

INDIANA DEPARTMENT  
OF  
HOMELAND SECURITY

FIRE OFFICER 3  
SAMPLE TEST

1. Information gathered that identifies the gender, income, and ethnic background of a person or group of people is called:
  - A. demographics.
  - B. trends.
  - C. models.
  - D. situational analysis.
  
2. The **minimum** staff required to respond on a fire apparatus, according to NFPA 1710, is:
  - A. 3
  - B. 4
  - C. 6
  - D. 5
  
3. During the strategic planning process, an officer should use a SWOT analysis to assess the organization. SWOT stands for: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and:
  - A. Tasks.
  - B. Troubles.
  - C. Threats.
  - D. Tendencies.
  
4. T F NFPA 1500 requires the fire and emergency services organization to maintain a confidential health file for each firefighter in the organization.
  
5. Which of the following statements is **incorrect** regarding Incident Action Plans?
  - A. Incidents of a short duration **do not** need a written Incident Action Plan.
  - B. Written Incident Action Plans should be required for multi-agency incidents.
  - C. Incident Action Plans need to exist for each group operating on an incident.
  - D. The Incident Action Plan contains all tactical and support activities required to control the incident.
  
6. Which of the following statements **is correct** regarding justification of a public education program to the political leaders of a community?
  - A. Justify the program based on legal mandates as found in the fire code adopted by the authority having jurisdiction.
  - B. Collect data from neighboring communities that have implemented successful programs and their results.
  - C. Implement the program to show its effectiveness and then seek approval from the city council.
  - D. Both A & B are correct.
  
7. Nonverbal skills such as eye contact, facial expression, and gestures are known as:
  - A. kinesics.
  - B. self-presentation.
  - C. self-reflection.
  - D. paralanguage.

8. The **greatest** challenge in locating reliable data when researching a topic is:
- A. using only fire service research and information.
  - B. using only non-fire service information from outside sources such as vendors.
  - C. determining the credibility of the source.
  - D. limiting the sources of information.
9. Decoding the message and assigning meaning to it in a logical pattern, while observing the nonverbal clues, **best** defines:
- A. understanding.
  - B. remembering.
  - C. attending.
  - D. proximity.
10. A planned quantitative allocation of resources for specific activities is a:
- A. purchase.
  - B. budget.
  - C. bid.
  - D. process.
11. One of the benefits of a properly designed records keeping system is:
- A. being able to conduct analysis of data for the budget review process.
  - B. to retrieve information on fire loss in a certain section of the community.
  - C. the ability to review incident data for a report for the city council.
  - D. all of the above.
12. Transfers should be based on all of the following **except**:
- A. creation of new units.
  - B. personal requests.
  - C. vacancies and promotion.
  - D. demands or threats.
13. During a pre-employment interview, it would be appropriate to ask questions about the candidate's:
- A. religion.
  - B. financial status.
  - C. job expectations.
  - D. marital status.
14. The two **primary** areas of analysis reviewed during a post-incident analysis are:
- A. safety and investigation
  - B. tactics and safety
  - C. tactics and Incident Action Plan
  - D. safety and training
15. Which of the following statements **is not** true regarding training facilities setup or location.
- A. Water decontamination systems such as ponding use bacteria to break down the hydrocarbons.
  - B. The facility must have an adequate water supply.
  - C. The site location should have fencing for security purposes.
  - D. Training facilities must use only Class B fuels.

**Directions:** Match the funding source in Column A with the correct definition in Column B.

**Column A**

**Column B**

- 16. Tax revenue
  - 17. Trust fund
  - 18. Bond sales
  - 19. Grants
- A. A promise to repay the principal when it reaches maturity
  - B. Local event that is used to support the fire department, such as bingo
  - C. Funds managed by a board for the benefit of another party
  - D. Funding available for a specific purpose
  - E. Traditional stable source of revenues for city governments
20. What is the benefit to your organization, as a chief officer, in participating with professional organizations outside your agency?
- A. There are opportunities to network and find other employment.
  - B. You can increase your knowledge and learn new ideas.
  - C. You can compare your agency with others to identify their weaknesses.
  - D. all of the above.
21. to ensure communication interoperability between agencies at a natural disaster, the should develop and implement a communicatios unit
- A. incident commander
  - B. planning section chief
  - C. incident communitations officer
  - D. communication unit
22. \_\_\_\_\_ is establishing the value or worth of each part of a project based on the desired outcome and determines how effective the item is compared to the set criteria.
- A. Analyzing
  - B. Researching
  - C. Evaluating
  - D. Validating
23. Which of the following describes the steps in a post incident analysis?
- A. Incident, information gathered, critique, and documentation
  - B. Incident, critique, documentation, and review
  - C. Incident, investigation, critique, and review
  - D. Incident, information collected, critique, analysis, and review
24. The procedures for conducting a post-incident analysis (PIA) should be:
- A. used only if a fatality is involved in the incident.
  - B. a written policy.
  - C. managed by the transportation officer.
  - D. all of the above

25. Which type of budget is used for short-term planning that includes such items as a training or a public education program?
- A. capital budget
  - B. operational budget
  - C. functional budget
  - D. fiscal budget

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