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TRUE/FALSE

1 : An argument is deductive if its conclusion provides information in addition to the information contained in the premises.

A : true

B : false

Correct Answer : B

2 : Vagueness refers to the range of applicability of a term.

A : true

B : false

Correct Answer : A

3 : An argument is sound if it is valid and all of its premises are true.

A : true

B : false

Correct Answer : A

4 : The attempt to discredit a position by discrediting the person holding it is an argument from ignorance.

A : true

B : false

Correct Answer : A

5 : The best way to construct an argument is to begin with the conclusion.

A : true

B : false

Correct Answer : A

MULTIPLE CHOICE

6 : To talk or think through is the definition of what?

A : logic

B : dialectical

C : genus

D : criticism

Correct Answer : B

7 : Etymologically, criticism means

A : logical analysis

B : exercise of free will

C : skilled in judging

D : wisdom and beauty.

Correct Answer : C

8 : The argument, If p is true, then q is true. p is true. Therefore q is true is an example of what kind of argument?

- A : disjunctive syllogism
- B : hypothetical syllogism
- C : modus tollens
- D : modus ponens

Correct Answer : D

9 : If you encounter an argument in which it is impossible for all of its premises to be true and, at the same time, its conclusion false, then the argument is what?

- A : a dilemma
- B : a disjunctive syllogism
- C : valid
- D : sound

Correct Answer : C

10 : Which of the following is NOT a common fallacy used in arguments?

- A : strawperson
- B : black and white
- C : hasty generalization
- D : analogy

Correct Answer : D

11 : Meaning constituted by all the properties held in common by the denoted objects is what kind of meaning?

- A : connotative
- B : denotative
- C : borderline
- D : analogous

Correct Answer : A