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Q1. What does software engineering primarily deal with?

- A. Systematic software development
- B. Configuring computer network infrastructure
- C. Managing enterprise database systems
- D. Building and maintaining hardware systems

Answer: A

Q2. Who is considered the first person to use the term 'software engineering'?

- A. Alan Turing
- B. Edsger Dijkstra
- C. Dennis Ritchie
- D. Margaret Hamilton

Answer: D

Q3. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of good software?

- A. Dependability
- B. Complexity
- C. Maintainability
- D. Efficiency

Answer: B

Q4. What is the main goal of software engineering?

- A. To incorporate the latest emerging technology
- B. To minimize the overall development team size
- C. To produce quality software within budget and schedule
- D. To write source code as quickly as possible

Answer: C

Q5. Software engineering is a branch of which field?

- A. Computer science and engineering
- B. Electrical engineering and circuits
- C. Mechanical engineering and design
- D. Civil engineering and structures

Answer: A

Q6. What does the term 'software crisis' refer to?

- A. Rapidly increasing hardware component costs
- B. Insufficient programming language features
- C. Problems in developing large-scale software
- D. A critical shortage of trained programmers

Answer: C

Q7. Which of the following is a software product?

- A. Operating System
- B. Mechanical keyboard
- C. Monitor display unit
- D. Laser printer device

Answer: A

Q8. What is a software process?

- A. A standalone computer program in the development
- B. A relational database system within the project scope
- C. A set of activities for software development
- D. A physical hardware component during the software

Answer: C

Q9. Which attribute is essential for software quality?

- A. Large file size
- B. Complex algorithms
- C. Reliability
- D. Maximum features

Answer: C

Q10. What is the purpose of software documentation?

- A. To increase overall project file size
- B. To help understand and maintain the software
- C. To make onboarding harder for new hires
- D. To intentionally slow down the development

Answer: B

Q11. What is the Waterfall model?

- A. A circular iterative development process
- B. A random unstructured coding process
- C. An agile methodology with sprint cycles
- D. A linear sequential software development approach

Answer: D

Q12. Which phase comes first in the Waterfall model?

- A. Implementation phase
- B. Testing the system
- C. Requirements analysis
- D. Deployment to users

Answer: C

Q13. What is an iterative process model?

- A. A model that omits all testing phases
- B. A model that executes only a single run
- C. A hardware-focused design model only
- D. A model that repeats development cycles

Answer: D

Q14. What does the 'V-Model' emphasize?

- A. Only source code implementation tasks
- B. Hardware testing procedures and checks
- C. Only requirements documentation writing
- D. Verification and validation at each development stage

Answer: D

Q15. In which model are requirements expected to be fully known at the start?

- A. Spiral
- B. Prototype
- C. Waterfall
- D. Agile

Answer: C

Q16. What is a software development life cycle (SDLC)?

- A. The process of planning, creating, testing, and deploying software
- B. A physical computing hardware component unit in all development efforts
- C. A specific type of programming language syntax for all project stakeholders
- D. A specialized category of database system type within the given constraints

Answer: A

Q17. Which model is also known as the 'Classic Life Cycle'?

- A. Waterfall
- B. RAD to achi
- C. Spiral by
- D. Agile and

Answer: A

Q18. What is prototyping in software development?

- A. Building a preliminary version to explore requirements
- B. Delivering the final production product in the engineering
- C. Performing hardware acceptance testing as part of the methodology
- D. Removing outdated legacy source code for effective project outcomes

Answer: A

Q19. Which process model involves risk analysis in each iteration?

- A. RAD
- B. Spiral
- C. V-Model
- D. Waterfall

Answer: B

Q20. What is the main disadvantage of the Waterfall model?

- A. Spending too much time on testing activities
- B. Being excessively flexible and unstructured
- C. Moving too fast through development phases
- D. Difficult to accommodate changes after a phase is completed

Answer: D

Q21. What is Agile software development?

- A. A hardware design and manufacturing method as defined by standards
- B. An iterative approach emphasizing flexibility and customer collaboration
- C. A documentation-only waterfall approach for all project stakeholders
- D. A strict sequential step-by-step approach over the entire lifecycle

Answer: B

Q22. Which of the following is an Agile methodology?

- A. Scrum
- B. CMMI
- C. V-Model
- D. Waterfall

Answer: A

Q23. What is a 'Sprint' in Scrum?

- A. A formal documentation writing phase only
- B. A time-boxed iteration typically lasting 2-4 weeks
- C. A physical running exercise for team health
- D. A specific category of software defect type

Answer: B

Q24. Who is the Product Owner in Scrum?

- A. The quality assurance tester on the project in all development efforts
- B. The person responsible for maximizing the value of the product
- C. The database administrator managing storage by the project team members
- D. The chief executive officer of the company within the given constraints

Answer: B

Q25. What is the Agile Manifesto?

- A. A declaration of four core values and twelve principles for Agile development
- B. A programming language specification document to achieve project objectives
- C. A legally binding contractual document only and related components
- D. A hardware installation and setup manual in the engineering discipline

Answer: A

Q26. How many values does the Agile Manifesto contain?

- A. 2
- B. 8
- C. 4
- D. 6

Answer: C

Q27. What does Scrum emphasize?

- A. Hardware design and manufacturing work
- B. Individual solo development practices only
- C. Self-organizing teams and iterative progress
- D. Producing extensive formal documentation

Answer: C

Q28. What is a 'User Story' in Agile?

- A. A fictional novel written about end users for effective project outcomes
- B. A comprehensive automated test case only in the development process
- C. A formal detailed software bug report only as part of the methodology
- D. A short description of a feature from the user's perspective

Answer: D

Q29. What is a Daily Standup meeting?

- A. A brief daily meeting where team members share progress and blockers
- B. An extensive annual strategic planning event for the development team
- C. A comprehensive weekly team meeting session during the software lifecycle
- D. A detailed monthly project review session within the project scope

Answer: A

Q30. Which Agile value prioritizes 'working software' over what?

- A. Individual interactions
- B. Responding to change
- C. Customer collaboration
- D. Comprehensive documentation

Answer: D

Q31. What is requirements engineering?

- A. Performing software testing and validation in the development process
- B. Designing hardware system architectures during the software lifecycle
- C. Writing application source code for features as part of the methodology
- D. The process of defining, documenting, and maintaining software requirements

Answer: D

Q32. What is a functional requirement?

- A. A constraint on the system design choices
- B. A measurable performance goal for the system
- C. A requirement that describes what the system should do
- D. A detailed hardware specification document

Answer: C

Q33. What is a non-functional requirement?

- A. A requirement that specifies quality attributes like performance or security
- B. A requirement that is impossible to implement for the development team
- C. A broken or flawed software requirement only within the project scope
- D. A specification for hardware system components throughout the project

Answer: A

Q34. What is requirements elicitation?

- A. The process of gathering requirements from stakeholders
- B. Performing systematic software testing runs
- C. Writing application source code for modules
- D. Deploying software to production servers

Answer: A

Q35. Which of the following is a requirements elicitation technique?

- A. Interview sessions
- B. Debugging errors
- C. Coding source logic
- D. Code compilation

Answer: A

Q36. What is a Software Requirements Specification (SRS)?

- A. The application source code implementation
- B. A comprehensive software test plan document
- C. A complete end-user operational and help manual
- D. A document describing all requirements of the system

Answer: D

Q37. Who are stakeholders in requirements engineering?

- A. Only the programmers writing the source code
- B. Only the paying customers of the software product
- C. Only the project managers overseeing the work
- D. Anyone who has an interest in or is affected by the system

Answer: D

Q38. What is the difference between user requirements and system requirements?

- A. They are fundamentally the same concept entirely in the system context
- B. User requirements are high-level; system requirements are detailed technical specifications
- C. System requirements are always much simpler overall during implementation
- D. User requirements are far more technically detailed for quality purposes

Answer: B

Q39. What is requirements validation?

- A. Implementing requirements directly into code by the organization
- B. Initially writing new requirements documents in practice typically
- C. Checking that requirements are correct, complete, and consistent
- D. Permanently deleting unnecessary requirements as a standard approach

Answer: C

Q40. What is a use case?

- A. A description of how a user interacts with the system to achieve a goal
- B. A category of reported software defect type across all phases
- C. A specific automated test case scenario only at every stage
- D. A step in the deployment process workflow in a systematic way

Answer: A

Q41. What is software project management?

- A. Planning, organizing, and controlling software development activities
- B. Designing hardware system architectures throughout the project
- C. Writing application source code and modules within the project scope
- D. Performing software testing and debugging for the development team

Answer: A

Q42. What is a Gantt chart?

- A. A bar chart showing project schedule and task dependencies
- B. A relational database schema design diagram
- C. A specific type of source code format only
- D. A specialized software testing automation tool

Answer: A

Q43. What does WBS stand for?

- A. Work Based Standards
- B. Web Browser Software
- C. Work Breakdown Structure
- D. Wireless Broadcasting System

Answer: C

Q44. What is a project milestone?

- A. An established coding standard and guideline
- B. A significant point or event in a project timeline
- C. A physical unit of measured distance only
- D. A specific category of software defect type

Answer: B

Q45. What is the critical path in project management?

- A. The longest sequence of dependent tasks determining the minimum project duration
- B. The path with the fewest total listed tasks for quality purposes
- C. The shortest possible project path for tasks during implementation
- D. The set of easiest tasks in the project plan in the system context

Answer: A

Q46. What is project scope?

- A. The total number of developers on the team as a standard approach
- B. The total size of the source code base only in practice typically
- C. The defined boundaries of what the project will and will not deliver
- D. Only the financial budget for the project by the organization

Answer: C

Q47. What is a deliverable in project management?

- A. A tangible or intangible output produced as a result of project work
- B. A scheduled meeting agenda and minutes record in a systematic way
- C. A food delivery order to the project team at every stage
- D. A formal software defect bug report document across all phases

Answer: A

Q48. What is project estimation?

- A. Measuring physical hardware performance speeds
- B. Predicting the effort, cost, and duration needed for a project
- C. Simply counting total lines of application code
- D. Making random guesses without any real basis

Answer: B

Q49. What is resource allocation?

- A. Deleting unnecessary project data and files
- B. Assigning available resources to project tasks
- C. Writing comprehensive project documentation
- D. Purchasing new computing hardware equipment

Answer: B

Q50. What are the three constraints of project management?

- A. Design, Build, Ship within the system boundary
- B. Code, Test, Deploy for the project goals
- C. Scope, Time, Cost (the triple constraint)
- D. Plan, Do, Check according to best practices

Answer: C

Q51. What is software design?

- A. Writing detailed end-user operation manual docs as a standard approach
- B. Deploying software to production server systems in practice typically
- C. Writing comprehensive test case scenario suites for quality purposes
- D. The process of defining the architecture, components, and interfaces of a system

Answer: D

Q52. What is modularity in software design?

- A. Using only one file for all the source code
- B. Dividing a system into separate, independent modules
- C. Writing one single large monolithic program
- D. Avoiding the use of functions in the code

Answer: B

Q53. What is cohesion in software design?

- A. Unnecessary duplication of source code and logic
- B. Multiple modules depending on each other heavily
- C. A specific category of software defect and bug
- D. The degree to which elements within a module belong together

Answer: D

Q54. What is coupling in software design?

- A. A high degree of internal module cohesion only
- B. A specific type of data structure or element
- C. The degree of interdependence between modules
- D. A programming language built-in feature type

Answer: C

Q55. Which is preferred: high cohesion or low cohesion?

- A. No cohesion at all
- B. Both are equally good
- C. Low cohesion is preferred
- D. High cohesion is preferred

Answer: D

Q56. Which is preferred: tight coupling or loose coupling?

- A. Loose coupling is preferred
- B. No coupling at all works
- C. Tight coupling is preferred
- D. Both are equally good

Answer: A

Q57. What is a design pattern?

- A. A specific coding style and convention set
- B. A user interface visual color scheme choice
- C. A reusable solution to a commonly occurring design problem
- D. A comprehensive software testing method type

Answer: C

Q58. What is abstraction in design?

- A. A specific type of runtime software error type
- B. Adding increasingly more implementation detail
- C. Removing all application source code and files
- D. Hiding complex details and showing only essential features

Answer: D

Q59. What is information hiding?

- A. Concealing internal design decisions within a module from other modules
- B. Permanently deleting stored information across all phases
- C. Hiding files on the operating system disk at every stage
- D. Encrypting sensitive data during transit by the organization

Answer: A

Q60. What is the difference between high-level and low-level design?

- A. They are fundamentally the same thing exactly in a systematic way
- B. High-level defines architecture; low-level defines detailed component design
- C. Low-level design is always more important overall for the project goals
- D. High-level design is done after coding is finished according to best practices

Answer: B

Q61. What is software architecture?

- A. The high-level structure of a software system defining its components and their relationships
- B. A specific type of programming language syntax in the engineering discipline
- C. A comprehensive software testing framework type for effective project outcomes
- D. The actual application source code itself only and related components to achieve project objectives

Answer: A

Q62. What is a client-server architecture?

- A. A standalone desktop application design only during the software lifecycle
- B. An architecture where clients request services from a central server
- C. A decentralized peer-to-peer network system in the development process
- D. A single standalone computer system by itself as part of the methodology

Answer: B

Q63. What is a layered architecture?

- A. An architecture organized into horizontal layers, each providing services to the layer above
- B. A completely flat system structure layout design within the project scope
- C. A random unorganized structure for the code throughout the project in the system context
- D. A circular system structure design layout type for the development team

Answer: A

Q64. What is a monolithic architecture?

- A. A client-server communication system setup only in practice typically
- B. A single-tiered application where all components are tightly integrated
- C. A fully distributed computing system setup design during implementation
- D. A microservices-based architecture approach type for quality purposes

Answer: B

Q65. What is the purpose of software architecture?

- A. To write application source code much faster as a standard approach
- B. To provide a blueprint for the system and enable communication among stakeholders
- C. To completely eliminate the software testing phase by the organization
- D. To reduce the overall project development team at every stage

Answer: B

Q66. What is a three-tier architecture?

- A. A three-story office building design layout across all phases
- B. An architecture with presentation, business logic, and data tiers
- C. Three different programming languages used for the project goals
- D. A development team of three programmers in a systematic way

Answer: B

Q67. What is a repository architecture?

- A. A network infrastructure architecture type only by the development process
- B. A Git source code version control repository according to best practices
- C. An architecture where components share data through a central data store
- D. An operating system file storage system only within the system boundary

Answer: C

Q68. What is a pipe-and-filter architecture?

- A. An access security management system type only as defined by standards
- B. A physical plumbing infrastructure system design and its related activities
- C. A network traffic filtering system setup only over the entire lifecycle
- D. An architecture where data flows through a sequence of processing components

Answer: D

Q69. What is an event-driven architecture?

- A. An architecture where components communicate through events
- B. A sequential processing architecture style only
- C. A scheduling calendar management system only
- D. A batch data processing system design only

Answer: A

Q70. What is a distributed system architecture?

- A. An architecture where components run on multiple networked computers
- B. A standalone desktop application design approach within the given constraints
- C. A single standalone computer hardware unit only for all project stakeholders
- D. A local desktop application installation setup in all development efforts

Answer: A

Q71. What does UI stand for?

- A. User Information
- B. User Interface
- C. Universal Integration
- D. Unified Input

Answer: B

Q72. What does UX stand for?

- A. User Experience
- B. Universal Exchange
- C. Unified Expression
- D. User Extension

Answer: A

Q73. What is usability?

- A. The ease with which users can learn and use a software system
- B. Application processing execution speed rating
- C. System memory consumption and usage metrics
- D. Internal source code logic complexity metrics

Answer: A

Q74. What is a wireframe?

- A. A basic visual guide showing the layout and structure of a web page or app
- B. A type of network cable connector wire type during the software lifecycle
- C. A general-purpose programming language tool set within the project scope
- D. A specialized software testing tool suite only for the development team

Answer: A

Q75. What is responsive design?

- A. Websites that load extremely fast for users throughout the project
- B. A design that responds to voice command input in the system context
- C. A type of programming language paradigm type during implementation
- D. Design that adapts the layout to different screen sizes and devices

Answer: D

Q76. What is a mockup in UI design?

- A. A relational database schema design model type in practice typically
- B. A specific automated test case scenario setup for quality purposes
- C. A source code implementation template file set as a standard approach
- D. A static visual representation of how the final product will look

Answer: D

Q77. What is navigation in UI design?

- A. The system that allows users to move between different sections of an application
- B. A physical GPS location navigation system tool by the organization
- C. Network routing and traffic configuration setup at every stage
- D. Operating system file directory browsing tool across all phases

Answer: A

Q78. What is consistency in UI design?

- A. Using random and varying page layouts designs in a systematic way
- B. Making every page look distinctly different each for the project goals
- C. Changing interface colors very frequently always according to best practices
- D. Maintaining uniform design elements and behaviors throughout the interface

Answer: D

Q79. What is a call-to-action (CTA) button?

- A. A phone call button for customer support line
- B. A window close or dismiss button on the page
- C. A button designed to prompt users to take a specific action
- D. A help documentation access button on the page

Answer: C

Q80. What is accessibility in UI design?

- A. Database access control and permissions setup
- B. Access control to application source code files
- C. Designing software so it can be used by people with disabilities
- D. Internet access and connectivity service plans

Answer: C

Q81. What is coding in software development?

- A. Performing software testing and debugging work
- B. Writing comprehensive project documentation work
- C. Assembling physical hardware components together
- D. The process of writing source code to implement software design

Answer: D

Q82. What is a coding standard?

- A. A comprehensive software testing standard only
- B. A hardware specification and standard set only
- C. A specific type of source code module and file
- D. A set of guidelines for writing consistent and readable code

Answer: D

Q83. What is code review?

- A. Compiling source code into executable files by the project team members
- B. Writing new feature source code logic only in all development efforts
- C. Permanently deleting source code files only within the given constraints
- D. Systematic examination of source code by peers to find defects

Answer: D

Q84. What is refactoring?

- A. Permanently deleting old source code and files
- B. Completely rewriting everything from scratch again
- C. Adding entirely new features and functionality
- D. Restructuring existing code without changing its external behavior

Answer: D

Q85. What is version control?

- A. Managing changes to source code over time
- B. Controlling hardware component versions only
- C. A type of software testing methodology only
- D. Controlling software versions in a retail store

Answer: A

Q86. What is debugging?

- A. Deploying software to production server systems
- B. Intentionally adding bugs to the source code
- C. Writing brand new application source code only
- D. The process of finding and fixing defects in code

Answer: D

Q87. What is an IDE?

- A. Integrated Development Environment — a software tool for writing and debugging code
- B. An internet web hosting service provider only and related components
- C. A standard network communication protocol type in the engineering discipline
- D. A relational database management system only to achieve project objectives

Answer: A

Q88. What is source code?

- A. Human-readable instructions written in a programming language
- B. Binary data stored on disk drives and memory
- C. Low-level machine instruction code and binary
- D. Hardware specifications and schematics diagrams

Answer: A

Q89. What is a build in software development?

- A. A physical construction building project plan
- B. The process of converting source code into executable software
- C. A comprehensive design document and artifact
- D. A specific type of software test execution run

Answer: B

Q90. What is technical documentation?

- A. End user reviews and feedback comment forms as part of the methodology
- B. Sales reports and revenue projections summary in the development process
- C. Written descriptions of code structure, APIs, and system behavior
- D. Marketing and promotional campaign materials for effective project outcomes

Answer: C

Q91. What is software testing?

- A. Designing software system architecture diagrams as defined by standards
- B. The process of evaluating software to find defects and verify it meets requirements
- C. Writing application source code for new features and its related activities
- D. Deploying software to production server systems over the entire lifecycle

Answer: B

Q92. What is a test case?

- A. A set of conditions and expected results for testing a specific aspect of software
- B. A specific type of source code module and library in all development efforts
- C. A suitcase for carrying test documents and files within the given constraints
- D. A legal court case and proceedings in a courtroom for all project stakeholders

Answer: A

Q93. What is unit testing?

- A. Testing graphical user interface screens and flows
- B. Testing physical hardware units and device parts
- C. Testing the entire integrated system all at once
- D. Testing individual components or functions in isolation

Answer: D

Q94. What is integration testing?

- A. Testing documentation to achieve project objectives
- B. Testing in isolation and related components
- C. Testing the interaction between integrated components
- D. Unit testing by the project team members

Answer: C

Q95. What is a bug in software?

- A. A recognized software design pattern and approach
- B. A new feature request from project stakeholders
- C. A defect or error in software that causes incorrect behavior
- D. An insect found inside a computer case housing

Answer: C

Q96. What is black-box testing?

- A. Testing with a completely black display screen view
- B. Testing physical hardware system components only
- C. Testing software without knowledge of its internal code structure
- D. Testing in a completely dark room with no light

Answer: C

Q97. What is white-box testing?

- A. Testing with a completely white display screen view
- B. Testing software with knowledge of its internal code structure
- C. Testing comprehensive project documentation items
- D. Testing written on white paper documents and sheets

Answer: B

Q98. What is regression testing?

- A. Going backwards in the development lifecycle flow in the engineering discipline
- B. Testing the software for the very first time ever for effective project outcomes
- C. Testing the user registration feature flow only as part of the methodology
- D. Re-testing software after changes to ensure existing functionality still works

Answer: D

Q99. What is the purpose of a test plan?

- A. To outline the testing strategy, objectives, and schedule
- B. To design the user interface screen layout pages
- C. To deploy software to production server systems
- D. To write application source code for new modules

Answer: A

Q100. What is acceptance testing?

- A. Testing to determine if the software meets user requirements and is ready for delivery
- B. Accepting all reported software bugs as features in the development process
- C. Testing performed by internal developers only ever within the project scope
- D. Testing document formatting and acceptance rules during the software lifecycle

Answer: A

Q101. What is software maintenance?

- A. Writing brand new software from scratch entirely in the development process
- B. Maintaining physical hardware equipment and parts during the software lifecycle
- C. Installing software on new workstations and PCs within the project scope
- D. Modifying software after delivery to correct faults, improve performance, or adapt to changes

Answer: D

Q102. What is corrective maintenance?

- A. Improving overall system performance speed rates
- B. Fixing defects and bugs discovered after deployment
- C. Adapting software to new operating environments
- D. Adding new features and functionality to the app

Answer: B

Q103. What is adaptive maintenance?

- A. Adding brand new features to the product
- B. Modifying software to work in a changed environment
- C. Fixing bugs found after release for the development team
- D. Improving performance and speed throughout the project

Answer: B

Q104. What is perfective maintenance?

- A. Adapting software to new operating platforms only for quality purposes
- B. Making software absolutely perfect and flawless in the system context
- C. Fixing only critical security bugs and flaws only during implementation
- D. Enhancing software functionality and performance based on user feedback

Answer: D

Q105. What is preventive maintenance?

- A. Preventing all use of the software product system in practice typically
- B. Making changes to prevent future problems and improve maintainability
- C. Preventing all user access to the entire system by the organization
- D. Preventing only software bugs from occurring only as a standard approach

Answer: B

Q106. What percentage of software cost is typically spent on maintenance?

- A. 60-80%
- B. 25% acr
- C. 10% at
- D. 5% in

Answer: A

Q107. What is a software patch?

- A. A physical hardware fix and repair procedure doc
- B. A completely new software release version number
- C. A piece of code designed to fix or update existing software
- D. A fabric patch for clothing and textile repairs

Answer: C

Q108. What is legacy software?

- A. Brand new recently developed software application
- B. Open source freely available software components
- C. Older software that is still in use but may be difficult to maintain
- D. Mobile application software for phones and tablets

Answer: C

Q109. What is software evolution?

- A. Darwin's biological theory of species evolution for the project goals
- B. Permanently deleting outdated software and files according to best practices
- C. Physical hardware evolution over many years time within the system boundary
- D. The process of continuously changing and adapting software over its lifecycle

Answer: D

Q110. What is a software release?

- A. Permanently deleting the software product files
- B. A press release about the software product launch
- C. A version of software made available to users
- D. A specific type of software defect or bug found

Answer: C

Q111. What does QA stand for in software?

- A. Quantitative Assessment
- B. Query Analysis
- C. Quick Application
- D. Quality Assurance

Answer: D

Q112. What is software quality?

- A. The overall speed of software development activities
- B. The total number of features available in the app
- C. The degree to which software meets requirements and user expectations
- D. The total length of all source code lines and files

Answer: C

Q113. What is the difference between QA and testing?

- A. The two concepts are fundamentally the same exact thing across all phases
- B. QA focuses on preventing defects through processes; testing focuses on finding defects
- C. Testing is always much broader than QA practices are in a systematic way
- D. QA only involves software testing activities and nothing else for the project goals

Answer: B

Q114. What is a software standard?

- A. A physical flag or banner displayed for events according to best practices
- B. A physical computing hardware component and part by the development process
- C. A specific type of application source code module within the system boundary
- D. A documented agreement containing rules and guidelines for software development

Answer: D

Q115. What is a code inspection?

- A. A formal review of source code by peers to find defects
- B. Running the compiled application directly for users
- C. Compiling the source code into binary executables
- D. Looking at a computer display screen only visually

Answer: A

Q116. What is a software defect?

- A. An intended software feature or product capability and its related activities
- B. A scheduled software update or patch file release over the entire lifecycle
- C. A recognized software design pattern and approach as defined by standards
- D. A flaw in software that causes it to produce incorrect or unexpected results

Answer: D

Q117. What is the purpose of quality control?

- A. Checking that deliverables meet quality standards
- B. Controlling the overall project scope boundary
- C. Controlling physical hardware components and parts
- D. Controlling the overall project team size numbers

Answer: A

Q118. What is a review in software QA?

- A. A systematic examination of software artifacts to find issues
- B. A movie review and rating evaluation by critics
- C. An employee performance review and appraisal form
- D. A consumer product rating and evaluation review

Answer: A

Q119. What is ISO 9001?

- A. An international standard for quality management systems
- B. A specialized software testing tool suite and program
- C. A general-purpose programming language tool and set
- D. A specific type of application source code file only

Answer: A

Q120. What is the cost of quality?

- A. The total cost of ensuring quality plus the cost of poor quality
- B. Only the prevention costs of quality effort spent
- C. Only the rework and bug fixing cost totals only
- D. Only the software testing costs and effort totals

Answer: A

Q121. What are software metrics?

- A. A comprehensive software testing method type only for effective project outcomes
- B. Quantitative measures used to assess software quality, process, and productivity
- C. A specific type of application source code file type in the engineering discipline
- D. Physical measurements of hardware component parts to achieve project objectives

Answer: B

Q122. What is Lines of Code (LOC)?

- A. A poem or literary piece of creative written work as part of the methodology
- B. A metric that measures software size by counting the number of lines in source code
- C. A specialized debugging and tracing tool and suite during the software lifecycle
- D. A specific type of software coding error and defect in the development process

Answer: B

Q123. What is a product metric?

- A. A process metric for development workflow tracking
- B. A metric used for measuring sales revenue totals
- C. A measure of some attribute of the software product itself
- D. A hardware performance metric for device benchmarks

Answer: C

Q124. What is a process metric?

- A. A network performance metric for bandwidth speed
- B. A physical hardware component metric measurement
- C. A measure of the software product itself directly
- D. A measure of some attribute of the software development process

Answer: D

Q125. What is productivity in software metrics?

- A. The total number of meetings held per week time
- B. Working overtime hours every single week constantly
- C. The ratio of output (software produced) to input (resources used)
- D. The typing speed of individual developer teammates

Answer: C

Q126. What is defect rate?

- A. A metric for software testing execution speed rate
- B. Speed of creating new defects per work hour only
- C. The number of defects found per unit of software or time
- D. A specific type of reported software bug and defect

Answer: C

Q127. What does KLOC stand for?

- A. King Lines of Code within the
- B. Known Lines of Code throughout
- C. Thousands of Lines of Code
- D. Key Lines of Code for the

Answer: C

Q128. What is code complexity?

- A. The total number of declared variable names only for quality purposes
- B. The total length of all source code lines and files during implementation
- C. How hard source code is to initially write out in the system context
- D. A metric measuring how difficult code is to understand, test, and maintain

Answer: D

Q129. What is mean time between failures (MTBF)?

- A. The average time between system failures, indicating reliability
- B. The maximum allowed software testing time duration
- C. The average time to repair a system from failure
- D. The minimum testing frequency and interval schedule

Answer: A

Q130. What is mean time to repair (MTTR)?

- A. The average time between system failures and outages
- B. The maximum time allowed for running test suites
- C. The average time it takes to fix a failure and restore the system
- D. The minimum time to respond to a user web request

Answer: C

Q131. What is Software Configuration Management (SCM)?

- A. A creational object-oriented design pattern type
- B. The process of tracking and controlling changes to software
- C. A source code implementation coding technique only
- D. A comprehensive software testing method type only

Answer: B

Q132. What is version control?

- A. A software architecture and design method approach in the engineering discipline
- B. Controlling video game software versions and builds and related components
- C. A type of software testing methodology and approach to achieve project objectives
- D. A system that records changes to files over time so specific versions can be recalled

Answer: D

Q133. What is a baseline in configuration management?

- A. A specific line of application source code and logic as part of the methodology
- B. A starting position in a sports competition event for effective project outcomes
- C. A software testing benchmark result point and score in the development process
- D. A formally reviewed and agreed-upon specification serving as the basis for further development

Answer: D

Q134. What is a configuration item (CI)?

- A. Any artifact placed under configuration management control
- B. A user story in the product backlog items listing
- C. A piece of physical hardware equipment and component
- D. A specific automated test case scenario and script

Answer: A

Q135. What is Git?

- A. A programming language within the project
- B. A testing tool for the development team
- C. A distributed version control system
- D. A command during the software lifecycle

Answer: C

Q136. What is a commit in version control?

- A. A personal promise or commitment to other people
- B. A production deployment to end users and clients
- C. A recorded change or set of changes to the repository
- D. A test execution run and its result log report

Answer: C

Q137. What is a branch in version control?

- A. A physical tree branch in nature and the outdoors
- B. A separate line of development diverging from the main codebase
- C. A specific type of reported software bug and defect
- D. A deployment stage in the release pipeline process

Answer: B

Q138. What is merging in version control?

- A. Deleting branches in the system context
- B. Creating new files during implementation
- C. Combining changes throughout the project
- D. Integrating changes from one branch into another

Answer: D

Q139. What is a repository?

- A. A specific software testing environment and setup only in practice typically
- B. A central location where version-controlled files and their history are stored
- C. A production deployment server location and address as a standard approach
- D. A physical library building for books and resources for quality purposes

Answer: B

Q140. What is a change request?

- A. A formal proposal to modify a software configuration item
- B. A new feature request from end users and clients
- C. A request to change current employment job position
- D. A software defect bug report document filed only

Answer: A

Q141. What is risk in software project management?

- A. An uncertain event that could positively or negatively affect the project
- B. A task that has already been fully completed and done in a systematic way
- C. A documented project functional requirement and spec for the project goals
- D. An absolute certainty in the project plan document across all phases

Answer: A

Q142. What is risk identification?

- A. The process of determining which risks might affect the project
- B. Intentionally creating new project risks and issues
- C. Completely eliminating all identified project risks
- D. Deliberately ignoring all project risks completely

Answer: A

Q143. What is risk analysis?

- A. A source code implementation coding technique only
- B. Analyzing application source code logic and syntax
- C. A comprehensive software testing method approach
- D. Evaluating identified risks to determine their probability and impact

Answer: D

Q144. What is risk mitigation?

- A. Accepting all identified risks without any action
- B. Taking actions to reduce the probability or impact of a risk
- C. Deliberately ignoring all identified project risks
- D. Avoiding all projects and work activities entirely

Answer: B

Q145. What is a risk register?

- A. A physical cash register in a retail store space according to best practices
- B. A hardware register for storing CPU data and values by the development process
- C. A document listing identified risks, their analysis, and planned responses
- D. A specific type of application source code file only within the system boundary

Answer: C

Q146. What are the two components used to assess risk?

- A. Code and tests over the
- B. Scope and quality
- C. Probability and impact
- D. Time and money and its

Answer: C

Q147. What is a risk response strategy?

- A. Deleting the risk register and all documents too
- B. Running away from all identified project risks now
- C. A planned approach to address an identified risk
- D. Deliberately ignoring the identified risk entirely

Answer: C

Q148. What is risk avoidance?

- A. Accepting the risk without any planned action taken
- B. Changing the project plan to eliminate a risk or its impact
- C. Deliberately ignoring the identified risk in full
- D. Avoiding the project entirely from the very start

Answer: B

Q149. What is risk transfer?

- A. Transferring application source code ownership
- B. Moving data to a different storage location setup
- C. Shifting the impact of a risk to a third party
- D. Moving to a new office building location downtown

Answer: C

Q150. What is risk acceptance?

- A. Accepting all reported bugs as intended features only
- B. Accepting all proposed requirement changes submitted
- C. Accepting that the project will certainly fail overall
- D. Acknowledging a risk and deciding to take no preemptive action

Answer: D

Q151. What is software security?

- A. Locking the physical computer server room and door across all phases
- B. Using strong passwords for user accounts only ever for the project goals
- C. Protecting software from unauthorized access, use, modification, and destruction
- D. Installing antivirus software applications only ever in a systematic way

Answer: C

Q152. What is authentication?

- A. Verifying the identity of a user or system
- B. Encryption within the system boundary
- C. Firewall configuration by the development process
- D. Authorization according to best practices

Answer: A

Q153. What is authorization?

- A. Encryption over the entire lifecycle as defined by standards
- B. Authentication and its related activities
- C. Determining what permissions an authenticated user has
- D. Decryption for all project stakeholders within the given

Answer: C

Q154. What is encryption?

- A. Authentication in the engineering discipline for effective project outcomes
- B. Converting data into a coded form to prevent unauthorized access
- C. Compression in all development efforts by the project team members
- D. Decryption and related components to achieve project objectives

Answer: B

Q155. What is a vulnerability in software?

- A. A software defect fix and patch release and update
- B. A specific automated test case and scenario and script
- C. An intended software feature and product capability
- D. A weakness that can be exploited to compromise security

Answer: D

Q156. What is a security threat?

- A. A scheduled software update release event and launch as part of the methodology
- B. A formal source code peer review session and meeting during the software lifecycle
- C. A potential cause of an unwanted incident that may result in harm to a system
- D. A new feature request from stakeholders and clients in the development process

Answer: C

Q157. What is SQL injection?

