# **Chapter 2: The Modification of Instinctive Behavior**

# **Test Bank**

Multiple Cho	oice	

1. A decrease in a response due to repeated exposures is called  A. sensitization  B. habituation  C. higher-order conditioning  D. modeling  Ans: B  Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Easy
<ol> <li>Mark is walking alone in the woods. At first, he was scared from all the sounds, but as time progressed his fear decreased. Mark is experiencing</li> <li>A. habituation</li> <li>B. sensitization</li> <li>C. behavioral contrast</li> <li>D. higher-order conditioning</li> <li>Ans: A</li> <li>Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.</li> <li>Cognitive Domain: Comprehension</li> <li>Difficulty Level: Medium</li> </ol>
3. Maurice was walking down a street in a new city where he has never been before. At first, he was frightened from all the cars, noise, and the people. However, as time progressed, Maurice became less and less fearful. Maurice is experiencing  A. behavioral contrast  B. sensitization  C. habituation  D. higher-order conditioning  Ans: C  Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.  Cognitive Domain: Comprehension  Difficulty Level: Medium
4. Steve cannot stand the smell of cigarette smoke. However, when he goes to a casino there is a lot of cigarette smoke. At first, Steve can barely stand it. However, as time goes on, Steve no longer smells the smoke. Steve is experiencing  A. higher-order conditioning  B. habituation

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.  Cognitive Domain: Comprehension  Difficulty Level: Medium
<ul> <li>5. Initially, Janice could not stand the smell of the neighbor's dog when she went to their house. After several times, Janice no longer smells the dog when she enters the house. Janice is experiencing</li> <li>A. habituation</li> <li>B. higher-order conditioning</li> <li>C. behavioral contrast</li> <li>D. sensitization</li> <li>Ans: A</li> <li>Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.</li> <li>Cognitive Domain: Comprehension</li> <li>Difficulty Level: Medium</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>6. An increase in a response due to repeated exposures is called</li> <li>A. sensitization</li> <li>B. habituation</li> <li>C. higher-order conditioning</li> <li>D. modeling</li> <li>Ans: A</li> <li>Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.</li> <li>Cognitive Domain: Knowledge</li> <li>Difficulty Level: Easy</li> </ul>
7. Mark is walking alone in the woods. At first, he was scared from all the sounds. But as time passed his fear began to decrease. Then, a loud twig snapped behind him and Mark jumped. Now Mark is hearing twigs snapping all around him. Mark is experiencing  A. habituation B. sensitization C. behavioral contrast D. higher-order conditioning Ans: B Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes. Cognitive Domain: Comprehension Difficulty Level: Medium
8. Last night, when Janice was trying to go to sleep she heard a band playing music. At first it was just irritating. But over time, the band actually sounded like it was getting louder even though it was not. This is an example of  A. higher-order conditioning

C. sensitization

Ans: B

D. behavioral contrast

B. habituation C. sensitization D. behavioral contrast Ans: C Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes. Cognitive Domain: Comprehension Difficulty Level: Medium
<ul> <li>9. The first time Frederick consumed raspberries he experienced some minor itchiness and tingling. Now every time Frederick consumes raspberries he breaks out in hives all over his body. Frederick is experiencing</li> <li>A. sensitization</li> <li>B. habituation</li> <li>C. higher-order conditioning</li> <li>D. modeling</li> <li>Ans: A</li> <li>Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.</li> <li>Cognitive Domain: Comprehension</li> </ul>
Difficulty Level: Medium  10. Susan is a skier and never worried about driving in the snow. One day on the way to the ski resort she skidded off the road after hitting some ice. Now every time that Susan has to drive in the snow she becomes very nervous and scared. This is an example of  A. behavioral contrast B. sensitization C. habituation D. higher-order conditioning
Ans: B Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes. Cognitive Domain: Comprehension Difficulty Level: Medium
11. McSweeney and Murphy demonstrated that can cause a reward to lose its effectiveness.  A. sensitization B. habituation C. opponent process D. behavioral contrast Ans: B
Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Easy
12. McSweeney and Murphy demonstrated that can cause a reward to increase its effectiveness.

