

Type

A=Applied

C=Conceptual

F=Factual

Level

(1)=Easy; (2)=Moderate; (3)=Difficult

LO=Learning Objective

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M/C Question 1

Which principle states that a system's final state may be reached by multiple paths and from different initial states?

- a) Equifinality
- b) Entropy

Consider This: This is an intrinsic feature of open systems. Even systems that have identical initial conditions can attain dissimilar end states.

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- c) Synergy

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- d) Interdependence

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Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Easy

M/C Question 2

The guidelines that help distinguish the generally accepted behaviors from the commonly prohibited ones in a small group are

- a) norms.
- b) communications.

Consider this: These rules provide uniqueness to a group. They guide and direct group behavior.

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- c) situations.

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- d) goals.

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ANS: a

Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Easy, Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

M/C Question 3

_____ highlights the importance of group “personality.”

- a) Symbolic convergence theory
- b) Systems theory

Consider this: Group members develop a group consciousness and identity by sharing common fantasies or stories that are generally connected to one another and have a common theme.

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- c) Social exchange theory

Consider this: Group members develop a group consciousness and identity by sharing common fantasies or stories that are generally connected to one another and have a common theme.

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d) Structuration theory

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Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=How to Formulate Discussion Questions, Difficulty=Easy

M/C Question 4

Of the general theories in small group communication, which one provides the broadest perspective?

a) Systems theory

b) Functional theory

Consider This: It allows people to think about their group as a whole.

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c) Social exchange theory

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Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Easy, Skill=Understand the Concepts

M/C Question 5

Which common theory in small group communication focuses on a person's active use of small group rules and resources?

a) Structuration theory

b) Functional theory

Consider This: This theory focuses attention on individuals' behaviors in groups rather than on dynamics of groups *per se*.

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c) Social exchange theory

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LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication

d) Symbolic convergence theory

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Skill=Understand the Concepts, Difficulty=Easy, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication

M/C Question 6

What is the quantification of uncertainty and chaos in a system known as?

a) Entropy

b) Equifinality

Consider This: Groups and teams experience this when they don't meet together frequently.

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c) Interdependence

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d) Synergy

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Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Easy

M/C Question 7

Researchers have identified that certain positions need to be filled in order for a small group to reach maximum satisfaction and productivity.

What are these positions called?

a) Roles

b) Norms

Consider This: They can be defined as the sets of expectations that people tend to hold for themselves and for others.

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c) Situations

Consider This: They can be defined as the sets of expectations that people tend to hold for themselves and for others.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

d) Cohesiveness

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ANS: a

Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter, Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Easy

M/C Question 8

Which theory predicts that as long as rewards exceed costs, group membership will continue to be attractive?

a) Social exchange theory

b) Structuration theory

Consider This: This theory explains that the cohesiveness of relationships among the members and the productivity of the group are related to rewards and costs.

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c) Systems theory

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d) Symbolic convergence theory

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Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Easy

M/C Question 9

_____ proposed that virtual communication should emulate close contact or interaction as much as possible.

a) Ashley Walvoord

b) George Kelly

Consider This: This researcher also stated that “the goal of communication technology should be to maximize media richness for a particular task by using redundant or complementary modalities.”

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c) Anthony Giddens

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d) Marshall Scott Poole

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ANS: a

Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter, Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Easy

M/C Question 10

Sound reasoning, critical thinking, prevention of errors, and the building of productive relationships among group members are the facets of which small group communication theory?

a) Functional theory

b) Process theory

Consider This: This theory was developed by Dennis Gouran and Randy Hirokawa.

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c) Method theory

Consider This: This theory was developed by Dennis Gouran and Randy Hirokawa.

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d) Self-concept theory

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Difficulty=Easy, Skill=Understand the Concepts, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication

M/C Question 11

What, according to systems theory, is a key similarity between a small group and an open system?

- a) They are composed of interdependent variables that receive an input, process the input, and yield an output.
- b) They operate best in isolation; they are not affected by surrounding interactions.

Consider This: The human body is an open system made of unified components.

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- c) The dynamics of the entire system do not change if one part of the system is changed.

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- d) They do not exhibit the properties of openness to environment and interdependence.

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Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 12

What is the most fundamental difference between systems theory and all other general theories in small group communications?

- a) It encourages a holistic approach toward one's groups.
- b) It propagates minimizing costs and maximizing rewards.

Consider This: Systems theory is flexible enough to encompass the vast array of variables that influence group and team interaction.

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- c) It encourages individuals to strengthen their influence within their groups.

Consider This: Systems theory is flexible enough to encompass the vast array of variables that influence group and team interaction.

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- d) It focuses on behaviors that help the group move toward its goals.

Consider This: Systems theory is flexible enough to encompass the vast array of variables that influence group and team interaction.

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Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group

communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication,
Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 13

Wayne is an assertive individual at work. Even when he spends his weekends with his –friends from work, he continues to wield his dominance over the group. This is an example of which kind of behavior?

