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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question ONE (compulsory) and any other TWO (2) Questions  
All questions carry a maximum of 20 marks each

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## SECTION A (COMPULSORY QUESTIONS)

### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- (i) Factors impacting team success in knowledge management include all below except Quality and capability of team members
- A. Size of the team.
  - B. Complexity of the project.
  - C. Team motivation without leadership
  - D. Promising only what that can be actually delivered
- (ii) The following are questions that arise in case of expert selection except which one
- A. How to know that the so-called expert is in fact an expert?
  - B. Will he/she stay with the project till its completion?
  - C. How many years of experience working does the so-called expert have?
  - D. What backup would be available in case the expert loses interest or quits?
  - E. How is the knowledge developer going to know what does and what does not lie within the expert's area of expertise?
- (iii) Some necessary attributes of knowledge developer include (i) communication skills, (ii) knowledge of knowledge capture tools/technology, (iii) ability to work in a team with professional/experts, (iv) intolerance for ambiguity and (v) to be able to think conceptually.
- A. All (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v)
  - B. Only (i), (ii), (iv) and (v)
  - C. Only (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)
  - D. Only (i), (ii), (iii) and (v)
- (iv) Which of the following is not Knowledge management error:
- A. Reasoning error
  - B. Syntax error
  - C. Ambiguity
  - D. Incompleteness
  - E. False representation
- (v) Which of the following is not a managerial factor to be consider in implications of knowledge management systems
- A. The organization must make a commitment to user training/education after building the system.
  - B. Top Management should be informed with cost/benefit analysis of the proposed system.
  - C. The knowledge developers and the people with potential to do knowledge engineering should be properly trained.
  - D. Domain experts must be recognized and rewarded.
  - E. The organization needs to do long-range strategic planning
- (vi) A good KM architecture has to consider the following four parts:
- A. People, Knowledge objects, Technical infrastructure, and Knowledge management processes
  - B. People, available funds, Technical infrastructure, and Knowledge management processes
  - C. People, Knowledge objects, cloud computing, Knowledge management processes



- D. People, Knowledge objects, Technical infrastructure, Knowledge keepers
  - E. Physical infrastructure, Knowledge objects, Technical infrastructure, Knowledge management processes
- (vii) The functions of the Distributed application services layer in a multi-layered knowledge Architecture are inclusive of the following
- A. It ensures transfer of data between heterogeneous systems irrespective of the data formats used
  - B. It ensures transfer of meta-software between heterogeneous systems irrespective of the data formats used
  - C. It ensures transfer of data between none heterogeneous systems irrespective of the data formats used
  - D. It ensures security of data between heterogeneous systems irrespective of the data formats used
- (viii) The functions of the Knowledge creation/information analysis layer in a multi-layered knowledge Architecture are inclusive of one the following
- A. Establishes guidelines, standards, and operational services that define the enterprise's operational system environment
  - B. Establishes security, standards, and operational services that define the enterprise's operational system environment
  - C. Establishes guidelines, standards, and cooperation services that define the enterprise's operational system environment
  - D. Establishes guidelines, standards, and operational services that do not define the enterprise's operational system environment
- (ix) In terms of the prerequisites for the Security layer, the following criteria can be considered one of the following
- A. Security, Portability, usability and Scalability
  - B. Security, easy navigation, Flexibility and Scalability
  - C. Security, Portability, Flexibility and Scalability
  - D. Security, Portability, Flexibility and consistency
- (x) Features to be considered in case of user interface layer design include one of the following
- A. Consistency, security, Visual clarity, Usability and Ease of Navigation
  - B. Consistency, Relevancy, Visual clarity, Usability and scalability
  - C. Flexibility, Relevancy, Visual clarity, Usability and Ease of Navigation
  - D. Consistency, Relevancy, Visual clarity, Usability and Ease of Navigation
- (xi) Which of the following is the knowledge that people carry in their minds and is, therefore, difficult to access?
- A) Explicit knowledge
  - B) Tacit knowledge
  - C) Procedural
  - D) Declarative knowledge
- (xii) Processed Data? An aggregation of data that have meaning:

