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# FIFTH SEMESTER B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION **NOVEMBER 2020**

(CUCBCSS—UG)

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## BCM 5B 08/BBA VB 08—BUSINESS RESEARCH METHODS

(2014 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

## Part I (Objective Questions)

Answer all ten questions.

Choose	the	correct.	answer	
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1.	Questio	ons which allow only a few alterna	which allow only a few alternative way of answering is called ———.		
	(a)	Open ended questions.	(b)	Unstructured questions.	
	(c)	Structural questions.	(d)	Dichotomous questions.	
2.	Assigni	ing numerals or other symbols to t	he cate	egories or response is called :	
	(a)	Editing.	(b)	Coding.	
	(c)	Transcription.	(d)	Tablet ion.	
3. ——— is concerned with generalization of a theory.				theory.	
	(a)	Fundamental research.	(b)	Ex post research.	
	(c)	Ex ante research.	(d)	Applied research.	
4.	In which strata?		nto dif	ferent strata and sample is taken from different	
	(a)	Quota Sampling.	(b)	Snow ball sampling.	
	(c)	Stratified sampling.	(d)	Purposive Sampling.	
5.	The ori	iginal source from which researche	r colle	cts information is:	
	(a)	Primary Source.	(b)	Secondary Source.	
	(c)	Both Primary and Secondary.	(d)	None of these.	
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#### Fill in the blanks:

- 6. Population value is called \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. If a group of N observations is arranged in ascending or descending order of magnitude, then the middle value is called ———.
- 8. Instrument's ability to accurately measure variability in stimuli or response is known as ——.
- 9. A bar chart or graph showing the frequency of occurrence of each value of the variable being analysed is called ———.
- 10. Processed data is called as ———.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ marks})$ 

## Part II (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any eight out of ten questions in two or three sentences.

Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. What is business research?
- 12. What is a research problem?
- 13. What is extraneous variable?
- 14. What is hypothesis?
- 15. What is pilot study?
- 16. What is secondary data?
- 17. What is a null hypothesis?
- 18. What is descriptive research?
- 19. What is a sample design?
- 20. What is stratified sampling?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ marks})$ 

# Part III (Short Essay Questions)

Answer any six out of eight questions in about 200 words.

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 21. What are the objectives of research?
- 22. What are the types of Index Numbers?

- 23. What are the problems related with sampling frame?
- 24. Differentiate between probability sampling and non-probability sampling.
- 25. What are the types of sampling error?
- 26. What are the advantages of observation method?
- 27. What are the disadvantages of secondary data?
- 28. Differentiate between primary data and secondary data.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ marks})$ 

### Part IV (Essay Questions)

Answer any two out of three questions in about 800 words.

Each question carries 15 marks.

- 29. What are the steps in research report writing?
- 30. What are the essentials of a good research design?
- 31. Briefly explain about different types of research.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ marks})$ 

