 28-B 29-B

30-C