



Key Answer For the Second semester Compensation Exam in Methodology of Political science -2-

1. Choose the correct answer: 5 Pts.

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- For Marx, classes are defined and structured by:

- a. Ownership of the Means of Production b. Social Relations of Production.
c. Appropriation of Surplus Labor. **d. All of the above.** (1 pts) e. None of the above.

- Among the political economy approaches are:

- a. Decision-making approach. b. Class approach. c. Dependency approach.
d. All of the above. (1 pts) e. None of the above.

- In the system approach, Inputs include:

- a. Demands.** (0.5pts) **b. Support.** (0.5pts) c. Decisions.
d. Policies. e. All of the above. f. None of the above.

- Mutuel Relationships Studies involve

- a. Case studies. b. Comparative studies. c. Correlational Studies.
d. All of the above. (1 pts) e. None of the above.

- The approach that believes any change in the political system is a result of changes in group formation in society.

- a. System approach. b. Class approach. c. Elite approach.
d. All of the above. **e. None of the above.** (1 pts)

2. Answer with True or False, then explain your answer: 7.5 Pts.

• According to the Spatial classification of methods, the Content Analysis method is one of the types within this classification.

True/ Content Analysis: Conducted in the library in a quantitative manner. (1pts)

• Theoretical Criterion of evaluation the theory relates to the theory's testability, predictive capacity, and accuracy when subjected to empirical examination.

False/ Theoretical Criterion concerns the internal coherence, logical consistency, scope, and explanatory power of the theory. (1pts)

- Among the sub-patterns that constitute society, the sub-patterns responsible for Adaptation are educational and religious institutions.

False/ The sub-pattern responsible for Adaptation within society is the economic subsystem, not educational or religious institutions. (1pts)



- The group approach maintains that decision-making is dominated by a small, powerful group of individuals.

False/ The group approach maintains that decisions result from the interaction and competition of multiple groups, each representing different interests in society. (1pts)

- Samir Amin's Theory "Core and Periphery" based on interpreting the international community.

True / Samir Amin's Theory "Core and Periphery" considers the international community as an analytical unit. It rejects analyzing states individually as it fails to understand the reality of phenomena. (1pts)

3. Translate these concepts into Arabic, then give an explanation for each concept:

(2.5 Pts)

- **Integration (0.25) (التكامل) :** Integration is one of the functions of the political system. It refers to the ability of the political system to create cohesion and unity among individuals, groups, and institutions within society, while reducing conflicts and divisions that may threaten stability. (0.5pts)
- **Identify Alternatives (0.25) (تحديد البدائل) :** Identifying alternatives is a stage in the decision-making process in which the decision-maker searches for and lists different possible options that can solve a problem or achieve a goal. (0.5pts)
- **The Masses (0.25) (الجماهير) :** The masses refer to a large number of ordinary people in society who participate in or are affected by political, social, and economic issues. In political science, the term usually refers to the broad public as opposed to political elites or ruling groups. (0.5pts)/
- **Pretest design (0.25) (التصميم التجريبي القبلي) :** A pretest design is a research design in which measurements are taken before applying an experimental treatment or intervention. It helps the researcher determine the initial condition of the subjects before measuring change after the intervention. (0.5pts)/
- **Research tools (0.25) (أدوات البحث العلمي/ أدوات جمع المعلومات) :** Research tools are the instruments used by the researcher to collect data from the field or from documents. Examples include questionnaires, interviews, observation, tests, and documents. (0.5pts).

1. Propose a political phenomenon for study, then provide appropriate methods and approaches with explanation : 7.5 Pts.

- **The proposed phenomenon:**

The impact of social media on electoral apathy among Algerian youth after the COVID-19 pandemic. (1 pts)

The problematic: To what extent does social media influence electoral apathy among Algerian youth after the COVID-19 pandemic? (0.75 pts)



Suitable Methods:

First: The descriptive method – to collect information about social media as well as numbers and statistics on electoral participation. (0.5 pts)

Second: The survey method – to measure the spread of political apathy and identify the demographic factors associated with it (age, gender, educational level, intensity of social media use). (0.5 pts)

Third: Content analysis method – to analyze the discourses of politicians, media, and social media platforms in order to understand how a public discourse that reinforces or reduces apathy is produced. (0.5 pts)

• **The Appropriate Methodological Approaches:**

First: David Easton's systemic approach: This approach studies how political inputs (demands, support, trust, dissatisfaction) and outputs (government decisions, policies) affect youth attitudes toward the political system. It helps explain how weak trust in political institutions may lead to apathy. (0.75 pts)

Second: Structural-functionalism approach: This approach examines the role of institutions (family, school, media, political parties, civil society) in political socialization. If these institutions fail to perform their political functions effectively, political apathy among youth may increase. (0.75 pts)

• **Data Collection Tools:**

First: Questionnaire (0.5 pts)

- A questionnaire would be administered to a representative sample of Algerian youth.
- It would contain closed and scaled questions to measure:
- social media use (frequency of use, preferred platforms...) and electoral apathy (lack of interest in elections, unwillingness to vote, distrust in candidates or institutions....).
- It collects demographic data (age, gender, educational level, residence, etc.) to compare differences among groups.
- The collected responses would be statistically analyzed to identify whether there is a relationship between patterns of social media use and electoral apathy among Algerian youth.

Second: Semi-structured interview : (0.5 pts)

- Conduct interviews with selected youth participants.
- Explore their perceptions, feelings, motivations, and reasons for political disengagement.
- Obtain deeper qualitative data that questionnaires may not reveal.

Thirs: Document / content analysis: (0.5 pts)

- Analyze official reports, election participation statistics, youth policy documents, media discourse, and social media content related to political participation after COVID-19.
- Identify patterns, narratives, and indicators associated with political apathy.