## **CHAPTER 1**

## TEST BANK (20 items)

- 1. According to Allen, naming your own mother enables people to place you precisely within the universal web of your life in the following ways:
  - a. culturally and historically
  - b. spiritually and personally
  - c. politically and personally
  - d. \*only "a" and "b"
- 2. Because Early Americans misinterpreted the behaviors of the indigenous peoples of America, today's feminists are:
  - a. continually reinventing the wheel
  - b. repeatedly rediscovering of our collective past
  - c. recurrently retaking of ground already covered by earlier feminists
  - d. \*all of the above
- 3. Allen contrasts the Iroquois system of government as differing from the US system vis-à-vis:
  - a. The Iroquois system is secular while the US is spiritual and conservative.
  - b. \*The Matrons of the executive office inherited their leadership while the US political leaders are elected.
  - c. The Matrons were above the law in all ways while according to the US rule of law no one is above the law.
  - d. none of the above
- 4. Marx's writings, which according to ethnographer Lewis Henry Morgan were influenced by the Iroquoian matriarchal culture, propagated:

- a. the liberation of women from patriarchal dominance
- b. the egalitarian distribution of goods and power
- c. every member of society's right to work
- d. \*all of the above
- 5. The 1848 Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions included a call for women to rally against:
  - a. all men
  - b. men who upheld dominance and oppression
  - c. \*all laws that made legal all forms and patriarchal dominance and oppression
  - d. men and women who supported oppression
- 6. Some barriers that the framers of the Combahee River Collective encountered when they were organizing were:
  - a. negative black men who viewed themselves as heads of their households
  - b. black women who brought issues of classism and an unclear political perspective
  - c. conflicting views of the politics of economy that continued to disempower black women
  - d. \*all of the above
- 7. Subramanian presents the following evidence of being in a co-equal relationship:
  - a. \*her boyfriend who opted freely to fast with her
  - b. their sharing the same religious views
  - c. her boyfriend allowing her to have her own way without his interference
  - d. their viewing themselves as husband-and-wife
- 8. Tran defines the phrase, "internalized patriarchy," as:
  - a. complicity with any system that benefits cisgender men

- b. aligning with and invariably benefitting from heterosexist relations and transphobic behaviors
- c. \*both "a" and "b"
- d. neither "a" nor "b"
- 9. Tran recognizes that "complicity in the interlocking violence of white supremacy, capitalism, and patriarchy" is another way of:
  - a. \*perpetuating violence and oppression against Indigenous, Black, LBGTQ, and other non-privileged peoples
  - fighting for change against violence and oppression against Indigenous, Black, LBGTQ,
    and other non-privileged peoples
  - c. being genuinely desirous of change regarding the rights of Indigenous, Black, LBGTQ, and other non-privileged peoples
  - d. all of the above
- 10. Tran identifies trans and gender nonconforming (GNC) people as individuals who:
  - a. embody a fundamental reality of life
  - b. live by the principle: "being determines consciousness"
  - c. reject gender essentialism
  - d. \*all of the above
- 11. The framers of The Combahee River Collective Statement self-identified as:
  - a. black feminists
  - b. black lesbians
  - c. \* both "a" and "b"
  - d. neither "a" nor "b"

- 12. For most advocates of social justice, feminism is synonymous with:
  - a. understanding and explaining inequities based on gender
  - b. liberation from gender discrimination and related forms of oppression
  - c. securing equal rights within marriage, education, workplace, law, military, politics, etc. through challenging the "gender-binary"
  - d. \*all of the above
- 13. Which of these Native American principles overlap with feminist ideals?
  - a. respect for women and their central importance in society
  - b. respect for the elderly and diversity
  - c. respect for the earth and all peoples
  - d. \*all of the above
- 14. The Combahee River Collective refers to a group of young black feminists and lesbians who:
  - focused on gender and male domination rather than race and class, similar to white feminists
  - b. supported capitalism and liberation from colonization
  - c. held socialist values which supported patriarchy
  - d. \*saw gender as integrated with other systems of equality, now referred to as "intersectionality"
- 15. Assuming a feminist perspective is important if we are to:
  - a. understand and explain gender-based inequities
  - b. espouse the cause of women as equal to that of men
  - c. eradicate gender as a central organizing principle of society
  - d. \*all of the above

- 16. In the U.S., First Wave feminists focused their energies on positive change involving:
  - a. \*women's right to vote
  - b. inheriting and holding property in one's own name
  - c. the right to abortion and contraception
  - d. equal opportunity employment and equal pay
- 17. The gains of Feminism (The F-word) are associated with both positive and negative connotations. Identify which of the following statements best reflects the consensus of views about today's society:
  - a. Women have successfully gained access into previously male-dominated enclaves within various social institutions.
  - b. Long-standing patterns of sexual dominance and male-chauvinism have been challenged effectively through widespread movements worldwide.
  - c. The goal of feminism has been achieved and we are now in a post-feminist world.
  - d. \*Despite some gains, we still have a long way to go in co-creating a more "equal" world.
- 18. Identify which of the following still falls, relatively, within the realm of personal experience and is not yet part of an organized large-scale or wide-spread movement:
  - a. the #MeToo movement
  - b. \*women who have experienced/ are experiencing intimate-partner sexual violence
  - groups of often-indigenous women opposing mining, logging, building of dams, and so on, that destroy lands and livelihoods
  - d. the Women's Liberation movement
- 19. Identify which of the following is not one of the myths about feminism:

- a. Feminists hate men and reject traditional ideas of femininity.
- b. Feminism (women's and gender studies) constitutes ideological propaganda, not real scholarship.
- c. Feminism is a "white, middle-class, Western thing".
- d. \*We need feminism to bring about a more just and equal world.
- 20. Identify which of the following underlying belief(s) lead(s) to false assumptions about the nature of oppression:
  - a. There are active perpetrators and passive victims.
  - b. Sometimes victims "bring" it onto themselves or may enable oppression by not resisting enough.
  - c. Oppression has always existed historically and is a "normal" part of the human experience.
  - d. \*all of these beliefs

## **SHORT ANSWER/ESSAY PROMPTS (5-7)**

*Instructions*: Respond to the following prompts in one to two full paragraphs.

- 1. How would you explain the term, "gynarchy," to a skeptic of a future world of shared governance?
- 2. According to the Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions, which patriarchal tool of oppression may be hardest to abolish? Explain.
- 3. Discuss succinctly what it would take for society to evolve to a post-patriarchal/gender-liberated future, according to Tran?

- 4. Identify the origins of the phrase "the red roots of white feminism" and explain its historical significance.
- 5. Why is it important to assume a feminist perspective in addressing issues related to gender? Provide examples to support your reason/s.
- 6. Do you agree with the claim that we now live in a post-feminist era? Explain your position.
- 7. Why is it necessary to look at different levels of analyses from the micro, meso, macro, and global perspectives, specifically in relation to understanding gender?