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Chapter 2: A Guide for the Study of Nursing Theories for Practice

Multiple-Choice Questions

1. The scope of nursing practice is:

- A. Known and static.
- B. Continually being expanded.
- C. Determined only by individual researchers.
- D. Important only to nurses with advanced degrees.

ANS: B

2. The question “What does the nurse attend to when practicing nursing?” relates to which of the following areas of the theory guide?

- A. How nursing is conceptualized.
- B. The context of theory development.
- C. Authoritative sources.
- D. Overall theory significance.

ANS: A

3. Nursing theorists and nurses in practice:

- A. Are interested in related but different phenomena.
- B. Do not see nursing in the same context.
- C. Think and work with the same phenomena.

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D. Require the same knowledge and skills.

ANS: C

4. The study of nursing theory:

A. Is a simple, short-term endeavor.

B. Can be easily undertaken.

C. Requires a continuing commitment.

D. Is not essential for expert nursing practice.

ANS: C

5. The question “What nursing societies share and support work of the theory?” relates to which of the following areas of the theory guide?

A. How nursing is conceptualized.

B. The context of theory development.

C. Authoritative sources.

D. Overall theory significance.

ANS: C

6. The question “Is the theory used to guide programs of nursing education?” relates to which of the following areas of the theory guide?

A. How nursing is conceptualized.

B. The context of theory development.

C. Authoritative sources.

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D. Overall theory significance.

ANS: D

7. Using the Guide for Study of Nursing Theory for Use in Practice, which of the following questions are asked? Select all that apply:

- a. What is the purpose of nursing?
- b. What judgment guides choosing a nursing theory?
- c. What are the major theoretical influences on this theory?
- d. What are the major internal influences that guide the significance of nursing theory?
- e. What are the major external influences on development of the theory?

ANS: A, C, & E

True/False Questions

8. The guide for the selection of nursing theory presented in your text is a set of questions that facilitate reflection and exploration in the study of nursing theory that can lead to the selection of a nursing theory for use in your practice.

ANS: T

9. One criterion for hospitals seeking magnet hospital status is selection of a theoretical model for nursing practice.

ANS: T

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10. It is not necessary or desirable for the study and use of nursing theory to have roots in the everyday practice of nursing.

ANS: F

11. Key ways to study nursing include analysis and evaluation.

ANS: T