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# Human-Computer Interaction (HCI)
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## Multiple Choice Test (15 Minutes)

- Write your name and Matrikelnummer at the top of the page.
- For each choice, clearly mark the circle ⊗, if that choice is correct (true, T). Clearly mark the box ☒, if that choice is incorrect (false, F). Do not mark both the circle and the box, do not leave both empty.
- If you make a mistake, clearly write the word "true" or "false" in the margin next to the boxes.
- There may be zero, one, or multiple correct choices for each question.
- For each question, you will either gain full points or zero points. To gain full points, you must *correctly* identify each choice as true or false (exact match).
- Unless otherwise stated, the questions assume a Microsoft Windows computing environment.
- This is a closed book test. No books, lecture notes, or other materials are allowed.
- No calculators, mobile phones, PDAs, or other electronic devices are allowed.
- A printed English-German dictionary may be used.
- Please place your student id on the desk in front of you.

1. *Short-Term Memory (STM)*:

T F
- ◯ ☒  A. cannot retain information for more than $7 \pm 2$ seconds.
- ⊗ ☐  B. is extremely fragile.
- ◯ ☒  C. is the memory of the past.
- ◯ ☒  D. is limited to $11 \pm 2$ items at a time.

2. Regarding gear-up accidents:

T F
- ◯ ☒  A. Pilots frequently lowered the landing gear instead of the flaps after take-off.
- ◯ ☒  B. Lt. Alphonse Chapanis dicovered the cause of the problem in 1975.
- ◯ ☒  C. The flap control knobs were replaced by beer tap handles.
- ⊗ ☐  D. Shape-coded wheel and flap controls are still used today.

3. Regarding *usability engineering*:

T F
- ⊗ ☐  A. Usability engineering is a process.
- ⊗ ☐  B. Iterative design refers to "Design, Test, Redesign.".
- ◯ ☒  C. The usability engineering lifecycle includes the phase "Usability Research".
- ◯ ☒  D. The usability engineering lifecycle includes the phase "Cognitive Design".

4. A *persona* in the context of goal-oriented interaction design:

T F
- ◯ ☒  A. is a real person.
- ⊗ ☐  B. represents a particular type of user.
- ◯ ☒  C. represents the average user.
- ⊗ ☐  D. is used to role-play through an interface design.

T  F
5. What is true for *vertical protoyping*?

(x) ☐   A. It is a particular kind of working prototype.

(x) ☐   B. It provides some in-depth functionality.

○ ☒   C. It provides full interface features.

○ ☒   D. It is designed to show how much vertical scrolling is acceptable.


T  F
6. Which of these are components of the CE+ model of exploratory learning behaviour?

(x) ☐   A. Problem-Solving Component

○ ☒   B. Exploration Component

(x) ☐   C. Learning Component

(x) ☐   D. Execution Component


T  F
7. Which of these are usability *testing methods*?

(x) ☐   A. Thinking Aloud

○ ☒   B. Cognitive Walkthrough

(x) ☐   C. Observational Studies

(x) ☐   D. Interviews


T  F
8. What are the pros (advantages) of using a *formal experiment*?

○ ☒   A. Finds why problems occur.

○ ☒   B. Usable early in development cycle.

(x) ☐   C. Allows comparison of alternative designs.

○ ☒   D. Requires only a small number of test users.


T  F
9. Regarding font sizes and styles:

○ ☒   A. 1 pt = $\frac{1}{32}$ inch.

○ ☒   B. Examples of serif fonts include Times Roman and Helvetica.

(x) ☐   C. Examples of sans serif fonts include Arial and Verdana.

(x) ☐   D. A serif is a slight embellishment at the end of a letter stroke.


T  F
10. If *icons* are well-designed they:

○ ☒   A. are large and stand out easily.

(x) ☐   B. can be recognised quickly in a busy visual environment.

(x) ☐   C. help interfaces become international.

○ ☒   D. fascinate the user with their many colours.