

**UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA  
FACULTY OF ARTS**

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER – II – 2016/2017**

**SOC 1202 – Principles of Psychology**

**Two (02) Hours**

**Answer Four (04) questions only  
Each question carries equal marks**

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1. Explain the importance of the mind in structuralism and functionalism.
2. Briefly explain the different research methods used in Psychology and describe one of the methods with examples.

3. **Either**

Briefly describe the structure of the nervous system and explain its functions

**Or**

How does motivation help human survival? Briefly explain with reference to Maslow's psychological theory.

4. You are home alone at night. There is thunder and lightning. Suddenly the electricity goes off and you hear someone trying to open the door. Describe how the theories of James-Lange and Canon-Bard explain this situation.

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5. Learning is defined as 'any relative permanent change in behavior through interaction with the environment.' Explain this statement with reference to experiments in classical conditioning.
  
6. Explain Freud's theory of personality with reference to the stages of psycho-social development.
  
7. Explain the functions of the perceptual system with examples.
  
8. "Forgetting is also equally important as memory for human beings to have a healthy life." Critically examine this statement.

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