- A. A database installation and setup procedure and guide
- B. An attack that inserts malicious SQL code into application queries
- C. A scheduled database backup and restore job and task
- D. A standard SQL database query feature and capability

Answer: B

Q158. What is cross-site scripting (XSS)?

- A. An attack where malicious scripts are injected into web pages viewed by other users
- B. A JavaScript library for DOM manipulation and events throughout the project
- C. A CSS framework for styling web content and layouts for the development team
- D. A source code implementation coding technique and tool within the project scope

Answer: A

Q159. What is a firewall?

- A. A type of computer virus or malware threat and attack during implementation
- B. A general-purpose programming language tool and system for quality purposes
- C. A physical wall constructed of fire bricks and mortar in the system context
- D. A network security device that monitors and controls incoming and outgoing traffic

Answer: D

Q160. What is HTTPS?

- A. A general-purpose programming language type and tool in practice typically
- B. A specific type of database storage system and service as a standard approach
- C. A comprehensive software testing framework and tool set by the organization
- D. HTTP Secure — a protocol for secure communication over a network using encryption

Answer: D

Q161. What is the primary purpose of software engineering practices?

- A. To eliminate the need for any project documentation
- B. To maximize the number of programming languages used
- C. To focus exclusively on writing source code quickly
- D. To apply systematic methods to software development

Answer: D

Q162. Which term describes software that is free from defects?

- A. Reliable software
- B. Recursive software
- C. Redundant software
- D. Reflective software

Answer: A

Q163. What is a software development life cycle (SDLC)?

- A. A programming language used for building systems
- B. A network protocol for transferring project data
- C. A framework defining steps in software development
- D. A hardware specification for running applications

Answer: C

Q164. Which of these is a key challenge in software engineering?

- A. Increasing the number of operating systems used
- B. Managing changing project requirements over time
- C. Ensuring hardware components are always upgraded
- D. Reducing the physical size of server equipment

Answer: B

Q165. What does the term 'stakeholder' mean in software projects?

- A. A testing tool used for automated regression tests
- B. A developer who writes the majority of source code
- C. A server that hosts the application in production
- D. Anyone with an interest in the software project outcome

Answer: D

Q166. What is meant by software maintainability?

- A. Number of features included in the first release
- B. Amount of memory the software consumes at runtime
- C. Ease of modifying software after initial deployment
- D. Speed at which software executes user operations

Answer: C

Q167. Which activity comes first in most software development processes?

- A. Performance testing and tuning
- B. Source code implementation phase
- C. Requirements gathering and analysis
- D. System deployment and release

Answer: C

Q168. What is the role of a software engineer?

- A. To design, develop, and maintain software systems
- B. To manage financial accounting for the company
- C. To install electrical wiring in office buildings
- D. To manufacture physical computer hardware units

Answer: A

Q169. What does 'scalability' mean for a software system?

- A. Requirement to rewrite code for every new feature
- B. Tendency to decrease in performance under any load
- C. Ability to handle growing amounts of work efficiently
- D. Capability to run on a single device without issues

Answer: C

Q170. Which of the following best describes a software prototype?

- A. The final production release of the application
- B. An early working model of the proposed system
- C. A hardware device used during system testing
- D. A legal contract between client and developers

Answer: B

Q171. What is the waterfall model in software development?

- A. A random unstructured method without any planning steps
- B. A circular iterative approach with no defined ending point
- C. A sequential linear development approach with distinct phases
- D. A parallel development technique using multiple teams only

Answer: C

Q172. Which phase typically follows design in the waterfall model?

- A. Implementation and coding
- B. System deployment step
- C. Requirements gathering
- D. Project initiation phase

Answer: A

Q173. What is an iterative development process?

- A. Repeating development cycles to refine the software product
- B. Skipping testing phases to accelerate delivery timelines
- C. Completing all development in a single pass without changes
- D. Eliminating design activities to focus on coding tasks

Answer: A

Q174. What does the V-model emphasize in software development?

- A. Eliminating all forms of documentation from the process
- B. Combining all phases into a single continuous activity
- C. Removing verification activities to save project time
- D. Corresponding testing phase for each development stage

Answer: D

Q175. Which model allows returning to previous phases if needed?

- A. Incremental model
- B. Pure waterfall model
- C. Big bang model only
- D. Code and fix model

Answer: A

Q176. What is the main advantage of using a process model?

- A. It eliminates the need for skilled software developers
- B. It guarantees the software will have zero defect count
- C. It removes all project risks from the development work
- D. It provides structure and predictability to development

Answer: D

Q177. In which model is software delivered in small functional pieces?

- A. Ad hoc coding method
- B. Big bang development way
- C. Incremental delivery model
- D. Pure waterfall approach

Answer: C

Q178. What is a spiral model primarily concerned with?

- A. Eliminating documentation
- B. Avoiding testing phases
- C. Reducing team size needs
- D. Risk analysis and management

Answer: D

Q179. What is the prototyping model used for?

- A. Replacing all testing with user observation sessions
- B. Building early versions to clarify system requirements
- C. Eliminating the need for any design documentation
- D. Skipping requirements and jumping to final deployment

Answer: B

Q180. Which model is best suited for well-understood requirements?

- A. Spiral model technique
- B. Prototyping model plan
- C. Waterfall model approach
- D. Agile methodology way

Answer: C

Q181. What is the core principle of agile software development?

- A. Following a strict sequential development process
- B. Completing comprehensive documentation before coding
- C. Avoiding customer collaboration during development
- D. Responding to change over following a rigid plan

Answer: D

Q182. What is a sprint in Scrum methodology?

- A. A method for deploying applications to production servers
- B. A tool for measuring source code execution performance
- C. A document describing all system requirements upfront
- D. A fixed time period for completing a set of work items

Answer: D

Q183. Who is the Product Owner in Scrum?

- A. The developer who writes the most lines of source code
- B. The tester who executes all automated regression test suites
- C. The person who manages the server infrastructure setup
- D. The person responsible for maximizing product value delivered

Answer: D

Q184. What is a user story in agile development?

- A. A formal contract between the client and development team
- B. A detailed technical specification for database schema design
- C. A short description of a feature from the user perspective
- D. A comprehensive test plan covering all system components

Answer: C

Q185. What does the Agile Manifesto value most?

- A. Contract negotiation over customer collaboration efforts
- B. Following a plan over responding to change requests
- C. Individuals and interactions over processes and tools
- D. Comprehensive documentation over working software delivery

Answer: C

Q186. What is a daily standup meeting in agile?

- A. A monthly review of the project budget and resources
- B. A brief daily meeting to share progress and obstacles
- C. A quarterly assessment of organizational strategy goals
- D. A weekly planning session for the entire project scope

Answer: B

Q187. What is the purpose of a product backlog?

- A. To list all desired features and work items for the product
- B. To track employee attendance and working hours precisely
- C. To document the organizational chart of the company fully
- D. To store source code versions in a repository management tool

Answer: A

Q188. How long is a typical Scrum sprint?

- A. One to two days only
- B. One to four weeks
- C. Eight to ten months
- D. Six to twelve months

Answer: B

Q189. What is the Scrum Master's primary role?

- A. To approve all design choices
- B. To manage project budget
- C. To facilitate the Scrum process
- D. To write most of the code

Answer: C

Q190. What happens during a sprint review?

- A. All unfinished tasks are permanently removed from scope
- B. The team demonstrates completed work to stakeholders
- C. The development environment is reset to default state
- D. The project budget is reduced by senior management

Answer: B

Q191. What is requirements engineering in software development?

- A. The process of discovering and documenting system needs
- B. A strategy for deploying applications to cloud servers
- C. A technique for writing efficient source code algorithms
- D. A method for testing software performance under load

Answer: A

Q192. What is a functional requirement?

- A. A specification of what the system should do for users
- B. A plan for marketing the software product to customers
- C. A schedule for training end users on system operations
- D. A description of the hardware needed to run the system

Answer: A

Q193. What is a non-functional requirement?

- A. A project schedule milestone for the delivery deadline
- B. A feature that the system must implement for the user
- C. A programming language choice for the development team
- D. A constraint on how the system performs its functions

Answer: D

Q194. Who are the primary sources of software requirements?

- A. Hardware manufacturers and network equipment vendors
- B. Operating system kernel developers and maintainers
- C. Compiler designers and programming language creators
- D. Stakeholders and end users of the system being built

Answer: D

Q195. What is a Software Requirements Specification (SRS)?

- A. A network diagram showing system topology and connections
- B. A database schema defining all tables and relationships
- C. A source code file containing the main application logic
- D. A document that describes all system requirements in detail

Answer: D

Q196. What does 'requirements elicitation' mean?

- A. Testing the software against its documented requirements
- B. Gathering requirements from stakeholders and other sources
- C. Deploying the finished software to the production server
- D. Deleting unnecessary requirements from the project scope

Answer: B

Q197. Which of these is an example of a non-functional requirement?

- A. The system shall generate monthly financial reports
- B. The system shall send email notifications to users
- C. The system shall respond to queries within two seconds
- D. The system shall allow users to create new accounts

Answer: C

Q198. What is the purpose of requirements validation?

- A. To ensure requirements accurately reflect stakeholder needs
- B. To train end users on how to operate the new system
- C. To deploy the software to the staging environment first
- D. To write source code that implements the system features

Answer: A

Q199. What is a use case in requirements engineering?

- A. A report on the system's performance test results
- B. A list of programming languages used in the project
- C. A diagram of the database schema and relationships
- D. A description of how users interact with the system

Answer: D

Q200. Why is requirements traceability important?

- A. It links requirements to design, code, and test artifacts
- B. It eliminates the need for user acceptance testing work
- C. It reduces the amount of memory the application uses
- D. It speeds up the compilation of the source code files

Answer: A

Q201. What is the primary goal of software project management?

- A. Installing and configuring the production server hardware equipment
- B. Writing all the source code for the project without any team members
- C. Designing the user interface layout and choosing the color schemes
- D. Delivering software on time, within budget, and meeting quality standards

Answer: D

Q202. What is a project milestone?

- A. A hardware component required for the server infrastructure
- B. A significant checkpoint marking completion of a project phase
- C. A type of programming error found during code review sessions
- D. A daily task assigned to individual software developers on team

Answer: B

Q203. What is the purpose of a Gantt chart in project management?

- A. To document all the source code changes made by developers
- B. To track the number of defects found during system testing
- C. To visually represent the project schedule and task timelines
- D. To calculate the total budget required for hardware purchases

Answer: C

Q204. What does WBS stand for in project management?

- A. Workflow Business Strategy
- B. Wireless Bandwidth System
- C. Web Based Software tool
- D. Work Breakdown Structure

Answer: D

Q205. Who is responsible for overall project success?

- A. The quality assurance tester only
- B. The external client exclusively
- C. The project manager leading the team
- D. Each individual developer equally

Answer: C

Q206. What is project scope in software development?

- A. The defined boundaries of what the project will deliver
- B. The programming language selected for implementation
- C. The total number of developers assigned to the team
- D. The number of servers allocated for production use

Answer: A

Q207. What is resource allocation in project management?

- A. Assigning people, tools, and budget to project activities
- B. Designing the database schema for the system storage
- C. Deleting unnecessary files from the project repository
- D. Running automated tests on the application source code

Answer: A

Q208. What is the critical path in a project schedule?

- A. A shortcut method for skipping non-essential project activities
- B. The easiest set of tasks that any team member can complete alone
- C. A backup plan executed only when the main project plan fails
- D. The longest sequence of dependent tasks determining project duration

Answer: D

Q209. What is a project stakeholder?

- A. Only the software developers who write the application source code
- B. Just the project manager who oversees the entire development team
- C. Exclusively the client who pays for the software development work
- D. Anyone who has an interest in or is affected by the project outcome

Answer: D

Q210. What does project monitoring involve?

- A. Tracking progress and comparing it against the original plan
- B. Writing source code for the application features and modules
- C. Conducting final user acceptance testing before deployment
- D. Designing the user interface screens and navigation flows

Answer: A

Q211. What is software design in the development process?

- A. A technique for deploying software to production servers
- B. A strategy for gathering requirements from stakeholders
- C. A method for testing software under heavy load conditions
- D. The process of defining system structure and components

Answer: D

Q212. What is cohesion in software design?

- A. The degree to which elements within a module belong together
- B. The total number of lines of code in a software application
- C. The speed at which the application responds to user actions
- D. The amount of dependencies between different software modules

Answer: A

Q213. What is coupling in software design?

- A. The speed at which the application compiles from source
- B. The degree of interdependence between software modules
- C. The total number of classes in the application codebase
- D. The amount of documentation written for each module

Answer: B

Q214. What is the goal of good software design?

- A. Neither cohesion nor coupling matter in quality design work
- B. High coupling between modules and low cohesion within them
- C. High cohesion within modules and low coupling between them
- D. Equal cohesion and coupling across all system components

Answer: C

Q215. What is an interface in software design?

- A. A network protocol for transmitting data between servers
- B. A contract defining how components interact with each other
- C. A database table storing application configuration settings
- D. A visual screen layout designed for end user interactions only

Answer: B

Q216. What is modularity in software design?

- A. Writing all code in a single file without any organization
- B. Maximizing dependencies between all parts of the system
- C. Dividing software into separate independent functional units
- D. Avoiding any separation of concerns in the code structure

Answer: C

Q217. What is abstraction in software design?

- A. Avoiding any simplification of the system's internal logic
- B. Making all internal data structures visible to every module
- C. Including every implementation detail in the public interface
- D. Hiding complex details and showing only essential features

Answer: D

Q218. What is the purpose of a design pattern?

- A. To increase the complexity of the software architecture
- B. To provide reusable solutions to common design problems
- C. To replace the need for requirements analysis activities
- D. To create unique solutions that cannot be reused anywhere

Answer: B

Q219. What is encapsulation in object-oriented design?

- A. Exposing all internal data to every part of the program
- B. Allowing unrestricted access to all object internal states
- C. Bundling data and methods together and restricting access
- D. Separating data from the methods that operate on the data

Answer: C

Q220. What is a class diagram used for in software design?

- A. To display the project timeline and scheduling milestones
- B. To show the structure of classes and their relationships
- C. To illustrate network topology and server configurations
- D. To represent database queries and their execution plans

Answer: B

Q221. What is software architecture?

- A. A detailed line-by-line description of the source code logic
- B. A specific programming language used for building applications
- C. A testing framework for validating user interface interactions
- D. The high-level structure of a software system and its components

Answer: D

Q222. What is a client-server architecture?

- A. A design pattern for sorting data in ascending order quickly
- B. A system where all processing occurs on the user device only
- C. A system where clients request services from a central server
- D. A testing methodology for validating database query results

Answer: C

Q223. What is a layered architecture?

- A. An architecture using a single flat structure without layers
- B. An architecture organizing software into hierarchical layers
- C. A deployment strategy for distributing code across servers
- D. A testing technique for validating multi-step user workflows

Answer: B

Q224. What is a monolithic architecture?

- A. A single unified application where all components are interconnected
- B. A database architecture using multiple separate data storage nodes
- C. A network topology with redundant connections between all nodes
- D. A distributed system with many independent microservice components

Answer: A

Q225. What is the purpose of an architectural pattern?

- A. To define specific algorithms for data processing and sorting
- B. To provide proven solutions for common structural design problems
- C. To specify the exact programming language for implementation
- D. To determine the number of developers needed for a project

Answer: B

Q226. What is a microservices architecture?

- A. Small independent services that communicate over network protocols
- B. A single large application built as one deployable unit together
- C. A programming style using only one function for all logic needs
- D. A database design using only a single table for all data items

Answer: A

Q227. What is a pipe-and-filter architecture?

- A. Data flows through processing components connected in sequence
- B. A user interface pattern for displaying forms and input fields
- C. All components execute simultaneously without any data flow order
- D. A database technique for filtering query results by conditions

Answer: A

Q228. What is a repository architecture?

- A. Data is distributed randomly across components without any order
- B. Each component maintains its own isolated copy of all system data
- C. Components never share any data and operate fully independently
- D. Components share data through a central data store or repository

Answer: D

Q229. What does 'architectural style' refer to?

- A. A family of systems sharing structural and behavioral properties
- B. A method for writing unit tests for individual code functions
- C. A specific color scheme used for the application user interface
- D. A technique for compressing files to reduce storage space used

Answer: A

Q230. What is the role of an architect in software development?

- A. Writing all the unit tests for the application source code now
- B. Making high-level design decisions about system structure choices
- C. Managing the project budget and timeline schedules for delivery
- D. Conducting user interviews to gather system requirements only

Answer: B

Q231. What is user interface (UI) design?

- A. Managing version control repositories for source code
- B. Writing backend database queries for data retrieval tasks
- C. Designing visual elements that users interact with on screen
- D. Configuring server infrastructure for application hosting

Answer: C

Q232. What is usability in UI design?

- A. The total number of colors used in the application theme
- B. The programming language used to implement the interface
- C. How easy and efficient it is for users to use the interface
- D. The amount of data stored in the application database

Answer: C

Q233. What is a wireframe in UI design?

- A. A basic visual layout showing the structure of a page
- B. A database diagram showing tables and their relationships
- C. A network map displaying server connections and topology
- D. A fully functional prototype with all features implemented

Answer: A

Q234. What does 'responsive design' mean?

- A. Design that adapts to different screen sizes and devices
- B. Design that responds quickly to user input and actions
- C. Design that avoids any visual elements on the interface
- D. Design that uses only one fixed layout for all screens

Answer: A

Q235. What is the purpose of user feedback in UI design?

- A. To reduce the number of features available to end users
- B. To understand user needs and improve the interface design
- C. To increase the amount of code in the application files
- D. To eliminate the need for any future design improvements

Answer: B

Q236. What is a call-to-action (CTA) in UI design?

- A. A prompt encouraging users to take a specific action step
- B. A backend process running on the application server side
- C. A database constraint enforcing data integrity rules now
- D. A technical error message displayed during system failure

Answer: A

Q237. What is navigation in user interface design?

- A. The server-side logic that processes user form inputs
- B. The encryption algorithm protecting sensitive user data
- C. The means by which users move through an application
- D. The database indexing strategy for faster data queries

Answer: C

Q238. What is visual hierarchy in UI design?

- A. Hiding important elements behind multiple menu layers
- B. Removing all visual distinctions between page elements
- C. Arranging elements to guide user attention by importance
- D. Placing all elements at the same size and visual weight

Answer: C

Q239. What is the goal of accessibility in UI design?

- A. Making interfaces only usable by experienced tech users
- B. Reducing the number of interactive elements on a page
- C. Restricting access to the interface based on user roles
- D. Making interfaces usable by people with diverse abilities

Answer: D

Q240. What is a tooltip in user interface design?

- A. A small popup providing information when hovering over an element
- B. A large modal window requiring user input before proceeding further
- C. A background service processing data without any user interaction
- D. A database record storing user preferences and account settings

Answer: A

Q241. What is source code in software development?

- A. A network configuration file for setting up server connections
- B. The physical hardware on which software applications run today
- C. Human-readable instructions written in a programming language
- D. A project management document describing the timeline and budget

Answer: C

Q242. What is a compiler used for in software development?

- A. Translating source code into machine-executable binary code
- B. Creating database schemas and defining table relationships
- C. Designing the user interface layout for web applications only
- D. Managing project team members and assigning work to them

Answer: A

Q243. What is code refactoring?

- A. Removing all comments and documentation from the source code
- B. Deploying the application to a new production server environment
- C. Restructuring existing code without changing its external behavior
- D. Adding new features and functionality to the software product

Answer: C

Q244. What is version control in software development?

- A. A system for tracking and managing changes to source code files
- B. A tool for managing hardware inventory in the server data room
- C. A method for testing the application performance under load now
- D. A technique for designing the user interface with color themes

Answer: A

Q245. What is the purpose of code comments?

- A. To explain the intent and logic of code for future readers
- B. To encrypt the source code to prevent unauthorized access now
- C. To increase the execution speed of the compiled application
- D. To add new features without modifying any existing source code

Answer: A

Q246. What is an Integrated Development Environment (IDE)?

- A. A database management system for storing application data now
- B. A software tool combining editor, compiler, and debugger features
- C. A physical room where developers work together on a project
- D. A hardware device used for testing software on mobile devices

Answer: B

Q247. What is a syntax error in programming?

- A. A violation of the programming language grammar and structure rules
- B. A performance issue that causes the application to run very slowly
- C. A logical mistake that produces incorrect output from the program
- D. A design flaw in the system architecture causing scalability issues

Answer: A

Q248. What is debugging in software development?

- A. Finding and fixing defects and errors in the source code logic
- B. Deploying the application to the production server environment
- C. Writing new source code to add features to the application
- D. Designing the database schema for the application data store

Answer: A

Q249. What is a code review?

- A. Running automated performance tests on the production environment
- B. Deleting all source code and starting the project from scratch now
- C. Installing software updates on all developer workstation machines
- D. Examining source code by peers to find defects and improve quality

Answer: D

Q250. What is the purpose of coding standards?

- A. To prevent any developer from modifying code written by other people
- B. To ensure consistent code style and quality across the development team
- C. To eliminate the need for testing by ensuring code is always correct
- D. To restrict developers from using any external libraries or frameworks

Answer: B

Q251. What is the main purpose of software testing?

- A. To design the user interface layout and visual style elements
- B. To deploy the application to the production server environment
- C. To find defects and verify the software meets its requirements
- D. To write the source code for the application being developed

Answer: C

Q252. What is a test case in software testing?

- A. A set of conditions and expected results for verifying functionality
- B. A hardware component required for running the test environment
- C. A programming language used for writing application source code
- D. A project management document listing all team member assignments

Answer: A

Q253. What is unit testing?

- A. Testing network connectivity between all production server nodes
- B. Testing the entire integrated system from end to end completely
- C. Testing the user interface for visual design and layout accuracy
- D. Testing individual components or functions in isolation from others

Answer: D

Q254. What is integration testing?

- A. Testing the project schedule against the planned delivery dates
- B. Testing how multiple components work together as a combined unit
- C. Testing individual functions in complete isolation from all others
- D. Testing the application user interface for accessibility standards

Answer: B

Q255. What is a bug or defect in software?

- A. A new feature requested by the client during the development phase
- B. A hardware failure in the production server causing system downtime
- C. A scheduled maintenance window for updating the operating system
- D. A flaw causing the software to produce incorrect or unexpected results

Answer: D

Q256. What is regression testing?

- A. Testing new features for the first time before release to production
- B. Removing features from the software to simplify the application now
- C. Retesting software after changes to ensure existing features still work
- D. Writing new source code to implement additional system requirements

Answer: C

Q257. What is system testing?

- A. Testing a single function or method in isolation from all other code
- B. Testing only the network configuration of the production servers
- C. Testing only the database queries for correctness and performance
- D. Testing the complete integrated system against specified requirements

Answer: D

Q258. What is the difference between manual and automated testing?

- A. Manual testing is done by humans; automated testing uses scripts and tools
- B. Automated testing cannot find any bugs that manual testing would miss
- C. Manual and automated testing produce identical results in all scenarios
- D. Manual testing is always faster than automated testing in every situation

Answer: A

Q259. What is acceptance testing?

- A. Testing the network bandwidth between the client and server nodes
- B. Testing to determine if the system satisfies the acceptance criteria
- C. Testing individual database tables for data integrity constraints
- D. Testing the internal code structure for compliance with style guides

Answer: B

Q260. What is a test plan?

- A. A database query for retrieving user account information data
- B. A document describing the testing scope, approach, and schedule
- C. A network diagram showing the production server architecture
- D. A source code file containing the main application entry point

Answer: B

Q261. What is software maintenance?

- A. Modifying software after delivery to correct faults or improve performance
- B. Writing the initial source code for a brand new software application
- C. Designing the system architecture before any development work begins
- D. Gathering user requirements during the early project planning phases

Answer: A

Q262. What is corrective maintenance?

- A. Fixing bugs and defects discovered after software has been deployed
- B. Adapting software to work in a new operating system environment
- C. Improving performance without changing any existing functionality
- D. Adding brand new features requested by the users after deployment

Answer: A

Q263. What is adaptive maintenance?

- A. Adding new features that were not in the original requirements set
- B. Fixing defects found during production use of the deployed system
- C. Modifying software to work in a changed or new environment context
- D. Restructuring code to improve readability without behavior change

Answer: C

Q264. What is perfective maintenance?

- A. Fixing critical bugs that prevent the system from functioning at all
- B. Removing the software from production and replacing it with a new one
- C. Modifying the software to run on a completely different platform now
- D. Enhancing software by adding new features or improving existing ones

Answer: D

Q265. What percentage of total software costs does maintenance typically represent?

- A. About twenty percent of total lifecycle costs
- B. Over sixty percent of total lifecycle costs
- C. Less than five percent of total lifecycle costs
- D. Exactly ten percent of total lifecycle costs

Answer: B

Q266. What is preventive maintenance?

- A. Making changes to prevent future problems and improve maintainability
- B. Adding features only when explicitly requested by the project sponsor
- C. Fixing bugs only after users report them in the production environment
- D. Removing all documentation from the codebase to simplify the system

Answer: A

Q267. What is a software patch?

- A. A full version upgrade adding many new features and capabilities now
- B. A small update released to fix specific bugs or security issues quickly
- C. A complete rewrite of the entire application from scratch using new code
- D. A hardware replacement required to run updated software on the server

Answer: B

Q268. Why is documentation important for software maintenance?

- A. It increases the file size of the project without adding any value
- B. It is only useful during initial development and never after that
- C. It helps maintainers understand the system to make changes correctly
- D. It slows down maintenance by requiring reading before any changes

Answer: C

Q269. What is software evolution?

- A. The continuous process of changing software throughout its lifetime
- B. A one-time event that happens only during initial development phase
- C. The process of permanently discontinuing a software product fully
- D. A testing technique applied only before the first release of code

Answer: A

Q270. What is legacy software?

- A. Brand new software developed using the latest programming frameworks
- B. A type of testing framework used exclusively for mobile applications
- C. Older software that remains in use despite outdated technology choices
- D. A project management methodology for small startup development teams

Answer: C

Q271. What is quality assurance (QA) in software engineering?

- A. A programming language designed for writing high-quality source code automatically
- B. A specific testing technique used only during the final phase of development work
- C. A hardware specification defining minimum requirements for running applications
- D. Planned activities ensuring the development process produces quality software products

Answer: D

Q272. What is the difference between quality assurance and quality control?

- A. QA focuses on processes; quality control focuses on product inspection and testing
- B. QA and quality control are identical concepts with no meaningful differences at all
- C. QA is done after release; quality control is done before development starts now
- D. QA tests the product; quality control improves the development process activities

Answer: A

Q273. What is a software quality standard?

- A. A hardware requirement for running the quality assurance testing tools now
- B. A documented set of criteria that software must meet for acceptable quality
- C. A project management template for scheduling development team meetings
- D. A specific programming language recommended for building quality software

Answer: B

Q274. What is the purpose of a quality audit?

- A. To deploy the application to the production environment for user access
- B. To evaluate whether quality processes are being followed correctly by teams
- C. To design the database schema and define table relationships for storage
- D. To write source code for the application features and user interface now

Answer: B

Q275. What does ISO 9001 relate to in software engineering?

- A. A quality management system standard applicable to software development
- B. A specific programming language standard for embedded system software
- C. A hardware interface specification for connecting peripheral devices now
- D. A network protocol standard for transmitting data between computers

Answer: A

Q276. What is a defect in the context of quality assurance?

- A. A positive user review about the software application performance
- B. Any deviation from the expected behavior defined in the requirements
- C. A new feature added to the software after the initial release date
- D. A planned system downtime for performing scheduled maintenance work

Answer: B

Q277. What is the role of a QA engineer?

- A. Managing the project budget and negotiating contracts with vendors now
- B. Ensuring software quality through testing, reviews, and process improvement
- C. Designing the network infrastructure for the production environment
- D. Writing all the source code for the application without any supervision

Answer: B

Q278. What is peer review in quality assurance?

- A. A management review of project budget and timeline progress reports
- B. A single developer reviewing their own code without any external feedback
- C. Team members examining each other's work to find defects and improvements
- D. An automated tool scanning source code for syntax errors and warnings

Answer: C

Q279. What is a quality metric?

- A. A hardware sensor measuring server temperature in the data center
- B. A type of source code comment used for documenting class interfaces
- C. A network monitoring tool tracking bandwidth usage and latency now
- D. A measurable indicator of software quality attributes and characteristics

Answer: D

Q280. Why is quality important in software engineering?

- A. It increases the number of defects found during production operations
- B. It makes the source code longer and more difficult to understand now
- C. It ensures user satisfaction, reduces costs, and builds customer trust
- D. It slows down development without providing any measurable benefits

Answer: C

Q281. What are software metrics?

- A. Quantitative measures used to assess software quality and processes
- B. A type of programming language for building web applications today
- C. A hardware specification for measuring processor clock speed rates
- D. A project management tool for scheduling team meetings and events

Answer: A

Q282. What does Lines of Code (LOC) measure?

- A. The amount of memory the software uses during runtime execution
- B. The speed at which the application executes user requests today
- C. The number of team members working on the software project now
- D. The size of a software program by counting its source code lines

Answer: D

Q283. What is cyclomatic complexity?

- A. A method for designing user interfaces for mobile application screens
- B. A strategy for managing project budgets and resource allocations today
- C. A technique for deploying software to cloud computing environments now
- D. A measure of the number of independent paths through a program's code

Answer: D

Q284. Why are software metrics important?

- A. They replace the need for experienced developers on the team now
- B. They eliminate the need for any testing or quality assurance work
- C. They provide objective data for making informed project decisions
- D. They guarantee that all software products will be defect-free always

Answer: C

Q285. What is a product metric?

- A. A measure of some attribute of the software product being developed
- B. A financial metric tracking company revenue from software licenses
- C. A hardware metric measuring server uptime and availability rates
- D. A measure of the development process performance and efficiency now

Answer: A

Q286. What is a process metric?

- A. A type of user interface element used in dashboard design layouts
- B. A measure of the final product features and characteristics directly
- C. A network measurement tool for tracking data transfer speed rates
- D. A measure of the software development process effectiveness and quality

Answer: D

Q287. What does defect density measure?

- A. The physical density of storage media used by the application today
- B. The number of defects per unit size of the software being measured
- C. The visual density of elements on the user interface screen layout
- D. The network traffic density between the client and server systems

Answer: B

Q288. What is the purpose of measuring code coverage?

- A. To determine what percentage of code is exercised by test suites
- B. To count the total number of source code files in the project now
- C. To track the number of developers contributing to the codebase
- D. To measure the physical disk space occupied by the application

Answer: A

Q289. What is mean time between failures (MTBF)?

- A. The time it takes to write one line of source code on average
- B. The average time a system operates between consecutive failures
- C. The average salary of developers working on the software project
- D. The number of features added to each software release on average

Answer: B

Q290. What is a baseline in software measurement?

- A. A default user interface theme applied when the application starts
- B. A specific line of code that forms the foundation of the application
- C. A reference point for comparing future measurements and tracking change
- D. A minimum hardware requirement for running the software application

Answer: C

Q291. What is software configuration management (SCM)?

- A. Managing and tracking changes to software throughout its lifecycle
- B. A hardware setup process for servers in the data center facility
- C. A programming technique for writing configuration file parsers now
- D. A testing method for verifying system configuration settings only

Answer: A

Q292. What is version control in configuration management?

- A. A technique for designing user interfaces with multiple theme options
- B. A strategy for managing team member schedules and work assignments
- C. A method for testing different versions of the software simultaneously
- D. A system that records changes to files over time for later retrieval

Answer: D

Q293. What is a software baseline in configuration management?

- A. A preliminary draft of the source code before any reviews take place
- B. An informal agreement between developers about coding style preferences
- C. A formally reviewed and agreed-upon specification serving as a reference
- D. A temporary test environment used during development and testing only

Answer: C

Q294. What is a configuration item (CI)?

- A. An artifact that is placed under configuration management and tracked
- B. A physical server component that needs regular hardware maintenance
- C. A project management tool for scheduling team meetings and events
- D. A financial metric tracking development costs against the project budget

Answer: A

Q295. What is the purpose of a change control board (CCB)?

- A. To conduct performance testing on the application before release to users
- B. To design the user interface screens and navigation flows for the system
- C. To evaluate and approve or reject proposed changes to the project baseline
- D. To write all the source code for the application without any team input

Answer: C

Q296. What is a code repository?

- A. A customer support center handling user complaints and feature requests
- B. A central location where source code is stored and version controlled
- C. A training facility where developers learn new programming languages
- D. A physical library containing printed copies of programming textbooks

Answer: B

Q297. What is branching in version control?

- A. Deploying the application to multiple production servers simultaneously
- B. Creating a separate line of development from the main codebase path
- C. Merging all team members' work into a single file without any review
- D. Deleting old versions of the source code to save disk storage space

Answer: B

Q298. What is merging in version control?

- A. Combining changes from different branches into a single unified branch
- B. Splitting a single file into multiple smaller files for better organization
- C. Creating a new repository from scratch without any existing source code
- D. Deleting all branches except the main branch to simplify the repository

Answer: A

Q299. What is a commit in version control?

- A. A snapshot of changes saved to the repository at a specific point in time
- B. A financial transaction related to purchasing software licenses for tools
- C. A verbal agreement between team members about the project scope and goals
- D. A hardware upgrade performed on the development workstation machines now

Answer: A

Q300. What is a release in software configuration management?

- A. A meeting where the team discusses upcoming features and priorities now
- B. A training session for new developers joining the project team currently
- C. A testing phase where all automated test suites are executed and reviewed
- D. A version of the software distributed to users for installation and use

Answer: D

Q301. What is risk in software project management?

- A. A completed task that has already been delivered successfully now
- B. An uncertain event that could negatively impact the project outcome
- C. A team meeting scheduled to discuss upcoming project milestones
- D. A guaranteed problem that will definitely occur during development

Answer: B

Q302. What is risk identification?

- A. The process of eliminating all possible risks from the project scope
- B. The process of finding and documenting potential project risks early
- C. A technique for writing source code without any potential defects
- D. A method for deploying software to production without any testing

Answer: B

Q303. What is risk mitigation?

