

FIRE CAPTAIN STUDY GUIDE

For questions 1 – 2, you will be asked to identify mistakes in sentences. Look at each sentence and decide if it has a mistake in spelling, punctuation, or grammar. Some sentences have no mistakes. No sentence has more than one type of mistake. Do not count capital letters when looking for mistakes. Use the following rules to mark your answer sheet:

If the mistake is in SPELLING, mark choice (A)

If the mistake is in PUNCTUATION, mark choice (B)

If the mistake is in GRAMMAR, mark choice (C)

If there is NO MISTAKE, mark choice (D)

1. The more attention you give to every facet of the hiring process, the better you're chances are of a positive hiring experience.
2. As a Fire Captain, what are your responsibilities in the areas of affirmative action and equal employment opportunity.

For question 3, you are to organize sentences into a paragraph. Read each of the following sets of sentences. Arrange each set so that the sentences best form an effective and logical paragraph (some sets may already be in their most effective and logical order). Then, for each set of sentences, select the answer that represents the best sequence.

3. What is the best sequence for the following four sentences?
 1. Some buildings have standpipe systems which serve fire hose outlets in various parts of the structure.
 2. A pre-plumbed system is especially important when firefighters must move water to great elevations.
 3. Otherwise tall buildings require the laying of hose up ladders, stairwells, fire escapes or the use of hose hoists.
 4. These systems allow the fire service to quickly place streams into operation in areas which may be difficult to reach.
- A. 1, 2, 3, 4
B. 1, 4, 2, 3
C. 2, 3, 1, 4
D. 2, 3, 4, 1

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4. The serious losses in life and property resulting annually from fires are cause for deep concern. Such unnecessary waste can be reduced. The substantial progress made in the science of fire prevention and fire protection during the past 40 years is convincing proof that the means are available for limiting this unnecessary destruction.

The main thought in the paragraph above is :

- A. Fires contribute to the destruction of life and property
 - B. The best fire protection methods cannot prevent some fire losses
 - C. Losses from fire have been steadily reduced during the past 40 years
 - D. If available means were applied, losses in life and property from fire could still be reduced materially.
5. According to Public Resource Code (PRC) 4446, an incinerator is illegal if:
- A. It has 1/4" vent openings
 - B. It is constructed from a 55 gallon drum
 - C. The screen completely covers the top of the barrel with a 3/16" mesh
 - D. The area around the incinerator has been cleared 8 feet of flammable vegetation
6. According to Public Resource Code (PRC) 4290 all driveways shall provide a traffic lane with a minimum width of:
- A. 10 feet
 - B. 12 feet
 - C. 16 feet
 - D. 18 feet
7. According to the California Fire Code, hospitals are classified as occupancy:
- A. Group B
 - B. Group E
 - C. Group H
 - D. Group I
8. The Situation Unit obtains, confirms, evaluates and displays the following:
- A. Equipment and personnel status
 - B. Check-in locations and T-card resources
 - C. Intelligence reports and incident status summary
 - D. Incident action plan and incident organization chart

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9. The one general statement which can be made regarding surface winds in mountainous terrain is:
- A. Winds move upslope during the day and downslope during the night
 - B. Stable atmospheric conditions often produce erratic unpredictable winds
 - C. Winds are always unpredictable and can increase or decrease with no advance warning
 - D. Winds aloft will generally overcome surface winds between 1200 and 1600 hours during the summer months
10. All of the following must be established for escape routes **EXCEPT:**
- A. More than one escape route
 - B. Scouted for loose soils, rocks, vegetation
 - C. Timed considering fastest person, fatigue, and temperature factors
 - D. Evaluate escape time vs. rate of spread
11. What does the acronym GACC stand for?
- A. Geographic Area Command Center
 - B. Geographic Area Coordination Center
 - C. Global Area Coordination Center
 - D. Geographic Area Coordinating Command
12. Rinse water temperature for dishes should be a minimum of:
- A. 120°
 - B. 130°
 - C. 160°
 - D. 180°
13. Causes of adverse action are based on the:
- A. Labor Code
 - B. Government Code
 - C. Public Resources Code
 - D. Health and Safety Code

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14. 399×125
- A. 50,875
 - B. 42,368
 - C. 51,000
 - D. 49,875
15. $120 \div 18$
- A. 6.66
 - B. 7.50
 - C. 7.20
 - D. 6.77
16. Documentation of unsatisfactory conduct or work performance involves the following **EXCEPT** :
- A. Written statements from witnesses, if any
 - B. Any informal letters or memoranda to the employee calling for corrective action
 - C. Annual appraisal and development reports or probationary reports of below standard conduct or work performance
 - D. Emails blocking the employee from taking the matter up the chain of command
17. Which National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standard deals with fire service ground ladder testing and maintenance?
- A. NFPA 1701
 - B. NFPA 1931
 - C. NFPA 1500
 - D. NFPA 1932
18. Who is responsible for ensuring that personnel are made aware of life hazards on an ongoing incident?
- A. Emergency Command Center
 - B. Incident Commander
 - C. Safety Officer
 - D. Division Supervisor

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19. A fire investigation starts:
- A. When the first suppression resources arrive at the fire
 - B. When the initial attack, first responders leave for the fire
 - C. When the investigator arrives at the fire
 - D. When the fire is first reported
20. A bull dozer with 210 horse power is classified in the Incident Command System (ICS) as a:
- A. Type 1
 - B. Type 2
 - C. Type 3
 - D. Type 4

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ANSWER SHEET**

1. C
2. B
3. B
4. D
5. D
6. A
7. D
8. C
9. A
10. C
11. B
12. A
13. B
14. D
15. A
16. C
17. D
18. B
19. D
20. A