**Chapter 1 Test Bank Questions**

**Long Answer**

1. Explain how psychologist Sandra Bem’s theory of gender polarization emphasizes how Western cultures perceive of sex and gender as interchangeable and gender categories as fixed and oppositional. (Answer pp. 8-9)

2. How does the theory of intersectionality compel us to understand how the complex interaction between sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, class and sex in particular instances shape people’s experiences and ideas about gender? (Answer pg. 18)

3. Why does understanding the term “sexual orientation” involve attaining complex knowledge that extends beyond the traditional binary of heterosexual and homosexual? (Answer pp. 20-21)

4. Explain how contemporary Native Americans who identify as “two-spirit” inhabit a gender and gender role away from traditional ideas of feminine and masculine? (Answer pp. 23-25)

5. How can the Lois Gould’s story of Baby X encourage public discussion on whether raising children androgynously and without the limitation of rigid binary gender roles allow them greater freedom to develop healthy bodies, encourage creativity and foster positive mental health? (Answer pg. 20)

6. Why do many cultures worldwide utilize sex and gender as major cognitive schemas in their interpretation of the world? (Answer pp. 15-16)

7. Why did Sandra Bem contend that it remains very useful to view femininity and masculinity as autonomous characteristics? (Answer 15)

8. How does R.W. Connell and James Messerschmidt’s research on multiple masculinities explain why diverse expectations about masculinity are linked with numerous contexts and identities? (Answer pp. 11-12)

9. Why does scholarly research focused on sex and gender within and between cultures expands our knowledge on how sex and gender categories work globally? (Answer pp. 10-11)

10. Why did the evolution of modern women’s studies scholarship and activism provide academic and public credibility to the notion that categories of sex and gender are not distinct as previously articulated in traditional perspectives? (Answer 10)

**Short Answer**

1. What socio-economic and cultural forces influences the creation of *vigjinesha* in Albania? (Answer pg. 23)

2. Why do the INSA (Intersex Society of North America) emphasize that intersex represents a socially constructed category? (Answer pages 5-6)

3. Why have the LGBTQI communities rejected the term “transsexual” as outdated? (Answer pg. 7)

4. Why did Sandra Bem contend that it remains more useful to understand femininity and masculinity as autonomous characteristics? (Answer pg. 15)

5. Why are young people today more tolerant of androgyny than previous generations? (Answer pg. 15)

6. In the West, why haven’t’ women been traditionally associated as the “breadwinners” in families despite their historic contributions to the economic survival of their families? (Answer pg. 17)

7. How does the concept of intersectionality broaden our knowledge of the multiple factors that shape people’s lives? (Answer pg. 18)

8. Explain how contemporary studies on gender variantorgender nonconformityunderscore the idea that gender is merely a choice between feminine and masculine? (Answer pg. 19)

9. How does the modern Native American term “two-spirit” encompass a definition that perceives gender beyond the traditional binaries? (Answer pg. 24)

10. What does the term “cognitive schema” mean when applied to the world of pre-school children’s perception of gender differences? (Answer pg. 16)

**Multiple Choice Questions**

1. In *X: A Fabulous Child’s Story*, what colors were Baby X’s favorite school outfit? (Answer is c. pg. 2)

a. Blue and white

b. Green and yellow

c. Red and white

d. Red and teal

e. Blue and silver

2. What word is currently regarded as anachronistic for the term intersex? (Answer is a. pg. 4-5}

a. Hermaphrodite

b. Epicene

c. Androgyne

d. Gynandromorph

e. Bisexual

3. What term has now replaced the traditional phrase “biological sex”? (Answer is b. page 6)

a. Sex at Birth

b. Assigned Sex

c. Neuter at birth

d. Common at birth

e. Sex Determined by Doctor

4. Which trait is not associated with traditional notion of gender? (Answer is e. pg. 7)

a. Hairstyles

b. Clothes

c. Physical activities

d. Colors

e. Coughing

5. Who developed the theory of “gender polarization”? (Answer is d. pg. 8)

a. Deborah Tannen

b. Lois Gould

c. Sandra Bem

d. Deborah Best

e. Anne Fausto-Sterling

6. What is an archaic term for the transgendered? (Answer is c. pg. 7)

a. Trans woman

b. Cross-dresser

c. Transsexual

d. Trans man

e. Trans woman

7. The Hua people live on the following island? (Answer is e. pg. 11)

a. Hawaii

b. Madagascar

c. Comoros

d. Pemba

e. Papua New Guinea

8. Which scholar articulated the notion of “alternative ways” of being gendered? (Answer is b. pg. 12)

a. James Messerschmidt

b. Jack Halberstram

c. Myra M. Ferree

d. Judith Halberstram

e. Eve Sedgwick

9. Which phrase best describes the modern Native American term *two-spirit*? (Answer is a. pg. 23)

a. Third Gender

b. Blithe Spirit

c. Fourth Gender

d. Second Sex

e. Shared Spirit

10. Which sentence best describes the term *asexual*? (Answer is a. pg. 21)

a. A person who experiences little or no sexual attraction to other people.

b. A person who experiences little sexual attraction to one person.

c. A person who experiences little or no sexual attraction to one person of the opposite assigned sex.

d. A person who experiences no sexual attraction to anyone.

e. A person who experiences little sexual attraction to two people.