- A. Taking actions to reduce the probability or impact of identified risks
- B. Ignoring identified risks and hoping they will not occur during work
- C. Removing all project constraints to eliminate potential risk factors
- D. Increasing the likelihood of risks to test the team's response ability

Answer: A

Q304. What is a risk register used for?

- A. Tracking employee attendance and work hours for payroll processing
- B. Storing source code backups on external hard drives for recovery
- C. Managing customer support tickets and feature request submissions
- D. Recording identified risks with their assessments and response plans

Answer: D

Q305. What is risk probability?

- A. The likelihood that a specific risk event will actually occur today
- B. The guaranteed certainty that a risk will happen in every project
- C. The cost of fixing a problem after it occurs in production later
- D. The time required to complete the project from start to finish

Answer: A

Q306. What is risk impact?

- A. The total budget allocated for the software development project
- B. The number of team members assigned to work on the project now
- C. The severity of consequences if a risk event actually materializes
- D. The programming language selected for implementing the features

Answer: C

Q307. What is risk avoidance?

- A. Increasing the risk probability to learn from potential failure events
- B. Changing the project plan to eliminate the risk or its impact entirely
- C. Accepting the risk and taking no action to address it at all currently
- D. Transferring the risk to another team without any formal agreement

Answer: B

Q308. What is risk acceptance?

- A. Actively working to increase the probability of the risk event occurring
- B. Denying that any risks exist in the project scope and schedule plan
- C. Transferring all project risks to external contractors without oversight
- D. Acknowledging a risk exists and deciding not to take action against it

Answer: D

Q309. What is a contingency plan?

- A. A training program for teaching developers new programming skills
- B. A budget report showing how much money has been spent so far now
- C. A predefined plan to execute if a specific risk event actually occurs
- D. A daily standup meeting where team members share progress updates

Answer: C

Q310. Who is responsible for managing risks in a software project?

- A. The project manager with support from the entire project team
- B. The hardware vendor who provides the production server equipment
- C. The external client who commissioned the software development
- D. Only the most junior developer on the project team exclusively

Answer: A

Q311. What is software security engineering?

- A. A strategy for managing team schedules and project milestone dates
- B. Building software that continues to function correctly under attack
- C. A technique for optimizing database query execution and performance
- D. A method for testing user interface responsiveness and visual design

Answer: B

Q312. What is authentication in software security?

- A. Designing the user interface for accessibility compliance only
- B. Verifying the identity of a user or system requesting access
- C. Testing the application for performance under heavy load now
- D. Encrypting all data stored in the application database tables

Answer: B

Q313. What is authorization in software security?

- A. Encrypting data during transmission between client and the server
- B. Verifying the identity of a user attempting to log into the system
- C. Testing the application for compatibility across web browsers now
- D. Determining what actions an authenticated user is permitted to do

Answer: D

Q314. What is encryption used for in software security?

- A. Compressing files to reduce storage space on the server drives
- B. Protecting data by converting it into an unreadable format safely
- C. Speeding up database query execution for better performance now
- D. Formatting user interface elements for better visual appearance

Answer: B

Q315. What is a firewall in security?

- A. A programming language designed for building secure applications
- B. A system that monitors and controls network traffic based on rules
- C. A project management tool for tracking team progress and tasks
- D. A testing framework for validating software against requirements

Answer: B

Q316. What is a software vulnerability?

- A. A documentation gap that makes the codebase harder to read now
- B. A hardware component that needs replacement in the server rack
- C. A weakness in software that can be exploited by an attacker now
- D. A planned feature that has not been implemented yet in the code

Answer: C

Q317. What is the principle of least privilege?

- A. Giving all users full administrative access to the entire system now
- B. Granting maximum privileges to reduce the number of access errors
- C. Removing all access controls to simplify the system architecture
- D. Giving users only the minimum access rights needed for their tasks

Answer: D

Q318. What is a security patch?

- A. A software update that fixes known security vulnerabilities quickly
- B. A project management document describing the sprint backlog items
- C. A decorative design element added to the user interface layout now
- D. A hardware component that improves server processing speed rates

Answer: A

Q319. What is malware?

- A. A project management metric tracking team productivity and output
- B. A testing tool for measuring application performance under load
- C. Software designed to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access
- D. A feature enhancement requested by users during product feedback

Answer: C

Q320. What is a security audit?

- A. A performance test measuring application response time and speed
- B. A code review focused only on visual design and layout of pages
- C. A financial review of the project budget expenditure and savings
- D. A systematic evaluation of security measures and vulnerabilities now

Answer: D

Q321. What is the primary goal of software engineering?

- A. To write code as fast as possible
- B. To develop reliable software systematically
- C. To eliminate all bugs
- D. To use the latest technology

Answer: B

Q322. Which of the following is a key attribute of good software?

- A. Complexity
- B. Maintainability
- C. Obscurity
- D. Rigidity

Answer: B

Q323. What is the software crisis?

- A. A shortage of programmers
- B. The difficulty of writing correct, understandable software on time and within budget
- C. A virus that destroys software
- D. The rapid decline in hardware prices

Answer: B

Q324. What does the term 'software process' refer to?

- A. The act of compiling code
- B. A set of activities that leads to the production of a software product
- C. The process of installing software
- D. A method for deleting software

Answer: B

Q325. Which activity is NOT part of a generic software process?

- A. Specification
- B. Development
- C. Validation
- D. Hardware manufacturing

Answer: D

Q326. What is a software product?

- A. Only the executable code
- B. Code, documentation, and associated data
- C. Only the user manual
- D. Only the source code files

Answer: B

Q327. What is meant by software dependability?

- A. Software that depends on hardware
- B. Software that is reliable, secure, and safe
- C. Software that requires constant updates
- D. Software written by a single developer

Answer: B

Q328. Who are the stakeholders in a software project?

- A. Only the programmers
- B. Anyone affected by or involved in the project
- C. Only the customers
- D. Only the project manager

Answer: B

Q329. What does the acronym CASE stand for in software engineering?

- A. Computer-Aided Software Engineering
- B. Central Application System Environment
- C. Code Analysis and Structured Editing
- D. Comprehensive Automated System Evaluation

Answer: A

Q330. What is the difference between generic and customized software products?

- A. There is no difference
- B. Generic products are sold to any customer; customized products are built for a specific client
- C. Generic products are always free
- D. Customized products cannot be modified

Answer: B

Q331. What is a software process model?

- A. A physical model of a computer
- B. A simplified representation of a software development process
- C. A type of programming language
- D. A hardware design specification

Answer: B

Q332. In the Waterfall model, can you return to a previous phase easily?

- A. Yes, it encourages going back
- B. No, it follows a strict linear sequence
- C. Only during testing
- D. Only on weekends

Answer: B

Q333. What is a prototype in software development?

- A. The final product
- B. An early working model used to explore ideas and gather feedback
- C. A type of bug report
- D. A deployment tool

Answer: B

Q334. What is the main advantage of the iterative development model?

- A. It never requires documentation
- B. It allows for early delivery of partial systems and gradual improvement
- C. It eliminates the need for testing
- D. It requires no planning

Answer: B

Q335. Which phase of the Waterfall model involves defining what the system should do?

- A. Implementation
- B. Requirements analysis and definition
- C. System design
- D. Maintenance

Answer: B

Q336. What is incremental development?

- A. Developing the entire system at once
- B. Developing and delivering the system in small portions called increments
- C. Developing only the user interface
- D. Delaying all development until requirements are final

Answer: B

Q337. Which process model is best suited when requirements are well understood and unlikely to change?

- A. Agile model
- B. Waterfall model
- C. Spiral model
- D. Prototype model

Answer: B

Q338. What does the term 'process activity' mean in software engineering?

- A. A recreational team event
- B. A fundamental step in a software development process such as specification or testing
- C. A marketing campaign
- D. A hardware installation step

Answer: B

Q339. What distinguishes throwaway prototyping from evolutionary prototyping?

- A. They are the same approach
- B. Throwaway prototypes are discarded after gathering feedback; evolutionary prototypes are refined into the final product
- C. Throwaway prototyping takes longer
- D. Evolutionary prototyping is always discarded

Answer: B

Q340. What is the purpose of the design phase in a process model?

- A. To write marketing materials
- B. To define the system architecture and component structure
- C. To recruit developers
- D. To delete old code

Answer: B

Q341. How many values are stated in the Agile Manifesto?

- A. 2
- B. 4
- C. 6
- D. 10

Answer: B

Q342. What does the Agile Manifesto value over comprehensive documentation?

- A. Detailed contracts
- B. Working software
- C. Extensive planning
- D. Formal processes

Answer: B

Q343. What is a Sprint Review in Scrum?

- A. A meeting to fire underperforming team members
- B. A meeting at the end of a Sprint where the team demonstrates completed work to stakeholders
- C. A daily coding session
- D. A meeting to write documentation

Answer: B

Q344. What is a retrospective in Agile?

- A. A look at competitor products
- B. A meeting where the team reflects on the process and identifies improvements
- C. A code compilation step
- D. A customer presentation

Answer: B

Q345. Which Agile principle emphasizes face-to-face communication?

- A. Documentation first
- B. The most efficient method of conveying information is face-to-face conversation
- C. Email is preferred
- D. All communication should be written

Answer: B

Q346. What is the role of the Product Owner in Scrum?

- A. Writing all the code
- B. Representing the customer and managing the Product Backlog
- C. Managing servers
- D. Designing the user interface

Answer: B

Q347. What is the purpose of a Software Requirements Specification (SRS)?

- A. To write code
- B. To document what the software should do and its constraints
- C. To deploy software
- D. To test the final product

Answer: B

Q348. What is a stakeholder in requirements engineering?

- A. Only the CEO
- B. Any person or organization that has an interest in or is affected by the system
- C. Only the end user
- D. Only the developer

Answer: B

Q349. What is a feasibility study in requirements engineering?

- A. A study on team morale
- B. An assessment of whether a proposed system is technically, economically, and operationally viable
- C. A review of competitor products
- D. A performance test

Answer: B

Q350. What does 'requirements validation' ensure?

- A. That the code compiles
- B. That the documented requirements accurately reflect stakeholder needs
- C. That the hardware is working
- D. That the team is on schedule

Answer: B

Q351. What is an example of a non-functional requirement?

- A. The system shall allow users to log in
- B. The system shall respond to queries within 2 seconds
- C. The system shall display a list of products
- D. The system shall allow users to add items to a cart

Answer: B

Q352. What is a requirements interview?

- A. A job interview for developers
- B. A technique where analysts ask stakeholders questions to understand their needs
- C. A code review session
- D. A testing technique

Answer: B

Q353. Why is requirements documentation important?

- A. It is not important
- B. It provides a shared reference that reduces misunderstandings and supports verification
- C. It replaces the need for testing
- D. It is only needed for legal reasons

Answer: B

Q354. What is the main purpose of project planning?

- A. To write code
- B. To define the project scope, schedule, and resources needed
- C. To test the software
- D. To deploy the final product

Answer: B

Q355. What is a milestone in project management?

- A. A unit of distance
- B. A significant point or event in the project schedule marking the completion of a major deliverable
- C. A type of programming error
- D. A software tool

Answer: B

Q356. What does the critical path represent in project scheduling?

- A. The easiest path through the project
- B. The longest sequence of dependent tasks that determines the minimum project duration
- C. The shortest task in the project
- D. A backup plan

Answer: B

Q357. What is effort estimation in software projects?

- A. Estimating the weight of hardware
- B. Predicting the amount of work (person-hours or person-months) needed to complete the project
- C. Counting the number of employees
- D. Estimating electricity costs

Answer: B

Q358. What is a project schedule?

- A. A list of holidays
- B. A timeline showing when project activities will be performed and deliverables completed
- C. A team roster
- D. A list of programming languages

Answer: B

Q359. What is the purpose of a project status report?

- A. To advertise the product
- B. To communicate the current state of the project, including progress, issues, and risks to stakeholders
- C. To write code documentation
- D. To create test cases

Answer: B

Q360. What does the term 'scope' mean in project management?

- A. The range of a telescope
- B. The boundaries of the project defining what will and will not be delivered
- C. The number of developers on the team
- D. The programming language used

Answer: B

Q361. What is a PERT chart?

- A. A bar chart showing resource usage
- B. A network diagram showing task dependencies and estimated durations for project scheduling
- C. A pie chart showing budget allocation
- D. A flow chart for code logic

Answer: B

Q362. What is the role of a project manager in software development?

- A. Writing all the code
- B. Planning, organizing, and controlling project activities to meet objectives within constraints
- C. Only attending meetings
- D. Designing the database

Answer: B

Q363. What is information hiding in software design?

- A. Encrypting all data
- B. Restricting access to module internals so that other modules interact only through well-defined interfaces
- C. Hiding code from developers
- D. Deleting documentation

Answer: B

Q364. What is a class diagram in object-oriented design?

- A. A classroom schedule
- B. A UML diagram showing classes, their attributes, methods, and relationships
- C. A network topology diagram
- D. A flowchart of code execution

Answer: B

Q365. What is the purpose of architectural design?

- A. To choose office furniture
- B. To define the overall structure and organization of the software system
- C. To write unit tests
- D. To deploy the software

Answer: B

Q366. What is stepwise refinement?

- A. Refining sugar for cooking
- B. A top-down design strategy that progressively decomposes a high-level design into more detailed components
- C. Optimizing database queries
- D. A testing technique

Answer: B

Q367. What is an interface in object-oriented design?

- A. A monitor screen
- B. A contract that specifies a set of methods that a class must implement
- C. A type of database
- D. A network protocol

Answer: B

Q368. What does 'high cohesion' mean in software design?

- A. Modules that do many unrelated things
- B. A module whose elements are closely related and focused on a single well-defined purpose
- C. High coupling between modules
- D. A module with many dependencies

Answer: B

Q369. What is a sequence diagram used for?

- A. Showing the order of DNA sequences
- B. Showing the order of interactions between objects over time
- C. Showing the project schedule
- D. Showing the database schema

Answer: B

Q370. What is a peer-to-peer architecture?

- A. An architecture with a central server
- B. An architecture where each node acts as both client and server, sharing resources directly
- C. A hierarchical architecture
- D. A single-user system

Answer: B

Q371. What is the role of middleware in software architecture?

- A. To design user interfaces
- B. To provide services that enable communication and data exchange between different applications or components
- C. To write documentation
- D. To test software

Answer: B

Q372. What is the pipe-and-filter architectural style?

- A. A plumbing design pattern
- B. An architecture where data flows through a series of processing components (filters) connected by channels (pipes)
- C. A testing methodology
- D. A security technique

Answer: B

Q373. What is scalability in software architecture?

- A. The size of the codebase
- B. The ability of a system to handle increased workload by adding resources without fundamental changes
- C. The number of files in a project
- D. The font size in the UI

Answer: B

Q374. What is a repository architectural style?

- A. A version control system
- B. An architecture where components share data through a central data store
- C. A type of database
- D. A code hosting platform

Answer: B

Q375. What is the purpose of an architectural view?

- A. A scenic view from the office
- B. A representation of the system architecture from a particular perspective or concern
- C. A code review
- D. A test report

Answer: B

Q376. What is a component in software architecture?

- A. A hardware chip
- B. A modular, deployable, and replaceable unit of software that encapsulates a set of related functions
- C. A test case
- D. A project document

Answer: B

Q377. What is the purpose of user-centered design?

- A. Designing for developers only
- B. Placing the needs, abilities, and limitations of end users at the center of the design process
- C. Designing only the database
- D. Focusing exclusively on aesthetics

Answer: B

Q378. What is the purpose of visual hierarchy in UI design?

- A. Making all elements the same size
- B. Organizing and prioritizing elements so users naturally see the most important information first
- C. Hiding important information
- D. Making the design more complex

Answer: B

Q379. What is a tooltip in UI design?

- A. A physical tool tip
- B. A small informational pop-up that appears when a user hovers over or focuses on an element
- C. A debugging message
- D. A server error message

Answer: B

Q380. What is white space (negative space) in UI design?

- A. A bug in the interface
- B. The empty areas between UI elements that improve readability and reduce visual clutter
- C. Unused storage space
- D. Deleted content areas

Answer: B

Q381. What is a variable naming convention?

- A. A meeting about variable names
- B. A set of rules for how variables should be named in code to improve readability
- C. A type of data structure
- D. A debugging technique

Answer: B

Q382. What is an IDE (Integrated Development Environment)?

- A. A type of programming language
- B. A software application that provides comprehensive tools for coding, debugging, testing, and building software in one interface
- C. A database management system
- D. A project management tool

Answer: B

Q383. What is the difference between a compiler and an interpreter?

- A. They are the same thing
- B. A compiler translates the entire source code at once into machine code; an interpreter translates and executes code line by line
- C. Compilers are slower
- D. Interpreters produce machine code files

Answer: B

Q384. What is version control used for in implementation?

- A. Controlling the version of the operating system
- B. Tracking and managing changes to source code over time, allowing collaboration and rollback
- C. Controlling access to the internet
- D. Managing database versions

Answer: B

Q385. What is a build process?

- A. Constructing a building
- B. The automated process of compiling source code, linking dependencies, and producing executable software
- C. A meeting to plan features
- D. A manual testing procedure

Answer: B

Q386. What is a test suite?

- A. A hotel room for testers
- B. A collection of test cases organized together to test a particular feature or aspect of the system
- C. A single test case
- D. A testing tool

Answer: B

Q387. What is a test oracle?

- A. A fortune-telling tool
- B. A mechanism or reference used to determine whether a test has passed or failed by comparing actual results to expected results
- C. A database management tool
- D. A type of programming language

Answer: B

Q388. What is the difference between a bug and a defect?

- A. They are completely different concepts
- B. They are generally used interchangeably to refer to a flaw in the software that causes incorrect behavior
- C. Bugs are in hardware; defects are in software
- D. Defects are intentional; bugs are not

Answer: B

Q389. What is preventive maintenance in software?

- A. Preventing users from using the software
- B. Making changes to software to prevent potential future problems before they occur
- C. Preventing new features from being added
- D. Uninstalling the software

Answer: B

Q390. What percentage of a software system's total lifecycle cost is typically spent on maintenance?

- A. Less than 10%
- B. 60% to 80% or more
- C. Exactly 50%
- D. Less than 5%

Answer: B

Q391. What is a patch in software maintenance?

- A. A fabric patch for clothing
- B. A small update released to fix specific bugs or security vulnerabilities without a full new version
- C. A complete system rewrite
- D. A new feature release

Answer: B

Q392. What triggers corrective maintenance?

- A. A request for new features
- B. The discovery of bugs or defects that need to be fixed
- C. A change in management
- D. A system upgrade

Answer: B

Q393. What triggers adaptive maintenance?

- A. User complaints about the color scheme
- B. Changes in the operating environment such as new hardware, operating systems, or regulations
- C. Developer preferences
- D. Marketing campaigns

Answer: B

Q394. What is a legacy system?

- A. A system that was recently built
- B. An older software system that remains in use because it fulfills a critical business need despite using outdated technology
- C. A system with no users
- D. A brand-new prototype

Answer: B

Q395. What is the purpose of a maintenance request?

- A. Requesting a day off
- B. A formal document describing a needed change, fix, or enhancement to an existing software system
- C. Requesting new hardware
- D. Requesting a team meeting

Answer: B

Q396. What is the purpose of quality assurance in software?

- A. To find all bugs
- B. To establish processes and standards that prevent defects and ensure quality throughout development
- C. To replace testing
- D. To increase project costs

Answer: B

Q397. What is a quality standard?

- A. A high-quality flag
- B. A documented set of criteria, guidelines, and best practices that products or processes must meet
- C. A type of programming language
- D. A testing tool

Answer: B

Q398. What is a software audit?

- A. A financial audit of the company
- B. An independent examination of software products or processes to assess compliance with standards and specifications
- C. A code compilation step
- D. A deployment procedure

Answer: B

Q399. What is a checklist in QA?

- A. A grocery list
- B. A predefined list of items or criteria to be verified during quality reviews to ensure completeness
- C. A list of team members
- D. A deployment schedule

Answer: B

Q400. What is process improvement in QA?

- A. Buying better hardware
- B. Systematically analyzing and enhancing development processes to increase product quality and efficiency
- C. Hiring more developers
- D. Increasing project budgets

Answer: B

Q401. What is a defect report?

- A. A report card for developers
- B. A document that describes a found defect, including steps to reproduce, expected behavior, and actual behavior
- C. A financial report
- D. A project plan

Answer: B

Q402. What is peer review in the context of QA?

- A. A review of peer-to-peer networks
- B. A process where colleagues examine each other's work products to identify defects and share knowledge
- C. A performance review by managers
- D. A customer review

Answer: B

Q403. What is the purpose of software metrics?

- A. To count developers
- B. To quantitatively measure attributes of software products and processes for decision-making and improvement
- C. To measure hardware performance
- D. To count meetings

Answer: B

Q404. What is the difference between size metrics and complexity metrics?

- A. They are the same
- B. Size metrics measure the quantity of code (like LOC); complexity metrics measure how difficult the code is to understand and maintain
- C. Size is always more important
- D. Complexity cannot be measured

Answer: B

Q405. What is defect removal efficiency (DRE)?

- A. The speed of removing code
- B. The percentage of defects found before software release compared to the total defects found before and after release
- C. The efficiency of the development team
- D. The speed of code compilation

Answer: B

Q406. What is the purpose of measuring lines of code (LOC)?

- A. To determine developer pay
- B. To estimate the size of a software system, which can be used for effort estimation and productivity measurement
- C. To count the number of files
- D. To measure code quality directly

Answer: B

Q407. What is a project metric?

- A. A metric about the project manager
- B. A measurement that tracks project progress and performance, such as schedule variance, cost variance, or team velocity
- C. A metric about the building
- D. A metric about company revenue

Answer: B

Q408. Why can LOC be misleading as a productivity metric?

- A. LOC is always accurate
- B. It penalizes efficient code that achieves more with fewer lines and varies greatly by programming language
- C. LOC is never misleading
- D. All lines of code are equally valuable

Answer: B

Q409. What is a baseline in software metrics?

- A. A fishing line
- B. A set of reference measurements collected from past projects used for comparison and estimation in future projects
- C. A line of code
- D. A base class

Answer: B

Q410. What is a direct metric versus an indirect metric?

- A. They are the same
- B. A direct metric is measured directly (like LOC); an indirect metric is derived from other measurements (like defect density)
- C. Direct metrics are more complex
- D. Indirect metrics are always inaccurate

Answer: B

Q411. What is the purpose of a version control system?

- A. To control the version of the operating system
- B. To track and manage changes to files over time, enabling collaboration and history tracking
- C. To control file access permissions
- D. To manage database versions

Answer: B

Q412. What is the purpose of a release in configuration management?

- A. Releasing employees
- B. A formally distributed version of the software that has been tested and approved for deployment to users
- C. Releasing disk space
- D. Releasing a news article

Answer: B

Q413. What is a repository in version control?

- A. A physical storage room
- B. A central storage location that contains all files, their version history, and metadata managed by the version control system
- C. A library building
- D. A data center

Answer: B

Q414. What is a change request in configuration management?

- A. A request to change office furniture
- B. A formal proposal to modify a configuration item, documenting the reason, impact, and details of the requested change
- C. A request for a new computer
- D. A request for vacation

Answer: B

Q415. What is a merge in version control?

- A. Merging two companies
- B. Combining changes from different branches or versions into a single unified version
- C. Merging database tables
- D. Merging network connections

Answer: B

Q416. What is the difference between risk avoidance and risk acceptance?

- A. They are the same strategy
- B. Risk avoidance changes plans to eliminate the risk; risk acceptance acknowledges the risk and chooses not to take action unless it occurs
- C. Risk avoidance is always possible
- D. Risk acceptance means ignoring risks

Answer: B

Q417. What is the difference between a risk and an issue?

- A. They are the same thing
- B. A risk is a potential future problem; an issue is a problem that has already occurred
- C. Risks are always worse than issues
- D. Issues cannot be managed

Answer: B

Q418. What is the probability of a risk?

- A. Always 100%
- B. The likelihood that the risk event will actually occur, typically expressed as a percentage or qualitative rating
- C. Always 0%
- D. The cost of the risk

Answer: B

Q419. Why is early risk identification important?

- A. It is not important
- B. Identifying risks early allows more time and options for developing effective responses before they become costly problems
- C. Early identification wastes time
- D. Risks should only be identified at the end

Answer: B

Q420. What is encryption in software security?

- A. Compressing files
- B. The process of converting data into a coded format that can only be read by someone with the proper decryption key
- C. Deleting files permanently
- D. Backing up data

Answer: B

Q421. What is a firewall in network security?

- A. A wall that is on fire
- B. A security system that monitors and controls incoming and outgoing network traffic based on predetermined security rules
- C. A physical wall in a building
- D. A type of antivirus software

Answer: B

Q422. What is a vulnerability in software security?

- A. A strong point in the software
- B. A weakness or flaw in the software that could be exploited by an attacker to compromise the system
- C. A feature request
- D. A type of software update

Answer: B

Q423. What is multi-factor authentication (MFA)?

- A. Using the same password multiple times
- B. A security mechanism requiring users to provide two or more different types of verification to prove their identity
- C. Multiple usernames
- D. Multiple login pages

Answer: B

Q424. What is the purpose of access control in software?

- A. Controlling physical building access
- B. Restricting who can access what resources and what actions they can perform within the system
- C. Controlling internet speed
- D. Controlling screen brightness

Answer: B

Q425. What is phishing?

- A. Going fishing
- B. A social engineering attack that tricks users into revealing sensitive information by impersonating a trustworthy entity
- C. A type of programming
- D. A network protocol

Answer: B

Q426. What is data integrity in security?

- A. The amount of data stored
- B. Ensuring that data has not been altered, tampered with, or corrupted in an unauthorized manner
- C. The speed of data transfer
- D. The format of data storage

Answer: B

Q427. What is the purpose of security logging?

- A. Logging into secure systems
- B. Recording security-relevant events and actions to enable monitoring, auditing, and forensic analysis
- C. Logging trees for wood
- D. Creating log files for debugging

Answer: B

Q428. What is a Sprint Backlog in Scrum?

- A. A list of all features ever requested for the product
- B. The set of product backlog items selected for the current sprint plus a plan for delivering them
- C. A document that tracks bugs found during testing
- D. A report generated after each sprint is completed

Answer: B

Q429. What does the term 'iteration' mean in Agile development?

- A. A single line of code written by a developer
- B. A fixed-length time period during which a team works on a set of features and produces a working increment
- C. The process of hiring new team members
- D. A method for deploying software to production servers

Answer: B

Q430. What is the purpose of a burndown chart in Agile?

- A. To track the budget spent on a project
- B. To show the remaining work in a sprint or project over time
- C. To list all the bugs found during development
- D. To assign tasks to individual team members

Answer: B

Q431. What is the recommended size of a Scrum team?

- A. Exactly 3 members
- B. Between 20 and 50 members
- C. Typically 5 to 9 members plus Scrum Master and Product Owner
- D. There is no recommended size for Scrum teams

Answer: C

Q432. What is the difference between functional and non-functional requirements?

- A. Functional requirements describe what the system should do while non-functional requirements describe how well it should perform
- B. Functional requirements are optional while non-functional requirements are mandatory
- C. Non-functional requirements describe features while functional requirements describe constraints
- D. There is no difference; they are interchangeable terms

Answer: A

Q433. What is a requirements review meeting?

- A. A meeting where developers write code based on requirements
- B. A meeting where stakeholders and the team examine requirements documents to identify errors, ambiguities, and omissions
- C. A meeting held only after the software is deployed to users
- D. A meeting to decide the project budget and timeline

Answer: B

Q434. What is a work package in project management?

- A. The entire project plan document
- B. The smallest unit of work in a Work Breakdown Structure that can be estimated, scheduled, and monitored
- C. A software package used for managing projects
- D. The final deliverable shipped to the customer

Answer: B

Q435. What is the principle of separation of concerns in software design?

- A. Keeping the development team separated into isolated groups
- B. Dividing a program into distinct sections where each section addresses a separate concern or functionality
- C. Ensuring that all code is written in a single file for simplicity
- D. Separating the testing phase from the development phase

Answer: B

Q436. What is an activity diagram in software design?

- A. A diagram showing the physical hardware components of a system
- B. A flowchart-like diagram that shows the flow of activities and actions in a process or system
- C. A chart showing project team member availability
- D. A diagram that displays database table relationships

Answer: B

Q437. What does 'low coupling' mean in software design?

- A. Modules have many dependencies on each other and share data extensively
- B. Modules are relatively independent with minimal dependencies between them
- C. The software has very few modules in total
- D. All modules are combined into a single large component

Answer: B

Q438. What is a distributed system in software architecture?

- A. A system where all code runs on a single computer
- B. A system whose components are located on different networked computers that communicate and coordinate actions by passing messages
- C. A system that is distributed to users via USB drives
- D. A system that only works without an internet connection

Answer: B

Q439. What is a prototype in UI design?

- A. The final production-ready version of the software
- B. An early model or simulation of the user interface used to explore and test design ideas before development
- C. A type of programming language used for building interfaces
- D. A document listing all the bugs found in the interface

Answer: B

Q440. What is a modal dialog in UI design?

- A. A full-screen window that replaces the entire application
- B. A window or box that appears on top of the main content and requires user interaction before they can return to the main interface
- C. A type of navigation menu that appears at the bottom of the screen
- D. A background process that runs without any visual indication

Answer: B

Q441. What is a breadcrumb in UI design?

- A. A type of animation effect applied to buttons
- B. A navigation aid that shows the user's current location within the site hierarchy and allows navigation back to parent pages
- C. A small cookie stored in the user's browser
- D. A debugging tool for tracking user errors

Answer: B

Q442. What does 'affordance' mean in UI design?

- A. The cost of developing the user interface
- B. A design property that suggests how an element should be used, such as a button looking clickable
- C. The number of colors used in the interface
- D. The amount of text displayed on a single screen

Answer: B

Q443. What is user-centered design (UCD)?

- A. A design approach where developers make all design decisions without user input
- B. A design philosophy that places the end user's needs, preferences, and limitations at the center of each stage of the design process
- C. A technique for designing database schemas based on user data
- D. A project management method for scheduling design tasks

Answer: B

Q444. What is a runtime error in software development?

- A. An error that occurs only during the design phase
- B. An error that occurs while the program is executing, causing it to crash or produce incorrect results
- C. An error in the project management timeline
- D. An error that can only be detected by reading the source code manually

Answer: B

Q445. What is a logic error in programming?

- A. An error that prevents the program from compiling
- B. An error where the program runs without crashing but produces incorrect results due to a flaw in the algorithm or logic
- C. An error caused by hardware malfunction
- D. An error that only occurs when the program is deployed to production

Answer: B

Q446. What is a code repository used for?

- A. Storing only compiled binary files for deployment
- B. Storing, managing, and tracking changes to source code files in a centralized or distributed location
- C. Providing a graphical interface for writing code
- D. Running automated tests on the production server

Answer: B

Q447. What is pseudocode?

- A. A real programming language used for production systems
- B. An informal, high-level description of an algorithm using natural language and basic programming constructs
- C. Encrypted source code that cannot be read by humans
- D. A tool for automatically generating documentation from code

Answer: B

Q448. What is the purpose of indentation in source code?

- A. It makes the program run faster by optimizing memory usage
- B. It improves code readability by visually representing the structure and nesting of code blocks
- C. It is required for all programming languages to compile successfully
- D. It adds comments to the code automatically

Answer: B

Q449. What is a test environment?

- A. The office where testers sit and work
- B. A configured setup of hardware, software, and network used to execute tests that simulates the production environment
- C. A programming language used exclusively for writing tests
- D. The final version of the software deployed to end users

Answer: B

Q450. What is the purpose of smoke testing?

- A. To test the software under extreme stress conditions
- B. To perform a quick preliminary test to check whether the most critical functions of the software work before deeper testing begins
- C. To test the software's behavior when the hardware overheats
- D. To measure the performance of the software under normal load

Answer: B

Q451. What is alpha testing?

- A. Testing performed by end users in their own environment
- B. Testing performed by internal staff at the developer's site before release to external users
- C. Testing performed automatically without any human involvement
- D. The first test case written for any software project

Answer: B

Q452. What is beta testing?

- A. Testing performed only by the development team using automated tools
- B. Testing performed by a limited number of external users in their real environment before the final release
- C. Testing that occurs after the software has been fully deployed and is in production
- D. A type of unit testing focused on mathematical calculations

Answer: B

Q453. What is a test fixture in software testing?

- A. A physical device used to test hardware components
- B. A fixed state or set of preconditions used as a baseline for running tests to ensure consistent and repeatable results
- C. A metric that measures the percentage of code tested
- D. A report generated after all tests have been executed

Answer: B

Q454. What does 'test coverage' measure?

- A. The number of testers assigned to a project
- B. The degree to which the source code or requirements are exercised by a set of tests
- C. The amount of time spent on testing activities
- D. The cost of testing relative to the total project budget

Answer: B

Q455. What is software re-engineering?

- A. Building completely new software from scratch without referencing existing systems
- B. The process of examining and restructuring existing software to reconstitute it in a new form while preserving its functionality
- C. A marketing strategy for promoting outdated software products
- D. The process of removing all documentation from a legacy system

Answer: B

Q456. Why is regression testing important during software maintenance?

- A. It only tests new features and ignores existing functionality
- B. It ensures that changes or fixes to the software have not introduced new defects in previously working functionality
- C. It measures the financial cost of maintaining the software
- D. It is only performed when the entire software is being rewritten

Answer: B

Q457. What is the difference between software maintenance and software support?

- A. They are identical terms with no difference
- B. Maintenance involves modifying the software code and system while support involves helping users resolve issues and answering questions
- C. Support involves changing the code while maintenance involves only documentation updates
- D. Maintenance is performed by users while support is performed by developers

Answer: B

Q458. What is a code walkthrough in quality assurance?

- A. The physical act of walking around the office while reviewing code
- B. An informal review where a developer leads team members through code to find errors and share knowledge
- C. An automated tool that scans code for security vulnerabilities
- D. A formal audit conducted by external quality assessors

Answer: B

Q459. What is the difference between a defect and a failure in quality assurance?

- A. They are exactly the same thing with no difference
- B. A defect is a flaw in the software code or design, while a failure is the observable incorrect behavior when a defect is executed
- C. A failure occurs during development while a defect occurs during testing
- D. Defects are found by users while failures are found by developers

Answer: B

Q460. What is the purpose of a quality management plan?