- a) Leadership
- b) Cohesiveness

Consider This: Small group communication consists of numerous variables. When certain behavior is displayed, influence can be exerted on the group.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

- c) Synergy

Consider This: Small group communication consists of numerous variables. When certain behavior is displayed, influence can be exerted on the group.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

- d) Entropy

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Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate, Skill=Apply What You Know,
Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

M/C Question 14

Alex and Roy used to live in Manchester and were on excellent terms with each other. When Roy relocated to Glasgow, their interactions gradually decreased, until they stopped being friends altogether. Which property is this an example of, as proposed by systems theory?

- a) Entropy
- b) Equifinality

Consider This: When people in interpersonal relationships are separated by distance, these relationships tend to cool very fast unless actively maintained by visits, text messages, phone calls, and other social media. Groups and teams experience a similar phenomenon when they don't interact together routinely.

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- c) Synergy

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Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 15

A small group of previously unacquainted individuals interact among themselves. Their conversation generally revolves around the common or related content of the stories told by the group members. Furthermore, the story or "fantasy" of one group member leads to a multitude of stories with a common thread. Which theory explains this phenomenon?

a) Symbolic convergence theory

b) Social exchange theory

Consider This: Group members develop a group consciousness and identity by sharing of fantasies or stories. They are generally linked with each other and share a common topic.

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c) Systems theory

Consider This: Group members develop a group consciousness and identity by sharing of fantasies or stories. They are generally linked with each other and share a common topic.

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d) Functional theory

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Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 16

A group of eight housewives meet together in their local park every evening. They take turns describing how their day progressed, while the others pay attention without cutting in on the speaker's speech. After one member finishes narrating her experiences, the rest of the housewives communicate their opinions.

While communicating, what are the standards that this group of housewives follows?

a) Norms

b) Goals

Consider This: Every group, from your family to the president's cabinet, develops and maintains these standards.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

c) Roles

Consider This: Every group, from your family to the president's cabinet, develops and maintains these standards.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

d) Interdependence

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LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

ANS: a

Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter, Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 17

A group of five physicists meets one Sunday a month to discuss new innovations and discoveries in the world of physics. They consult experts of their respective field as well as various other sources, to collect relevant information. They also have connections with similar groups of physics-enthusiasts.

The variable that plays the principal role in the smooth running of the group is called

a) input.

b) output.

Consider This: This parameter is comprised of such things as group members and group resources.

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c) process.

Consider This: This parameter is comprised of such things as group members and group resources.

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d) entropy.

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ANS: a

Topic=How Can You Become a Competent Small Group Communicator?, Difficulty=Moderate, Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication

M/C Question 18

Brad, Johnson, Kyle, Curtis, and Frank get along really well with one another. Not only are they teammates who work effectively and efficiently at work, but they are best friends outside of work also. They go to basketball games together, invite each other over for barbeques on the weekends, and plan fishing trips together.

The small group communication variable that best illustrates the bonhomie that exists between the five friends is called

a) cohesiveness.

b) leadership.

Consider This: This variable is a feeling of loyalty that helps in keeping a group united.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

c) norms.

Consider This: This variable is a feeling of loyalty that helps in keeping a group united.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

d) roles.

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LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

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Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter, Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 19

In preparation to discuss the new advertising firm they're planning to start, Jerisha, Ainsley, and Zara individually write up notes, gather material, and prepare a small presentation for their meeting. When they get together to go through what they've collected and to talk about next steps, what will likely happen?

a) Each woman will come to the meeting with preconceived notions about what the others will bring.

b) Each woman will behave much differently than the way the others believe she will act.

Consider This: Everyone behaves in a way consistent with that person's self-concept.

LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions

c) Each woman will act as if the information presented by the others is inaccurate and will not work best for their plan.

Consider This: Everyone behaves in a way consistent with that person's self-concept.

LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions

d) Each woman will have trouble saying anything negative about the others' suggestions.

Consider This: Everyone behaves in a way consistent with that person's self-concept.

LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions

ANS: a

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions,
Topic=Theory: A Practical Approach to Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 20

When Andrew saw his wife for the first time after returning from his tour in Afghanistan, he picked her up, hugged her, and said, "It's so wonderful to see you!" In response, his wife beamed in delight, shed a tear of happiness, and hugged him back tightly.

In this scenario, which feature of face-to-face conversation was illustrated?

a) Media richness

b) Distraction

Consider This: This characteristic of face-to-face communication involves various kinds of communication.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

c) Modal contradiction

Consider This: This characteristic of face-to-face communication involves various kinds of communication.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

d) Modal reinforcement

Consider This: This characteristic of face-to-face communication involves various kinds of communication.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

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Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter, Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 21

Before commencing the flagship project for the company, Joanne suggested to her team that shared, clear, and specific aspirations play a crucial role in establishing effective teamwork.

