Questions regarding introduction to ***Epistemology*** **Walter Lorenz**

(these questions do not constitute an official test , but are meant to help you remember the most important points of this seminar session)

1. For which aspect of professional practice do we need to have a clear understanding of the epistemology with the help of which we acquire knowledge?
2. What is the problem with “simply relying on facts”?
3. By which criteria can the trustworthiness of knowledge be assessed?
4. What aims did representatives of the “scientific revolution” after the Renaissance pursue?
5. Why do scientific observations alone not establish accurate knowledge?
6. What are the respective starting points of inductive and deductive reasoning?
7. Which human faculty did the Enlightenment want to promote as the most reliable one?
8. Name 3 achievements of the Enlightenment which have influenced the way modern society thinks and operates.
9. Is modern scientific knowledge “timeless”?
10. In which factors does knowledge about society differ from knowledge about our physical world?
11. What do we mean by the “hermeneutic circle”?
12. Can the use of language ever establish objectivity?
13. What does post-modernism criticise about “absolute knowledge”?
14. In what stages does “Grounded Theory” proceed in research and enquiry?