- A. To list all the features the software should have
- B. To define the quality standards, processes, metrics, and responsibilities for ensuring that the project meets quality requirements
- C. To schedule marketing activities for the software release
- D. To calculate the total budget for the development project

Answer: B

Q461. What is defect density as a software metric?

- A. The total number of developers on a project
- B. The number of defects found per unit size of software, typically per thousand lines of code (KLOC)
- C. The time it takes to fix a single defect
- D. The percentage of the project budget spent on defect prevention

Answer: B

Q462. What is a pull request in version control?

- A. A request to download the latest version of the software
- B. A proposal to merge changes from one branch into another, allowing team members to review and discuss the changes before integration
- C. A request to remove files from the repository
- D. A notification that the server is pulling updates automatically

Answer: B

Q463. What is the purpose of a .gitignore file?

- A. To list all the files that should be included in every commit
- B. To specify patterns of files and directories that Git should not track or include in the repository
- C. To store Git configuration settings for the repository
- D. To record the history of all commits made to the repository

Answer: B

Q464. What is a merge conflict in version control?

- A. When two repositories have the same name and cannot coexist
- B. When two developers have made changes to the same part of a file on different branches and the system cannot automatically combine them
- C. When a developer accidentally deletes the entire repository
- D. When the version control server runs out of storage space

Answer: B

Q465. What is a software build in configuration management?

- A. The physical construction of hardware to run the software
- B. The process of compiling source code, linking dependencies, and packaging the result into an executable or deployable artifact
- C. A meeting where the team discusses the next sprint
- D. A document describing the software architecture

Answer: B

Q466. What is a contingency plan in risk management?

- A. The original project plan that never changes
- B. A predefined set of actions to be taken if a specific risk event occurs
- C. A plan for hiring additional developers
- D. A marketing strategy for the software product

Answer: B

Q467. What is risk transfer in software project management?

- A. Moving the project to a different department
- B. Shifting the responsibility or financial impact of a risk to a third party, such as through insurance or outsourcing
- C. Ignoring the risk and hoping it does not occur
- D. Transferring all project files to a new repository

Answer: B

Q468. What is the purpose of risk monitoring in a software project?

- A. To eliminate all risks from the project permanently
- B. To continuously track identified risks, watch for new risks, and evaluate the effectiveness of risk responses throughout the project
- C. To create a final report after the project is complete
- D. To assign blame when things go wrong

Answer: B

Q469. What is risk impact in software risk management?

- A. The likelihood that a risk will occur during the project
- B. The severity of the consequences if the risk event actually occurs
- C. The number of team members affected by project risks
- D. The total number of risks identified in the risk register

Answer: B

Q470. What is a risk assessment matrix?

- A. A spreadsheet listing all team members and their salaries
- B. A grid that maps risks by their probability of occurrence and severity of impact to prioritize which risks need attention
- C. A mathematical formula for calculating project costs
- D. A chart showing the project timeline and milestones

Answer: B

Q471. What is a security threat in software engineering?

- A. A feature that improves the software's performance
- B. Any potential danger that could exploit a vulnerability to cause harm to a system, organization, or users
- C. A type of software license agreement
- D. A coding standard that developers must follow

Answer: B

Q472. What is input sanitization in software security?

- A. Physically cleaning the keyboard and mouse used for development
- B. The process of cleaning and validating user input to remove or neutralize potentially harmful characters or code before processing
- C. Deleting all user data from the database periodically
- D. A network configuration technique for blocking external connections

Answer: B

Q473. What is the purpose of a requirements baseline in software engineering?

- A. To set a maximum number of requirements allowed in a project
- B. To establish a formally approved set of requirements that serves as the agreed-upon foundation for development
- C. To create a backup copy of the source code repository
- D. To determine the programming language for the project

Answer: B

Q474. What is a service in service-oriented architecture (SOA)?

- A. A physical server that hosts websites
- B. A self-contained unit of functionality that can be accessed remotely and used independently
- C. A customer support team that helps users
- D. A database table that stores user information

Answer: B

Q475. What is fault tolerance in software architecture?

- A. The ability of a system to blame developers for errors
- B. The ability of a system to continue operating properly even when some of its components fail
- C. A technique for writing code without any bugs
- D. The process of testing software until no faults remain

Answer: B

Q476. What is a dropdown menu in user interface design?

- A. A menu that permanently displays all options on screen at all times
- B. A UI element that reveals a list of options when activated, allowing the user to select one from the list
- C. A type of error message that drops down from the top of the screen
- D. A navigation bar fixed at the bottom of the page

Answer: B

Q477. What is a defect report (bug report) in software testing?

- A. A marketing document describing software features
- B. A formal document that records the details of a discovered defect including steps to reproduce, expected behavior, and actual behavior
- C. A project schedule showing testing deadlines
- D. A contract between the client and the development company

Answer: B

Q478. What is code churn as a software metric?

- A. The total number of developers who have ever worked on the project
- B. A measure of the amount of code that is added, modified, or deleted over a period of time
- C. The speed at which the compiler processes source code files
- D. The number of comments in the source code divided by total lines

Answer: B

Q479. What is a diff in version control?

- A. A type of programming error that is difficult to find
- B. A representation showing the differences between two versions of a file, highlighting added, removed, and changed lines
- C. A command for deleting files from the repository permanently
- D. A way to create a new branch in the repository

Answer: B

Q480. What is risk mitigation in software project management?

- A. Completely eliminating all risks from the project
- B. Taking proactive steps to reduce the probability or impact of an identified risk
- C. Ignoring risks until they become actual problems
- D. Transferring the entire project to another team

Answer: B

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Q481. Which IEEE standard defines software engineering?

- A. IEEE 754
- B. IEEE 610.12
- C. IEEE 802.11
- D. IEEE 1394

Answer: B

Q482. What is the difference between software engineering and computer science?

- A. CS primarily focuses on project management
- B. They are fundamentally the same discipline
- C. CS focuses on theory; SE focuses on practical development
- D. SE primarily focuses on hardware architecture

Answer: C

Q483. Which of the following is a generic software process activity?

- A. Software specification
- B. Network setup
- C. Hardware installation
- D. Printing reports

Answer: A

Q484. What is 'software reuse'?

- A. Using existing software components in new systems
- B. Writing all source code from scratch every time
- C. Permanently deleting outdated legacy software
- D. Copying proprietary code without any permission

Answer: A

Q485. Which factor contributed most to the software crisis?

- A. Overly simple user requirements specifications
- B. Rapidly advancing hardware computing capabilities
- C. An oversaturation of qualified trained programmers
- D. Increasing software complexity outpacing development methods

Answer: D

Q486. What is a software engineering method?

- A. A specific type of programming language tool
- B. A classification of computing hardware types
- C. A structured approach for developing software
- D. A specialized device for testing code logic

Answer: C

Q487. What is the significance of the NATO Conference 1968?

- A. The initial public launch of the internet era for the development team
- B. The initial development and creation of the UNIX system
- C. The original invention of the C programming language throughout the project
- D. First formal discussion of the software crisis and software engineering

Answer: D

Q488. Which is NOT a type of software application?

- A. Hardware software
- B. System software
- C. Web applications
- D. Embedded software

Answer: A

Q489. What does CASE stand for in software engineering?

- A. Computer-Aided Software Engineering
- B. Common Architecture System Engineering
- C. Coded Application Standard Environment
- D. Central Application Software Environment

Answer: A

Q490. What is the role of a software engineer?

- A. Writing source code exclusively and nothing else
- B. Administering and managing databases exclusively
- C. Designing, developing, testing, and maintaining software systems
- D. Performing software testing activities exclusively

Answer: C

Q491. What are the four quadrants of the Spiral model?

- A. Planning, Risk Analysis, Engineering, Evaluation
- B. Gather, Analyze, Build, Ship within the project scope
- C. Design, Code, Test, Review during the software lifecycle
- D. Code, Test, Deploy, Maintain in the development process

Answer: A

Q492. What is RAD (Rapid Application Development)?

- A. An incremental model emphasizing short development cycles of 60-90 days
- B. A standardized software testing framework tool for the development team
- C. A formal documentation standard for projects throughout the project
- D. A general-purpose programming language format in the system context

Answer: A

Q493. Which model combines elements of the Waterfall and Iterative models?

- A. Spiral model
- B. Big Bang model
- C. RAD
- D. Incremental model

Answer: A

Q494. What is the incremental model?

- A. A model that skips the planning phase for quality purposes
- B. Building the complete system all at once during implementation
- C. A model used only for testing purposes in practice typically
- D. Delivering the system in increments, each adding functionality

Answer: D

Q495. In the V-Model, what corresponds to the coding phase?

- A. Integration testing
- B. System testing
- C. Unit testing
- D. Acceptance testing

Answer: C

Q496. What is evolutionary development?

- A. Developing software that remains unchanged permanently as a standard approach
- B. Only creating project plans without writing code by the organization
- C. Developing an initial version, exposing it to users, and refining through versions
- D. Focusing solely on hardware evolution processes at every stage

Answer: C

Q497. What is the main advantage of the incremental model?

- A. The model requires absolutely no testing phase in a systematic way
- B. Working software is produced early and feedback can be incorporated
- C. No formal planning phase is ever required across all phases
- D. It is always the fastest model available today for the project goals

Answer: B

Q498. What is a phase gate in process models?

- A. An established coding standard for the team
- B. A specific category of reported software bug
- C. A review point at the end of each phase before proceeding
- D. A physical entry gate for developer access

Answer: C

Q499. Which model is best suited for large, mission-critical projects?

- A. Code and Fix
- B. Big Bang accord
- C. Spiral model
- D. RAD within the

Answer: C

Q500. What is throwaway prototyping?

- A. A category of finalized production product only and its related activities
- B. Retaining and maintaining all prototypes built by the development process
- C. A formal software testing methodology approach over the entire lifecycle
- D. Building a prototype to understand requirements, then discarding it

Answer: D

Q501. What is the role of the Scrum Master?

- A. Writing all of the source code for the team
- B. Designing the relational database architecture
- C. Managing the overall project budget allocations
- D. Facilitating the Scrum process and removing impediments

Answer: D

Q502. What is Extreme Programming (XP)?

- A. A video game development methodology only throughout the project
- B. An Agile methodology emphasizing engineering practices like pair programming and TDD
- C. A project management scheduling tool only in the system context
- D. A unit testing automation framework only during implementation for quality purposes

Answer: B

Q503. What is a Product Backlog?

- A. A finalized list of all completed work tasks
- B. An ordered list of everything needed in the product
- C. A comprehensive list of known bugs and issues
- D. A physical hardware inventory listing sheet

Answer: B

Q504. What is the purpose of a Sprint Retrospective?

- A. To reflect on the sprint and identify improvements
- B. To plan all the tasks for the upcoming sprint
- C. To demonstrate completed features to stakeholders
- D. To write all required project documentation

Answer: A

Q505. What is Kanban in software development?

- A. A visual workflow management method using boards and cards
- B. A general-purpose programming language tool
- C. A comprehensive testing automation framework
- D. A relational database management system

Answer: A

Q506. What is 'velocity' in Agile?

- A. The amount of work a team can complete in a sprint
- B. The physical typing speed of the developers
- C. The network communication transfer bandwidth
- D. The code compilation and build execution speed

Answer: A

Q507. What is pair programming?

- A. Two programmers working together at one workstation
- B. Two people using the same computer for different tasks
- C. Two separate teams coding on different features
- D. Programming in pairs of related source files

Answer: A

Q508. What is a Sprint Review?

- A. A comprehensive team evaluation process event
- B. A meeting to demonstrate completed work to stakeholders
- C. A formal source code review session for the team
- D. An individual performance review meeting session

Answer: B

Q509. What is the 'Definition of Done' in Scrum?

- A. A shared understanding of what it means for work to be complete
- B. When the source code compiles without errors
- C. When the project manager gives final approval
- D. When all documentation has been written and reviewed

Answer: A

Q510. What is Continuous Integration in Agile?

- A. Integrating code once at the very end of the project in practice typically
- B. Frequently merging code changes into a shared repository with automated testing
- C. Performing only manual source code reviews periodically as a standard approach
- D. Conducting annual system integration events for release by the organization

Answer: B

Q511. What is the difference between verification and validation in requirements?

- A. Verification checks if we're building the product right; validation checks if we're building the right product
- B. They are fundamentally identical concepts entirely for the project goals according to best practices
- C. Verification is testing code; validation is writing code within the system boundary
- D. Validation always occurs before verification ever does by the development process and its related activities

Answer: A

Q512. What is requirements traceability?

- A. Tracking individual developer working hours over the entire lifecycle
- B. The ability to trace each requirement through design, implementation, and testing
- C. An established coding standard for the project for all project stakeholders
- D. A specific debugging and troubleshooting technique as defined by standards

Answer: B

Q513. What is a use case diagram?

- A. A process execution flowchart diagram only within the given constraints
- B. A relational database schema diagram layout in all development efforts
- C. A UML diagram showing actors and their interactions with the system
- D. A network topology and routing diagram map by the project team members

Answer: C

Q514. What is requirements prioritization?

- A. Permanently deleting all unimportant requirements
- B. Ranking requirements by importance, risk, or business value
- C. Grouping requirements by assigned developer team
- D. Alphabetical ordering of all requirements listed

Answer: B

Q515. What is prototyping used for in requirements engineering?

- A. Delivering the final production product to users
- B. Performing application security penetration tests
- C. Conducting system performance load testing runs
- D. Helping stakeholders visualize and validate requirements

Answer: D

Q516. What is a scenario in requirements engineering?

- A. A real-life example describing how a system might be used
- B. An established coding guideline for the teams
- C. A comprehensive deployment plan document only
- D. A specific automated test execution script only

Answer: A

Q517. What is requirements negotiation?

- A. Rejecting all stakeholder proposed requirements
- B. Resolving conflicts between stakeholders regarding requirements
- C. Demanding that all requirements absolutely be met
- D. Deliberately ignoring all stakeholder input

Answer: B

Q518. What is domain analysis in requirements engineering?

- A. Studying specific programming language syntax in the engineering discipline
- B. Studying the application domain to understand its concepts and constraints
- C. Analyzing the database schema domain structure and related components
- D. Analyzing network domain name configurations to achieve project objectives

Answer: B

Q519. What is the IEEE 830 standard?

- A. A networking communication protocol standard
- B. A standard for writing software requirements specifications
- C. A software testing methodology and standard
- D. A hardware design and manufacturing standard

Answer: B

Q520. What is a constraint in requirements engineering?

- A. A defect discovered in the source code base for effective project outcomes
- B. A restriction or limitation on the system or development process
- C. A programming language built-in feature set in the development process
- D. A specific type of software test case only as part of the methodology

Answer: B

Q521. What is the COCOMO model?

- A. A comprehensive software testing methodology and its related activities
- B. A creational object-oriented design pattern over the entire lifecycle
- C. A popular chocolate confectionery brand name by the development process
- D. A model for estimating software development effort based on lines of code

Answer: D

Q522. What is function point analysis?

- A. A method for measuring software size based on functionality delivered to users
- B. A specific software testing automation technique for all project stakeholders
- C. A systematic debugging and tracing methodology within the given constraints
- D. Counting total functions in application code as defined by standards

Answer: A

Q523. What is Earned Value Management (EVM)?

- A. A corporate employee salary payment system in all development efforts
- B. A technique for measuring project performance by comparing planned vs actual progress
- C. An established coding standard and guideline set and related components
- D. A specific software testing coverage metric only by the project team members

Answer: B

Q524. What is the difference between PERT and CPM?

- A. PERT does not produce any chart output at all for effective project outcomes
- B. The two techniques are completely identical overall to achieve project objectives
- C. CPM is exclusively used for software projects in the engineering discipline
- D. PERT uses probabilistic time estimates; CPM uses deterministic time estimates

Answer: D

Q525. What is slack (float) in project scheduling?

- A. A specific category of software defect type during the software lifecycle
- B. Additional unnecessary source code that was written in the development process
- C. Being unproductive and lazy at work always as part of the methodology
- D. The amount of time a task can be delayed without delaying the project

Answer: D

Q526. What is a project baseline?

- A. The very first line of application source code for the development team
- B. An approved version of the project plan used to measure performance
- C. A performance testing benchmark result value throughout the project
- D. The initial starting point for all coding work within the project scope

Answer: B

Q527. What is the purpose of a project charter?

- A. To write application source code for features in the system context
- B. To perform software testing and validation runs during implementation
- C. To formally authorize the project and define its objectives and stakeholders
- D. To deploy software to production server systems for quality purposes

Answer: C

Q528. What is the difference between effort and duration in project estimation?

- A. Effort is total person-hours; duration is calendar time
- B. The two terms are exactly the same thing always
- C. Effort is always measured in monetary currency
- D. Duration is always longer than effort estimates

Answer: A

Q529. What is a risk in project management?

- A. An uncertain event that could positively or negatively affect the project
- B. An absolute certainty in the project plan only in practice typically
- C. A documented project functional requirement by the organization
- D. A task that has already been fully completed as a standard approach

Answer: A

Q530. What is the purpose of a status report?

- A. To design relational database architectures in a systematic way
- B. To write application source code for features at every stage
- C. To compile and build software executable files across all phases
- D. To communicate project progress, issues, and plans to stakeholders

Answer: D

Q531. What is the Singleton design pattern?

- A. A pattern that ensures a class has only one instance with a global access point
- B. A comprehensive software testing design pattern by the development process
- C. A relational database schema design pattern type and its related activities
- D. A pattern designed for creating multiple instances within the system boundary

Answer: A

Q532. What is the Observer design pattern?

- A. A pattern where objects are notified of state changes in another object
- B. A creational object instantiation design pattern as defined by standards
- C. A structural composition and wrapping pattern for all project stakeholders
- D. A system security and access control pattern over the entire lifecycle

Answer: A

Q533. What is the Factory Method pattern?

- A. A pattern that defines an interface for creating objects, letting subclasses decide which class to instantiate
- B. A specialized debugging and tracing tool suite to achieve project objectives in the engineering discipline
- C. A comprehensive software testing method and tool by the project team members and related components
- D. A physical manufacturing production process flow within the given constraints in all development efforts

Answer: A

Q534. What is the MVC design pattern?

- A. A comprehensive software testing pattern type as part of the methodology
- B. A specific type of program variable declaration for effective project outcomes
- C. Model-View-Controller, separating data, presentation, and control logic
- D. A software deployment automation pattern type in the development process

Answer: C

Q535. What is the Strategy design pattern?

- A. A specific software testing strategy and plan within the project scope
- B. A project management planning approach method during the software lifecycle
- C. A pattern that defines a family of algorithms and makes them interchangeable
- D. A software deployment automation strategy type for the development team

Answer: C

Q536. What are the three categories of GoF design patterns?

- A. Input, Process, Output in the system
- B. Creational, Structural, Behavioral
- C. Design, Code, Test during implementation
- D. Easy, Medium, Hard throughout the project

Answer: B

Q537. What is the Open/Closed Principle?

- A. Software entities should be open for extension but closed for modification
- B. Never closing running desktop applications ever as a standard approach
- C. Always keeping file handles open in the code in practice typically
- D. Using only open source software for projects for quality purposes

Answer: A

Q538. What is the Liskov Substitution Principle?

- A. A specific naming convention for all variables by the organization at every stage
- B. A comprehensive software testing principle type across all phases in a systematic way
- C. A relational database normalization principle for the project goals according to best practices
- D. Objects of a superclass should be replaceable with objects of a subclass without affecting correctness

Answer: D

Q539. What is the DRY principle?

- A. Keep code dry and clean within the system boundary
- B. Delete Redundant Yields by the development process
- C. Don't Repeat Yourself — avoid code duplication
- D. Develop Robust Yields and its related activities

Answer: C

Q540. What is a class diagram?

- A. A project timeline for all project stakeholders within the given constraints
- B. A network diagram in all development efforts by the project team members
- C. A classroom layout over the entire lifecycle as defined by standards
- D. A UML diagram showing classes, attributes, methods, and relationships

Answer: D

Q541. What is microservices architecture?

- A. An architecture where the application is composed of small, independent services
- B. A traditional monolithic design approach to apps and related components
- C. A single centralized database system approach to achieve project objectives
- D. One single large monolithic service application by the project team members

Answer: A

Q542. What is the difference between SOA and microservices?

- A. SOA is a much newer architectural approach style as part of the methodology
- B. SOA uses enterprise service bus for communication; microservices use lightweight protocols
- C. Microservices are generally larger in scope overall for effective project outcomes
- D. The two approaches are completely identical overall in the engineering discipline

Answer: B

Q543. What is an architectural style?

- A. A named collection of architectural design decisions applicable to recurring design problems
- B. A user interface visual style and theme design during the software lifecycle
- C. A specific coding style and convention guideline in the development process
- D. A project documentation format and standard set within the project scope

Answer: A

Q544. What is the Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM) pattern?

- A. An architectural pattern separating UI, presentation logic, and business logic/data
- B. A relational database normalization pattern type for the development team
- C. A comprehensive software testing pattern design throughout the project
- D. A production deployment automation pattern type in the system context

Answer: A

Q545. What are architectural views?

- A. Database views defined with SQL query language for quality purposes
- B. User interface screens and layout page designs in practice typically
- C. Different perspectives of a system architecture for different stakeholders
- D. Screen views displayed to the end users only during implementation

Answer: C

Q546. What is the 4+1 View Model?

- A. A comprehensive software testing model and plan by the organization at every stage
- B. A relational database normalization model type across all phases in a systematic way
- C. An architecture description using Logical, Process, Development, Physical views plus Scenarios
- D. Five physical computer display monitors together as a standard approach

Answer: C

Q547. What is a message broker in architecture?

- A. A general-purpose programming language and tool within the system boundary
- B. A specific type of database storage system tool according to best practices
- C. An intermediary program that translates messages between different systems
- D. A person who physically delivers messages by hand for the project goals

Answer: C

Q548. What is the publish-subscribe pattern?

- A. A messaging pattern where publishers send messages to subscribers through a topic
- B. An established coding standard and guideline set over the entire lifecycle
- C. A relational database design pattern type only and its related activities
- D. A physical magazine subscription service plan by the development process

Answer: A

Q549. What is a service-oriented architecture (SOA)?

- A. An architecture where services communicate over a network to provide functionality
- B. A hardware system architecture blueprint only within the given constraints
- C. A single isolated standalone service application as defined by standards
- D. A traditional monolithic application design style for all project stakeholders

Answer: A

Q550. What is an API Gateway?

- A. A physical security entry gate device system in all development efforts
- B. A hardware network switching device and unit and related components
- C. A server that acts as a single entry point for a set of microservices
- D. A relational database gateway and adapter tool by the project team members

Answer: C

Q551. What are Nielsen's 10 usability heuristics?

- A. Ten specific software testing methodology types
- B. Ten established coding standards and rule sets
- C. Guidelines for evaluating user interface design quality
- D. Ten strict programming coding rules for teams

Answer: C

Q552. What is Fitts' Law?

- A. An established coding law and standard rule only and its related activities over the entire lifecycle
- B. A fundamental law of classical physics and motion within the system boundary by the development process
- C. A relational database normalization law and rule as defined by standards for all project stakeholders
- D. The time to reach a target is proportional to the distance and inversely proportional to the target size

Answer: D

Q553. What is a heuristic evaluation?

- A. A mathematical algorithm analysis method only within the given constraints
- B. A usability inspection method where experts evaluate UI against established principles
- C. A formal source code peer review session only by the project team members
- D. A system performance load testing method only in all development efforts

Answer: B

Q554. What is the difference between UI and UX?

- A. UX is only about writing source code logic only as part of the methodology in the development process
- B. The two concepts are fundamentally the same thing and related components to achieve project objectives
- C. UI focuses on visual design; UX encompasses the entire user experience including emotions and satisfaction
- D. UI is always more important than UX design work in the engineering discipline for effective project outcomes

Answer: C

Q555. What is A/B testing in UI design?

- A. Testing against two different database systems
- B. Testing on two different mobile device models
- C. Comparing two versions of a design to see which performs better
- D. Testing two different API endpoints separately

Answer: C

Q556. What is the concept of 'affordance' in UI design?

- A. The financial cost of design work and effort
- B. A particular application color scheme and theme
- C. A specific type of user interface animation style
- D. A visual clue that suggests how an element can be used

Answer: D

Q557. What is a design system?

- A. A comprehensive software testing system and suite for the development team
- B. A computer operating system installation setup during the software lifecycle
- C. A collection of reusable components, guidelines, and standards for consistent design
- D. A specific application coding framework tool type within the project scope

Answer: C

Q558. What is the principle of 'progressive disclosure'?

- A. Showing every option and detail at once to users throughout the project
- B. Hiding absolutely all system information entirely in the system context
- C. Showing only essential information initially, revealing more as needed
- D. Disclosing security information to all end users during implementation

Answer: C

Q559. What is a user persona?

- A. A specific type of user profile avatar image in practice typically
- B. A user login name and credentials identifier for quality purposes
- C. A user uploaded profile picture image file as a standard approach
- D. A fictional character representing a key user group based on research data

Answer: D

Q560. What is the Z-pattern layout?

- A. A relational database query plan pattern and type across all phases in a systematic way
- B. A comprehensive software testing pattern approach for the project goals
- C. A layout following the natural eye scanning pattern from top-left to bottom-right in a Z shape
- D. A zigzag code structure in the code base layout by the organization at every stage

Answer: C

Q561. What is continuous integration (CI)?

- A. Manually integrating code without any automation for the development team
- B. Occasional and infrequent code merging events during the software lifecycle
- C. The practice of frequently merging code changes with automated building and testing
- D. Annual scheduled system integration events only within the project scope

Answer: C

Q562. What is continuous deployment (CD)?

- A. Annual scheduled deployment release events only in the system context
- B. Deployment without any automated testing at all during implementation
- C. Manual deployment to production server systems throughout the project
- D. Automatically deploying every code change that passes automated tests to production

Answer: D

Q563. What is the difference between compilation and interpretation?

- A. Compilation is always done only at runtime always at every stage across all phases in a systematic way
- B. Compilation translates entire code to machine code before execution; interpretation translates line by line during execution
- C. Interpretation is always faster than compilation is as a standard approach by the organization
- D. The two processes are fundamentally the same thing for quality purposes in practice typically

Answer: B

Q564. What is pair programming?

- A. Programming for exactly two hours at a time only
- B. Programming on two separate display monitors only
- C. Two developers working together at one workstation
- D. Two separate teams coding independently on tasks

Answer: C

Q565. What is code smell?

- A. An actual physical smell from hardware component
- B. A simple code formatting and indentation error
- C. A symptom in the source code that may indicate a deeper problem
- D. A type of computer virus or malware threat only

Answer: C

Q566. What is static code analysis?

- A. Executing and running the application code live
- B. Analyzing code without executing it to find potential errors
- C. Dynamic runtime testing of the application code
- D. Performance load testing of the application code

Answer: B

Q567. What is Git branching?

- A. A comprehensive software testing method type
- B. Creating separate lines of development within a repository
- C. A type of sorting algorithm technique approach
- D. Physical branches of a tree in nature settings

Answer: B

Q568. What is code coverage?

- A. A project documentation completeness metric type
- B. Physical coverage of printed code documents only
- C. A metric measuring the percentage of code executed during testing
- D. A security protection and control measure type

Answer: C

Q569. What is the DRY principle in coding?

- A. Delete Redundant Yields according to best practices
- B. Develop Robust Yields within the system boundary
- C. Keep code moisture-free for the project goals
- D. Don't Repeat Yourself — avoid duplicating code or logic

Answer: D

Q570. What is a linter?

- A. A tool that analyzes code for potential errors, style violations, and best practices
- B. A type of clothing fabric material only exactly by the development process
- C. A source code compilation tool program and build over the entire lifecycle
- D. A specialized debugging and tracing tool for code and its related activities

Answer: A

Q571. What is boundary value analysis?

- A. A testing technique focusing on values at the edges of input ranges
- B. A software architecture design technique approach throughout the project
- C. Analyzing overall project scope boundary limits for the development team
- D. A source code implementation technique approach in the system context

Answer: A

Q572. What is equivalence partitioning?

- A. A creational object-oriented design pattern type for quality purposes
- B. Dividing input data into groups that should be treated the same by the software
- C. A source code implementation technique approach in practice typically
- D. Equal distribution of work across team members during implementation

Answer: B

Q573. What is the difference between verification and validation in testing?

- A. Verification is entirely optional in all practice in a systematic way for the project goals
- B. The two concepts are fundamentally the same thing as a standard approach by the organization
- C. Verification checks if the product is built right; validation checks if the right product is built
- D. Validation always occurs before verification process at every stage across all phases

Answer: C

Q574. What is system testing?

- A. Testing just the operating system installation only within the system boundary
- B. Testing only individual isolated code units first according to best practices
- C. Testing the complete integrated system to verify it meets requirements
- D. Testing physical hardware system components only by the development process

Answer: C

Q575. What is performance testing?

- A. Testing how the system performs under various conditions of load and stress
- B. Testing the overall user experience quality level over the entire lifecycle
- C. Testing overall source code quality metrics only and its related activities
- D. Testing application security vulnerabilities only as defined by standards

Answer: A

Q576. What is stress testing?

- A. Testing comprehensive project documentation files in all development efforts
- B. Testing the stress levels of developer team members for all project stakeholders
- C. Testing the system beyond normal operational capacity to find its breaking point
- D. Testing with easy and simple valid input data only within the given constraints

Answer: C

Q577. What is test-driven development (TDD)?

- A. Writing tests before writing the code to make them pass
- B. Performing testing without any source code at all
- C. Performing all testing after coding is fully done
- D. Developing test plans and nothing else at all

Answer: A

Q578. What is a test stub?

- A. A test case that has previously failed and broke and related components
- B. A very short and brief test case scenario only by the project team members
- C. A comprehensive test report and document summary to achieve project objectives
- D. A simplified implementation that provides predetermined responses during testing

Answer: D

Q579. What is a mock object?

- A. A specific type of database storage system type as part of the methodology
- B. A decorative object for the office workspace area for effective project outcomes
- C. A simulated object that mimics the behavior of real objects in a controlled way for testing
- D. A counterfeit fake commercial product item only in the engineering discipline

Answer: C

Q580. What is alpha testing vs beta testing?

- A. Alpha is internal testing by developers; beta is external testing by end users
- B. Alpha testing is always done by external end users within the project scope
- C. The two types of testing are the same thing exactly in the development process
- D. Beta testing always comes before alpha testing does during the software lifecycle

Answer: A

Q581. What is Lehman's Law of Increasing Complexity?

- A. As a system evolves, its complexity increases unless work is done to reduce it
- B. Complexity is completely irrelevant to all quality over the entire lifecycle
- C. Complexity always stays perfectly constant overall and its related activities
- D. Complexity always decreases over time by itself by the development process

Answer: A

Q582. What is reverse engineering in software maintenance?

- A. Analyzing existing software to understand its design and implementation
- B. Completely uninstalling the software product system within the given constraints
- C. Writing application source code backwards manually for all project stakeholders
- D. Building and manufacturing physical cars and parts as defined by standards

Answer: A

Q583. What is re-engineering in software?

- A. Deploying software to production server systems now and related components
- B. Restructuring or rewriting existing software to improve its quality without changing functionality
- C. Permanently deleting the software product entirely by the project team members
- D. Starting completely over from scratch and beginning in all development efforts

Answer: B

Q584. What is the impact analysis in maintenance?

- A. Conducting performance benchmarking analysis tests
- B. Analyzing user behavior and usage pattern metrics
- C. Performing financial analysis of the project budget
- D. Assessing the effects of proposed changes on the rest of the system

Answer: D

Q585. What is software aging?

- A. Developer aging and gaining experience over career for effective project outcomes
- B. Physical hardware aging over many years of running in the engineering discipline
- C. The degradation of software quality over time due to accumulated changes and environmental evolution
- D. Software physically getting old and worn down over time to achieve project objectives

Answer: C

Q586. What is the difference between maintenance and evolution?

- A. Maintenance is always more comprehensive overall during the software lifecycle
- B. Maintenance fixes and adapts; evolution is the broader process of continuous change
- C. The two concepts are completely identical overall as part of the methodology
- D. Evolution is just a type of maintenance activity in the development process

Answer: B

Q587. What is program comprehension?

- A. Reading a technical programming textbook chapter
- B. Understanding existing code to perform maintenance or modifications
- C. Compiling source code into executable file formats
- D. Writing brand new application source code logic

Answer: B

Q588. What is a maintenance request?

- A. A physical hardware equipment purchase request doc
- B. A purchase order for new office supply materials
- C. A formal request to change, fix, or enhance existing software
- D. A personal vacation and time off request document

Answer: C

Q589. What is the concept of 'software entropy'?

- A. The energy consumption of running software systems for the development team
- B. The tendency of software to become more disordered and difficult to maintain over time
- C. A concept from physics thermodynamics discipline within the project scope
- D. An established coding standard and guideline type throughout the project

Answer: B

Q590. What is migration in software maintenance?

- A. Moving to a new country or city location abroad in the system context
- B. Moving software from one environment, platform, or technology to another
- C. Installing new physical hardware equipment devices for quality purposes
- D. Permanently deleting old legacy software and files during implementation

Answer: B

Q591. What is the difference between a walkthrough and an inspection?

- A. A walkthrough always has defined formal roles setup in all development efforts
- B. A walkthrough is informal and author-led; an inspection is formal with defined roles
- C. An inspection is always informal and casual in tone within the given constraints
- D. The two approaches are completely identical overall for all project stakeholders

Answer: B

Q592. What is the ISO/IEC 25010 quality model?

- A. A standard defining software quality characteristics like functionality, reliability, and usability
- B. A relational database normalization model and form in the engineering discipline
- C. A specific automobile car model type and category by the project team members
- D. A software architecture design model pattern type and related components to achieve project objectives

Answer: A

Q593. What is formal technical review (FTR)?

- A. A regular source code coding session for features as part of the methodology
- B. A structured review technique with specific roles and procedures to find defects
- C. An informal casual team meeting with no structure for effective project outcomes
- D. A production deployment meeting and schedule plan in the development process

Answer: B

Q594. What is the defect density metric?

