

## Chapter 1 – Social, Philosophical, and Other Historical Forces Influencing the Development of Nursing

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### MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. Nursing practice is influenced by:
- a. history.
  - b. spiritual beliefs.
  - c. religious practice.
  - d. political factors.
  - e. All of the above

ANS: E                      PTS: 1

2. Empathy is a motive for:
- a. meeting the needs of others.
  - b. moral reasoning and action.
  - c. becoming a nurse.
  - d. determining right from wrong.

ANS: B                      PTS: 1

3. Professions exist to meet the:
- a. needs of employers.
  - b. needs of individuals.
  - c. needs of society.
  - d. needs of families.

ANS: C                      PTS: 1

4. Florence Nightingale was a:
- a. model for all nurses.
  - b. nurse.
  - c. statistician.
  - d. social reformer.
  - e. All of the above

ANS: E                      PTS: 1

5. Helping professionals find their origin in:
- a. inhumane actions.
  - b. perceived social need.
  - c. accepted moral needs.
  - d. individual values.
  - e. All except A
  - f. B and C only

ANS: E                      PTS: 1

6. The overarching belief system of a culture that deals with the culture's beliefs about the nature of the universe is termed:
- a. cosmology.
  - b. religion.
  - c. values.
  - d. astrology.

ANS: A                      PTS: 1

7. During the Middle Ages:
- a. religions and church-sanctioned secular nursing orders afforded the only legitimate avenue for women wishing to become nurses.
  - b. there was an upsurge in the respect afforded to nursing and midwifery, and nurses began to practice autonomously.
  - c. healing arts in Denmark and Greece were performed in sacred ceremonies by priests, priestesses, or shamans.
  - d. most nurses were women of high social status.

ANS: A                      PTS: 1

8. The “Dark Period of Nursing” when convalescent patients, prostitutes, prisoners, and drunkards provided hospital nursing care occurred during the:
- a. Reformation.
  - b. Crusades.
  - c. Middle Ages.
  - d. early Christian era.

ANS: A                      PTS: 1

9. The concept of social need is important to the ethical foundations of the nursing professional because:
- a. nurses must determine the health needs of society.
  - b. nursing finds its origin, purpose, and meaning within the context of perceived social need.
  - c. theories of sociology are utilized by nursing scholars, many of whom view them as conceptual frameworks for nursing practice.
  - d. social need determines the boundaries of the ethical principles of distributive justice, beneficence, and nonmaleficence.

ANS: B                      PTS: 1

10. The social status of women affects the status of the nursing profession because:
- a. nursing has traditionally been a profession of women.
  - b. throughout history, nurses have been afforded higher social status.
  - c. women of higher social status rarely become nurses.
  - d. women are more skilled than men at nurturing others.

ANS: A                      PTS: 1