16. Curtis is going to Scotland. When he arrives, his friends take him to a pub where they serve beer and Haggis. After consuming a small amount of the Haggis, Curtis ate Scottish salmon. However, the next time Curtis enters the pub, he had three helpings of the Haggis. This is an example of

A. Ingestional Neophobia.

B. Sensitization.

C. Habituation.

D. Dishabituation.

Ans: A.

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Application

Difficulty Level: Medium

17. Which always has a temporary effect?

A. disinhibition

B. behavioral contrast

C. sensitization

D. habituation

Ans: C

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Easy

18. At a buffet restaurant I observe people eating lots and lots of food. Then they stop. After about 2 min they get up and go to the dessert area where they get large servings of ice cream and cake. They then return and eat these items. Which concepts explain why the individual would eat the dessert after eating a huge meal?

A. disinhibition

B. sensitization

C. higher-order conditioning

D. habituation

Ans: B

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Hard

19. Marcus and Valerie go to a restaurant where he has a nice dinner. When the server arrives and asks for a dessert order Marcus declines. However, Valerie does not. When dessert arrives, Marcus has a sample of Valerie's dessert. Then orders a serving for himself. The reason Marcus consumes the dessert is due to

A. habituation

B. sensitization

C. dishabituation

D. behavioral contrast

Ans: B

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Hard

20. Which of the following does not impact habituation?

A. more frequent stimulus presentations B. changing characteristics of the stimulus C. weaker stimuli D. intense stimuli Ans: D Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Medium 21. \_\_\_\_\_ always has a temporary effect. A. Sensitization B. Dishabituation C. Behavioral contrast D. Habituation Ans: A Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Easy 22. According to Groves and Thompson, drugs that stimulate the central nervous system are more likely to produce . A. habituation to a stimulus B. emotional distress to a stimulus C. sensitization to a stimulus D. a fixed action pattern Ans: C Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Medium 23. While trying to study, your roommate turns on the television. At first you are annoyed and distracted but soon you are able to concentrate on studying. Your roommate then suddenly sneezes, interrupts your concentration and the TV again annoys you. This exemplifies . . A. a reduced B state B. a reduced A state C. dishabituation D. sensitization. Ans: C

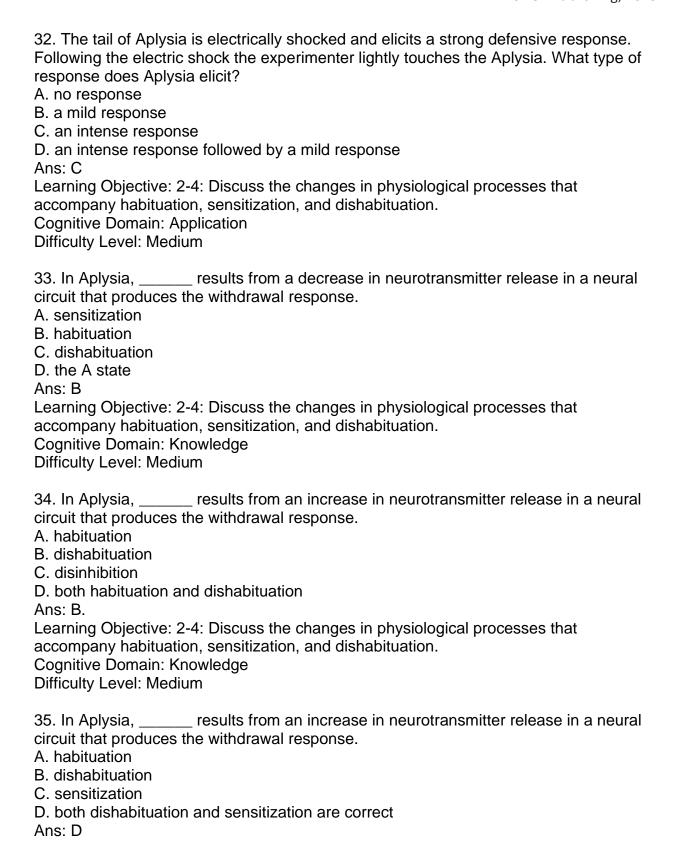
24. While trying to sleep, the people next door turn on some rock "n" roll stereo. At first you are annoyed and distracted but soon you start to relax. Then, just when you are

Learning Objective: 2-3: Describe the dishabituation process.

