

Check for Understanding – Bias

1. According to recent theories of how the brain works, which of the following activities would make use of your brain's slow process?
 - A. Multiplying 62 and 38 in your head
 - B. Speaking in a language you understand
 - C. Being surprised by an unexpected noise
 - D. Remembering the last time you heard a song you're currently listening to

2. Presenting a change in the tax code as the closing of a tax loophole rather than as a tax increase is an example of _____.
 - A. framing
 - B. anchoring
 - C. confirmation bias
 - D. a cognitive illusion

3. Several economists have made different estimates for economic growth for the coming year. Selecting the lowest of these estimates in order to encourage discussion of challenges the economy faces is an example of _____.
 - A. framing
 - B. anchoring
 - C. confirmation bias
 - D. a cognitive illusion

4. Which of the following statements is true?
 - A. Confirmation bias is a type of cognitive bias
 - B. Cognitive bias is a type of confirmation bias
 - C. Both statements are true
 - D. Neither statement is true

5. Briefly discuss the role of story formation in the way the brain processes information.