

**Indian Statistical Institute
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Paper 4: Information Sources, Systems and Services

Date: 11.09.2024

Time: 11.30 - 1.00PM

Maximum Marks: 40

Section – A

I. Answer the following MCQs

(5x1=5)

1. An online tool like Vivisimo is an example of:

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| a) Primary information source | b) Search engine |
| c) Indexing and abstracting tool | d) Biographical resource |

2. Which of the following is an example of a primary source of information?

- a) A textbook on the history of World War II
- b) A documentary film about the civil rights movement
- c) A letter written by a soldier during the Civil War
- d) An encyclopedia article about ancient Egypt

3. Secondary sources are distinguished by which of the following characteristics?

- a) They contain original material published for the first time.
- b) They provide a condensation or summary of primary sources.
- c) They are typically not credited to a specific author.
- d) They are direct, first-hand accounts of an event.

4. A literature review in a research paper is considered a secondary source because it:

- a) Presents entirely new information and data.
- b) Analyses and interprets existing primary research.
- c) Is a first-hand account of the research process.
- d) Summarises only tertiary sources.

5. A library's card catalogue or online public access catalogue (OPAC) functions as a:

- a) Primary source
- b) Secondary source
- c) Tertiary source
- d) non-documentary source

Section – B

II. Fill in the blanks with appropriate word/s:

(5x1=5)

1. _____ have categorised documents as Primary, Secondary and Tertiary sources
2. Expand ANSI-NISO _____
3. Facts of File is a weekly digest of _____
4. The publisher of World of Learning is _____
5. The publisher of JSTOR is _____

Section – C

III. Write Short notes on any two of the following Questions:

(5x2=10)

1. Tertiary Sources
2. Products and Services of OCLC
3. Importance of User Studies

Section – D

IV. Write a detailed answer for any two of the following Questions:

(10x2=20)

1. Explain the general criteria used for the evaluation of secondary sources of information
2. Enumerate various electronic information sources. Explain the features, advantages and limitations of e-resources.
3. Write a detailed essay on 'Economics of Information'.