Study Guide: Chapter 15

True/False
Indicate whether the sentence or statement is true or false.

____ 1. In order to be diagnosed with a true mental disorder, a person must have lost touch with reality. (p. 657)
____ 2. Humanists believe that the primary cause of abnormal behavior is distorted beliefs and perceptions about events and outcomes. (p. 661)
____ 3. The DSM model used in the diagnosis of mental disorders includes a comprehensive description of the best theories to explain the disorders. (p. 663)
____ 4. Obsessive-compulsive disorder is the most common anxiety disorder. (p. 670)
____ 5. Cyclothymic disorder is a type of unipolar mood disorder. (p. 677)
____ 6. Suicide rates among 15- to 19-year-olds have increased in recent decades. (p. 677)
____ 7. People with Schizophrenia tend to exhibit higher than average rates of violence. (p. 684)
____ 8. Dissociative identity disorder is defined as having five or more distinct personalities. (p. 690)
____ 9. Somatoform disorders involve disordered thinking and a poor grasp on reality. (p. 692)
____ 10. The primary characteristic of antisocial personality is a fear of social situations. (p. 693)

Short Answer

11. Describe the criteria used to determine if a person's behavior is considered abnormal.

12. Identify the difference between anxiety disorders and other disorders, and specifically describe three types of anxiety disorders.

13. Identify the difference between unipolar and bipolar mood disorders and describe the two major types of disorders in the two categories.

14. Describe the characteristics of the various types of schizophrenia and identify the possible causes of schizophrenia.

15. Describe the general characteristics of personality disorders and then describe one personality disorder more fully.