Which component of small group communication was Joanne referring to?

a) Goal

b) Norm

Consider This: This can be expressed as providing a remedy, completing a task, or merely having a good time with other members.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

c) Role

Consider This: This can be expressed as providing a remedy, completing a task, or merely having a good time with other members.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

d) Fantasy

Consider This: This can be expressed as providing a remedy, completing a task, or merely having a good time with other members.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

ANS: a

Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter, Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 22

By imagining that a specific result tends to follow a specific kind of communication within a group, group members can modify their pattern of behavior to accomplish the most appropriate outcome.

Which function of theory is best explained in the scenario?

a) Predictive

b) Explanatory

Consider This: This function of theory provides the ability to understand and act based on expected outcomes.

LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions

c) Structural

Consider This: This function of theory provides the ability to understand and act based on expected outcomes.

LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions

d) Symbolic

Consider This: This function of theory provides the ability to understand and act based on expected outcomes.

LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions

ANS: a

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions, Topic=Theory: A Practical Approach to Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 23

When his mother walked into the room, Jack was playing a game on his computer. She asked Jack what he would prefer to have for lunch, to which he gave a non-committal shrug and continued playing his game.

Which characteristic of face-to-face communication is best illustrated in this scenario?

a) Modal contradiction

b) Distraction

Consider This: This feature of face-to-face communication is generally described as the mother of sarcasm.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

c) Media richness

Consider This: This feature of face-to-face communication is generally described as the mother of sarcasm.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

d) Modal reinforcement

Consider This: This feature of face-to-face communication is generally described as the mother of sarcasm.

LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter

ANS: a

Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.5: Explain the model of small group communication presented in this chapter, Topic=A Model of Small Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 24

Melanie, a student, typically left college at 6:30 p.m. and it usually took her thirty minutes to reach home. When her class schedule was modified in the new term, she started leaving at 7:20 p.m. She noticed that when she left at 7:20, it took her only ten minutes to get home instead of the usual thirty minutes. She deduced that her journey used to take longer because the period between 6:15 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. was rush hour.

The process by which Melanie managed to gauge this phenomenon is called

a) theory building.

b) structuration theory.

Consider This: People's theories about themselves influence the choices they make throughout the day.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

c) equifinality.

Consider This: People's theories about themselves influence the choices they make throughout the day.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

d) entropy.

Consider This: People's theories about themselves influence the choices they make throughout the day.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

ANS: a

Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction, Topic=The Nature of Theory and the Theory-Building Process, Difficulty=Moderate

M/C Question 25

Over the past year, Rachel has been involved in a lot of relationships. Her ex-boyfriend said that the primary reason he left her was because she used to assess their relationship by quantifying the rewards and costs as well as profits and losses of every minute aspect.

Which theory best exemplifies Rachel's behavior?

a) Social exchange theory

b) Symbolic convergence theory

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

c) Functional theory

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

d) Systems theory

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

ANS: a

Skill=Apply What You Know, Objective=LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction, Topic=The Nature of Theory and the Theory-Building Process, Difficulty=Moderate

Essay

SA Question 26

Compare process theories and method theories.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions, Topic=Theory: A Practical Approach to Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

SA Question 27

Explain how the predictive function of theory is akin to a medical diagnosis.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze, Objective=LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions, Topic=Theory: A Practical Approach to Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

SA Question 28

Assess whether the various properties exhibited by a small group, as explained in systems theory, are interrelated to one another.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

SA Question 29

Illustrate the key differences between the five common theories that explain the dynamics of small group communication.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

SA Question 30

Analyze the method of creation of theories, and examine the different functions of theory.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction, Topic=The Nature of Theory and the Theory-Building Process, Difficulty=Moderate

Essay Question 31

Analyze the manner in which a small group is similar to an open system with regards to the variables proposed by systems theory.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate, Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication

Essay Question 32

Compare and contrast between the approaches of social exchange theory and symbolic convergence theory in explaining

interpersonal relationships within a small group.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

Essay Question 33

Evaluate the role played by structuration theory and functional theory in explaining interpersonal communication within a small group.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.4: Describe five general theories that apply to small group communication, Topic=Theoretical Perspectives for the Study of Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

Essay Question 34

Analyze how theory assists in the practical approach of understanding small group communication.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.2: Review how theory helps people make intelligent decisions, Topic=Theory: A Practical Approach to Group Communication, Difficulty=Moderate

Essay Question 35

Examine the role played by communication in uniting all variable aspects of a small group.

Consider This: This theory is a simple but powerful attempt to explain human behavior in terms that sound like a blend of behavioral psychology and economic theory.

LO 2.1: Discuss the nature and functions of theory and theory construction

Skill=Analyze It, Objective=LO 2.3: 1. Explain the relevance of theory to the study of small group communication / 2. Describe the sense-making role of communication in small groups, Topic=The Purpose of Communication in Small Groups: Making Sense, Difficulty=Moderate