Cognitive Domain: Application

Difficulty Level: Medium

Cognitive Domain: Application Difficulty Level: Hard
28. Habituation allows us to, while reinstates the response in case the stimuli become important.  A. disinhibition; sensitization  B. disinhibition; dishabilitation  C. habituation; sensitization  D. sensitization; dishabilitation  Ans: C  Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.  Cognitive Domain: Application  Difficulty Level: Medium
29. Cellular modification theory  A. suggests that learning is temporary and changes as a result of experience B. suggests that learning is permanent and does not change as a result of experience C. suggests that learning permanently alters the functioning of specific neural systems D. suggests that learning temporarily alters the functioning of specific neural systems Ans: C Learning Objective: 2-4: Discuss the changes in physiological processes that accompany habituation, sensitization, and dishabituation.
Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Medium
30. Cellular modification theory suggests that  A. neural changes can only change existing neural circuits  B. neural changes can only change new neural circuits  C. neural changes can change existing neural circuits or establish new neural circuits  D. neural changes have no impacts on any neural circuits  Ans: C
Learning Objective: 2-4: Discuss the changes in physiological processes that accompany habituation, sensitization, and dishabituation.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Medium
31. <i>Aplysia Californica</i> is a A. rat B. sea snail C. fish
D. way of analyzing a particular response Ans: B Learning Objective: 2-4: Discuss the changes in physiological processes that accompany habituation, sensitization, and dishabituation. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Easy



Learning Objective: 2-4: Discuss the changes in physiological processes that accompany habituation, sensitization, and dishabituation.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Medium
36. Opponent process theory was developed by  A. Kandel  B. McSweeney  C. Solomon and Corbit  D. Creighton  Ans: C  Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Easy
37. All responses create some type of initial reaction. This reaction is called  A. the A state B. the B state C. the C state D. the D state Ans: A Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Easy
38. Taking a comprehensive final would cause you to experience a strong  A. A state B. B state C. C state D. D state Ans: A Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Comprehension Difficulty Level: Medium
39. Having three drinks of alcohol would cause you to experience a strong  A. A state B. B state C. C state D. D state Ans: A Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Application Difficulty Level: Medium
40. Having three drinks of alcohol would cause you to

A. experience a strong A state B. experience a week A state C. experience a strong B state D. have no impact on either the A state or B state Ans: C Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Application Difficulty Level: Medium
41. Mark was taking a comprehensive final in biochemistry. After completing the exam, Mark feels relaxed. This is an example of  A. disinhibition B. dishabituation C. opponent process D. enteric withdraw Ans: C Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Easy
<ul> <li>42. Which of the following statements describes the properties of the B state?</li> <li>A. It is opposite of the A state.</li> <li>B. It is the same as the A state but more intense.</li> <li>C. It is the same as the A state but less intense.</li> <li>D. It is not impacted by the A state.</li> <li>Ans: A</li> <li>Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.</li> <li>Cognitive Domain: Comprehension</li> <li>Difficulty Level: Comprehension</li> </ul>
43. According to opponent process theory, as the intensity of the B state increases  A. the intensity of the A state also increases B. the intensity of the A state decreases C. a C state occurs D. the A state becomes more resistant to extinction Ans: B Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Medium
44. Marissa is about to take a comprehensive exam in learning. As she enters the exam she was nervous and tense. This is an example of  A. the A state  B. the B state  C. the C state

D. the D state Ans: A
Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.  Cognitive Domain: Comprehension  Difficulty Level: Medium
45. Maurice is about to run 5 miles. As he begins the run he experiences a  A. mild B state B. aversive A state C. mild C state D. aversive B state Ans: B Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Comprehension Difficulty Level: Medium
46. As the intensity of the A state increases, the intensity of the B state  A. also increases B. decreases C. decreases then increases D. remains the same Ans: A Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Comprehension Difficulty Level: Medium
47. George, after years of smoking cigarettes, finds it difficult to quit. Opponent process theory explains his difficulty by stating  A. his action specific energy is too high  B. he encounters too many stimuli for smoking  C. his B state is so strong he needs cigarettes  D. his A state has grown so strong that the B state has been eliminated  Ans: C  Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Medium
48. The opponent process theory is especially helpful in understanding  A. how humans learn to be afraid of specific objects  B. schizophrenia  C. manic-depressive psychosis  D. addiction  Ans: D  Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Easy

