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Practice Certification Test

Question 1 When a person declares bankruptcy that fact will appear on the person?s credit report Answer A for a 3 year period. Answer B for a 10 year period. Answer C until the person repays all debts owed. Answer D until the person is able to receive a new credit card. Question 2 To qualify for a Federal Housing Administration (FHA) loan, a person must generally have at least a high school diploma. Answer A Answer B have one-quarter of the cost of the home for a down-payment. Answer C fulfill income guidelines. Answer D provide two individuals to co-sign the loan. **Question 3** A person has three credit cards with very large outstanding balances and is unable to make payments on any of them. Which action should the person take? Answer A Notify a credit reporting agency in order to avoid a late fee. Answer B File for bankruptcy in order to maintain ones current credit score. Answer C Notify the credit card companies in order to negotiate a new payment plan. Answer D Contact the Internal Revenue Service in order to avoid paying income tax this year. **Question 4** When a person brings an item to a pawnshop to obtain cash, the transaction is considered Answer A a collateralized loan. Answer B a custodial payment. Answer C an unsecured loan. Answer D a sales agreement. Question 5 What is meant by an uncollateralized loan? A loan not backed by a co-signer who agrees to Answer A

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cover the amount of the loan.

Answer B A personal loan without assets to cover the

loan amount.

Answer C A home equity loan.

Answer D A loan taken on a life insurance policy.

Question 6 Which of the following does the Federal

Reserve use to regulate the nation's money

supply?

Answer A Fiscal policy

Answer B Proposing legislation

Answer C Monetary policy

Answer D Regulations

Question 7 A high school student has begun to investigate

the field of finance as a career choice. In deciding about the field, the student should

focus on which question first?

Answer A Will I find a balance between financial rewards

and personal satisfaction from work?

How many people do I know who work in this Answer B

field?

Answer C Once I train for this area, how long before I will

be at the top of the field?

Answer D Are there people in this field who are

dissatisfied with their jobs?

Question 8 To make sure you will always remember your

> automated teller machine (ATM) card personal identification number (PIN), you should write

the PIN and keep it:

Answer A In your wallet

Answer B In your checkbook

Answer C On your ATM card

Answer D In a secure place at home

Question 9 The primary sources of income for most people

between the ages of 20 and 35 who are not

living on a pension or social security are:

Answer A Profits from business

Answer B Dividends and interest

Answer C Rents

Answer D Salaries, wages, and tips

Question 10 A person's debt ratio shows the relationship

between debt and net worth. The lower the

ratio the

Answer A better off financially the person is.

Answer B worse off financially the person is.

Answer C more liquid assets the person has.

Answer D less liquid assets the person has.

Question 11 A man budgeted \$200 a month for clothing.

This month the man spent \$150 on clothing therefore that budget item is considered to

have

Answer A an outflow deficit.

Answer B an income overage.

Answer C a budget variance.

Answer D a budget deficit.

Question 12 One of the benefits of holding an investment for

over a year rather than selling it in less than a

year is that the

Answer A capital gains on the investment will be taxed at

a lower rate.

Answer B fees will not be charged by brokers for selling

the investment.

Answer C money earned on the investment will be

considered tax-free.

Answer D profits on the investment can be averaged over

the length of time the investment is held.

Question 13 A person complains about how expensive it is

to be a cigarette smoker. One of the reasons

cigarettes are so expensive is that

Answer A the tobacco supply is controlled by the Federal

Trade Commission (FTC).

Answer B the tobacco industry imports most of the

tobacco.

Answer C their cost is controlled by the Food and Drug

Administration (FDA).

Answer D the government imposes an excise tax on

them.

Question 14 After five years of owning a Roth Individual Retirement Account (IRA), a person wants to buy his first home, the person can withdraw money from the Roth IRA

Answer A tax and penalty free.

Answer B but must pay a set penalty at the time of

withdrawal.

Answer C and have penalties deferred until retirement.

Answer D and owed taxes are deferred until retirement.

Question 15 A company offers a defined-contribution

pension plan which means that upon retirement

the employee will receive

Answer A one-half of the employee?s last year?s salary.

Answer B the total amount of money contributed plus

investment earnings.

Answer C an amount of money based only on the length

of time the employee worked for the company.

Answer D a specified amount of money based totally on

the profit earned by the company while the

employee worked there.

Question 16 A person owns a stock that pays a \$2.00 a

share dividend. If the person chooses to reinvest that dividend, this means that the

\$2.00 will go toward buying

Answer A more of the same stock.

Answer B stocks that are similar to those already owned.

Answer C preferred stock in the corporation.

Answer D bonds in the corporation.

Question 17 Before the Kiss Corporation can issue stocks or

bonds, it must register the issue with:

Answer A Its Board of Directors

Answer B The Federal Reserve

Answer C The World Bank

Answer D The Securities and Exchange Commission

(SEC)

Question 18 What is the largest equities market in the

world?

