Discussion Questions

# Chapter #2: Formulating a Research Question

1. Discuss and distinguish the following concepts:
   1. constructs
   2. conceptualization
   3. operationalization
2. Discuss the difference between fundamental and applied research and examples of each type of research.
3. A researcher is interested in assessing whether sunlight exposure promotes plant growth. In this example, identify the independent and dependent variables.
4. The relationship between family dinner consumption and academic achievement is stronger for Asian youth as compared with White youth. In this example, is youth race a moderator or mediator variable? Justify your answer.