A. the A state B. the B state C. the C state D. the D state Ans: B Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Medium
50. Strengthening of the B state would be responsible for  A. strengthening the C state B. strengthening the A state C. withdrawal D. tolerance Ans: D Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Comprehension Difficulty Level: Medium
51. Experienced parachutists often exhibit B states.  A. prolonged B. short C. relief after landing D. short and extreme relief Ans: A Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion. Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Medium
52. One way to terminate an aversive B state is to  A. have a weak A state  B. experience an event to produce a positive A state  C. provide a C state  D. provide an alternative D state  Ans: B  Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.  Cognitive Domain: Knowledge  Difficulty Level: Medium
53. Jack is a chronic cocaine user. He reports that he feels really good when he was

using cocaine that when coming down he experiences extreme cravings and withdrawal. What could Jack do to help himself with the cravings and withdrawal? A. Jack could use greater amounts of cocaine.

B. Jack could substitute cocaine with a barbiturate.

C. Jack could drink alcohol while he was using cocaine.

D. Jack could just drink less alcohol and use more cocaine.

Ans: C

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Application

Difficulty Level: Medium

- 54. According to Solomon, what must happen for a person to become addicted to a drug?
- A. They must recognize that abstinence causes the withdrawal symptoms.
- B. They must vary the amount of drug they take.
- C. They must have a long time each time they use the drug.
- D. none of these

Ans: A

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

- 55. Every 3 months, Steve goes to a party and snorts some cocaine. However, he never uses cocaine at any other time. According to opponent process model, what should happen to Steve?
- A. Steve will show a weak B state.
- B. Steve will begin to become addicted.
- C. Steve will never become addicted.
- D. Steve will become addicted and then stop.

Ans: C

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

56. Choose the best answer. Susan has been parachute jumping weekly for 10 years. Today however, her jump was canceled due to bad weather. Susan will probably

A. be happy

B. be happy, then depressed

C. be depressed

D. do something else

Ans: C

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Application

Difficulty Level: Medium

57. Mary has a job or on Mondays and Wednesdays that is high pressure and high stress. On Tuesdays and Thursdays there is little pressure and stress. You would expect Susan's mood to generally be \_\_\_\_\_.

A. more positive on stress filled days

B. more positive on stress free days

C. more depressed on stress filled days

D. more depressed on stress free days

Ans: A

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Application

Difficulty Level: Hard

- 58. A person is an alcoholic who is trying to stop drinking. When an aversive A state occurs, what happens?
- A. There is an increased A state and that increases the likelihood a person will drink.
- B. There is an increased B state that decreases the likelihood a person will drink.
- C. There is a decreased A state that increases the likelihood a person will drink.
- D. There is a decreased B state that decreases the likelihood a person will drink.

Ans: A

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Hard

- 59. Mario was about to skydive for the first time. According to opponent process theory, Mario should feel which of the following sequences of emotions during his jump?
- A. Mario should feel euphoria then fear.
- B. Mario should feel fear then euphoria.
- C. Mario should feel fear then panic.
- D. Mario should feel euphoria then panic.

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

60. When Johnny first graduated from law school, he was extremely nervous during his first trial. When it was over he was quite relieved. He found that as he worked on more and more cases, his initial nervousness disappeared, yet his sense of relief when it was over increased. This is best explained by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. habituation

B. risk avoidance theory

C. sensitization

D. opponent process theory

Ans: D

Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

- 61. Instinctive behaviors in many animals \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. cannot change as a result of experience
- B. are preprogrammed and can never be changed
- C. can be changed using a conditioning experience

D. none of these

Ans: C

Learning Objective: 2-1: Discuss the Lorenz–Tinbergen model of instinctive behavior.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