- A. Number of defects per individual developer person during the software lifecycle
- B. The number of defects found per unit size of software (e.g., per KLOC)
- C. The severity rating of individual defects and bugs for the development team
- D. The total number of all defects combined overall within the project scope

Answer: B

Q595. What is the concept of 'shift left' in quality?

- A. Moving the computer screen display to the left side throughout the project
- B. Moving deployment earlier in the schedule timeline during implementation
- C. Moving testing and quality activities earlier in the development lifecycle
- D. Shifting team members to different project assignments in the system context

Answer: C

Q596. What is a quality audit?

- A. An independent evaluation of software processes and products against standards
- B. A financial accounting audit process only exclusively for quality purposes
- C. A system performance load test execution and report as a standard approach
- D. A formal source code peer review session and meeting in practice typically

Answer: A

Q597. What is the Pareto principle in QA?

- A. All modules have an equal number of bugs and issues
- B. Equal distribution of bugs across all code modules
- C. Approximately 80% of defects come from 20% of the modules
- D. Testing all modules equally and consistently overall

Answer: C

Q598. What is defect prevention?

- A. Activities aimed at identifying and addressing the root causes of defects before they occur
- B. Testing only at the very end of the whole project in a systematic way
- C. Finding defects only after production release launch at every stage across all phases
- D. Deliberately ignoring all known defects and issues by the organization

Answer: A

Q599. What is the role of a QA engineer?

- A. Ensuring software quality through planning, testing, and process improvement
- B. Only writing project documentation materials only within the system boundary
- C. Only writing application source code exclusively for the project goals
- D. Only managing projects and schedules exclusively according to best practices

Answer: A

Q600. What are the internal and external failure costs?

- A. Internal failure costs are always much higher overall for all project stakeholders within the given constraints
- B. External failure costs are always much cheaper overall over the entire lifecycle as defined by standards
- C. The two cost types are fundamentally the same thing by the development process and its related activities
- D. Internal failures are found before release (rework); external failures are found after release (support, reputation)

Answer: D

Q601. What is cyclomatic complexity?

- A. A complexity metric related to bicycles and riding in practice typically
- B. The total count of all declared variable name types by the organization
- C. The total length of all source code files and lines as a standard approach
- D. A metric measuring the number of linearly independent paths through a program's source code

Answer: D

Q602. What is function point analysis?

- A. Counting total functions in source code and files at every stage
- B. A method of measuring software size based on the functionality delivered to users
- C. A specific software testing technique approach only across all phases
- D. An established coding standard and guideline set only in a systematic way

Answer: B

Q603. What is the Halstead complexity metric?

- A. A set of metrics based on counting operators and operands in source code
- B. A comprehensive software testing metric set and type according to best practices
- C. A subjective difficulty rating for the code base for the project goals
- D. A software architecture design metric set and type within the system boundary

Answer: A

Q604. What is the difference between direct and indirect metrics?

- A. Indirect metrics are always more accurate and precise over the entire lifecycle as defined by standards
- B. Direct metrics are always calculated from other data for all project stakeholders
- C. Direct metrics are measured directly (LOC); indirect metrics are derived from other measures (productivity)
- D. The two metric types are completely the same thing by the development process and its related activities

Answer: C

Q605. What is the maintainability index?

- A. A comprehensive software testing score and rating
- B. An index at the back of a textbook publication
- C. A production deployment readiness rating and score
- D. A composite metric indicating how easy it is to maintain software

Answer: D

Q606. What is cohesion metric?

- A. A coupling metric between different system modules in all development efforts
- B. A comprehensive software testing metric and score by the project team members
- C. A measure of how strongly related the responsibilities within a module are
- D. A measure of team togetherness and morale level within the given constraints

Answer: C

Q607. What is coupling metric?

- A. A production deployment readiness metric and score
- B. A measure of how strongly one module depends on other modules
- C. A comprehensive software testing metric and score
- D. A cohesion metric within a single code module only

Answer: B

Q608. What is the fan-in and fan-out metric?

- A. A cooling system performance metric for hardware and related components
- B. A relational database performance metric and score in the engineering discipline
- C. A network bandwidth performance metric measurement to achieve project objectives
- D. Fan-in counts modules calling a module; fan-out counts modules called by a module

Answer: D

Q609. What is the depth of inheritance tree (DIT) metric?

- A. The depth of a relational database schema and tables as part of the methodology
- B. The height of a tree in a garden setting outdoors for effective project outcomes
- C. The depth of software testing coverage and breadth in the development process
- D. The maximum length of the path from a class to the root class in an inheritance hierarchy

Answer: D

Q610. What is the weighted methods per class (WMC) metric?

- A. The total number of classes in the project source
- B. The total number of source code files in project
- C. The average physical weight of all methods defined
- D. The sum of complexities of all methods defined in a class

Answer: D

Q611. What is the purpose of a Change Control Board (CCB)?

- A. A physical whiteboard in the office space and room by the organization
- B. A dedicated software testing team or group of people at every stage
- C. A development source coding team or group of people across all phases
- D. A group responsible for evaluating and approving or rejecting change requests

Answer: D

Q612. What is a merge conflict?

- A. A situation where two branches have competing changes that cannot be automatically merged
- B. A software testing failure or assertion error result according to best practices
- C. A disagreement or argument between the team members in a systematic way
- D. A production deployment failure or error issue event for the project goals

Answer: A

Q613. What is continuous integration in the context of SCM?

- A. Frequently merging code changes to a shared repository with automated builds and tests
- B. Manually merging code without any automation tools by the development process
- C. Performing one-time integration at the very end and its related activities
- D. Performing annual scheduled integration events only within the system boundary

Answer: A

Q614. What is a tag in version control?

- A. A price tag attached to a retail product for sale over the entire lifecycle
- B. A commit message attached to a changeset in version control for all project stakeholders
- C. A marker that identifies a specific point in the repository's history, typically a release
- D. A specific type of development branch in the project as defined by standards

Answer: C

Q615. What is the difference between centralized and distributed version control?

- A. Centralized version control is the newer approach today by the project team members
- B. Distributed version control has only one server overall in all development efforts
- C. The two systems are completely identical in every way within the given constraints
- D. Centralized has one server; distributed gives each developer a full copy of the repository

Answer: D

Q616. What is a build system in configuration management?

- A. A physical construction building system and process and related components
- B. A project documentation management system and process in the engineering discipline
- C. A tool that automates the process of compiling source code into executable software
- D. A comprehensive software testing system and tool suite to achieve project objectives

Answer: C

Q617. What is release management?

- A. A comprehensive software testing method and approach type in the development process
- B. Releasing employees from their positions and roles for effective project outcomes
- C. A source code implementation coding technique and method as part of the methodology
- D. The process of planning, scheduling, and controlling software builds through different stages

Answer: D

Q618. What is a software configuration audit?

- A. A financial accounting audit process and procedure only during the software lifecycle
- B. A system performance load test execution and run report for the development team
- C. A formal source code peer review session and meeting only within the project scope
- D. A review to verify that configuration items conform to specifications and standards

Answer: D

Q619. What is GitFlow?

- A. A software testing flow and process model and approach in the system context
- B. A water flow through pipes and channels and drains throughout the project
- C. A production deployment pipeline and flow and process during implementation
- D. A branching model for Git that defines a strict branching structure for projects

Answer: D

Q620. What is trunk-based development?

- A. A branching strategy where developers merge small, frequent updates to a core trunk or main branch
- B. Developing software in physical tree trunks outdoors for quality purposes in practice typically
- C. A comprehensive software testing approach and method only as a standard approach
- D. A software architecture and design method approach only by the organization

Answer: A

Q621. What is a risk exposure (risk magnitude)?

- A. A production deployment issue and concern problem
- B. A type of security vulnerability and exposure found
- C. The product of risk probability and risk impact
- D. Physical exposure to sunlight and weather outdoors

Answer: C

Q622. What is the difference between known risks and unknown risks?

- A. Known risks cannot be managed effectively at all within the given constraints
- B. Unknown risks are far more common than known risks for all project stakeholders
- C. Known risks can be identified and planned for; unknown risks cannot be anticipated
- D. The two categories are fundamentally the same thing as defined by standards

Answer: C

Q623. What is Boehm's risk management approach?

- A. A production deployment automation approach and plan
- B. A framework with two main components: risk assessment and risk control
- C. A source code implementation coding approach and plan
- D. A comprehensive software testing approach and process

Answer: B

Q624. What is the RMMM plan?

- A. A comprehensive software testing plan and document only and related components
- B. Risk Mitigation, Monitoring, and Management Plan — a document for managing project risks
- C. A source code implementation coding plan and document by the project team members
- D. A plan based on Roman numeral notation and numbering in all development efforts

Answer: B

Q625. What is a contingency plan?

- A. The main and primary project plan document overall
- B. A production deployment plan and schedule doc
- C. A comprehensive software testing plan document
- D. A backup plan activated when a risk materializes

Answer: D

Q626. What are the top 10 software risks according to Boehm?

- A. Ten common source code coding errors and mistakes to achieve project objectives
- B. Ten common software testing risk types and categories in the engineering discipline
- C. Ten common deployment issues and concerns and problems for effective project outcomes
- D. Risks including personnel shortfalls, unrealistic schedules, wrong requirements, and gold plating

Answer: D

Q627. What is risk monitoring?

- A. Continuously tracking identified risks and identifying new risks throughout the project
- B. Monitoring application source code changes and edits as part of the methodology
- C. Monitoring production server health status and uptime in the development process
- D. Monitoring individual team member performance metrics during the software lifecycle

Answer: A

Q628. What is a risk trigger?

- A. A physical gun trigger mechanism device component only
- B. A software testing trigger or activation event and signal
- C. An indicator or symptom that a risk event is about to occur or has occurred
- D. A production deployment trigger or activation signal only

Answer: C

Q629. What is the difference between qualitative and quantitative risk analysis?

- A. Quantitative analysis is always purely subjective in nature for the development team
- B. The two approaches are completely identical in all ways within the project scope
- C. Qualitative analysis always uses only numeric data values throughout the project
- D. Qualitative uses subjective assessment (high/medium/low); quantitative uses numerical probabilities

Answer: D

Q630. What is a risk breakdown structure?

- A. A comprehensive software testing structure and model for quality purposes
- B. A source code structure and organization model layout during implementation
- C. A broken system that needs repair work and fixing in the system context
- D. A hierarchical organization of identified risks categorized by risk source

Answer: D

Q631. What is the OWASP Top 10?

- A. A popular music chart and ranking system and listing
- B. A list of the ten most critical web application security risks
- C. An established coding standard and guideline and rule
- D. A comprehensive software testing framework tool and set

Answer: B

Q632. What is the principle of least privilege?

- A. Maximum access permissions for all system users always across all phases
- B. No access permissions for any user in the system ever in a systematic way
- C. Users should only have the minimum access rights necessary to perform their tasks
- D. Giving everyone full administrator access to everything at every stage

Answer: C

Q633. What is a buffer overflow?

- A. Having too much data stored in a buffer data area for the project goals
- B. A database table overflow and storage issue and error within the system boundary
- C. A vulnerability where data written beyond a buffer's boundary can overwrite adjacent memory
- D. A network traffic overflow and congestion issue event according to best practices

Answer: C

Q634. What is input validation?

- A. Accepting all user input without any validation checks by the development process
- B. Validating only system output and response data values and its related activities
- C. Testing user interface elements for usability and flow over the entire lifecycle
- D. Checking and sanitizing user input to prevent malicious data from entering the system

Answer: D

Q635. What is defense in depth?

- A. A security approach using multiple layers of security controls throughout a system
- B. Defending only the database from attacks and threats within the given constraints
- C. Having one single strong defense mechanism and barrier for all project stakeholders
- D. A military strategy used only in warfare and battles as defined by standards

Answer: A

Q636. What is a security audit?

- A. A financial accounting audit process and procedure type in all development efforts
- B. A systematic evaluation of a system's security by examining compliance with security policies
- C. A system performance load test execution and run process and related components
- D. A formal source code peer review session and process only by the project team members

Answer: B

Q637. What is penetration testing?

- A. Physical building break-in testing attempt and effort
- B. Database query performance testing and benchmarking
- C. Network communication speed testing and measurement
- D. Simulating cyberattacks to identify security vulnerabilities in a system

Answer: D

Q638. What is a denial-of-service (DoS) attack?

- A. A specific type of computer virus or malware and threat in the engineering discipline
- B. Denying customer service requests politely and kindly to achieve project objectives
- C. An attack that overwhelms a system with traffic to make it unavailable to users
- D. A network configuration and setup procedure and process for effective project outcomes

Answer: C

Q639. What is the CIA triad in security?

- A. A government intelligence agency abbreviation and name as part of the methodology
- B. An established coding standard and guideline and rule set in the development process
- C. Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability — the three core principles of information security
- D. A comprehensive software testing framework and tool suite during the software lifecycle

Answer: C

Q640. What is secure coding?

- A. Writing code in a physically secure room and building
- B. Encrypting all application source code files and folders
- C. Development practices that protect software from security vulnerabilities
- D. Using complex passwords directly in application code

Answer: C

Q641. What is the difference between verification and validation?

- A. Verification writes documentation; validation writes test code
- B. Verification deploys software; validation monitors production
- C. Verification checks correctness; validation checks usefulness
- D. Verification tests performance; validation tests user interface

Answer: C

Q642. Which factor most contributes to the software crisis?

- A. Decreasing cost of modern hardware and peripherals
- B. Growing availability of trained software professionals
- C. Increasing system complexity and changing requirements
- D. Widespread adoption of standardized coding practices

Answer: C

Q643. What is the significance of the NATO 1968 conference?

- A. It launched the initial version of the world wide web
- B. It formally introduced software engineering as a discipline
- C. It created the first commercial operating system product
- D. It established the first programming language standard

Answer: B

Q644. How does software engineering differ from programming?

- A. It focuses only on writing source code in languages
- B. It deals exclusively with database design and queries
- C. It encompasses the entire development lifecycle process
- D. It concerns itself primarily with hardware maintenance

Answer: C

Q645. What is the purpose of a feasibility study in software projects?

- A. To write the final source code for the application
- B. To conduct user acceptance testing after development
- C. To deploy the software to the production environment
- D. To determine if the project is viable and worthwhile

Answer: D

Q646. Which software characteristic ensures it works across platforms?

- A. Obscurity of the source code implementation
- B. Dependency on a single hardware configuration
- C. Portability across different operating environments
- D. Complexity of the underlying algorithm design

Answer: C

Q647. What is meant by 'technical debt' in software engineering?

- A. The monetary budget allocated for purchasing hardware
- B. Revenue generated from software licensing agreements
- C. Total salary expenses for the development team members
- D. Accumulated cost of shortcuts taken during development

Answer: D

Q648. Why are software engineering ethics considered important?

- A. They guide responsible behavior in professional practice
- B. They reduce the physical size of deployed software
- C. They increase the execution speed of the application
- D. They eliminate the need for comprehensive testing

Answer: A

Q649. What is the relationship between software and hardware engineering?

- A. Both disciplines use identical processes and methodologies
- B. Software engineering is a direct subset of hardware engineering
- C. Hardware engineering completely depends on software practices
- D. Software engineering builds on but differs from hardware methods

Answer: D

Q650. What is the primary benefit of using CASE tools?

- A. They automate and support software development activities
- B. They convert hardware specifications into software code
- C. They eliminate all possible defects from the source code
- D. They replace the need for any human software developers

Answer: A

Q651. What is the key difference between incremental and iterative models?

- A. Incremental refines features; iterative adds new functionality
- B. Both approaches are completely identical in every possible way
- C. Neither approach involves any form of planning or documentation
- D. Incremental adds functionality; iterative refines existing features

Answer: D

Q652. In the spiral model, what happens at the end of each spiral loop?

- A. Testing is permanently skipped for all remaining spiral loops
- B. The entire project is immediately deployed to production servers
- C. A review determines whether to continue to the next iteration
- D. All source code is discarded and rewritten from scratch again

Answer: C

Q653. Why might a team choose the RAD model for development?

- A. When no user involvement is needed throughout development
- B. When requirements are completely fixed and will never change
- C. When the project has unlimited budget and timeline available
- D. When rapid delivery of a working system is the top priority

Answer: D

Q654. What is a disadvantage of the waterfall model?

- A. Excessive flexibility leading to uncontrolled scope expansion
- B. Difficulty accommodating requirement changes after phase completion
- C. Lack of any structured phases making progress hard to track
- D. Too many iterative cycles causing confusion among developers

Answer: B

Q655. How does the unified process (UP) organize development activities?

- A. Into four phases: inception, elaboration, construction, transition
- B. Into two phases: planning and coding without any other steps
- C. Into six phases that must always be executed sequentially only
- D. Into a single continuous phase without any distinct milestones

Answer: A

Q656. What role does risk assessment play in the spiral model?

- A. It drives decisions about which activities to perform each cycle
- B. It has no significant impact on how the project is conducted
- C. It replaces all other engineering activities in the entire model
- D. It is performed only once at the very beginning of the project

Answer: A

Q657. When is the evolutionary development model most appropriate?

- A. When initial requirements are unclear and need exploration work
- B. When all requirements are perfectly defined before starting
- C. When the project has a very short and fixed delivery deadline
- D. When the team prefers no stakeholder interaction during work

Answer: A

Q658. What is the main criticism of the code-and-fix development approach?

- A. It requires too much upfront planning and design documentation
- B. It mandates excessive testing before any code is ever written
- C. It leads to poorly structured software that is hard to maintain
- D. It forces teams to follow overly rigid process model guidelines

Answer: C

Q659. What is the purpose of the elaboration phase in the Unified Process?

- A. To deploy the completed software to end users in production now
- B. To analyze the problem domain and establish architectural foundation
- C. To gather initial business case and scope project requirements
- D. To perform final acceptance testing before system goes live now

Answer: B

Q660. How does the component-based development model reduce development effort?

- A. By eliminating all testing and quality assurance activities fully
- B. By avoiding any form of architectural design or documentation
- C. By reusing pre-built and tested software components extensively
- D. By skipping the requirements gathering phase of development work

Answer: C

Q661. What is the difference between Scrum and Kanban?

- A. Scrum avoids visualization; Kanban prohibits all meetings
- B. Scrum has no backlog; Kanban requires sprint planning
- C. Scrum has no roles; Kanban requires a Scrum Master role
- D. Scrum uses time-boxed sprints; Kanban uses continuous flow

Answer: D

Q662. What is velocity in agile project management?

- A. The frequency of deploying code to the production servers
- B. The amount of work a team completes in one iteration period
- C. The speed at which the application executes user requests
- D. The rate at which new developers join the project team

Answer: B

Q663. What is the purpose of a sprint retrospective?

- A. To create the initial project charter and scope document
- B. To identify improvements for the team process going forward
- C. To demonstrate completed features to external stakeholders
- D. To assign blame for any defects found during the sprint

Answer: B

Q664. How does pair programming benefit agile teams?

- A. It allows one developer to do all work while the other rests
- B. It doubles the number of features developed per time unit
- C. It increases code quality through continuous peer review work
- D. It eliminates the need for any automated testing frameworks

Answer: C

Q665. What is the definition of 'done' in Scrum?

- A. A legal document signed by the client at project conclusion
- B. A shared understanding of when a work item is complete enough
- C. A report generated automatically by the build server system
- D. A metric measuring the total number of lines of code written

Answer: B

Q666. What is a burndown chart used for in agile?

- A. Documenting all architectural decisions made during the project
- B. Tracking remaining work against time in a sprint or release
- C. Measuring the total revenue generated by the software product
- D. Recording the number of team members joining or leaving work

Answer: B

Q667. What is the purpose of story points in agile estimation?

- A. To measure the physical size of the application in megabytes
- B. To estimate the relative effort required for completing tasks
- C. To count the exact number of hours each task will take to do
- D. To track the number of bugs reported by end users each week

Answer: B

Q668. How does continuous integration support agile development?

- A. By eliminating the need for version control systems entirely
- B. By delaying all testing until the final sprint of the project
- C. By preventing developers from committing code to the repository
- D. By frequently merging and testing code to detect issues early

Answer: D

Q669. What is the role of acceptance criteria in user stories?

- A. They list the hardware requirements for running the software
- B. They specify the programming language to be used for coding
- C. They define conditions that must be met for story completion
- D. They document the salary expectations of the development team

Answer: C

Q670. What is a spike in agile development?

- A. A formal review process conducted by external quality auditors
- B. A sudden increase in the number of production bugs per release
- C. A time-boxed research task to reduce uncertainty or risk factors
- D. A mandatory overtime period for all team members on a project

Answer: C

Q671. What is the difference between user requirements and system requirements?

- A. User requirements are high-level needs; system requirements are detailed specifications
- B. User requirements are optional; system requirements are always mandatory for the project
- C. User requirements come from developers; system requirements come from end user groups
- D. User requirements are written in code; system requirements are written in plain language

Answer: A

Q672. What is requirements prioritization and why is it necessary?

- A. It ranks requirements by importance to guide development order and resource allocation
- B. It randomly assigns requirements to different sprints without any logical ordering method
- C. It permanently removes low-priority requirements from the project scope and backlog
- D. It ensures all requirements are implemented simultaneously in a single development phase

Answer: A

Q673. What challenges arise during requirements elicitation with multiple stakeholders?

- A. All stakeholders always agree perfectly on every requirement without any discussion
- B. Multiple stakeholders simplify the process by reducing the total number of requirements
- C. Having more stakeholders eliminates the need for formal requirements documentation
- D. Conflicting viewpoints and priorities that must be negotiated and resolved carefully

Answer: D

Q674. How do prototypes help in requirements engineering?

- A. They replace the need for any written requirements documentation in the project
- B. They help stakeholders visualize the system and clarify unclear requirements early
- C. They guarantee that all requirements are correctly implemented in the final system
- D. They eliminate the possibility of any requirements changes during the development

Answer: B

Q675. What is the MoSCoW method in requirements prioritization?

- A. A geographic approach assigning requirements to teams based on physical location
- B. A technique categorizing requirements as Must, Should, Could, and Won't have items
- C. A testing strategy for validating requirements against acceptance criteria only
- D. A programming paradigm for implementing requirements in object-oriented languages

Answer: B

Q676. What is the difference between requirements verification and validation?

- A. Verification writes test cases; validation executes marketing campaigns for launch
- B. Verification checks document consistency; validation checks stakeholder satisfaction
- C. Verification trains users; validation calculates the return on investment figures
- D. Verification deploys the system; validation monitors production performance metrics

Answer: B

Q677. Why is natural language problematic for writing requirements?

- A. It is too precise and does not allow any flexibility in requirement statements
- B. It is only understood by technical staff and not by any business stakeholders
- C. It is inherently ambiguous and can lead to multiple conflicting interpretations
- D. It cannot express complex requirements due to limited vocabulary available

Answer: C

Q678. What is a requirements review and who should participate?

- A. A formal inspection of requirements involving stakeholders and technical staff
- B. A marketing meeting to discuss product positioning and pricing strategies
- C. An informal chat between two developers about their coding preferences only
- D. A hardware procurement session to select servers for the production use

Answer: A

Q679. How does requirements management handle change requests?

- A. By delegating all change decisions to a single junior developer on the team
- B. By rejecting all change requests to maintain the original project scope fully
- C. By immediately implementing all requested changes without any analysis first
- D. Through a formal change control process that evaluates impact before approval

Answer: D

Q680. What is the role of domain analysis in requirements engineering?

- A. It focuses exclusively on selecting the programming language for development
- B. It calculates the exact project budget and timeline before development starts
- C. It determines the number of servers needed for production deployment only
- D. It helps understand the application domain to identify relevant requirements

Answer: D

Q681. What is the purpose of earned value management (EVM)?

- A. To measure project performance by comparing planned versus actual progress and costs
- B. To determine which programming language is most suitable for the project requirements
- C. To calculate the total number of lines of code written by each developer on the team
- D. To design the system architecture and select appropriate technology stack components

Answer: A

Q682. How does the critical path method (CPM) help project managers?

- A. It guarantees that no project will ever experience delays or budget overruns
- B. It identifies tasks that directly impact project completion date if delayed at all
- C. It randomly assigns priorities to tasks without considering their dependencies now
- D. It eliminates the need for any project scheduling or timeline management work

Answer: B

Q683. What is scope creep and how can it be managed?

- A. An issue that resolves itself automatically without any management intervention
- B. A beneficial practice that should be encouraged for maximum project flexibility
- C. A problem that only affects projects using agile development methodologies now
- D. Uncontrolled scope expansion managed through formal change control processes

Answer: D

Q684. What is the difference between effort estimation and duration estimation?

- A. Effort measures code quality; duration measures the number of features implemented
- B. Effort is only relevant for testing; duration is only relevant for coding activities
- C. Effort is total work hours needed; duration is calendar time to complete the task
- D. Effort and duration are identical concepts with no meaningful difference between them

Answer: C

Q685. What is the COCOMO model used for in software project management?

- A. Managing source code versions and branches in the project code repository
- B. Testing software applications for security vulnerabilities and performance issues
- C. Estimating software development effort and cost based on project size parameters
- D. Designing user interfaces for web-based applications and mobile platforms only

Answer: C

Q686. How do project managers handle team conflicts effectively?

- A. By immediately removing the conflicting team members from the project team
- B. By assigning all disputed tasks to a single person to avoid disagreements
- C. By facilitating open communication and finding mutually acceptable solutions
- D. By ignoring conflicts and hoping they resolve themselves without intervention

Answer: C

Q687. What is a risk register in project management?

- A. A source code repository containing all versions of the application being built
- B. A database of all employee records including salary and performance evaluations
- C. A financial ledger tracking all project expenses and revenue over the timeline
- D. A documented list of identified risks with their probability and impact assessments

Answer: D

Q688. What is the purpose of a project post-mortem or lessons learned session?

- A. To calculate the final salary bonuses for the project team members after launch
- B. To assign blame to team members who made mistakes during the project execution
- C. To identify what went well and what can be improved for future project efforts
- D. To permanently archive all project documents and prevent any future access now

Answer: C

Q689. How does function point analysis help in project estimation?

- A. It measures the physical size of the deployed application in storage megabytes
- B. It tracks the number of team members assigned to the project at any given time
- C. It counts the number of programming languages used in the project source code
- D. It measures software size based on functional requirements independent of technology

Answer: D

Q690. What is the triple constraint in project management?

- A. The balance between scope, time, and cost that defines project boundaries
- B. The three phases of testing: unit, integration, and system level testing
- C. The minimum number of developers needed to start any software project
- D. The three programming languages required for every software project build

Answer: A

Q691. What is the Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)?

- A. A class should handle all possible system responsibilities now
- B. A function should always return multiple values simultaneously
- C. A class should have only one reason to change its behavior
- D. A module should depend on as many other modules as possible

Answer: C

Q692. What is the Open-Closed Principle in software design?

- A. Software entities should never be extended or modified after initial release
- B. Software entities should be open for extension but closed for modification
- C. Software entities should be both open and closed for all types of changes
- D. Software entities should be closed for extension and open for modification

Answer: B

Q693. What is the difference between the Strategy and State design patterns?

- A. Strategy and State are identical patterns with no differences between them at all
- B. Strategy selects algorithms; State changes behavior based on internal object state
- C. Strategy manages object creation; State handles object destruction and cleanup work
- D. Strategy is for UI design only; State is exclusively for database operations work

Answer: B

Q694. How does the Observer pattern support loose coupling?

- A. Observers must inherit from the subject class to receive any notification updates
- B. Observers must know the complete internal state of the subject at all times now
- C. Subjects notify observers without knowing their concrete implementation details
- D. The pattern requires tight coupling between all observers and the subject object

Answer: C

Q695. What is the Dependency Inversion Principle?

- A. High-level modules should depend on abstractions not on low-level module details
- B. Dependencies should always flow from abstractions down to concrete implementations
- C. High-level modules should directly depend on the implementation of low-level modules
- D. Low-level modules should control the behavior of all high-level modules in system

Answer: A

Q696. What is the Factory Method pattern used for?

- A. Connecting to external databases and executing queries against stored data records
- B. Sorting collections of objects based on their attributes in ascending or descending order
- C. Destroying objects and freeing memory after they are no longer needed by the program
- D. Creating objects without specifying the exact class to instantiate at compile time

Answer: D

Q697. How does the MVC pattern separate concerns in application design?

- A. It eliminates the need for any user interface by focusing solely on data storage
- B. It only separates the database from the rest of the application into two layers
- C. It separates data (Model), presentation (View), and logic (Controller) into layers
- D. It combines all application logic into a single layer without any separation at all

Answer: C

Q698. What is the Liskov Substitution Principle?

- A. Base types should be substitutable for their subtypes in all program situations
- B. Subtypes should completely change the behavior defined by their base type classes
- C. Subtypes must be substitutable for their base types without altering correctness
- D. Inheritance should be avoided entirely in favor of composition in every case

Answer: C

Q699. What is the purpose of the Adapter design pattern?

- A. To make incompatible interfaces work together through a wrapper component layer
- B. To add new functionality to objects dynamically at runtime without inheritance use
- C. To ensure a class has only one instance throughout the entire application system
- D. To create new objects by cloning existing ones without using constructors directly

Answer: A

Q700. What is the difference between composition and inheritance in design?

- A. Composition is always inferior to inheritance for all software design scenarios today
- B. Composition uses has-a relationships; inheritance uses is-a relationships between types
- C. Composition and inheritance are identical concepts with no meaningful differences at all
- D. Inheritance provides more flexibility than composition in every possible design context

Answer: B

Q701. What is the difference between software architecture and software design?

- A. Architecture and design are identical concepts with no meaningful differences between them
- B. Architecture focuses on code details; design focuses on system-level structural decisions
- C. Architecture defines high-level structure; design details component internals and algorithms
- D. Architecture is only relevant for small systems; design is only for large-scale systems

Answer: C

Q702. How does the Model-View-Controller architecture support separation of concerns?

- A. It eliminates the need for a user interface by focusing exclusively on data processing
- B. It only separates the database from the application without any further decomposition
- C. It separates data management, user interface, and control logic into distinct components
- D. It combines all concerns into a single component for simplicity and ease of maintenance

Answer: C

Q703. What are the trade-offs of microservices versus monolithic architecture?

- A. Microservices offer scalability and independence but add complexity in communication and deployment
- B. There are no meaningful trade-offs because both approaches produce identical system qualities
- C. Microservices are always superior to monolithic architectures in every possible project scenario
- D. Monolithic architectures are always more scalable than microservices in all system contexts today

Answer: A

Q704. What is an event-driven architecture?

- A. Components communicate by producing and consuming events asynchronously via message brokers
- B. All system events are processed in a strictly sequential order without any parallel execution
- C. Components communicate exclusively through synchronous direct function calls without any delay
- D. Event-driven systems cannot handle more than one event at any given point in time today

Answer: A

Q705. How does the service-oriented architecture (SOA) promote reusability?

- A. Services are designed as reusable, self-contained units with well-defined standard interfaces
- B. SOA discourages reusability by requiring unique implementations for every system integration
- C. Services in SOA are always built from scratch and never leverage any existing functionality
- D. Services are tightly coupled and cannot be reused outside their original application context

Answer: A

Q706. What is an architectural decision record (ADR)?

- A. A project management artifact tracking team member assignments and work allocations
- B. A source code file containing the main application entry point and initialization logic
- C. A database schema definition file used for creating tables and relationships in storage
- D. A document capturing the context, decision, and consequences of an architectural choice

Answer: D

Q707. What is the strangler fig pattern in architecture migration?

- A. Running both old and new systems permanently without ever completing the migration work
- B. Immediately shutting down the old system and deploying the new one all at once together
- C. Abandoning the migration and keeping the legacy system unchanged for all future operation
- D. Gradually replacing parts of a legacy system with new components until fully migrated

Answer: D

Q708. How does a message queue improve system architecture?

- A. It tightly couples all components requiring synchronous communication between every service
- B. It decouples producers and consumers allowing asynchronous communication and load leveling
- C. It reduces system reliability by introducing additional points of failure without any benefit
- D. It eliminates the need for any communication between system components or services at all

Answer: B

Q709. What is the CQRS (Command Query Responsibility Segregation) pattern?

- A. Separating read and write operations into different models for optimization flexibility
- B. Using the same data model and access path for both queries and commands in all cases
- C. Combining all read and write operations into a single model for maximum simplicity only
- D. Eliminating all read operations and only allowing write operations in the system design

Answer: A

Q710. What is the role of middleware in a distributed architecture?

- A. It only stores data and has no role in communication or transformation between services
- B. It provides communication, data transformation, and integration between distributed components
- C. It eliminates the need for any networking between distributed system components entirely
- D. It replaces all business logic components and handles every processing requirement directly

Answer: B

Q711. What are Nielsen's ten usability heuristics used for?

- A. Evaluating user interface designs for common usability problems and issues
- B. Configuring network firewalls for protecting against security threats
- C. Designing database schemas for storing application data efficiently now
- D. Writing backend server code for processing user authentication requests

Answer: A

Q712. What is the difference between UI design and UX design?

- A. UI and UX are identical disciplines with no differences in scope or focus areas
- B. UI covers project management; UX handles server infrastructure configuration
- C. UI focuses on visual elements; UX encompasses the entire user experience journey
- D. UI deals with backend logic; UX focuses exclusively on database design work now

Answer: C

Q713. What is Fitts' law and how does it apply to UI design?

- A. Smaller and distant targets are easier to click, so buttons should be minimized always
- B. Fitts' law only applies to physical devices and has no relevance to digital interfaces
- C. Larger and closer targets are faster to select, influencing button size and placement
- D. Target size has no impact on user interaction speed or accuracy in any interface now

Answer: C

Q714. How does the principle of consistency improve user interfaces?

- A. It makes the interface unpredictable so users must think carefully about every action
- B. It allows users to apply learned behaviors across the interface reducing cognitive load
- C. It forces every page to look completely different from all other pages in the system
- D. It increases the time users need to learn how to navigate and use the application

Answer: B

Q715. What is a design system in the context of UI development?

- A. A single page design template that cannot be customized or reused across the application
- B. A collection of reusable components and guidelines ensuring visual and behavioral consistency
- C. A database management system for storing user interface configuration data and settings
- D. A server monitoring tool for tracking application performance metrics and error rates

Answer: B

Q716. What is the purpose of A/B testing in UI design?

