205-Service Operations Management – I

- 1. What is a key characteristic of service operations related to customer involvement?
- A) Tangibility
- B) Simultaneity
- C) Perishability
- D) Heterogeneity

Answer: B) Simultaneity

- 2. Which of the following is a distinctive characteristic of service operations related to non-transferrable ownership?
- A) Intangibility
- B) Heterogeneity
- C) Non-transferrable Ownership
- D) Simultaneity

Answer: C) Non-transferrable Ownership

- 3. What is the main concept behind the Experience Economy?
- A) Tangibility of services
- B) Customer Participation
- C) Creating memorable customer experiences
- D) Service-Dominant Logic

Answer: C) Creating memorable customer experiences

- 4. Which of the following is not a characteristic of service operations? A) Intangibility B) Simultaneity C) Non-perishability D) Transferrable Ownership **Answer: D) Transferrable Ownership** 5. What is the term used to describe the grouping of services by their delivery process? A) Service Package B) Service-Dominant Logic C) Open-Systems View D) Service Blueprinting **Answer: A) Service Package** 6. In Service Operations Management, what does the term "simultaneity" refer to? A) Customer Participation B) Real-time delivery and consumption C) Non-transferrable Ownership D) Heterogeneity Answer: B) Real-time delivery and consumption 7. What is the distinctive characteristic of service operations related to the perishable nature of services?
- B) Heterogeneity

A) Intangibility

- C) Simultaneity
- D) Perishability

Answer: D) Perishability

- 8. Which of the following is NOT one of the stages of economic development mentioned in the context of services?
- A) Innovation
- B) Saturation Marketing
- C) Competitive Clustering
- D) Economic Evolution

Answer: B) Saturation Marketing

- 9. The concept of "Open-Systems View" in Service Operations Management suggests:
- A) Isolation of services from the external environment
- B) Integration of services with the external environment
- C) A focus on individual service elements
- D) Maximizing customer participation

Answer: B) Integration of services with the external environment

- 10. Which of the following is a part of the "Service Encounter Triad"?
- A) Customer
- B) Service Organization
- C) Technology
- D) All of the above

Answer: D) All of the above

11. What is a key element in the strategic positioning of a service enterprise?

- A) Service Package
- B) Service-Dominant Logic
- C) Information Technology
- D) Perishability

Answer: C) Information Technology

- 12. Which factor is considered a source of service sector growth?
- A) Competitive Clustering
- B) Changing Demographics
- C) Service Package
- D) Non-transferrable Ownership

Answer: B) Changing Demographics

- 13. What is a challenge in adopting new technology in services?
- A) Lack of Innovation
- B) Customer Participation
- C) Information Empowerment
- D) Resistance to Change

Answer: D) Resistance to Change

- 14. Which concept involves the degree of divergence in the service process?
- A) Service Blueprinting
- B) Process Structure
- C) Intellectual Property
- D) Degree of Divergence

Answer: D) Degree of Divergence

15. Service Blueprinting is a tool used for:

- A) Service Package
- B) Process Analysis
- C) Taxonomy for Service Process Design
- D) Customer Relationship Management

Answer: B) Process Analysis

16. What does the "Customer Value Equation" in service design focus on?

- A) Maximizing customer participation
- B) Balancing service costs and customer benefits
- C) Non-transferrable Ownership
- D) Intellectual Property

Answer: B) Balancing service costs and customer benefits

17. Strategic Positioning through Process Structure involves:

- A) Information Technology
- B) Service Blueprinting
- C) Optimizing service delivery processes
- D) Customer as Co-producer

Answer: C) Optimizing service delivery processes

18. Which approach to service system design involves treating the customer as a co-producer?

- A) Production-Line Approach
- B) Customer as Co-producer Approach

- C) Customer Contact Approach
- D) Information Empowerment Approach

Answer: C) Customer Contact Approach

- 19. What is a critical factor in the readiness to embrace new technology in services?
- A) Service Package
- B) Geographic Information Systems
- C) Intellectual Property
- D) Organizational Preparedness

Answer: D) Organizational Preparedness

- 20. In service design, what does "Taxonomy for Service Process Design" involve?
- A) Categorizing services based on their delivery process
- B) Creating memorable customer experiences
- C) Information Empowerment
- D) Customer Relationship Management

Answer: A) Categorizing services based on their delivery process

- 21. Which element plays a significant role in the service encounter dominated by the service organization?
- A) Customer
- B) Culture
- C) Technology
- D) Empowerment

Answer: C) Technology

- 22. What is the primary focus of the Service Encounter Triad?
- A) Customer expectations
- B) Interaction between customer, service organization, and technology
- C) Service Package
- D) Intellectual Property

Answer: B) Interaction between customer, service organization, and technology

- 23. In a customer-dominated encounter, who has more influence during the service interaction?
- A) Service Organization
- B) Contact Personnel
- C) Customer
- D) Information Technology

Answer: C) Customer

- 24. What is emphasized in creating an ethical climate in the service encounter?
- A) Intellectual Property
- B) Control Systems
- C) Empowerment
- D) Technology

Answer: C) Empowerment

25. The concept of the Service Profit Chain focuses on the relationship between:

- A) Customer and service organization
- B) Technology and service delivery
- C) Intellectual Property and customer satisfaction
- D) Employee satisfaction and customer loyalty

Answer: A) Customer and service organization

26. What role do scripts play in co-production in the service encounter?

- A) Guiding the service organization
- B) Shaping customer expectations and behaviors
- C) Intellectual Property protection
- D) Controlling technology usage