Answer A American Stock Exchange (AMEX) Answer B NASDAQ market Answer C New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) Answer D Over-the-counter (OTC) market **Question 19** Using a brokerage firm, a qualified investor buys 1000 shares of a common stock at \$50 a share on 50% margin. This means that the Answer A investor will pay only \$5000 for the shares. Answer B investor is buying 2000 shares. Answer C brokerage firm is lending the investor 50% of the money. Answer D brokerage firm will own 50% of the 1000 shares of stock that were purchased. **Question 20** As an investment, a person decides to buy a small house that has three rental apartments. The profits from this investment may be lower then expected if the Answer A tenant in an apartment decides to paint the hallways. Answer B mortgage on the house is paid off. taxes on the house are lowered. Answer C Answer D one of the apartments is not rented. **Question 21** To determine the time value of depositing \$100 in a savings account, a person needs to know the interest rate and Answer A her total income. Answer B the rate of inflation. Answer C whether the account is FDIC protected. Answer D whether the bank offers overdraft protection. **Question 22** Which investment would you choose today if you believe interest rates will go up? Answer A Long-term bonds Answer B Variable-rate loans Short-term savings instruments Answer C Answer D Stocks

> Which type of financial institution usually pays the highest rate of interest on savings account

Question 23

http://www.moneypower.org/wise/testing/printtest.jsp

balances?

Answer A Savings and loan associations
Answer B Commercial banks

Answer C Credit unions

Answer D Investment firm money market accounts

Question 24 A person is convinced that a lending institution

is charging too much interest for a loan. This

person should be aware that

Answer A there are state usury laws.

Answer B lending institutions all have their rates of

interest set by the SEC.

Answer C interest rates depend entirely on the borrower?

s ability to pay back the loan.

Answer D the Federal Trade Commission has laws

against intimidating borrowers.

Question 25 Lamar believes that interest rates are going to

fall in the near future and remain low for a considerable period of time. She should invest

in:

Answer A Nothing, she should put her money under her

mattress

Answer B A variable rate certificate of deposit

Answer C A long-term, fixed rate certificate of deposit

Answer D A short-term, fixed rate certificate of deposit

Question 26 For the past five years, a person has had a

\$20,000 whole life insurance policy that has a cash value clause. The person decides to surrender the policy. At the time of surrender,

the person will receive

Answer A one-fifth of the \$20,000 face value.

Answer B \$20,000 less the premiums paid.

Answer C a calculated amount of money which includes

the premiums paid as well as the interest on

that money.

Answer D a calculated amount of money that must be

converted to a term life insurance policy.

Question 27 A person buys a flat screen, plasma, theater-

like television. The person has homeowner?s insurance. Why would it be appropriate to add a personal property floater to that insurance?

Answer A To reduce the premium on the homeowner?s insurance.
 Answer B To protect the person who owns the television from liability for damages.
 Answer C To show the insurance company a good faith investment has been made.
 Answer D To cover the cost of replacement should the

Answer D To cover the cost of replacement should the television get damaged or stolen.

Question 28

A woman has just received a very expensive piece of jewelry. The woman has homeowner's insurance. Which statement would it be most appropriate for her to make to her insurance agent?

Answer A "I think I need a personal property floater."

Answer B "I think I should get speculative risk insurance."

Answer C "I will deduct the cost of the jewelry from my premium."

Answer D "I realize that if this jewelry is stolen it will be

Question 29 Generally, the higher the deductible on an insurance policy, the

considered vicarious liability."

Answer A greater the premium.

Answer B lower the premium.

Answer C more frequently the premium.

Answer C more frequently the premium has to be paid.

Answer D less frequently the premium has to be paid.

Question 30 John's job provided the main income for his family. He died unexpectedly and had no life

insurance. The probable financial

consequence for his wife and two children does

not include:

Answer A The loss of John's income

Answer B A reduction in the family's standard of living

Answer C Death-related expenses to be paid
Answer D An increase in income and expenses

Question 31 If a person makes a deposit of \$10,000 or more into a bank account, the bank must notify the

Answer A US Treasury Department.

Answer B Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. (FDIC).

Answer C State Banking Commission. Answer D Federal Reserve Board. Question 32 Financial services and products generally offered by banks and credit unions include: Answer A Real estate listings Answer B Savings and loans Answer C Legal services Answer D Business plans **Question 33** Employees prefer direct deposits because: There is a small fee for the service Answer A Answer B The danger of losing a paycheck is slightly reduced Answer C The money is generally deposited in their checking account sooner than it would be if they had to deposit it in person Answer D Direct deposits earn a higher rate of interest **Question 34** Which is the best example of a way to reduce fees paid for ATM transactions? Answer A When making supermarket purchases with a debit card, a person adds \$50 in cash to the transaction instead of using an ATM machine. Answer B When using an ATM machine, a person takes only \$20 each time out of the ATM machine located in a neighborhood store. Answer C A person uses any nearby bank ATM machine rather than going to a branch of the issuing bank to make ATM withdrawals.

Question 35 The financial institution where Ms. Sanchez has her checking account will continue to pay out

money for the checks she writes as long as:

A person uses any convenient ATM machine

but only at night and on the weekends.

Answer A She uses checks from her checkbook
Answer B The financial institution has sufficient funds
Answer C There is enough money in Ms. Sanchezs account to cover the amount of the checks

Answer D She maintains a good record of deposits and

handles her account responsibly

Answer D