- A. Simultaneously releasing both design variants as permanent features for all users
- B. Testing the application's backend server performance under heavy load conditions
- C. Validating the database schema against the documented requirements specification
- D. Comparing two design variants to determine which performs better with real users

Answer: D

Q717. How does progressive disclosure improve complex user interfaces?

- A. It reveals information gradually, showing only what is needed at each step of interaction
- B. It hides all information permanently and never reveals anything to the user at any time
- C. It displays all possible options and information simultaneously on a single crowded screen
- D. It forces users to read complete documentation before they can interact with the system

Answer: A

Q718. What is the importance of color contrast in UI design?

- A. It ensures text and elements are readable for users including those with visual impairments
- B. High contrast should be avoided because it makes interfaces harder for everyone to read
- C. Color contrast only matters for printed materials and is irrelevant for digital interfaces
- D. It is purely decorative and has no impact on readability or accessibility of the interface

Answer: A

Q719. What is a persona in user-centered design?

- A. A software bot that automatically generates user interface layouts without human input
- B. A legal document defining the terms of service between the company and its end users
- C. A real person hired to test the application before it is released to the general public
- D. A fictional character representing a target user group based on research data analysis

Answer: D

Q720. What is the purpose of user journey mapping in UI design?

- A. To create the database schema for storing all application data and configurations
- B. To write the server-side code for processing API requests from the client side
- C. To configure the deployment pipeline for releasing the application to production
- D. To visualize the complete user experience across all touchpoints and interactions

Answer: D

Q721. What is the difference between compiled and interpreted languages?

- A. Compiled languages run slower than interpreted languages in all performance benchmarks and tests
- B. Compiled languages translate code before execution; interpreted languages translate during execution
- C. Compiled and interpreted languages are identical with no differences in execution approach at all
- D. Interpreted languages cannot be used for building any production-grade software applications

Answer: B

Q722. What is continuous integration (CI) in software development?

- A. Manually combining all code at the end of the project without any automated testing or builds
- B. Writing all source code in a single file to avoid any merge conflicts between team members
- C. Deploying code directly to production without any testing or review processes being performed
- D. Frequently merging code changes into a shared repository with automated build and test validation

Answer: D

Q723. How does pair programming improve code quality?

- A. It reduces code quality because two developers disagree and produce inconsistent solutions
- B. It doubles development speed by having two people type simultaneously on the same keyboard
- C. It eliminates the need for any code reviews since the code is already reviewed during writing
- D. Real-time review catches errors immediately and promotes knowledge sharing between developers

Answer: D

Q724. What is technical debt and how does it affect implementation?

- A. Accumulated shortcuts requiring future rework that slows down development and increases costs
- B. A financial investment made by the company to purchase better development tools and hardware
- C. A type of software license that requires payment for each line of code written in the project
- D. A project management metric measuring the total budget remaining for the development effort

Answer: A

Q725. What is the purpose of unit testing during implementation?

- A. To check the project schedule against the planned milestones and delivery date targets
- B. To test the entire application system from end to end including all integrated components
- C. To validate the user interface design against the approved wireframes and mockup designs
- D. To verify individual code components work correctly in isolation from other system parts

Answer: D

Q726. What is dependency injection and why is it useful?

- A. Providing dependencies externally rather than creating them internally for better testability
- B. Creating all dependencies inside the class constructor to simplify initialization logic now
- C. Injecting database records directly into the application without using any query language
- D. Removing all dependencies from a class so it operates completely independently of others

Answer: A

Q727. What is the purpose of a build automation tool?

- A. To create project management reports showing team productivity and budget utilization data
- B. To manually compile each source code file individually without any automated processes at all
- C. To design user interfaces by automatically generating HTML and CSS from wireframe images
- D. To automate compilation, testing, packaging, and deployment of software applications reliably

Answer: D

Q728. How does static code analysis help during implementation?

- A. It analyzes the application user interface for usability problems and accessibility violations
- B. It replaces the need for any manual code review by automatically fixing all detected issues
- C. It identifies potential bugs, security vulnerabilities, and style violations without running code
- D. It only detects errors that occur during runtime execution of the application in production

Answer: C

Q729. What is the difference between a framework and a library?

- A. Frameworks are always superior to libraries for all software development projects and tasks
- B. Frameworks and libraries are identical concepts with no meaningful differences between them
- C. A framework controls the flow and calls your code; a library is called by your code directly
- D. A library controls application flow; a framework provides utility functions called by code

Answer: C

Q730. What is containerization and how does it benefit implementation?

- A. Packaging applications with dependencies into isolated containers ensuring consistent environments
- B. Running applications directly on the host operating system without any isolation or packaging
- C. Manually configuring each server individually to match the development environment settings
- D. Removing all application dependencies to reduce the size of the deployed software package

Answer: A

Q731. What is the difference between black-box and white-box testing?

- A. Black-box testing is always superior to white-box testing for finding all types of software bugs
- B. Black-box tests functionality without code knowledge; white-box tests with code structure knowledge
- C. Black-box and white-box testing are identical approaches with no meaningful differences at all
- D. Black-box testing examines code structure; white-box testing ignores internal implementation fully

Answer: B

Q732. What is boundary value analysis in software testing?

- A. Avoiding all edge cases and testing only the most common inputs that users are expected to use
- B. Testing only the maximum possible input value and ignoring all other boundary conditions now
- C. Testing at the edges of input ranges where defects are most likely to occur in the software
- D. Testing random values from the middle of input ranges without focusing on any specific values

Answer: C

Q733. What is equivalence partitioning?

- A. Testing every possible input value individually to ensure complete coverage of the system
- B. Randomly selecting test inputs without any systematic approach to input space partitioning
- C. Removing all invalid inputs from the test suite to focus only on valid expected scenarios
- D. Dividing inputs into groups where all values in a group are expected to behave identically

Answer: D

Q734. What is code coverage and why does it matter?

- A. It measures the percentage of code exercised by tests indicating thoroughness of test suite
- B. It counts the total number of lines of code in the project regardless of testing activities
- C. It measures the speed at which the application executes under normal operating conditions
- D. It tracks the number of developers who have reviewed each source code file in the project

Answer: A

Q735. What is mutation testing?

- A. Changing the programming language of the application to improve its overall test coverage
- B. Introducing small changes to code to check if tests can detect the introduced modifications
- C. Modifying the project requirements to make them easier to test with existing test suites
- D. Deleting all test cases and relying on manual testing for all quality assurance activities

Answer: B

Q736. What is performance testing?

- A. Checking the visual design of the user interface against approved wireframes and mockups
- B. Validating that the project schedule aligns with the planned milestones and target dates
- C. Verifying that individual functions return correct results for all valid input combinations
- D. Evaluating system behavior under various load conditions to identify bottlenecks and limits

Answer: D

Q737. What is the purpose of test-driven development (TDD)?

- A. Writing tests before code to drive design and ensure comprehensive test coverage from start
- B. Using test results to determine developer salary bonuses at the end of each project phase
- C. Eliminating all testing activities to focus developer time on feature implementation only
- D. Writing code first and then deciding which tests to write based on the bugs found later

Answer: A

Q738. What is exploratory testing?

- A. Simultaneous test design, execution, and learning without predefined scripts or test cases
- B. Following a strictly predefined test script without any deviation or creativity in approach
- C. Running only automated tests without any human involvement in the testing process at all
- D. Exploring the source code without executing the application to find potential defect areas

Answer: A

Q739. What is the testing pyramid concept?

- A. Only unit tests are needed and integration and end-to-end tests should be completely avoided
- B. More end-to-end tests at the base and fewer unit tests at the top of the testing pyramid
- C. More unit tests at the base, fewer integration tests, and fewest end-to-end tests at the top
- D. Equal numbers of unit, integration, and end-to-end tests at every level of the testing pyramid

Answer: C

Q740. What is the difference between verification and validation in testing?

- A. Verification and validation are identical activities with no differences in their purposes
- B. Verification focuses on user satisfaction; validation focuses on technical correctness only
- C. Verification checks if built correctly; validation checks if the right product was built
- D. Verification is done after deployment; validation is done before development starts only

Answer: C

Q741. What is Lehman's law of increasing complexity?

- A. Software complexity naturally decreases over time without any deliberate effort being made
- B. Software complexity increases with each change unless work is done to reduce it actively
- C. Software complexity remains constant throughout the entire lifetime of the application now
- D. Software complexity is only affected by the initial design and never by later modifications

Answer: B

Q742. How does software aging affect system reliability over time?

- A. Aging has no measurable effect on software reliability because code does not physically degrade
- B. Software reliability improves automatically as hardware becomes faster and more powerful now
- C. Software always becomes more reliable over time as more bugs are found and fixed in system
- D. Accumulated changes and environmental drift gradually degrade system reliability and performance

Answer: D

Q743. What is the difference between re-engineering and reverse engineering?

- A. Re-engineering recovers design knowledge; reverse engineering restructures for improvements now
- B. Reverse engineering and re-engineering are identical processes with no differences between them
- C. Reverse engineering adds new features; re-engineering only fixes bugs in the existing codebase
- D. Reverse engineering recovers design; re-engineering restructures the system for improvement work

Answer: D

Q744. What is the impact of code smells on software maintenance effort?

- A. Code smells always improve code quality by making the codebase more interesting to read now
- B. Code smells indicate design problems that increase maintenance difficulty and defect likelihood
- C. Code smells have no impact on maintenance because they do not represent actual defects today
- D. Code smells are only cosmetic issues that never affect functionality or maintenance costs

Answer: B

Q745. How does modular design facilitate software maintenance?

- A. Modular design makes maintenance harder because changes must be applied to every module now
- B. Modular design has no relationship to maintenance effort or quality of the maintenance work
- C. Modules prevent any changes from being made to the software after initial deployment to users
- D. Changes can be isolated to specific modules without affecting the rest of the system at all

Answer: D

Q746. What is the ripple effect in software maintenance?

- A. A technique for efficiently propagating beneficial changes across all system modules quickly
- B. A design pattern that ensures changes in one module are automatically applied everywhere now
- C. Changes in one part of the system causing unintended effects in seemingly unrelated parts
- D. A method for testing software by sending signals through all connected components sequentially

Answer: C

Q747. What is program comprehension and why is it critical for maintenance?

- A. Understanding existing code is essential for making correct modifications without introducing bugs
- B. Program comprehension is unnecessary because maintainers can change code without understanding it
- C. Program comprehension only matters for documentation purposes and not for actual code changes
- D. Understanding code is only important during initial development and never during maintenance work

Answer: A

Q748. What role does impact analysis play in software maintenance?

- A. It identifies all system areas affected by a proposed change before implementation begins now
- B. It only identifies positive impacts and ignores any negative consequences of proposed changes
- C. It is only performed after changes are deployed to assess the damage caused by the change
- D. It has no role in maintenance because changes can be made without considering their effects

Answer: A

Q749. How does automated testing support software maintenance activities?

- A. It eliminates the need for any human involvement in the maintenance decision-making process
- B. It replaces all maintenance activities including code modification and deployment processes
- C. It quickly validates that changes have not broken existing functionality through regression tests
- D. It automatically fixes all bugs found during testing without any developer intervention needed

Answer: C

Q750. What is software rejuvenation?

- A. Adding cosmetic visual updates to the user interface without any functional changes at all
- B. Permanently retiring software and replacing it with an entirely new system from scratch now
- C. Periodically restarting or refreshing software to counteract performance degradation over time
- D. Increasing the hardware resources allocated to the software without changing any code at all

Answer: C

Q751. What is the CMMI (Capability Maturity Model Integration)?

- A. A hardware testing tool for measuring processor speed and memory performance now
- B. A database management system used exclusively for storing quality audit records
- C. A specific programming language designed for building quality management applications
- D. A framework for assessing and improving organizational process maturity and capability

Answer: D

Q752. What are the five maturity levels in CMMI?

- A. Requirements, Design, Implementation, Testing, and Deployment of system products
- B. Planning, Coding, Testing, Deploying, and Maintaining software applications now
- C. Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced, Expert, and Master skill certification levels
- D. Initial, Managed, Defined, Quantitatively Managed, and Optimizing across all processes

Answer: D

Q753. How does statistical process control apply to software quality assurance?

- A. It has no application to software because software processes cannot be measured now
- B. It only applies to manufacturing processes and is irrelevant to software development
- C. It uses statistical methods to monitor and control process performance and variation
- D. It replaces all testing activities with purely statistical models of defect prediction

Answer: C

Q754. What is the cost of quality (CoQ) model?

- A. A pricing strategy for selling software products to customers at premium prices now
- B. A budget allocation method assigning equal funding to all project activities always
- C. A salary structure for paying quality assurance engineers based on defects found
- D. A model categorizing quality costs into prevention, appraisal, and failure categories

Answer: D

Q755. How do formal technical reviews improve software quality?

- A. They replace all automated testing by manually verifying every line of source code now
- B. They systematically examine work products to find defects before they propagate further
- C. They only focus on coding style and have no impact on finding functional defect issues
- D. They are informal conversations without structure that rarely produce useful findings

Answer: B

Q756. What is the relationship between process quality and product quality?

- A. Poor processes always produce high-quality products because developers compensate fully
- B. Good processes increase the likelihood of producing good products consistently over time
- C. Process quality has no correlation with product quality in software engineering at all
- D. Product quality depends solely on individual developer skill and not on process at all

Answer: B

Q757. What is a quality gate in the development process?

- A. A software tool that automatically generates test cases from requirements documents
- B. A checkpoint where quality criteria must be met before proceeding to the next phase
- C. A physical entrance to the quality assurance department office in the building now
- D. A coding standard that restricts the number of lines per function in source code

Answer: B

Q758. How does root cause analysis improve quality assurance?

- A. It identifies underlying causes of defects to prevent similar issues from recurring again
- B. It has no practical application in software quality assurance or defect prevention work
- C. It replaces all testing activities by predicting where defects will occur in source code
- D. It only identifies surface-level symptoms without investigating the deeper reasons for them

Answer: A

Q759. What is the difference between verification and validation in QA?

- A. Verification only applies to code; validation only applies to documentation artifacts
- B. Verification ensures correct construction; validation ensures the right product is built
- C. Verification and validation are identical activities performed at the same project stage
- D. Verification is done by users; validation is done by developers during the development

Answer: B

Q760. What is a software quality assurance plan (SQAP)?

- A. A document defining quality activities, standards, and procedures for a project effort
- B. A hardware procurement list for purchasing testing equipment and tools for the lab
- C. A project schedule showing only the testing phase timeline without any other phases
- D. A source code file containing automated tests for the application being developed now

Answer: A

Q761. How is function point analysis different from LOC as a size metric?

- A. Function points measure functionality delivered; LOC measures physical source code volume size
- B. LOC is technology-independent while function points depend on the programming language used
- C. Function points are less accurate than LOC because they ignore the actual code implementation
- D. Function points and LOC always produce identical size measurements for any given software system

Answer: A

Q762. What is the Halstead complexity metric based on?

- A. The number of operators and operands in the source code of the program being measured today
- B. The number of developers who have contributed to the source code repository over project life
- C. The amount of time required to execute the software on a standard hardware configuration now
- D. The physical size of the compiled executable file measured in megabytes of storage space used

Answer: A

Q763. What is the difference between leading and lagging metrics?

- A. Lagging metrics predict future outcomes; leading metrics only describe what happened previously
- B. Leading and lagging metrics are identical concepts measuring the same things at the same time
- C. Leading metrics predict future outcomes; lagging metrics report on past results already achieved
- D. Leading metrics are less useful than lagging metrics because predictions are always inaccurate

Answer: C

Q764. How does the Goal-Question-Metric (GQM) approach structure measurement programs?

- A. It starts by collecting all possible metrics and then determines if any goals can be derived
- B. It defines goals first, then questions to assess goals, then metrics to answer those questions
- C. It requires implementing all metrics simultaneously before defining any organizational goals
- D. It randomly selects metrics without any connection to organizational goals or questions asked

Answer: B

Q765. What is coupling metrics and how does it relate to maintainability?

- A. Coupling can only be measured for object-oriented systems and not for any other paradigms
- B. Higher coupling always improves maintainability because modules share more common knowledge
- C. Coupling metrics have no relationship with software maintainability or quality in any context
- D. Coupling metrics measure interdependence between modules; higher coupling reduces maintainability

Answer: D

Q766. What is the purpose of software reliability metrics?

- A. To track the number of meetings held by the development team during the project timeline
- B. To measure the visual attractiveness of the user interface design and layout of the system
- C. To count the number of programming languages used in the software project source code now
- D. To quantify the probability of failure-free operation over a specified time period and context

Answer: D

Q767. How does maintainability index combine multiple metrics?

- A. It combines cyclomatic complexity, LOC, and Halstead volume into a single composite score value
- B. It measures only the number of comments in code as the sole indicator of maintainability level
- C. It only uses lines of code without considering any other metrics for maintainability assessment
- D. It counts the number of developers who can understand the code without any other measurements

Answer: A

Q768. What is the difference between objective and subjective software metrics?

- A. Subjective metrics can be fully automated while objective metrics always require human judgment
- B. Objective and subjective metrics are identical and always produce the same measurement results
- C. Objective metrics are less accurate than subjective metrics in all measurement scenarios today
- D. Objective metrics are directly measurable; subjective metrics require human judgment and opinion

Answer: D

Q769. What is technical debt measurement and how can it be quantified?

- A. Technical debt cannot be measured or quantified in any meaningful way using any known methods
- B. Technical debt measurement counts the number of developers who have left the project team
- C. It only measures the financial debt of the company and has no relation to software quality now
- D. It estimates the cost of fixing shortcuts and workarounds accumulated in the codebase over time

Answer: D

Q770. How do dashboard metrics help project managers make decisions?

- A. They automatically make all project decisions without requiring any human judgment or input
- B. They only display historical data and cannot help with current or future decision making work
- C. They replace the need for any communication between project managers and development teams
- D. They provide real-time visibility into project health enabling data-driven decision making today

Answer: D

Q771. What is the difference between centralized and distributed version control?

- A. Centralized systems are always superior to distributed systems for all development scenarios now
- B. Distributed systems require a constant network connection while centralized systems do not need
- C. Centralized uses one server repository; distributed gives each developer a full local repository
- D. Centralized and distributed version control systems are identical in architecture and capability

Answer: C

Q772. What is a merge conflict and how is it resolved?

- A. Merge conflicts only happen in centralized systems and never in distributed version control
- B. It occurs when changes overlap and requires manual resolution by choosing the correct changes
- C. Merge conflicts never occur in modern version control systems due to advanced automation today
- D. Conflicts are always resolved automatically without any human intervention being required now

Answer: B

Q773. What is continuous delivery (CD) in configuration management?

- A. Manually deploying software to production once every year during the scheduled maintenance window
- B. Automating the release process so software can be deployed to production at any time reliably
- C. Delivering hardware components continuously to the data center for server infrastructure setup
- D. Preventing any changes from reaching production until all features are completely implemented

Answer: B

Q774. What is the purpose of tagging in version control?

- A. Labeling hardware components in the server rack for identification during maintenance periods
- B. Assigning developers to specific tasks using labels in the project management tracking system
- C. Adding metadata to database records for improved search and retrieval performance in queries
- D. Marking specific points in the repository history as important like releases or milestones now

Answer: D

Q775. How does GitFlow branching strategy organize development work?

- A. It uses feature, develop, release, and hotfix branches with defined merge workflows for teams
- B. It creates a new repository for each feature instead of using branches within one repository
- C. It uses a single branch for all development without any branching or merging strategies now
- D. It prohibits branching entirely and requires all developers to commit directly to the main line

Answer: A

Q776. What is the role of build automation in configuration management?

- A. It eliminates the need for any testing by guaranteeing that automated builds are always correct
- B. It only manages the visual design of the user interface without any involvement in code builds
- C. It ensures consistent, repeatable builds by automating compilation, testing, and packaging steps
- D. It replaces version control by automatically generating source code from requirements documents

Answer: C

Q777. What is a configuration audit?

- A. A performance test measuring the application response time under peak load conditions only now
- B. A code review focused exclusively on the visual appearance of the user interface elements now
- C. A financial audit of the project budget to ensure money is being spent according to the plan
- D. A review verifying that configuration items conform to their documented specifications and records

Answer: D

Q778. What is trunk-based development?

- A. All development occurs in release branches without any central trunk or main branch at all now
- B. Developers never commit code and instead share changes through email attachments exclusively
- C. All developers commit to a single main branch with short-lived feature branches if needed now
- D. Each developer maintains their own permanent long-lived branch that is never merged with others

Answer: C

Q779. How does semantic versioning (SemVer) communicate change significance?

- A. All version numbers are randomly assigned without any meaning related to the type of changes
- B. Only the major version number is meaningful while minor and patch numbers are decorative only
- C. Semantic versioning uses alphabetical labels instead of numbers to indicate version differences
- D. Major version for breaking changes, minor for features, and patch for bug fixes are indicated

Answer: D

Q780. What is the purpose of a deployment pipeline?

- A. To design the user interface mockups that will be implemented by the development team later
- B. To generate project management reports for stakeholder review at monthly status update meetings
- C. To manually review every line of code before it is committed to the version control repository
- D. To automate and validate the stages between code commit and production deployment reliably

Answer: D

Q781. How is a risk exposure value calculated?

- A. By adding the total project budget to the number of team members assigned
- B. By multiplying the probability of occurrence by the estimated impact value
- C. By subtracting the actual cost from the planned budget at each milestone
- D. By dividing the number of defects found by the total lines of code written

Answer: B

Q782. What is the difference between risk transfer and risk avoidance?

- A. Transfer shifts risk to another party; avoidance eliminates the risk from the project entirely
- B. Transfer and avoidance are identical strategies with no differences in their approaches at all
- C. Neither transfer nor avoidance has any effect on the actual risk profile of the project work
- D. Transfer eliminates risks completely; avoidance shifts them to another responsible party now

Answer: A

Q783. What is a risk-driven development approach?

- A. Prioritizing development activities based on the highest identified risk areas in the project
- B. Using risk management only during the final testing phase and not during development work
- C. Ignoring all risks and developing features in random order without any priority criteria now
- D. Developing only low-risk features and permanently deferring all high-risk items from scope

Answer: A

Q784. How does the Boehm risk management model categorize project risks?

- A. Into top ten risk items that are continuously tracked and mitigated throughout the project
- B. Into risks that only affect the schedule and risks that only affect the budget separately
- C. Into a single list of risks that is created once and never updated during the project life
- D. Into exactly two categories of risks that are either accepted or completely eliminated now

Answer: A

Q785. What is sensitivity analysis in risk management?

- A. Measuring the emotional response of team members to project deadlines and pressure levels
- B. Determining which risks have the greatest potential impact on project outcomes and results
- C. Testing the application's response time under varying network latency and bandwidth levels
- D. Evaluating the sensitivity of hardware components to environmental conditions in data center

Answer: B

Q786. What is the purpose of risk monitoring and control?

- A. Creating the initial risk register at the beginning of the project and never updating it again
- B. Focusing exclusively on positive risks and ignoring all negative risk events in the project
- C. Tracking identified risks, detecting new risks, and evaluating risk response effectiveness now
- D. Eliminating all monitoring activities to reduce overhead and speed up project delivery today

Answer: C

Q787. How do qualitative and quantitative risk analysis differ?

- A. Quantitative analysis does not use any numerical values and relies solely on expert opinion
- B. Qualitative and quantitative analysis produce identical results using the same methods always
- C. Qualitative assesses risks subjectively by category; quantitative assigns numerical probabilities
- D. Qualitative analysis is always more accurate than quantitative analysis in every situation now

Answer: C

Q788. What is a risk response strategy?

- A. A technique for ignoring risks to maintain team morale and project momentum during development
- B. A financial strategy for investing project savings into high-risk stock market opportunities
- C. A planned approach for addressing identified risks through avoidance, mitigation, or transfer
- D. A reactive action taken only after a risk has already materialized and caused project damage

Answer: C

Q789. What is the role of risk communication in project management?

- A. Ensuring all stakeholders are informed about risks and their management throughout the project
- B. Delegating all risk communication to the most junior team member without any oversight given
- C. Communicating only positive project news and avoiding any mention of potential risk events now
- D. Hiding risk information from stakeholders to prevent unnecessary worry about project outcomes

Answer: A

Q790. What is a risk breakdown structure (RBS)?

- A. A technique for splitting the project budget into smaller allocations for each team member
- B. A method for breaking down source code into smaller functions for better risk assessment work
- C. A physical diagram showing the location of server hardware in the data center for risk review
- D. A hierarchical categorization of project risks organized by source and type for clarity now

Answer: D

Q791. What is SQL injection and how can it be prevented?

- A. An approved method for administrators to directly modify production database records quickly
- B. A database optimization technique that improves query performance through code injection method
- C. A testing technique where SQL queries are injected into the test suite for validation work
- D. Inserting malicious SQL through user inputs; prevented by parameterized queries and validation

Answer: D

Q792. What is cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability?

- A. A method for testing website compatibility across different web browsers and platforms now
- B. A programming pattern for organizing JavaScript code across multiple source code files today
- C. Injecting malicious scripts into web pages that execute in other users' browsers unexpectedly
- D. A legitimate technique for sharing scripts between different websites for code reuse purposes

Answer: C

Q793. What is the OWASP Top Ten?

- A. A ranking of the ten best programming languages for building secure web applications now
- B. A certification program for security engineers with ten levels of professional expertise
- C. A list of the most critical web application security risks updated periodically by experts
- D. A collection of ten design patterns used exclusively for building user interface components

Answer: C

Q794. What is defense in depth as a security strategy?

- A. Removing all security controls to simplify the application architecture and reduce costs
- B. Implementing security only at the network perimeter without any application-level controls
- C. Relying on a single strong security control to protect all application assets and data now
- D. Using multiple layers of security controls so that if one layer fails others still protect

Answer: D

Q795. What is the purpose of threat modeling?

- A. Creating mathematical models of the project schedule to predict the delivery date precisely
- B. Designing the database schema using entity-relationship diagrams for data storage planning
- C. Modeling the visual appearance of the application user interface in three-dimensional space
- D. Systematically identifying potential threats and vulnerabilities in the system architecture now

Answer: D

Q796. What is secure coding practice?

- A. Writing code as fast as possible without considering any security implications or standards
- B. Writing code that follows security guidelines to prevent common vulnerabilities and exploits
- C. Avoiding all input validation to improve the user experience and reduce form friction now
- D. Using only deprecated libraries because they have been tested longer than newer versions

Answer: B

Q797. What is the role of penetration testing in security engineering?

- A. Replacing all other security measures because penetration testing finds every possible issue
- B. Evaluating the visual design of the user interface for compliance with branding guidelines
- C. Simulating real-world attacks to identify exploitable vulnerabilities before attackers find them
- D. Testing the application performance under heavy network traffic load conditions and stress

Answer: C

Q798. What is a security token used for?

- A. Storing application source code in an encrypted format within the version control system
- B. Designing the database schema with proper normalization and referential integrity rules
- C. Providing a secure method for authenticating and authorizing user sessions and API access
- D. Measuring the performance of the application under concurrent user load conditions now

Answer: C

Q799. What is the difference between symmetric and asymmetric encryption?

- A. There is no difference between symmetric and asymmetric encryption in practice or theory now
- B. Symmetric encryption is always stronger than asymmetric encryption in every possible scenario
- C. Asymmetric encryption uses one shared key; symmetric encryption uses a public-private key pair
- D. Symmetric uses one shared key for both operations; asymmetric uses a public and private key pair

Answer: D

Q800. What is input validation and why is it critical for security?

- A. Input validation is a visual design concern that has no relationship to application security
- B. Input validation slows down the application and should be avoided for performance reasons now
- C. Checking user inputs against expected formats to prevent injection attacks and data corruption
- D. It only applies to database inputs and is not needed for any other type of user interaction

Answer: C

Q801. What is the key difference between software engineering and system engineering?

- A. System engineering only deals with hardware
- B. Software engineering focuses on software; system engineering covers the entire socio-technical system
- C. They are the same discipline
- D. System engineering is a subset of software engineering

Answer: B

Q802. What is the purpose of a software engineering code of ethics?

- A. To enforce programming standards
- B. To guide professional behavior and responsibility toward society
- C. To define coding syntax rules
- D. To set salary standards for engineers

Answer: B

Q803. Which type of software application involves processing large volumes of business data?

- A. Embedded software
- B. System software
- C. Business application software
- D. Real-time software

Answer: C

Q804. What does software evolution refer to?

- A. Rewriting software from scratch
- B. The process of changing software after delivery to correct faults or improve performance
- C. Installing new software
- D. The initial development phase

Answer: B

Q805. Which challenge is specific to web-based software engineering?

- A. Lack of programming languages
- B. Need for scalability, security, and rapid deployment
- C. Inability to use databases
- D. No need for user interfaces

Answer: B

Q806. What is the significance of the NATO Software Engineering Conference of 1968?

- A. It introduced the Java programming language
- B. It formally recognized software engineering as a discipline
- C. It created the internet
- D. It established the first software company

Answer: B

Q807. What is meant by software reuse?

- A. Recycling old hardware
- B. Using existing software components to build new systems
- C. Copying code without permission
- D. Reinstalling software on a different machine

Answer: B

Q808. What is emergent system property?

- A. A property visible in source code
- B. A property that arises from the interaction of system components and cannot be attributed to any single component
- C. A bug that appears randomly
- D. A feature added after release

Answer: B

Q809. Which factor has the MOST influence on software project failure?

- A. Using the wrong programming language
- B. Poor requirements management
- C. Using too many monitors
- D. Team members being in the same office

Answer: B

Q810. What is the relationship between software engineering and computer science?

- A. They are identical fields
- B. Computer science provides theoretical foundations; software engineering applies them practically
- C. Computer science is a branch of software engineering
- D. They have no relationship

Answer: B

Q811. How does the V-model differ from the traditional Waterfall model?

- A. The V-model has no testing phase
- B. The V-model explicitly associates each development phase with a corresponding testing phase
- C. The V-model eliminates design
- D. They are exactly the same

Answer: B

Q812. What is the primary risk addressed by the Spiral model?

- A. Lack of programmers
- B. Project risks identified through repeated risk analysis in each spiral iteration
- C. Poor internet connectivity
- D. Office space constraints

Answer: B

Q813. What is evolutionary prototyping?

- A. A prototype that is immediately discarded
- B. A prototype that is incrementally refined and evolves into the final system
- C. A testing technique
- D. A documentation method

Answer: B

Q814. In RAD (Rapid Application Development), what enables faster development?

- A. Skipping all testing
- B. Using component-based construction and automated tools with intensive user involvement
- C. Writing code without design
- D. Eliminating documentation entirely

Answer: B

Q815. What is the key disadvantage of the Waterfall model?

- A. It is too fast
- B. Difficulty accommodating changes after a phase is complete
- C. It requires no documentation
- D. It has too many iterations

Answer: B

Q816. What is a timeboxed iteration?

- A. An iteration with no deadline
- B. An iteration with a fixed, predetermined duration that cannot be extended
- C. An iteration that lasts forever
- D. A phase that only runs at night

Answer: B

Q817. How does the incremental model handle changing requirements?

- A. It cannot handle changes
- B. Later increments can incorporate new or changed requirements without affecting delivered increments
- C. It restarts from scratch
- D. It ignores changes completely

Answer: B

Q818. What is a process framework in software engineering?

- A. A programming library
- B. A foundation that defines the activities, actions, and tasks for a complete software process
- C. A testing tool
- D. A type of database

Answer: B

Q819. What is the primary advantage of using the Spiral model?

- A. It is the simplest model
- B. It combines iterative development with systematic risk management
- C. It never requires customer involvement
- D. It eliminates all project risks

Answer: B

Q820. What distinguishes a prescriptive process model from an adaptive one?

- A. Prescriptive models have no defined steps
- B. Prescriptive models define a specific set of activities in a defined order; adaptive models allow flexibility
- C. Adaptive models never deliver software
- D. There is no difference

Answer: B

Q821. What is the concept of 'velocity' in Agile?

- A. How fast the team types
- B. The amount of work a team can complete in one iteration, measured in story points or similar units
- C. The speed of the internet connection
- D. The number of meetings per week

Answer: B

Q822. What is pair programming in Extreme Programming (XP)?

- A. Two teams working on separate projects
- B. Two developers working together at one workstation, one writing code and the other reviewing in real time
- C. Two developers in different countries
- D. A code review done after deployment

Answer: B

Q823. What is the purpose of Sprint Planning in Scrum?

- A. To assign blame for past failures
- B. To select items from the Product Backlog and define the work plan for the upcoming Sprint
- C. To write the final project report
- D. To conduct user acceptance testing

Answer: B

Q824. What is a Kanban board used for in Agile?

- A. Drawing architectural diagrams
- B. Visualizing work in progress by showing tasks moving through workflow stages
- C. Tracking employee vacation days
- D. Managing email

Answer: B

Q825. What is continuous refactoring in Agile?

- A. Rewriting the entire system regularly
- B. Ongoing improvement of code structure and design without changing its external behavior
- C. Continuously adding new features
- D. Removing features from the product

Answer: B

Q826. What is the role of the Scrum Master during a Sprint?

- A. Assigning tasks to developers
- B. Facilitating the Scrum process, removing impediments, and shielding the team from external distractions
- C. Writing code exclusively
- D. Approving the final product

Answer: B

Q827. What is an epic in Agile?

- A. A very short user story
- B. A large body of work that can be broken down into smaller user stories
- C. A type of software bug
- D. A deployment milestone

Answer: B

Q828. What is the purpose of a Sprint Backlog?

- A. To list all company projects
- B. To contain the selected Product Backlog items and the plan for delivering them during the Sprint
- C. To track customer complaints
- D. To record team vacation schedules

Answer: B

Q829. What is the MoSCoW prioritization technique?

- A. A Russian programming method
- B. A method categorizing requirements as Must have, Should have, Could have, and Won't have
- C. A testing framework
- D. A deployment strategy

Answer: B

Q830. What is a use case scenario?

- A. A test case for unit testing
- B. A specific sequence of interactions between an actor and the system to achieve a particular goal
- C. A deployment plan
- D. A database schema

Answer: B

Q831. What is the purpose of a requirements traceability matrix?

- A. To trace network packets
- B. To map each requirement to its source, design elements, and test cases
- C. To track employee attendance
- D. To monitor server uptime

Answer: B

Q832. What is requirements ambiguity?