Answer: B) Shaping customer expectations and behaviors

27. What is a key factor in creating a customer service orientation?

- A) Geographic Information Systems
- B) Control Systems
- C) Service Package
- D) Customer Relationship Management

Answer: B) Control Systems

28. Which aspect is critical in customer relationship management in the service encounter?

- A) Job Shop Process Layout
- B) Customer Expectations and Attitudes
- C) Competitive Clustering
- D) Information Empowerment

Answer: B) Customer Expectations and Attitudes

- 29. The concept of "self-service" is associated with:
- A) Information Technology
- B) Customer Contact Approach
- C) Non-transferrable Ownership
- D) Service Organization Culture

Answer: A) Information Technology

30. In the Service Encounter Triad, which element represents the service organization's values and norms?

- A) Customer
- B) Culture
- C) Empowerment
- D) Technology

Answer: B) Culture

31. What is a consideration in strategic location for service facilities?

- A) Competitive Clustering
- B) Saturation Marketing

- C) Geographic Information Systems
- D) Service Package

Answer: A) Competitive Clustering

- 32. How does the Internet impact service location?
- A) Reduces the need for competitive clustering
- B) Encourages saturation marketing
- C) Facilitates communication substitution for travel
- D) Minimizes the role of geographic information systems

Answer: C) Facilitates communication substitution for travel

- 33. Which model is used for analyzing location decisions for multiple facilities?
- A) Cross-Median Approach
- B) Huff Model
- C) Geographic Representation Model
- D) Regression Analysis Model

Answer: B) Huff Model

- 34. What is a key factor in service facility location modeling considerations?
- A) Intellectual Property
- B) Number of Facilities
- C) Customer Contact Approach
- D) Flow Process Layout

Answer: B) Number of Facilities

35. What is the impact of the Internet on service location?

- A) Increases dependence on geographic information systems
- B) Encourages separation of front from back office
- C) Facilitates communication substitution for travel
- D) Promotes saturation marketing

Answer: C) Facilitates communication substitution for travel

36. What technique is used in location decisions involving a single facility using road networks?

- A) Geographic Representation
- B) Cross-Median Approach
- C) Huff Model
- D) Regression Analysis

Answer: B) Cross-Median Approach

37. What is a potential outcome of competitive clustering in service facility location?

- A) Reduced market saturation
- B) Increased competition
- C) Separation of front from back office
- D) Minimal reliance on geographic information systems

Answer: B) Increased competition

38. In facility location, what does "Site Considerations" involve?

- A) Determining the number of facilities
- B) Selecting optimal geographic locations
- C) Analysis of flow process layout
- D) Information empowerment strategies

Answer: B) Selecting optimal geographic locations

- 39. What is a technique used in location decisions for retail outlets?
- A) Geographic Representation
- B) Cross-Median Approach
- C) Huff Model
- D) Regression Analysis

Answer: C) Huff Model

40. What is a potential consequence of saturation marketing in service facility location?

- A) Geographic Information Systems become irrelevant
- B) Increased market demand
- C) Reduced competition
- D) Inefficient use of resources

Answer: D) Inefficient use of resources

41. What is the primary focus of environmental psychology in service facility design?

- A) Customer Participation
- B) Land Availability and Space Requirements

- C) Information Empowerment
- D) Intellectual Property Protection

Answer: B) Land Availability and Space Requirements

- 42. What is the term used to describe the physical surroundings where a service is delivered?
- A) Service Package
- B) Services capes
- C) Customer Relationship Management
- D) Control Systems

Answer: B) Services capes

- 43. What factors are considered in environmental dimensions of servicescapes?
- A) Flexibility and Security
- B) Information Technology
- C) Geographic Information Systems
- D) Competitive Clustering

Answer: A) Flexibility and Security

- 44. Which layout type involves arranging workstations based on the sequence of tasks in service facility design?
- A) Flow Process Layout
- B) Job Shop Process Layout
- C) Information Empowerment
- D) Service Package

Answer: A) Flow Process Layout

- 45. What does the term "Behaviors in Services capes" refer to?
- A) Job Shop Process Layout
- B) Control Systems
- C) Land Availability and Space Requirements
- D) Observations and actions of individuals in the service environment

Answer: D) Observations and actions of individuals in the service environment

- 46. What does "Process Analysis" involve in service facility and process flows?
- A) Determining the number of facilities
- B) Analyzing the sequence of tasks in service delivery
- C) Creating a customer service orientation
- D) Information Technology strategies

Answer: B) Analyzing the sequence of tasks in service delivery

- 47. What tool is commonly used for visual representation of a project schedule in service facility design?
- A) Gantt Chart
- B) Taxonomy for Service Process Design
- C) Service Blueprinting
- D) Cross-Median Approach

Answer: A) Gantt Chart

48. Which of the following is a key objective in facility layout design?

- A) Competitive Clustering
- B) Information Empowerment
- C) Customer Relationship Management
- D) Aesthetic Factors

Answer: D) Aesthetic Factors

- 49. In service facility design, what is the focus of the "Community and Environment"?
- A) Geographic Information Systems
- B) Land Availability and Space Requirements
- C) Intellectual Property
- D) Consideration of local surroundings and impact

Answer: D) Consideration of local surroundings and impact

- 50. What type of process layout involves grouping similar activities together in service facility design?
- A) Job Shop Process Layout
- B) Flow Process Layout
- C) Customer Contact Approach
- D) Production-Line Approach

Answer: A) Job Shop Process Layout