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CHAPTER 1

Multiple Choice

1. The number of Americans aged 45 to 64—who will reach age 65 over the next two decades—increased by ____ between 2006 and 2016.

   *a. 12%

   b. 20%

   c. 2%

   d. 50%

2. About ____ of the population is an older American.

   a. 5%

   b. 10.9%

   *c. 15.2%

   d. 46%

3. Persons reaching age 65 have an average life expectancy of an additional ____ years.

   a. 2.5 years

   b. 25 years

   c. 10 years

   *d. 19.4 years

4. There were ____ persons age 100 and over in 2016.

   a. 50,000

   *b. 81,896

   c. 10,400

   d. 150,200

5. Older women outnumber older men at ___ million older women to ___ million older men.

   *a. 27.5/21.8

   b. 5/8

   c. 10.2/15.5

   d. 30/35

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6. The 85-year-old population is expected to more than _____ in 2040.

   a. Triple

   b. Quadruple

   *c. Double

7. ____ percent of women and ____ of men 90+ reside in an institutional setting.

   *a. 25/14.5

   b. 30/35

   c. 5/10

   d. 50/75

8. Projections of diversity among elders suggest that this trend will _____ in the coming years.

   *a. Accelerate

   b. Decrease

   c. Stay the same

9. In 1970 only ___ of older adults had completed high school. In 2012, ____ of older adults had completed high school.

   a. 5/20

   b. 50/74

   *c. 28/81

   d. 2/6

10. The largest nonelder stakeholder group today are _____.

    a. Funeral directors

    *b. Family caregivers

    c. Physicians

    d. Educators

True or False

1. According to the Census Bureau (U.S. Census Bureau, 2017), “by 2035, there will be 78 million people 65 years and older compared to 76.4 million under the age of 1.” This will be the first time in history that older adults will outnumber children in the United States.

   *True False

2. The older population is becoming less diverse in terms of race and ethnicity.

   True *False

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3. Nearly half (44%) of older adults living in the community rated their personal health as excellent or very good.

   *True False

4. Most older Americans prefer to reside independently in the community.

   *True False

5. The educational attainment of older Americans is decreasing.

   True *False

Short Answer

1. In 2016, 23% of persons age 65 and over were members of racial or ethnic minority populations—9% were African Americans (not Hispanic), 4% were Asian or Pacific Islander (not Hispanic), 0.5% were Native American (not Hispanic), 0.1% were Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (not Hispanic), and 0.7% of persons 65+ identified themselves as being of two or more races. Persons of Hispanic origin (who may be of any race) represented 8% of the older population. Discuss briefly, how the aging networks might address this change in demographics at the local level.

2. According to the Census Bureau (U.S. Census Bureau, 2017), "by 2035, there will be 78 million people 65 years and older compared to 76.4 million under the age of 1." This will be the first time in history that older adults will outnumber children in the United States. This demographic significantly impacts our society on a variety of levels. Address the ways in which this impact will shape our communities and our programs and services.

3. Describe what the increase in older adults might mean for you personally.

4. How will your own life style and life span offer you additional opportunities that were unavailable to your grandparents and great-grandparents?

5. Discuss why you might want to work with the older population or on behalf of this population after completing your studies.

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