**Question 1**

1.

According to libertarians like Robert Nozick, individual freedom is the most important value in society. This means that the state can commit injustices with regards to people's life and health for the sake of maximising individual freedom.

Answer True
False

1 points

**Question 2**

1.

According to the libertarian Robert Nozick, governments ought to

Answer

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|  |  | Redistribute income to maximise the well-being of the least advantaged citizens |
|  |  | Ensure compliance with utilitarian principles of wealth distribution |
|  |  | Enforce the property rights of citizens |
|  |  | Facilitate eudaimonia and human flourishing |
|  |  | All of the above |

1 points

**Question 3**

1.

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| John Rawls argues that the two principles of justice he proposes are, indeed, just because the process of deliberation about these principles has been just. Which device ensures that the process of deliberation is just? |
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1. Answer

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|  |  | the vice of ignorance |
|  |  | the original position |
|  |  | the veil of ignorance |
|  |  | the veil of knowledge |
|  |  | All of the above |

1 points

**Question 4**

1.

According to Nozick, if you hold something that you obtained by acquisition or transfer in accord with current existing law respecting property in society then you are entitled to it.

Answer True
False

1 points

**Question 5**

1.

Nozick believes that entitlement comes from the history of how a good is first owned and then subsequent ownership.  He sees little relevance to issues of current needs and desires of society in determining just distribution.

Answer True
False

1 points

**Question 6**

1.

According to John Rawls, his veil of ignorance insures

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|  |  | that partiality and bias will not influence the nature of the principles of justice the original parties choose to govern society for all time |
|  |  | that the lazy and incompetent will always be rewarded in a society based on Rawlsian principles |
|  |  | that parties to the original agreement will "vote" that all members of the future society will receive and maintain identical holdings and income despite significant differences in individual effort and ability |
|  |  | that parties who forge the new social contract will likely choose to create a libertarian society |

1 points

**Question 7**

1.

John Rawls claims that the maximin rule for making decisions is a conservative decision making principle and, thus, not likely to be chosen by people in the original position.

Answer True
False

1 points

**Question 8**

1.

In discussing primary social goods, John Rawls means to include only wealth and income.

Answer True
False

1 points

**Question 9**

1.

***The following question relates to the online case study by John Pilger, The New Rulers of the World:***

In the case study, Pilger attends a wedding he estimates as costing $120,000. He describes various aspects of the wedding, "it was held in the grand ballroom, which is a local version of the ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria in New York, complete with chandeliers and gold-leaf arches. The guests wore Armani, Versace and real diamonds, and dropped cheques in a large box...There was an eight-tier cake and the initials of the couple carved in ice; and holiday snaps of their world tour were projected cinema-size while outside people barely exist above the poverty line and children die of easily treatable diseases".

According to Robert Nozick, such extravagant displays of wealth are ethically wrong because they violate poor people's rights to happiness.

Answer True
False

1 points

**Question 10**

1.

***The following question relates to the online case study by John Pilger, The New Rulers of the World:***

John Rawls would agree that rich individuals in Indonesia deserve their millions because their huge wealth ultimately benefits the least advantaged members of society. Such inequality of economic reward is indeed fair.

Answer True
False