- A. Requirements that are too detailed
- B. Requirements that can be interpreted in more than one way
- C. Requirements that are too short
- D. Requirements written in code

Answer: B

Q833. What is the difference between data flow diagrams (DFDs) and use case diagrams?

- A. They are identical
- B. DFDs show how data moves through the system; use case diagrams show interactions between users and system functions
- C. DFDs are only for databases
- D. Use case diagrams show data flows

Answer: B

Q834. What is a JAD (Joint Application Development) session?

- A. A solo programming activity
- B. A facilitated workshop bringing stakeholders and developers together to define requirements collaboratively
- C. A hardware testing procedure
- D. A deployment meeting

Answer: B

Q835. What is the role of a domain model in requirements engineering?

- A. To model database tables
- B. To represent key concepts, relationships, and rules of the problem domain to facilitate shared understanding
- C. To model network topology
- D. To design user interfaces

Answer: B

Q836. What is the difference between structured and unstructured requirements interviews?

- A. There is no difference
- B. Structured interviews follow a predefined set of questions; unstructured interviews allow open-ended exploration
- C. Structured interviews have no questions prepared
- D. Unstructured interviews use questionnaires

Answer: B

Q837. What is the difference between top-down and bottom-up estimation?

- A. They produce identical results
- B. Top-down estimates the whole project then breaks it down; bottom-up estimates individual tasks then aggregates them
- C. Top-down is always more accurate
- D. Bottom-up ignores individual tasks

Answer: B

Q838. What is Brooks' Law?

- A. Adding more programmers always helps
- B. Adding manpower to a late software project makes it later due to communication overhead and ramp-up time
- C. Projects always finish on time
- D. Larger teams produce fewer bugs

Answer: B

Q839. What is the purpose of a Work Breakdown Structure (WBS)?

- A. To break down the team hierarchy
- B. To decompose the project into smaller, manageable work packages that can be estimated and tracked
- C. To break software into functions
- D. To break hardware into components

Answer: B

Q840. What is analogous estimation?

- A. Estimating by writing code first
- B. Using data from similar past projects to estimate the current project's effort and cost
- C. Random guessing
- D. Estimating based on lines of code only

Answer: B

Q841. What is project tracking and control?

- A. Tracking employee locations
- B. Monitoring project progress against the plan and taking corrective action when deviations occur
- C. Controlling access to the server room
- D. Tracking software downloads

Answer: B

Q842. What is the difference between a Gantt chart and a PERT chart?

- A. They are identical
- B. A Gantt chart shows tasks as horizontal bars on a timeline; a PERT chart shows task dependencies as a network diagram
- C. Gantt charts show only costs
- D. PERT charts cannot show time

Answer: B

Q843. What is the concept of 'slack time' in project scheduling?

- A. Time spent not working
- B. The amount of time an activity can be delayed without delaying the overall project completion date
- C. Time reserved for meetings
- D. Break time for developers

Answer: B

Q844. What is the difference between composition and inheritance in OO design?

- A. They are the same concept
- B. Inheritance creates an 'is-a' relationship; composition creates a 'has-a' relationship by containing objects
- C. Composition is always worse
- D. Inheritance is never used

Answer: B

Q845. What is the Template Method design pattern?

- A. A template for writing documentation
- B. A pattern that defines the skeleton of an algorithm in a superclass, deferring specific steps to subclasses
- C. A method for creating templates
- D. A UI design template

Answer: B

Q846. What is the difference between functional and object-oriented decomposition?

- A. They are identical approaches
- B. Functional decomposition breaks the system into functions; OO decomposition breaks it into objects that encapsulate data and behavior
- C. Functional decomposition is always better
- D. OO decomposition ignores data

Answer: B

Q847. What is the State design pattern?

- A. A pattern for managing US states
- B. A pattern that allows an object to alter its behavior when its internal state changes, appearing to change its class
- C. A pattern for database state management
- D. A pattern for version control

Answer: B

Q848. What is the difference between data-centered and data-flow architecture in design?

- A. They are the same
- B. Data-centered architecture has a central repository accessed by components; data-flow architecture processes data through a sequence of transformations
- C. Data-centered ignores data
- D. Data-flow never processes data

Answer: B

Q849. What is the Proxy design pattern?

- A. A network proxy server
- B. A pattern that provides a surrogate or placeholder for another object to control access to it
- C. A debugging tool
- D. A testing framework

Answer: B

Q850. What is the difference between horizontal and vertical scaling?

- A. They are the same
- B. Horizontal scaling adds more machines; vertical scaling adds more power (CPU, RAM) to existing machines
- C. Horizontal scaling reduces capacity
- D. Vertical scaling always requires new hardware

Answer: B

Q851. What is a message queue in distributed architecture?

- A. A queue for email messages
- B. An asynchronous communication mechanism that stores messages until the receiving component is ready to process them
- C. A task assignment queue
- D. A debugging tool

Answer: B

Q852. What is the Model-View-Controller (MVC) pattern?

- A. A version control model
- B. An architectural pattern that separates an application into Model (data), View (UI), and Controller (input handling)
- C. A testing methodology
- D. A project management framework

Answer: B

Q853. What is an API gateway in microservices architecture?

- A. A physical network gateway
- B. A single entry point that routes client requests to appropriate microservices and handles cross-cutting concerns
- C. A database connector
- D. A code compiler

Answer: B

Q854. What is the difference between SOA and microservices architecture?

- A. They are identical
- B. SOA uses an enterprise service bus and shares data models; microservices use lightweight protocols and each service owns its data
- C. SOA is always better
- D. Microservices never use APIs

Answer: B

Q855. What is a load balancer in software architecture?

- A. A device that weighs servers
- B. A component that distributes incoming network traffic across multiple servers to ensure no single server is overwhelmed
- C. A code optimization tool
- D. A testing utility

Answer: B

Q856. What is a service mesh in microservices?

- A. A physical network mesh
- B. A dedicated infrastructure layer that handles service-to-service communication, including load balancing, encryption, and observability
- C. A type of database
- D. A code generation tool

Answer: B

Q857. What is a containerized architecture?

- A. An architecture stored in shipping containers
- B. An approach where applications are packaged with their dependencies in lightweight containers for consistent deployment across environments
- C. An architecture using physical boxes
- D. A hardware architecture

Answer: B

Q858. What is the difference between a persona and a user profile?

- A. They are the same thing
- B. A persona is a fictional representative character based on research; a user profile is actual data about a specific user
- C. Personas are always inaccurate
- D. User profiles are fictional

Answer: B

Q859. What is the principle of consistency in UI design?

- A. Changing the UI frequently
- B. Using the same design patterns, terminology, and interactions throughout the interface so users can predict behavior
- C. Making each page look different
- D. Randomizing button positions

Answer: B

Q860. What is an A/B test in UI design?

- A. A test with only two answers
- B. A method of comparing two versions of a UI element to determine which performs better based on user metrics
- C. A binary code test
- D. An accessibility test

Answer: B

Q861. What is a card sorting exercise used for?

- A. Sorting playing cards
- B. A user research method where participants organize content into categories to inform information architecture
- C. Sorting database records
- D. Organizing code files

Answer: B

Q862. What is the difference between accessibility and usability?

- A. They are identical
- B. Accessibility ensures the interface is usable by people with disabilities; usability measures how easy and efficient the interface is for all users
- C. Accessibility is optional
- D. Usability is only about speed

Answer: B

Q863. What is the purpose of breadcrumb navigation?

- A. Tracking user cookies
- B. Showing users their current location within the site hierarchy and allowing easy navigation to parent pages
- C. Displaying error logs
- D. Managing user sessions

Answer: B

Q864. What is progressive disclosure in UI design?

- A. Gradually revealing source code
- B. Showing only essential information initially and revealing additional details as the user needs them
- C. Disclosing security vulnerabilities
- D. A type of animation effect

Answer: B

Q865. What are Nielsen's error prevention heuristics about?

- A. Preventing hardware errors
- B. Designing interfaces that prevent errors from occurring in the first place, such as confirmation dialogs and input validation
- C. Preventing network outages
- D. Preventing code compilation errors

Answer: B

Q866. What is code coverage and why is it important?

- A. The number of files in a project
- B. A metric measuring the percentage of code executed during testing, indicating how thoroughly the code is tested
- C. How many developers work on the code
- D. The number of code comments

Answer: B

Q867. What is the difference between static and dynamic code analysis?

- A. They are identical
- B. Static analysis examines code without executing it; dynamic analysis examines code behavior during execution
- C. Static analysis is always slower
- D. Dynamic analysis does not require running the code

Answer: B

Q868. What is dependency injection?

- A. Injecting malicious code
- B. A technique where an object receives its dependencies from external sources rather than creating them internally
- C. Adding new library imports
- D. A database insertion technique

Answer: B

Q869. What is a code smell?

- A. Physical odor from a computer
- B. A surface indication in code that suggests a deeper design problem requiring refactoring
- C. A compilation error
- D. A runtime crash

Answer: B

Q870. What is a linter in software development?

- A. A piece of clothing fabric
- B. A tool that analyzes source code to flag programming errors, bugs, stylistic issues, and suspicious constructs
- C. A compiler optimization
- D. A deployment tool

Answer: B

Q871. What is the YAGNI principle?

- A. You Are Going to Need It
- B. You Aren't Gonna Need It: do not implement functionality until it is actually needed
- C. Yet Another Great New Innovation
- D. Your Application Gets New Issues

Answer: B

Q872. What is technical debt?

- A. Money owed for software licenses
- B. The implied cost of future rework caused by choosing a quick solution now instead of a better approach that would take longer
- C. The cost of hardware
- D. Unpaid developer salaries

Answer: B

Q873. What is a code review and why is it important?

- A. Reviewing the project budget
- B. A systematic examination of source code by peers to identify defects, improve quality, and share knowledge
- C. A customer feedback session
- D. A marketing review

Answer: B

Q874. What is the difference between top-down and bottom-up integration testing?

- A. They are identical approaches
- B. Top-down tests from the main module downward using stubs; bottom-up tests from the lowest modules upward using drivers
- C. Top-down is always better
- D. Bottom-up never requires drivers

Answer: B

Q875. What is statement coverage in testing?

- A. Coverage of requirement statements
- B. A metric measuring the percentage of executable code statements that have been exercised by test cases
- C. The number of comment lines tested
- D. Coverage of variable declarations

Answer: B

Q876. What is branch coverage and how does it differ from statement coverage?

- A. They are the same metric
- B. Branch coverage ensures every branch of every decision point is executed, providing stronger coverage than statement coverage alone
- C. Branch coverage is weaker than statement coverage
- D. Branch coverage only applies to switch statements

Answer: B

Q877. What is the purpose of a test harness?

- A. A horse harness for testing
- B. A framework that provides the infrastructure for automating test execution, including drivers, stubs, and result reporting
- C. A physical testing device
- D. A documentation tool

Answer: B

Q878. What is the difference between smoke testing and sanity testing?

- A. They are the same thing
- B. Smoke testing verifies that critical functions work after a build; sanity testing verifies specific functionality after a minor change
- C. Smoke testing uses fire
- D. Sanity testing tests mental health

Answer: B

Q879. What is the purpose of a test stub?

- A. A ticket stub for testing events
- B. A simplified implementation of a component that a module under test depends on, providing predefined responses
- C. A type of test case
- D. A testing report

Answer: B

Q880. What is the concept of 'test automation'?

- A. Robots performing manual testing
- B. Using software tools and scripts to execute tests automatically, compare results, and report outcomes
- C. Automating the hiring of testers
- D. Automatically generating code

Answer: B

Q881. What is the difference between load testing and stress testing?

- A. They are identical
- B. Load testing measures performance under expected conditions; stress testing pushes the system beyond normal capacity to find its breaking point
- C. Load testing is easier
- D. Stress testing is always done first

Answer: B

Q882. What is impact analysis in software maintenance?

- A. Analyzing the impact of a meteor
- B. Evaluating the consequences of a proposed change on the rest of the system to identify affected components and potential risks
- C. Analyzing market impact
- D. Analyzing team morale

Answer: B

Q883. What is program comprehension in maintenance?

- A. Understanding a TV program
- B. The process by which maintainers understand the existing code's structure, behavior, and intent before making modifications
- C. A reading comprehension test
- D. Understanding user requirements

Answer: B

Q884. What is software migration?

- A. Software moving to another country
- B. The process of transferring a software system from one operating environment to another while preserving functionality
- C. Developers changing jobs
- D. Moving files between folders

Answer: B

Q885. What is the concept of 'maintainability index'?

- A. A measure of building maintenance costs
- B. A composite metric that combines code complexity, volume, and other factors to quantify how easy the software is to maintain
- C. An employee performance metric
- D. A hardware reliability metric

Answer: B

Q886. What is the role of regression testing in maintenance?

- A. It has no role
- B. Ensuring that maintenance changes have not introduced new defects into previously working functionality
- C. Testing only new features
- D. Testing only the user interface

Answer: B

Q887. What is code restructuring?

- A. Moving code files to different folders
- B. Modifying the internal structure of existing code to improve readability and maintainability without changing its external behavior
- C. Rewriting code in a different language
- D. Deleting unused code

Answer: B

Q888. What is the challenge of maintaining undocumented code?

- A. There is no challenge
- B. Maintainers must spend significant time understanding the code's purpose and logic through code reading alone, increasing the risk of introducing errors
- C. Undocumented code runs faster
- D. Undocumented code is easier to maintain

Answer: B

Q889. What is the difference between emergency and scheduled maintenance?

- A. They are the same
- B. Emergency maintenance addresses critical failures requiring immediate fixes; scheduled maintenance is planned changes during designated windows
- C. Emergency maintenance is optional
- D. Scheduled maintenance is never planned

Answer: B

Q890. What is a Service Level Agreement (SLA) in the context of maintenance?

- A. A software license agreement
- B. A contract defining expected maintenance response times, resolution times, and availability targets
- C. A developer employment contract
- D. A hardware warranty

Answer: B

Q891. What is a formal technical review (FTR)?

- A. A review of technical documents by lawyers
- B. A structured review meeting where a team of technical staff evaluates a work product to identify defects and verify quality
- C. A hardware inspection
- D. A user acceptance review

Answer: B

Q892. What is defect density as a quality metric?

- A. The physical density of a computer
- B. The number of confirmed defects found per unit of software size, such as defects per thousand lines of code
- C. The number of defects per developer
- D. The weight of defect reports

Answer: B

Q893. What is the Six Sigma approach in software quality?

- A. A Greek letter used in equations
- B. A data-driven methodology aiming to reduce defects to fewer than 3.4 per million opportunities using DMAIC
- C. A programming framework
- D. A type of testing

Answer: B

Q894. What is root cause analysis in QA?

- A. Analyzing tree roots
- B. A systematic process of identifying the fundamental reason why a defect occurred to prevent similar defects in the future
- C. Analyzing code roots
- D. A type of testing

Answer: B

Q895. What is the purpose of quality gates in a development process?

- A. Physical gates at the office entrance
- B. Checkpoints where work products must meet predefined quality criteria before proceeding to the next phase
- C. Gates in logic circuits
- D. Entrance exams for QA engineers

Answer: B

Q896. What is the Pareto analysis used for in QA?

- A. Analyzing Italian software
- B. Identifying the vital few causes that account for the majority of defects, focusing improvement efforts where they have the most impact
- C. Analyzing parrot behavior
- D. A type of performance testing

Answer: B

Q897. What is the ISO 9001 standard in relation to software quality?

- A. A programming language standard
- B. An international standard for quality management systems that defines requirements for consistent product quality and customer satisfaction
- C. A database standard
- D. A network protocol standard

Answer: B

Q898. What is the role of metrics in quality assurance?

- A. Metrics have no role in QA
- B. Metrics provide objective, quantitative data to measure process effectiveness, product quality, and guide improvement decisions
- C. Metrics only measure project cost
- D. Metrics replace testing

Answer: B

Q899. How is cyclomatic complexity calculated?

- A. By counting lines of code
- B. By counting the number of linearly independent paths through the code, calculated as $V(G) = E - N + 2P$ for the control flow graph
- C. By counting the number of classes
- D. By counting the number of variables

Answer: B

Q900. What does a high cyclomatic complexity value indicate?

- A. Simple, easy-to-test code
- B. Code with many decision paths that is more complex, harder to test, and more error-prone
- C. Fast-running code
- D. Well-documented code

Answer: B

Q901. What is function point analysis used for?

- A. Analyzing mathematical functions
- B. Measuring software size based on the functionality delivered to the user, independent of the programming language
- C. Analyzing function calls in code
- D. Measuring hardware performance

Answer: B

Q902. What are the five components measured in function point analysis?

- A. Classes, methods, variables, loops, conditions
- B. External Inputs, External Outputs, External Inquiries, Internal Logical Files, and External Interface Files
- C. Lines, functions, modules, packages, projects
- D. CPU, RAM, disk, network, display

Answer: B

Q903. What is the Halstead effort metric?

- A. The physical effort of typing code
- B. A measure derived from the number of operators and operands in code that estimates the mental effort required to develop or understand the program
- C. The effort to install software
- D. The effort to run tests

Answer: B

Q904. What is the purpose of a GQM (Goal-Question-Metric) approach in metrics?

- A. A gaming qualification metric
- B. To ensure metrics are aligned with specific goals by defining goals first, then questions to assess goal achievement, then metrics to answer questions
- C. A graphics quality metric
- D. A random metrics selection approach

Answer: B

Q905. What is the difference between subjective and objective metrics?

- A. They are the same
- B. Objective metrics are based on quantifiable measurements; subjective metrics involve human judgment and perception
- C. Subjective metrics are always better
- D. Objective metrics are always inaccurate

Answer: B

Q906. What is a Change Control Board (CCB)?

- A. A circuit board for hardware changes
- B. A group of stakeholders responsible for evaluating, approving, or rejecting proposed changes to configuration items
- C. A board game about changes
- D. A software testing board

Answer: B

Q907. What is the purpose of a build pipeline in configuration management?

- A. Building a physical pipeline
- B. An automated workflow that compiles, tests, and packages software whenever changes are committed to the repository
- C. A water pipeline
- D. An email pipeline

Answer: B

Q908. What is the difference between Git merge and Git rebase?

- A. They are identical operations
- B. Merge creates a merge commit preserving branch history; rebase moves commits to the tip of the target branch creating a linear history
- C. Merge always causes conflicts
- D. Rebase never modifies commit history

Answer: B

Q909. What is semantic versioning (SemVer)?

- A. A versioning system based on how versions sound
- B. A versioning scheme using MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH numbers where each indicates the type and scope of changes made
- C. A random version numbering scheme
- D. Versioning based on release dates

Answer: B

Q910. What is the purpose of a branching strategy?

- A. A gardening technique
- B. A set of rules defining how branches are created, named, and merged to organize parallel development and releases
- C. A marketing strategy
- D. A hiring strategy

Answer: B

Q911. What is GitFlow as a branching strategy?

- A. A water flow monitoring tool
- B. A branching model using main, develop, feature, release, and hotfix branches with defined rules for merging between them
- C. A Git tutorial
- D. A deployment tool

Answer: B

Q912. What is the purpose of configuration status accounting?

- A. Tracking the company's finances
- B. Recording and reporting the status of configuration items and change requests throughout the project lifecycle
- C. Counting lines of code
- D. Accounting for team hours

Answer: B

Q913. What is an artifact repository in CI/CD?

- A. A museum for code artifacts
- B. A centralized storage system for build outputs (compiled code, packages, containers) that can be versioned and deployed
- C. A database for test results
- D. A code hosting platform

Answer: B

Q914. What is a risk probability-impact matrix?

- A. A mathematical equation
- B. A grid that plots risks by their probability and impact to prioritize them and determine appropriate response strategies
- C. A spreadsheet template
- D. A type of decision tree

Answer: B

Q915. What are the common categories of software project risks?

- A. Only technical risks exist
- B. Technology, people, organizational, tools, requirements, and estimation risks among others
- C. Only budget risks
- D. Only schedule risks

Answer: B

Q916. What is risk exposure calculated as?

- A. Risk probability minus risk impact
- B. Risk probability multiplied by risk impact, representing the expected loss from the risk
- C. Risk probability divided by risk impact
- D. Risk probability plus risk impact

Answer: B

Q917. What is a risk trigger (or warning sign)?

- A. A gun trigger
- B. An event or condition that indicates a risk is about to occur or has occurred, prompting activation of the risk response plan
- C. A software trigger
- D. A database trigger

Answer: B

Q918. What is the concept of 'secondary risk'?

- A. A less important risk
- B. A new risk that arises as a direct result of implementing a risk response for a primary risk
- C. The second risk identified
- D. A backup risk plan

Answer: B

Q919. What is the purpose of a risk audit?

- A. Auditing the company's finances
- B. Examining and documenting the effectiveness of risk responses and the accuracy of the risk management process
- C. Auditing employee performance
- D. Auditing code quality

Answer: B

Q920. What is SQL injection and how is it prevented?

- A. Injecting SQL databases with vitamins
- B. An attack where malicious SQL code is inserted into application queries; prevented by using parameterized queries and input validation
- C. A database optimization technique
- D. A method for speeding up queries

Answer: B

Q921. What is the principle of defense in depth?

- A. Building deep bunkers
- B. Implementing multiple layers of security controls so that if one layer fails, others still provide protection
- C. Using only one very strong password
- D. Having one firewall

Answer: B

Q922. What is a session hijacking attack?

- A. Stealing a classroom session plan
- B. An attack where an attacker takes over a legitimate user's active session by stealing or predicting the session identifier
- C. Hijacking a training session
- D. Canceling a meeting

Answer: B

Q923. What is role-based access control (RBAC)?

- A. Controlling roles in a theater play
- B. A security model that restricts system access based on the roles assigned to users rather than individual user identities
- C. A role-playing game
- D. A hiring management system

Answer: B

Q924. What is the purpose of penetration testing?

- A. Testing physical building penetration
- B. Simulating real-world attacks against a system to identify vulnerabilities before malicious attackers can exploit them
- C. Testing code penetration rates
- D. Testing market penetration

Answer: B

Q925. What is a security token?

- A. A subway token
- B. A device or software that generates one-time passwords or cryptographic keys used for authenticating user identity
- C. A casino chip
- D. A gift card

Answer: B

Q926. What is the difference between a product backlog and a sprint backlog in Scrum?

- A. They are the same thing used at different stages of the project
- B. The product backlog contains all desired features for the product while the sprint backlog contains only items selected for the current sprint
- C. The sprint backlog is maintained by management while the product backlog is maintained by developers
- D. The product backlog is created once and never changes while the sprint backlog is updated daily

Answer: B

Q927. What is the Scrum of Scrums technique used for?

- A. Replacing the daily standup meeting in small teams
- B. Coordinating work across multiple Scrum teams working on the same product
- C. Training new Scrum Masters on agile practices
- D. Evaluating individual developer performance within a sprint

Answer: B

Q928. What is the Volere requirements template and what is its primary benefit?

- A. A coding template that generates requirements automatically from source code
- B. A structured template that provides a comprehensive framework for capturing all types of requirements systematically
- C. A UML diagram type used only for non-functional requirements
- D. A testing framework that validates requirements against code

Answer: B

Q929. How do quality function deployment (QFD) techniques apply to requirements engineering?

- A. QFD is only used in manufacturing and has no application in software
- B. QFD translates customer needs into technical requirements by mapping relationships between what customers want and how the system will deliver it
- C. QFD replaces all forms of requirements elicitation with automated tools
- D. QFD is a testing technique that validates requirements after implementation

Answer: B

Q930. What is the purpose of a RACI matrix in project management?

- A. To calculate the project budget using mathematical formulas
- B. To define roles and responsibilities by identifying who is Responsible, Accountable, Consulted, and Informed for each task
- C. To schedule tasks on a calendar view similar to a Gantt chart
- D. To track defects found during software testing

Answer: B

Q931. What is parametric estimation in software project management?

- A. Estimation based entirely on the project manager's intuition and experience
- B. Using statistical relationships between historical data and project parameters to calculate estimates
- C. Asking each developer to guess how long their tasks will take
- D. Copying the schedule from a previous project without any adjustments

Answer: B

Q932. What is the difference between a project baseline and a project plan?

- A. They are the same document used at different project phases
- B. A baseline is the approved version of the plan used to measure project performance against, while the plan is the working document that may be updated
- C. A baseline is created after project completion while a plan is created before
- D. A plan is used only for small projects while a baseline is used for large projects

Answer: B

Q933. What is the Builder design pattern used for?

- A. Ensuring a class has only one instance throughout the application
- B. Separating the construction of a complex object from its representation so the same construction process can create different representations
- C. Defining a one-to-many dependency between objects so that changes in one notify all dependents
- D. Providing a simplified interface to a complex subsystem

Answer: B

Q934. What is the Facade design pattern?

- A. A pattern that adds new responsibilities to an object dynamically
- B. A pattern that provides a simplified, unified interface to a set of interfaces in a subsystem
- C. A pattern that allows incompatible interfaces to work together
- D. A pattern that separates abstraction from implementation

Answer: B

Q935. What is the Interface Segregation Principle (ISP)?

- A. All classes must implement every method defined in any interface they use
- B. Clients should not be forced to depend on interfaces they do not use
- C. Interfaces should contain as many methods as possible for reusability
- D. Only one interface should exist per application module

Answer: B

Q936. What is the Iterator design pattern?

- A. A pattern that converts the interface of a class into another interface clients expect
- B. A pattern that provides a way to access elements of a collection sequentially without exposing its underlying representation
- C. A pattern that defines a family of algorithms and makes them interchangeable
- D. A pattern that composes objects into tree structures to represent part-whole hierarchies

Answer: B

Q937. What is the Broker architectural pattern?

- A. A pattern where all requests go through a single centralized database
- B. A pattern that decouples components by using a broker to coordinate communication between distributed services
- C. A pattern that requires all components to be written in the same programming language
- D. A pattern used exclusively for real-time embedded systems

Answer: B

Q938. What is the blackboard architectural pattern?

- A. A pattern where developers write requirements on a physical whiteboard
- B. A pattern where multiple specialized knowledge sources collaborate by reading from and writing to a shared data structure to solve complex problems
- C. A pattern identical to the client-server model but with a different name
- D. A pattern that restricts access to a single database to one user at a time

Answer: B

Q939. What is the F-pattern layout in UI design?

- A. A layout that arranges all elements in a fixed grid pattern
- B. A layout based on eye-tracking research showing users scan content in an F-shaped pattern, reading horizontally across the top then scanning vertically down the left side
- C. A layout that uses only the letter F as a design element
- D. A layout specifically designed for mobile-first applications

Answer: B

Q940. What is the purpose of user journey mapping?

- A. To map the physical location of users using GPS technology
- B. To visualize the complete experience a user has with a product from initial contact through engagement and long-term use
- C. To create a route map showing the shortest navigation path in the application
- D. To document the travel expenses of the design team

Answer: B

Q941. What is the difference between a framework and a library in software implementation?

- A. They are the same thing; the terms are used interchangeably
- B. A framework calls your code (inversion of control) while a library is called by your code
- C. A library is always larger than a framework in terms of file size
- D. Frameworks are only used for web development while libraries are used for desktop applications

Answer: B

Q942. What is decision table testing?

- A. A management technique for deciding which tests to skip
- B. A black-box testing technique that uses a table to represent combinations of inputs and their corresponding expected outputs or actions
- C. A method for testing database query performance
- D. A way to schedule testing activities in a project timeline

Answer: B

Q943. What is the difference between a test driver and a test stub?

- A. They are the same thing used at different project phases
- B. A test driver calls the module under test (simulating the caller), while a test stub replaces a module called by the module under test (simulating the dependency)
- C. A test driver is used for black-box testing while a test stub is used for white-box testing
- D. A test driver runs tests automatically while a test stub requires manual execution

Answer: B

Q944. What is Lehman's Law of Continuing Change and its implications for software maintenance?

- A. Software that is never used does not need maintenance
- B. A system used in a real-world environment must be continually adapted or it becomes progressively less satisfactory to users
- C. All software eventually becomes unmaintainable regardless of effort
- D. Software maintenance costs decrease over time as the system stabilizes

Answer: B

Q945. What is the difference between prevention costs and appraisal costs in the cost of quality model?

- A. Prevention costs and appraisal costs are the same category of quality costs
- B. Prevention costs are spent on activities to prevent defects from occurring, while appraisal costs are spent on activities to detect defects that have already been introduced
- C. Appraisal costs prevent defects while prevention costs detect them
- D. Prevention costs only apply to hardware while appraisal costs only apply to software

Answer: B

Q946. How does the ISO/IEC 25010 quality model categorize software quality characteristics?

- A. It defines only two quality characteristics: functionality and performance
- B. It defines eight quality characteristics including functional suitability, performance efficiency, compatibility, usability, reliability, security, maintainability, and portability
- C. It defines quality solely based on the number of defects per thousand lines of code
- D. It categorizes quality only by user satisfaction survey scores

Answer: B

Q947. What is the depth of inheritance tree (DIT) metric and what does a high value indicate?

- A. It measures the number of files in a project; a high value indicates a large project
- B. It measures the maximum length from a class to the root of its inheritance hierarchy; a high value indicates greater complexity and potential for inherited behavior issues
- C. It measures the depth of nested loops in code; a high value indicates faster execution
- D. It measures the number of test cases per class; a high value indicates thorough testing

Answer: B

Q948. What is the fan-in and fan-out metric in software design?

- A. Fan-in counts the number of developers who modified a module while fan-out counts the number of testers who tested it
- B. Fan-in measures the number of modules that call a given module while fan-out measures the number of modules called by a given module
- C. Fan-in measures input file size while fan-out measures output file size
- D. Fan-in and fan-out are terms used only in electrical engineering, not software

Answer: B

Q949. What is the purpose of a deployment pipeline in configuration management?

- A. To physically transport software on USB drives to client locations
- B. To automate the process of building, testing, and deploying software through a series of stages from development to production
- C. To create documentation for each software release
- D. To assign developers to specific configuration management tasks

Answer: B

Q950. What is Infrastructure as Code (IaC) in the context of configuration management?

- A. Writing application code that runs on infrastructure servers
- B. Managing and provisioning computing infrastructure through machine-readable configuration files rather than manual processes
- C. Using hardware components as programming languages
- D. Coding directly on production servers without any version control

Answer: B

Q951. What is the RMMM (Risk Mitigation, Monitoring, and Management) plan?

- A. A financial auditing plan for tracking project expenses
- B. A comprehensive plan that documents risk mitigation strategies, monitoring activities, and management approaches for all identified project risks
- C. A plan for managing team member vacation schedules
- D. A security plan for preventing unauthorized access to the codebase

Answer: B

Q952. What is the difference between a risk and an issue in project management?

- A. There is no difference; the terms are interchangeable
- B. A risk is a potential future event that may or may not occur, while an issue is a current problem that has already materialized and needs immediate action
- C. An issue is less important than a risk and can be ignored
- D. Risks are always technical while issues are always organizational

Answer: B

Q953. What is the purpose of a risk-driven spiral model in software development?

- A. To eliminate all risks before any coding begins
- B. To use risk analysis as the primary driver for iteration planning, addressing the highest risks earliest through prototyping and analysis
- C. To create spiral-shaped project documentation
- D. To assign each developer a specific risk to manage independently

Answer: B

Q954. What are technology risks in software projects?

- A. Risks that only affect non-technical project activities
- B. Risks related to the use of unproven technologies, technical complexity, platform dependencies, or performance uncertainties
- C. Risks that are always impossible to mitigate
- D. Risks that only occur during the maintenance phase of a project

Answer: B

Q955. What is the purpose of threat modeling in software security engineering?

- A. To create 3D models of physical security threats to the building
- B. To systematically identify, enumerate, and prioritize potential security threats to a system so appropriate countermeasures can be designed
- C. To model the performance characteristics of the software under load
- D. To create user interface mockups that look secure to end users

Answer: B

Q956. What is cross-site request forgery (CSRF) and how is it prevented?

- A. An attack where multiple websites share the same database and it cannot be prevented
- B. An attack that tricks a user's browser into making unwanted requests to a trusted site, prevented using anti-CSRF tokens and same-site cookie attributes
- C. An attack that only targets mobile applications and is prevented by app store reviews
- D. An encryption algorithm used to protect data in transit

Answer: B

Q957. What is the CIA triad in information security?

- A. A government intelligence agency classification system for software projects
- B. Three core principles of information security: Confidentiality (data accessible only to authorized parties), Integrity (data is accurate and unaltered), and Availability (data is accessible when needed)
- C. A project management framework with three phases: Create, Implement, Archive
- D. A testing methodology using three levels of test cases

Answer: B

Q958. What is the difference between authentication and authorization in security?

- A. They are the same process and can be used interchangeably
- B. Authentication verifies the identity of a user (who they are), while authorization determines what actions or resources the authenticated user is permitted to access (what they can do)
- C. Authorization happens before authentication in all security systems
- D. Authentication is used only for web applications while authorization is used only for mobile applications

Answer: B

Q959. What is the purpose of an assertion in software implementation?

- A. To display output to the user interface
- B. To verify that a condition the programmer believes to be true actually holds at a specific point in the code, catching logical errors early
- C. To encrypt sensitive data before storing it in the database
- D. To create a backup of the source file before compilation

Answer: B

Q960. What is the Weighted Methods per Class (WMC) metric in object-oriented design?

- A. A metric that counts the total weight of class files in kilobytes
- B. The sum of complexities of all methods defined in a class, indicating the class's overall complexity and effort required to develop and maintain it
- C. The average number of parameters across all methods in a class
- D. A metric that measures how many classes inherit from a given class

Answer: B

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Q961. Which of the following best describes 'socio-technical systems'?

- A. Systems that include both technical and organizational components
- B. Systems that contain only technical components
- C. Web-based social media communication platforms
- D. Internal technical documentation management systems

Answer: A

Q962. What is Lehman's first law of software evolution?

- A. Software systems must continually grow in size or become obsolete in the system context
- B. The inherent complexity of software always decreases over its lifetime during implementation
- C. Well-designed software systems never require updates or modifications at all for quality purposes
- D. A program used in a real-world environment must continually change or become progressively less useful

Answer: D

Q963. In the context of software engineering ethics, what does the ACM/IEEE Code of Ethics emphasize?

- A. Public interest and professional responsibility
- B. Rapid speed of software delivery timelines
- C. Using the minimum documentation possible
- D. Maximizing project profits above all else

Answer: A

Q964. What is the key challenge addressed by Brooks' 'No Silver Bullet' paper?