11. Who is regarded today as a contemporary gender nonconforming celebrity? (Answer is e. pg. 19)

a. Reed Erickson

b. Holly Woodlawn

c. Lee Brewster

d. Albert Cashier

e. Laverne Cox

12. What term defines a person whose gender identity is in traditional alignment with their assigned sex at birth? (Answer is a. pg. 19)

a. Cisgender

b. Agender

c. Bigender

d. Genderqueer

e. **Androgynous**

**13. Which one of these norms is measured within *The Femininity Ideology Scale*? (Answer is c. pg. 14)**

a. Happiness

b. Athletic abilities

c. Caretaking

d. Rationality

e. Ingenuity

14. Which one of the following nations have the most conservative gender role ideologies? (Answer is b. pg. 17)

a. Iceland

b. Japan

c. Finland

d. The Netherlands

e. Belgium

15. How many sex and gender categories do the Bugis of Indonesia recognize? (Answer is d. pg. 11)

1. Seven
2. Four
3. Eight
4. Six
5. Nine

16. Which scholar pioneered studies exploring gender ideology in Women’s Gender and Sexuality Studies? (Answer is e. pg. 13)

a. Sigmund Freud

b. Christine Gailey

c. Susan Bennett

d. John E. Williams

e. Ronald Levant

17. In *X: A Fabulous Child’s Story*, what factor confused other parents who couldn’t ascertain the assigned sex of Baby X? (Answer is c. pg. 7)

a. Baby X likes to dance to jazz and reggae music.

b. Baby X plays ball and house equally well.

c. Baby X loves pureed bananas and carrots.

d. Baby X sleeps with fuchsia and azure blankets.

e. Baby X uses cloth diapers and Pampers.

18. What does the acronym ISNA stand for? (Answer is a. pg. 5)

a. Intersex Society of North America

b. Intersex Society of North Anglia

c. Intersex Society of Northern Australia

d. Intersex Society of New Americans

e. Intersex Society of Northern Austria

19. Which sociologist said that a good descriptor of sex is that it’s related to “our chromosomal, chemical, anatomical organization?” (Answer is d. pg. 7)

1. Judith Butler
2. Naomi Wolf
3. Susan Bordo
4. Michael Kimmel
5. J.W. Scott

20. In which nation do men support conventional masculinity more than women? (Answer is b. pg. 13)

a. China

b. United States

c. Pakistan

d. Vietnam

e. Russia

21. Which one of the following actors exemplified androgyny before 1960? (Answer is e. pg. 15)

1. David Bowie
2. G-Dragon
3. Marilyn Manson
4. Boy George
5. Marlene Dietrich

22. In which nation do women now earn the majority of college degrees at all levels---associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s and doctorate? (Answer is c. pg. 17)

1. Argentina
2. India
3. United States
4. Chile
5. Estonia

23. Which one of the following factors is not related to the term gender expression? (Answer is a. pg. 19)

a. The length of one’s hair

b. The number of a person’s eyelashes

c. The way one acts

d. The way one dresses

e. The way one wears or does not wear makeup

24. Which gender identity category best describes the Hijras? (Answer is e. pg. 24)

a. Cisgender

b. Bisexual

c. Agender

d. Two-spirit

e. Third sex/third gender

25. According to scholar and activist Will Roscoe, what is the primary feature of a male *berdache*? (Answer is d. pg. 25)

a. Leadership

b. Warfare

c. Hunting

d. Productive specialization in crafts and domestic work

e. Divination

**True-False Questions**

1. Tony Briffa became the first openly intersex mayor of Brisbane, Australia. T or F Answer is False. Page 6.

2. Historically, many intersex persons were sometimes called Hermaphrodites after the Greek myth of Hermaphroditus. T or F Answer is True. Page 4.

3. The sex reassignment process is a surgical and/or hormone treatment to bring a person’s body more into biological alignment with their sex identity. T or F Answer is True. Pages 6-7.

4. Western culture traditionally viewed gender nonconformity as problematic and unconventional. T or F Answer is True. Page 8.

5. The Male Role Norms Inventory Revised measures 8 norms of traditional masculinity. T or F Answer is False. Page 13.

6. In gay and lesbian subcultures, women who are gender nonconforming are called butch. T or F Answer is True. Pages 9-10.

7. The number of fathers who stay at home with their children has doubled since 2000. T or False Answer is False. Page 17.

8. We’wha was a Hopi Indian berdache who lived during the first half of the nineteenth century in what is now Arizona. True or False Answer is False. Pages 22-23.

9. At the conclusion of Lois Gould’s feminist tale X: A Fabulous Child’s Story, the Psychiatrist cried when he came into the room to tell everyone the results of the tests Baby X underwent. T or F Answer is True. Page 20.

10. The *Virgjinesha* originate from Macedonia and reside their entire lives in Catholic convents. True or False Answer is False. Pages 23-24.