

Foundation Certificate in Marketing - Stage 1

BEHAVIOURAL ASPECTS OF MARKETING

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2003. TIME: 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Please attempt **FIVE** questions.

(If more than the specified number of questions are attempted, delete those you do not wish to have marked. Otherwise the Examiner will mark the **FIRST** five questions in your Answer Book).

All questions carry equal marks.

Do **NOT** repeat question in answer, but show clearly the number of the question attempted on the appropriate page of the Answer Book.

- 1. With the aid of an example explain the experimental approach to conducting research. (Your answer should consider independent and dependent variables; controlling other variables; reliability and validity of variables and the collation and interpretation of results).
- 2. With reference to the process of perception explain the:
 - (a) Principles of proximity, similarity and closure
 - (b) Way in which visual illusions demonstrate the active nature of perception.
- 3. Discuss how the Behaviourist and the Social Learning theories seek to explain some of the influences on the formation of human personality.
- 4. Give a brief description and an example of **two** of the following three types of attitude scale:
 - (a) Likert
 - (b) Osgood's Semantic Differential
 - (c) Thurstone
- 5. Describe **five** features of the organisational design known as a *Bureaucracy* indicating for each one its contribution to organisational effectiveness.

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- 6. Describe the characteristics a collection of individuals must possess before it can be defined as a *group* in psychological terms.
- 7. Explain *Adam's Equity Theory* of employee motivation.
- 8. Explain the terms *Society* and *Culture* **and** discuss the emergence of *individualist* culture in contemporary Ireland.