- A) Knowledge
  - B) Data
  - C) Information
  - D) Wisdom
- (xiii) Which is the number one challenge in getting people to share their knowledge rather than hoarding it:
- A) Change in culture
  - B) Knowledge Evaluation
  - C) Knowledge Processing
  - D) Knowledge Implementation
- (xiv) Reasoning by analogy is known as:
- A) Deductive Reasoning
  - B) Inductive Reasoning
  - C) Case Based Reasoning
  - D) Inferencing
- (xv) Acquiring new ideas based on hundreds of previously stored concepts:
- A) Learning by example
  - B) Learning by Experience
  - C) Learning by Discovery
  - D) Chunking
- (xvi) Knowledge management emphasizes:
- A) Doing the right things
  - B) Doing thing right
  - C) Increased efficiencies
  - D) Reengineering
- (xvii) The main focus of Knowledge management in a firm is:
- A) Leverage knowledge resources to achieve business objectives
  - B) Information Management
  - C) Document Management
  - D) Process Improvement
- (xviii) Which type of knowledge includes information that has been documented or can be shared with someone else?
- A. Explicit
  - B. Tacit
  - C. Psychomotor
  - D. Cognitive
- (xix) The primary goal of KM is to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Effectively share knowledge throughout the organization
  - B. Provide a forum for collaborating, innovating, and exchanging ideas
  - C. Leverage technology to capture informal intellectual capital
  - D. Capture both tacit and explicit organizational knowledge



- (xx) Which of the following is not true with respect to indicators of an expert:
- A. The expert demands for respect.
  - B. The expert is found to be consulted by people in the organization, when some problem arises.
  - C. The expert does not avoid irrelevant information, uses facts and figures.
  - D. The expert exhibits his/her depth of the detailed knowledge and his/her quality of explanation is exceptional.
- (xxi) Which of the following is not a disadvantage of working with a single expert
- A. The single expert usually provides a single line of reasoning.
  - B. They are not more likely to change meeting schedules.
  - C. Often, the expert's knowledge is found to be not easy to capture.
  - D. The knowledge is often found to be dispersed.
- (xxii) Knowledge capture is defined as
- A. Combination of knowledge elicitation and knowledge representation
  - B. Knowledge elicitation
  - C. Knowledge representation
  - D. The process of turning corporate knowledge into personal knowledge in order to be shared among those involved in projects
- (xxiii) For Knowledge capturing to be deemed successful, it involves the conversion of:-
- A. Personal knowledge into corporate knowledge
  - B. Corporate knowledge into personal knowledge
  - C. Personal knowledge into digital knowledge
  - D. Corporate knowledge into digital knowledge
- (xxiv) Which of the following are the main activities necessary to gather and capture knowledge:-
- A. Collating any existing material upon which you can base your captured knowledge and look for general guidelines.
  - B. Eliciting or capturing knowledge from individuals, teams and groups with relevant experience.
  - C. Publishing the knowledge.
  - D. Initiating a feedback and ownership process.
  - E. Encouraging feedback from users, so that they pick up and eliminate any valid recommendations.
  - F. Store knowledge on hard drives
- (xxv) Which of the following are the most common barriers to knowledge capturing:-
- A. Lack of employee time.
  - B. Lack of human resources.
  - C. Lack of management support
  - D. Lack of buildings where to conduct interviews

**SECTION B (STUDENTS TO CHOOSE ANY TWO)**

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Discuss any ten organisational knowledge sharing barriers (20 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Discuss the step you would take as a knowledge manager of your Kupiga Kura company to design an effective team for implementing a voting knowledge based management system (12 marks)
- (b) The second phase of knowledge management implementation involves analysis, design, and development of the knowledge management system. Briefly explain five steps that constitute this phase (8 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Explain any five characteristics of backward chaining (10 marks)
- (b) Describe the major roles of any five member groupings of the Knowledge Based System development (10 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Discuss the different dimensions of implementing knowledge management in any multinational company (12 marks)
- (b) Knowledge management is very important for every organisation. Discuss what Knowledge management is responsible for understanding about any organisation. (8 marks)