62. An instinctive behavior that results from specific environmental cue is called \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a sign stimulus

B. a fixed action pattern

C. an action specific energy

D. none of these

Ans: B

Learning Objective: 2-1: Discuss the Lorenz–Tinbergen model of instinctive behavior.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

#### True/False

1. A retrieving behavior is an example of a fixed action pattern.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-1: Discuss the Lorenz–Tinbergen model of instinctive behavior.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge Difficulty Level: Comprehension

2. Instinctive processes of many animals are programmed to change as a result of experience.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-1: Discuss the Lorenz–Tinbergen model of instinctive behavior.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

3. Decreased anxiety due to giving several speeches is called habituation.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Easy

4. Increased anxiety due to giving several speeches is called habituation.

Ans: F

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Easy

5. Eating small amounts of food in a novel situation is called dehabituation.

Ans: F

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

6. Habituation can cause a reward to lose its effectiveness.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

7. Stimulus intensity has no impact on the rate of sensitization and habituation.

Ans: F

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

8. Habituation and sensitization are relatively fixed and not transient.

Ans: F

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

9. Time has no impact on sensitization.

Ans: F

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Easy

10. Sensitization reflects an increase readiness to react to ALL stimuli.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

11. Dishabituation and can restore the effectiveness of a reward produced by habituation.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-3: Describe the dishabituation process.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Medium

12. Cellular modification theory indicates that learning changes the functioning of neural circuits and new connections.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-4: Discuss the changes in physiological processes that

accompany habituation, sensitization, and dishabituation.

Cognitive Domain: Knowledge

Difficulty Level: Easy

13. If a test like this makes you feel nervous and worried, after you are finished with the test you should feel relaxed and relieved.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

14. Experienced parachutists are less elated after their jobs than parachutists who have just jumped only once or twice.

Ans: F

Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Hard

15. According to opponent process theory, you should be more fearful on your first bungee jump than on your 10th bungee jump.

Ans: T

Learning Objective: 2-5: Recall the opponent-process theory of emotion.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Hard

# **Essay**

1. Compare and contrast sensitization and habituation.

Ans:

Habituation: Decreased responsiveness with repeated exposures to a stimulus.

Declines with experience.

The weaker the stimulus the more rapid the habituation.

Depends upon specific characteristics of the stimulus.

Sensitization: Increase responsiveness to an environmental stimulus.

Properties of the stimulus do not affect sensitization.

Sensitization is lost rapidly after the sensitizing event ends--is always temporary. Learning Objective: 2-2: Describe the habituation and sensitization processes.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

2. According to opponent process theory, addiction develops in two ways. What are they?

Ans: Addictive behavior is a coping response to an aversive opponent B state. Individuals must recognize that abstinence causes withdrawal symptoms and that the resumption of addictive behavior after abstinence eliminates or prevents aversive feelings.

Without the aversive withdrawal B state, the motivation for addiction does not exist.

Learning Objective: 2-6: Explain the nature of the addictive process.

Cognitive Domain: Application

Difficulty Level: Medium

# 3. What is dishabituation? Why is it so important?

Ans: Dishabituation is the recovery of a habituated response as a result of the presentation of the sensitizing stimulus. Essentially, the arousing effect of the stimulus causes a habituated response to return.

Learning Objective: 2-3: Describe the dishabituation process.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

# 4. What is a fixed action pattern? Why is it important?

Ans: A fixed action pattern is an instinctive behavior that is triggered in the presence of a specific environmental cue. An internal block exists for each fixed action pattern and is prevented until it is triggered.

Learning Objective: 2-1: Discuss the Lorenz–Tinbergen model of instinctive behavior.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium

# 5. Can experience alter instinctive behavior?

Ans: Yes. Conditioning alters the effectiveness of existing repetitive behavior or changes the sensitivity of the relaxing mechanism to the sign stimulus. It depends on the nature of the conditioning experience. Conditioning can also establish new behaviors or new releasing stimuli.

Learning Objective: 2-1: Discuss the Lorenz–Tinbergen model of instinctive behavior.

Cognitive Domain: Comprehension

Difficulty Level: Medium