- A. Network bandwidth and throughput constraints by the organization
- B. A critical lack of modern programming languages as a standard approach
- C. Fundamental hardware performance limitations in practice typically
- D. Essential complexity of software cannot be eliminated by any single technique

Answer: D

Q965. Which concept distinguishes software engineering from ad hoc programming?

- A. Systematic, disciplined, and quantifiable approach
- B. Simply writing more lines of source code
- C. Using a standard keyboard for input tasks
- D. Utilizing more recent hardware component sets

Answer: A

Q966. What is the 'wicked problem' concept in software engineering?

- A. A straightforward and simple coding bug fix across all phases
- B. A problem that is difficult to define and has no definitive solution
- C. A software problem caused by a virus attack at every stage
- D. A recurring hardware malfunction issue type in a systematic way

Answer: B

Q967. What is the primary difference between software engineering and systems engineering?

- A. Software engineering also includes hardware design within the system boundary
- B. Systems engineering exclusively covers testing by the development process
- C. The two disciplines are entirely identical for the project goals according to best practices
- D. Systems engineering covers the entire system including hardware; SE focuses on software

Answer: D

Q968. What does 'accidental complexity' mean in software engineering?

- A. Unexpected failures in hardware components as defined by standards
- B. Complexity introduced by the tools and methods used, not inherent to the problem
- C. Random and unpredictable bugs in source code over the entire lifecycle
- D. Inherent complexity from the problem domain and its related activities

Answer: B

Q969. Which of the following represents a key principle of software engineering according to Sommerville?

- A. Always maximize the total length of source code
- B. Systems should be developed using a managed and understood process
- C. Avoid writing any form of technical documentation
- D. Use only one single programming language always

Answer: B

Q970. What role does abstraction play in software engineering?

- A. It increases the total length of the code
- B. It eliminates the need for software testing
- C. It helps manage complexity by hiding unnecessary details
- D. It completely removes all project documentation

Answer: C

Q971. What is the Rational Unified Process (RUP)?

- A. An iterative framework with four phases: Inception, Elaboration, Construction, Transition
- B. A basic and simple coding technique only as defined by standards for all project stakeholders
- C. A relational database design model type in all development efforts by the project team members
- D. A specialized software testing tool suite within the given constraints

Answer: A

Q972. What distinguishes the concurrent development model from other models?

- A. It only supports a single developer at a time to achieve project objectives
- B. All activities occur simultaneously with states rather than sequential phases
- C. It completely eliminates all development phases and related components
- D. It has absolutely no testing activities at all in the engineering discipline

Answer: B

Q973. In the Spiral model, what happens if a risk cannot be mitigated?

- A. Skip directly to the deployment phase
- B. Continue development regardless of the risk
- C. Ignore the risk and move forward
- D. The project may be terminated

Answer: D

Q974. What is the Personal Software Process (PSP)?

- A. A hardware development process model type as part of the methodology
- B. A standard network communication protocol in the development process
- C. A team management and organizational method for effective project outcomes
- D. A structured framework for individual developers to measure and improve their work

Answer: D

Q975. What is the Team Software Process (TSP)?

- A. A method designed for a single developer only during the software lifecycle
- B. A specific type of software testing process within the project scope
- C. A hardware design and manufacturing method for the development team
- D. A framework that builds on PSP to guide teams in developing software-intensive products

Answer: D

Q976. What does CMMI stand for and what is its purpose?

- A. Capability Maturity Model Integration — a process improvement framework
- B. Central Management Module Index for projects in the system context
- C. Computer Made Machine Interface for hardware throughout the project
- D. Code Maintenance Manual Integration standard during implementation

Answer: A

Q977. What are the five maturity levels of CMMI?

- A. Initial, Managed, Defined, Quantitatively Managed, Optimizing
- B. Code, Test, Deploy, Monitor, Maintain in practice typically
- C. Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Expert, Master
- D. Plan, Do, Check, Act, Review for quality purposes

Answer: A

Q978. What is the key difference between prescriptive and adaptive process models?

- A. Prescriptive models do not involve any planning at every stage across all phases
- B. Adaptive models typically require more documentation by the organization
- C. There is absolutely no real difference between them as a standard approach
- D. Prescriptive models define a fixed set of activities; adaptive models adjust based on feedback

Answer: D

Q979. What is the Cleanroom software engineering approach?

- A. A formal methods approach emphasizing defect prevention over defect removal
- B. A hardware testing and validation environment according to best practices
- C. A physical room dedicated to coding activities for the project goals
- D. A model focused on clean code formatting style in a systematic way

Answer: A

Q980. In the context of process models, what is a 'process pattern'?

- A. A software design pattern for code modules within the system boundary
- B. An individual test case for code validation and its related activities
- C. A specific coding style guideline for teams by the development process
- D. A template describing a proven process solution to a recurring problem

Answer: D

Q981. What is the Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe)?

- A. A framework for scaling Agile practices to enterprise level
- B. A framework designed for individual small teams
- C. A comprehensive testing automation framework tool
- D. An established coding standard for all projects

Answer: A

Q982. What is the difference between Scrum and Kanban?

- A. Scrum uses fixed-length sprints; Kanban uses continuous flow with WIP limits
- B. Kanban uses fixed-length sprints; Scrum does not across all phases
- C. The two methodologies are completely identical at every stage
- D. Scrum has no defined roles; Kanban has defined roles in a systematic way

Answer: A

Q983. What is 'technical debt' in Agile context?

- A. Physical hardware equipment purchase expenses according to best practices
- B. The cost of rework caused by choosing quick solutions over better approaches
- C. Annual recurring software licensing fee costs within the system boundary
- D. Financial money owed to the development team for the project goals

Answer: B

Q984. What is the Crystal methodology family?

- A. A family of Agile methodologies sized by team size and criticality
- B. A specialized software testing automation tool by the development process
- C. A general-purpose programming language format and its related activities
- D. A relational database management system design over the entire lifecycle

Answer: A

Q985. What is Feature-Driven Development (FDD)?

- A. A random unstructured development approach only as defined by standards
- B. A comprehensive documentation standard and format within the given constraints
- C. An Agile method that organizes development around building features in two-week iterations
- D. A formal software testing methodology and approach for all project stakeholders

Answer: C

Q986. In Agile estimation, what is 'Planning Poker'?

- A. A recreational team card game activity only in all development efforts
- B. A project planning and scheduling tool suite by the project team members
- C. A formal risk analysis assessment method type and related components
- D. A consensus-based estimation technique using cards with numbers

Answer: D

Q987. What is the purpose of a 'Burndown Chart'?

- A. To track overall project financial expenses
- B. To show remaining work versus time in a sprint or project
- C. To measure and assess overall code quality
- D. To track daily employee attendance records

Answer: B

Q988. What is Dynamic Systems Development Method (DSDM)?

- A. An Agile framework that fixes time and cost, varying features to meet business needs
- B. A standard network communication protocol type for effective project outcomes
- C. A hardware design and manufacturing method only to achieve project objectives
- D. A relational database design methodology approach in the engineering discipline

Answer: A

Q989. What does 'MoSCoW' prioritization stand for?

- A. Monitor, Observe, Scan, Check, Optimize, Watch
- B. Must have, Should have, Could have, Won't have
- C. A Russian city
- D. Manage, Organize, Schedule, Control, Outline, Work

Answer: B

Q990. What is the concept of 'Emergent Design' in Agile?

- A. Designing the entire system completely upfront first
- B. Allowing the design to evolve incrementally as understanding grows
- C. Having absolutely no design process at all ever
- D. Copying designs from existing similar systems only

Answer: B

Q991. What is the Volere requirements template?

- A. A software testing automation template setup within the project scope
- B. A comprehensive template for organizing and documenting requirements with quality gateways
- C. A deployment configuration setup template for the development team throughout the project
- D. A source code implementation template file during the software lifecycle

Answer: B

Q992. What is goal-oriented requirements engineering?

- A. An approach where requirements are derived from stakeholder and system goals
- B. Setting performance and speed benchmarks for quality purposes
- C. Setting rigid project deadline target dates in the system context
- D. Writing only goals instead of actual code during implementation

Answer: A

Q993. What is the KAOS methodology?

- A. A deployment and release methodology guide by the organization
- B. A goal-oriented requirements engineering methodology using formal methods
- C. A specific software testing methodology only as a standard approach
- D. A random unstructured development approach in practice typically

Answer: B

Q994. What is requirements volatility?

- A. Requirements that remain perfectly stable always at every stage
- B. A type of volatile computer memory hardware across all phases
- C. A recurring issue with hardware component sets in a systematic way
- D. The tendency of requirements to change during the development process

Answer: D

Q995. What is viewpoint-oriented requirements engineering?

- A. Collecting requirements from multiple stakeholder viewpoints to ensure completeness
- B. Only considering developer technical viewpoints within the system boundary
- C. Deliberately ignoring all stakeholder views given according to best practices
- D. Using only a single stakeholder perspective view for the project goals

Answer: A

Q996. What is the difference between 'shall' and 'should' in requirements documents?

- A. 'Shall' indicates mandatory requirements; 'should' indicates desirable but optional
- B. The two terms mean exactly the same thing always by the development process
- C. Neither term is used in requirements documents ever over the entire lifecycle
- D. 'Should' is mandatory and 'shall' is always optional and its related activities

Answer: A

Q997. What is formal specification in requirements engineering?

- A. Drawing informal pictures of system requirements
- B. Using mathematical notation to precisely define system requirements
- C. Using programming code as the requirements source
- D. Writing requirements in an informal manner only

Answer: B

Q998. What are cross-cutting concerns in requirements?

- A. Requirements that are very easy to implement fast as defined by standards
- B. Requirements that are considered not important for all project stakeholders
- C. Requirements that affect multiple modules and cannot be cleanly decomposed
- D. Requirements from only one single stakeholder within the given constraints

Answer: C

Q999. What is the i* (i-star) framework?

- A. A numerical system for rating software products in all development efforts
- B. A goal-oriented and agent-oriented modeling framework for requirements engineering
- C. A general-purpose application programming framework by the project team members
- D. A comprehensive software testing automation framework and related components

Answer: B

Q1000. What is the difference between derived and imposed requirements?

- A. Derived requirements are always considered optional in the development process during the software lifecycle
- B. Derived requirements come from higher-level requirements; imposed requirements come from external constraints
- C. They are fundamentally the same concept entirely to achieve project objectives in the engineering discipline
- D. Imposed requirements are always derived from code for effective project outcomes as part of the methodology

Answer: B

Q1001. What is the COCOMO II model's key improvement over COCOMO I?

- A. It uses significantly simpler mathematical formulas within the system boundary
- B. It provides much faster calculation processing speed for the project goals
- C. It produces much better visual graphics output according to best practices
- D. It accounts for modern development practices like reuse and object-oriented development

Answer: D

Q1002. What is the Delphi estimation technique?

- A. A specific programming implementation technique only
- B. A comprehensive software testing methodology type
- C. A production deployment automation technique type
- D. An expert-based estimation method using anonymous iterative rounds

Answer: D

Q1003. What is the Putnam model (SLIM)?

- A. A personal health and diet improvement plan only by the development process
- B. A comprehensive software testing process model type and its related activities
- C. A software architecture and design model for teams over the entire lifecycle
- D. A software estimation model relating effort to delivery time using the Rayleigh curve

Answer: D

Q1004. What is the difference between bottom-up and top-down estimation?

- A. Top-down estimation is always much more accurate in all development efforts by the project team members
- B. Bottom-up estimation is always significantly faster within the given constraints
- C. Bottom-up estimates individual tasks then aggregates; top-down estimates the whole project then decomposes
- D. Both approaches always give identical final results as defined by standards for all project stakeholders

Answer: C

Q1005. What is the concept of 'Brooks' Law'?

- A. Adding people to a late software project makes it later
- B. A specific programming coding law and its rules
- C. Established laws about code formatting standards
- D. More developers always mean faster project work

Answer: A

Q1006. What is the Schedule Performance Index (SPI) in EVM?

- A. A comprehensive software testing progress index in the engineering discipline
- B. A specific source code quality coding metric only to achieve project objectives
- C. The ratio of earned value to planned value, indicating schedule efficiency
- D. A generic system processing speed measurement and related components

Answer: C

Q1007. What is the Cost Performance Index (CPI) in EVM?

- A. A general consumer price comparison index only for effective project outcomes
- B. A specific source code quality coding metric only as part of the methodology
- C. The ratio of earned value to actual cost, indicating cost efficiency
- D. A hardware system performance rating metric in the development process

Answer: C

Q1008. What is Monte Carlo simulation used for in project management?

- A. A recreational casino gambling game activity only during the software lifecycle
- B. Simulating project outcomes using probability distributions to assess risk
- C. A specific software coding implementation technique within the project scope
- D. A software architecture and design method guide for the development team

Answer: B

Q1009. What is the concept of 'crashing' in project scheduling?

- A. An unplanned system failure or complete breakdown
- B. Adding resources to critical path tasks to reduce project duration
- C. Permanently removing tasks from the project plan
- D. Completely cancelling the entire project scope

Answer: B

Q1010. What is fast tracking in project management?

- A. Reducing the total number of project requirements during implementation
- B. Requiring the team to work overtime every day throughout the project
- C. Skipping all software testing activities entirely in the system context
- D. Performing sequential activities in parallel to compress the schedule

Answer: D

Q1011. What is the SOLID acronym in object-oriented design?

- A. Single Responsibility, Open/Closed, Liskov Substitution, Interface Segregation, Dependency Inversion
- B. A comprehensive software testing framework set for effective project outcomes
- C. A specific general-purpose coding language type in the engineering discipline
- D. A classification of physical building materials and related components to achieve project objectives

Answer: A

Q1012. What is the Dependency Inversion Principle?

- A. All dependencies should always point downward only as part of the methodology
- B. All module dependencies should be completely removed in the development process
- C. High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules; both should depend on abstractions
- D. Dependencies between modules should be circular during the software lifecycle

Answer: C

Q1013. What is the Interface Segregation Principle?

- A. Avoid defining all interfaces in the system entirely
- B. Use one single large monolithic interface always
- C. Clients should not be forced to depend on interfaces they don't use
- D. Combine all interfaces into a single large one

Answer: C

Q1014. What is the Decorator design pattern?

- A. A pattern that attaches additional responsibilities to an object dynamically
- B. A user interface visual styling pattern only within the project scope
- C. A relational database schema design pattern type for the development team
- D. A comprehensive software testing design pattern throughout the project

Answer: A

Q1015. What is the difference between composition and inheritance?

- A. The two concepts are completely identical always in the system context
- B. Inheritance is never used in modern source code for quality purposes
- C. Composition is always the wrong approach to use during implementation
- D. Inheritance creates an 'is-a' relationship; composition creates a 'has-a' relationship

Answer: D

Q1016. What is the Adapter design pattern?

- A. A comprehensive software testing adapter tool
- B. A relational database connection driver and tool
- C. A physical electrical power adapter device unit
- D. A pattern that allows incompatible interfaces to work together

Answer: D

Q1017. What is the Command design pattern?

- A. A pattern that encapsulates a request as an object, allowing parameterization and queuing
- B. A production deployment automation command set by the organization at every stage
- C. A command-line interface terminal command only in practice typically
- D. A comprehensive software testing command suite as a standard approach

Answer: A

Q1018. What is the Template Method pattern?

- A. A source code boilerplate template file format across all phases in a systematic way
- B. A software testing test case plan template set according to best practices
- C. A comprehensive project documentation template for the project goals
- D. A pattern that defines the skeleton of an algorithm, deferring some steps to subclasses

Answer: D

Q1019. What is the concept of 'design debt'?

- A. Financial debt for purchasing design tools only within the system boundary
- B. The accumulated cost of design shortcuts that will require future rework
- C. A specific type of design pattern category name by the development process
- D. A concept related only to software testing work and its related activities

Answer: B

Q1020. What is the difference between architectural design and detailed design?

- A. They are fundamentally identical concepts entirely over the entire lifecycle as defined by standards
- B. Architectural design only involves UI layout work in all development efforts by the project team members
- C. Detailed design always comes before architectural for all project stakeholders within the given constraints
- D. Architectural design defines system structure; detailed design specifies algorithms and data structures within components

Answer: D

Q1021. What is the TOGAF framework?

- A. The Open Group Architecture Framework for enterprise architecture
- B. A production deployment automation framework for effective project outcomes
- C. A general-purpose source code framework tool to achieve project objectives
- D. A comprehensive software testing framework type in the engineering discipline

Answer: A

Q1022. What is the Architecture Tradeoff Analysis Method (ATAM)?

- A. A method for evaluating architectural decisions against quality attribute requirements
- B. A mathematical formula for doing calculations as part of the methodology
- C. A comprehensive software testing methodology during the software lifecycle
- D. A specific source code writing methodology only in the development process

Answer: A

Q1023. What is the concept of 'architectural erosion'?

- A. The gradual degradation of architecture as implementation deviates from the intended design
- B. A specific category of reported software defect for the development team
- C. A concept related to software testing only throughout the project in the system context
- D. Physical decay of building materials over time within the project scope

Answer: A

Q1024. What is a Domain-Specific Software Architecture (DSSA)?

- A. A generic all-purpose architecture template type during implementation
- B. A network infrastructure architecture blueprint in practice typically
- C. An architecture tailored to a specific application domain with reusable components
- D. A comprehensive software testing architecture for quality purposes

Answer: C

Q1025. What is the CQRS pattern?

- A. A specific source code implementation pattern by the organization
- B. A standard database query language command type as a standard approach
- C. A comprehensive software testing pattern type at every stage
- D. Command Query Responsibility Segregation — separating read and write operations

Answer: D

Q1026. What is the Strangler Fig pattern?

- A. A migration pattern that incrementally replaces a legacy system by gradually routing traffic to a new system
- B. An application security protection pattern type within the system boundary by the development process
- C. A comprehensive software testing pattern approach for the project goals according to best practices
- D. A botanical plant species classification category across all phases in a systematic way

Answer: A

Q1027. What is the concept of 'fitness functions' in evolutionary architecture?

- A. Physical exercise routines for the team members and its related activities
- B. User interface design metrics and score values as defined by standards
- C. System performance benchmarks and baselines set over the entire lifecycle
- D. Automated tests that verify architectural characteristics are maintained

Answer: D

Q1028. What is the hexagonal architecture (ports and adapters)?

- A. A building shaped with six equal sides design for all project stakeholders
- B. A relational database schema design method type within the given constraints
- C. An architecture that isolates the core logic from external concerns using ports and adapters
- D. A network topology and routing structure layout in all development efforts

Answer: C

Q1029. What is the difference between architectural patterns and architectural styles?

- A. Styles are more specific than patterns overall in the engineering discipline
- B. Patterns are broader in scope than styles are and related components to achieve project objectives
- C. Styles are broader design philosophies; patterns are specific solutions to recurring problems
- D. The two concepts are completely identical overall by the project team members

Answer: C

Q1030. What is the concept of 'Conway's Law' in software architecture?

- A. A specific legal regulatory requirement and law for effective project outcomes
- B. A standard source code formatting law and rule as part of the methodology
- C. A comprehensive software testing principle type in the development process
- D. Organizations design systems that mirror their own communication structure

Answer: D

Q1031. What is the difference between formative and summative usability evaluation?

- A. Formative evaluation only occurs after launch date within the system boundary
- B. The two types of evaluation are the same thing according to best practices
- C. Summative evaluation occurs during development by the development process
- D. Formative evaluates during development to improve; summative evaluates the finished product

Answer: D

Q1032. What is cognitive load theory in UI design?

- A. A database theory about query optimization work within the given constraints in all development efforts
- B. A programming concept about memory management as defined by standards for all project stakeholders
- C. The theory that users have limited mental processing capacity, and designs should minimize unnecessary cognitive effort
- D. Brain scanning technology for development teams and its related activities over the entire lifecycle

Answer: C

Q1033. What is the Gestalt principle of proximity?

- A. Physical distance between computer workstations by the project team members
- B. A security principle about access proximity level to achieve project objectives
- C. A networking concept about node proximity range and related components
- D. Elements placed close together are perceived as belonging to the same group

Answer: D

Q1034. What is WCAG?

- A. Web Content Accessibility Guidelines — standards for making web content accessible
- B. A creational object-oriented design pattern type as part of the methodology
- C. A comprehensive software testing framework tool for effective project outcomes
- D. A general-purpose programming language type only in the engineering discipline

Answer: A

Q1035. What is the concept of 'dark patterns' in UI design?

- A. Security patterns for data protection only within the project scope
- B. Night mode designs for reducing eye strain during the software lifecycle
- C. Dark color themes for user interface screens in the development process
- D. Deceptive design practices that trick users into unintended actions

Answer: D

Q1036. What is card sorting in UX research?

- A. A method where users organize topics into categories to inform information architecture
- B. Sorting records stored in a database table only throughout the project
- C. Sorting a deck of standard playing cards only for the development team
- D. A specific software testing automation technique in the system context

Answer: A

Q1037. What is the System Usability Scale (SUS)?

- A. A performance scale for rating hardware speed in practice typically
- B. A standardized questionnaire for measuring perceived usability of a system
- C. A musical scale for composing melody pieces during implementation
- D. A weight scale for measuring device components for quality purposes

Answer: B

Q1038. What is the difference between learnability and memorability in usability?

- A. Learnability is considered less important overall for the project goals according to best practices
- B. Memorability always comes first in any evaluation at every stage across all phases in a systematic way
- C. The two concepts are fundamentally the same thing as a standard approach by the organization
- D. Learnability is how easy it is to learn initially; memorability is how easy it is to reuse after a period of not using

Answer: D

Q1039. What is the concept of 'information scent' in UI design?

- A. Visual and textual cues that help users predict what they'll find by following a link or path
- B. Data encryption and protection techniques used by the development process
- C. The physical fragrance of a commercial product within the system boundary
- D. File compression and archiving algorithms used and its related activities

Answer: A

Q1040. What is the difference between user-centered design (UCD) and activity-centered design (ACD)?

- A. User-centered design completely ignores all users for all project stakeholders
- B. UCD focuses on user needs and preferences; ACD focuses on the activities users perform
- C. Activity-centered design is entirely obsolete now as defined by standards
- D. The two approaches are completely identical overall over the entire lifecycle

Answer: B

Q1041. What is the concept of 'clean code'?

- A. Code that has absolutely no comments at all as defined by standards
- B. Source code that has been fully minimized down for all project stakeholders
- C. Source code that has been fully obfuscated over within the given constraints
- D. Code that is easy to read, understand, and maintain, following best practices

Answer: D

Q1042. What is the Boy Scout Rule in coding?

- A. A comprehensive software testing protocol type
- B. Write source code in an outdoor setting always
- C. Always leave the code cleaner than you found it
- D. A recreational camping and outdoors activity rule

Answer: C

Q1043. What is the Law of Demeter?

- A. A relational database normalization rule set type and related components
- B. A fundamental law of classical physics principles by the project team members
- C. An ancient Greek legal and civil law code rule in all development efforts
- D. A design guideline stating that an object should only talk to its immediate friends

Answer: D

Q1044. What is technical debt and how does it relate to implementation?

- A. Annual recurring software licensing fee cost totals for effective project outcomes
- B. The cost of shortcuts in implementation that will need to be fixed later
- C. Monetary financial debt owed by a company entity to achieve project objectives
- D. Physical hardware equipment purchase cost amounts in the engineering discipline

Answer: B

Q1045. What is the difference between defensive programming and offensive programming?

- A. Offensive programming is always incorrect to use during the software lifecycle
- B. The two approaches are completely identical overall in the development process
- C. Defensive handles errors gracefully; offensive fails fast to expose bugs early
- D. Sports programming for athletic events coverage as part of the methodology

Answer: C

Q1046. What is code obfuscation?

- A. A specific debugging and tracing technique tool for the development team
- B. A comprehensive software testing method approach throughout the project
- C. Deliberately making code difficult to understand to prevent reverse engineering
- D. Making source code more readable for developers within the project scope

Answer: C

Q1047. What is the concept of 'separation of concerns' in implementation?

- A. Separating test code from production code files during implementation
- B. Organizing code so each section addresses a distinct concern or functionality
- C. Physical separation of developer workstations area in the system context
- D. Separating frontend code from backend code only for quality purposes

Answer: B

Q1048. What is a design smell versus a code smell?

- A. Design smells are always much worse than code smells as a standard approach
- B. The two concepts are completely identical and same in practice typically
- C. Code smells are always much worse than design smells by the organization
- D. Code smells are implementation-level issues; design smells are higher-level structural problems

Answer: D

Q1049. What is the 'broken window theory' in software development?

- A. A user interface visual design theory and concept in a systematic way
- B. A theory about physical broken windows in homes at every stage across all phases
- C. Neglecting small code quality issues leads to progressively worse code quality over time
- D. A comprehensive software testing theory approach for the project goals

Answer: C

Q1050. What is the principle of least astonishment in programming?

- A. Deliberately surprising users with behavior changes according to best practices
- B. Minimizing features for simplicity above all else within the system boundary
- C. A component should behave in a way that most users expect it to behave
- D. Maximizing performance above all other attributes by the development process

Answer: C

Q1051. What is mutation testing?

- A. Performing genetic and biological testing samples
- B. Testing software for computer virus threats only
- C. Introducing small changes to code to check if tests can detect them
- D. Testing for mutations in stored database data only

Answer: C

Q1052. What is the difference between structural and functional testing?

- A. Structural testing completely ignores the code base during implementation for quality purposes
- B. Functional testing examines internal code structure throughout the project in the system context
- C. Structural testing is based on internal code structure; functional testing is based on specifications
- D. The two approaches are fundamentally the same thing for the development team

Answer: C

Q1053. What is path testing?

- A. Testing all possible execution paths through the code
- B. Testing GPS navigation system paths and routes
- C. Testing operating system file paths and path names
- D. Testing network routing paths and protocol flows

Answer: A

Q1054. What is cyclomatic complexity and how does it relate to testing?

- A. A metric related to bicycle complexity and speed in practice typically as a standard approach
- B. A relational database complexity metric and score by the organization at every stage
- C. A code complexity metric that indicates the minimum number of test cases needed for full branch coverage
- D. A network topology complexity metric and rating across all phases in a systematic way

Answer: C

Q1055. What is fuzz testing?

- A. Testing using fuzzy logic-based algorithm systems for the project goals
- B. Providing random, invalid, or unexpected data as input to find vulnerabilities
- C. Testing audio and sound reproduction quality level within the system boundary
- D. Testing with fuzzy and blurred test image inputs according to best practices

Answer: B

Q1056. What is the concept of 'test coverage criteria'?

- A. The total file size of all test script source files
- B. Rules that define what aspects of the software must be tested
- C. The total number of testers on the project team
- D. Simply how many test scripts currently exist total

Answer: B

Q1057. What is property-based testing?

- A. Testing real estate management software systems by the development process
- B. Testing that specified properties or invariants hold for all valid inputs
- C. Testing CSS stylesheet property values and styles and its related activities
- D. Testing object property and getter method values over the entire lifecycle

Answer: B

Q1058. What is the pesticide paradox in software testing?

- A. Testing agricultural management software systems within the given constraints
- B. Running the same tests repeatedly will eventually stop finding new defects
- C. Using pesticides on actual computer bugs and pests as defined by standards
- D. A chemical testing methodology approach and method for all project stakeholders

Answer: B

Q1059. What is the difference between fault, error, and failure?

- A. The three concepts are fundamentally the same thing in all development efforts
- B. An error is always immediately visible to all users to achieve project objectives
- C. A fault is a defect in code; an error is an incorrect state; a failure is observable incorrect behavior
- D. A failure is what always causes a fault to happen by the project team members and related components

Answer: C

Q1060. What is model-based testing?

- A. Testing fashion model runway performance quality in the engineering discipline
- B. Generating test cases automatically from a model of the system's behavior
- C. Testing relational database data model structures for effective project outcomes
- D. Testing three-dimensional rendering model objects as part of the methodology

Answer: B

Q1061. What is Lehman's Law of Self-Regulation?

- A. Software evolution processes are self-regulating with statistically determinable trends
- B. Software automatically regulates itself without help in practice typically
- C. Programs never need any updates or patches applied as a standard approach
- D. Developers regulate themselves without any guidance by the organization

Answer: A

Q1062. What is the concept of 'software archaeology'?

- A. Digging up old physical computer equipment devices at every stage across all phases
- B. A museum exhibit about computing history artifacts in a systematic way for the project goals
- C. Physical hardware recovery and data retrieval work according to best practices
- D. The study and recovery of knowledge about legacy systems through code analysis and documentation

Answer: D

Q1063. What is the difference between wrapping and re-engineering legacy systems?

- A. Re-engineering is always significantly faster overall and its related activities
- B. Wrapping is always significantly more expensive work by the development process
- C. The two approaches are completely identical overall within the system boundary
- D. Wrapping adds a new interface around the legacy system; re-engineering restructures its internals

Answer: D

Q1064. What is the concept of 'feature interaction' in maintenance?

- A. Comprehensive feature testing and validation plans for all project stakeholders
- B. Features physically meeting one another in person over the entire lifecycle
- C. Formal feature documentation and specification docs as defined by standards
- D. Unexpected behavior when independently developed features conflict or interfere

Answer: D

Q1065. What is the ripple effect in software maintenance?

- A. Physical water ripples in a pond surface area within the given constraints
- B. A user interface animation and transition effect by the project team members
- C. Audio sound effects in the user interface design in all development efforts
- D. The propagation of changes through the system, causing unintended side effects

Answer: D

Q1066. What is the Lehman-Belady model of software evolution?

- A. A creational object-oriented design pattern type to achieve project objectives
- B. A comprehensive software testing model and plan in the engineering discipline
- C. A purely mathematical model for calculation work and related components
- D. A set of laws describing the behavior and evolution of large software systems

Answer: D

Q1067. What is technical debt in the context of maintenance?

- A. Accumulated shortcuts and suboptimal decisions that increase future maintenance cost
- B. Financial debt for purchasing hardware equipment for effective project outcomes
- C. Monthly developer salary payments and wage costs as part of the methodology
- D. Annual recurring software licensing fee cost totals in the development process

Answer: A

Q1068. What is the concept of 'design recovery' in maintenance?

- A. Using reverse engineering to reconstruct higher-level design abstractions from code
- B. Recovering from catastrophic design errors quickly within the project scope
- C. Recovering accidentally deleted design documents during the software lifecycle
- D. Creating design backup copies and archive storage for the development team

Answer: A

Q1069. What is software rejuvenation?

- A. Periodically restarting or reinitializing software to prevent degradation from accumulated errors
- B. Making software visually look brand new and fresh throughout the project in the system context
- C. Completely rewriting the entire software system over during implementation
- D. Updating only the user interface visual design look for quality purposes in practice typically

Answer: A

Q1070. What is the relationship between maintainability and other quality attributes?

- A. Maintainability is completely independent of everything at every stage
- B. Maintainability often trades off with performance but supports reliability and portability
- C. There is absolutely no relationship at all between them as a standard approach
- D. Maintainability conflicts with all other quality attributes by the organization

Answer: B

Q1071. What is the GQM (Goal-Question-Metric) approach?

- A. A recreational video gaming strategy method approach in all development efforts by the project team members
- B. A source code implementation coding approach method and related components to achieve project objectives
- C. A systematic approach to defining goals, deriving questions, and identifying metrics for quality measurement
- D. A comprehensive software testing approach method only in the engineering discipline

Answer: C

Q1072. What is Statistical Process Control (SPC) in software QA?

- A. A source code implementation coding technique method as part of the methodology
- B. A software architecture and design method guide book in the development process
- C. Using statistical methods to monitor and control software processes to ensure they operate predictably
- D. A statistical report generated for project managers for effective project outcomes

Answer: C

Q1073. What is the concept of 'process maturity' in QA?

- A. The overall size of the development process and scope for the development team throughout the project
- B. Processes that have become outdated and old over time during the software lifecycle
- C. The execution speed of all development processes running within the project scope
- D. The extent to which an organization's processes are defined, managed, measured, and continuously improved

Answer: D

Q1074. What is Root Cause Analysis (RCA)?

- A. A systematic process for identifying the underlying causes of defects or problems
- B. Finding the roots of a physical plant in soil in the system context
- C. A production deployment automation process method for quality purposes
- D. A source code implementation coding technique only during implementation

Answer: A

Q1075. What is the difference between product quality and process quality?

- A. Product quality is entirely not measurable or assessable by the organization
- B. The two concepts are completely identical to each other in practice typically
- C. Product quality measures the software itself; process quality measures the development process
- D. Process quality is completely irrelevant to all outcomes as a standard approach

Answer: C

Q1076. What is a causal analysis meeting?

- A. An informal casual meeting with team colleagues at every stage
- B. A meeting to analyze the root causes of defects and identify preventive actions
- C. A recreational team building social activity event in a systematic way
- D. A project planning and scheduling meeting session across all phases

Answer: B

Q1077. What is the concept of 'quality gates' in software development?

- A. A type of network firewall configuration and setup according to best practices
- B. Physical security gates at building entrance areas for the project goals
- C. Checkpoints in the development process where quality criteria must be met before proceeding
- D. Security gates for data access control setup only within the system boundary

Answer: C

Q1078. What is the Clean Room approach to quality?

- A. A physically tidy and organized workspace and area by the development process
- B. A hardware manufacturing clean room facility space and its related activities
- C. A software development approach using formal verification to prevent defects rather than test for them
- D. A specific testing environment setup and space area over the entire lifecycle

Answer: C

Q1079. What is the relationship between CMMI and software quality?

- A. CMMI only measures physical hardware quality metrics for all project stakeholders
- B. There is absolutely no relationship between the two as defined by standards
- C. CMMI provides a framework for improving processes, which directly impacts software quality
- D. CMMI completely replaces all software testing types within the given constraints

Answer: C

Q1080. What is the concept of 'zero defect' philosophy?

- A. Deliberately ignoring all reported defect reports and related components
- B. Having absolutely no tests in the entire project by the project team members
- C. A quality approach emphasizing prevention and doing things right the first time
- D. A goal that is impossible to ever achieve at all in all development efforts

Answer: C

Q1081. What is the Chidamber and Kemerer (CK) metrics suite?

- A. A collection of design patterns for modules and code
- B. A comprehensive software testing tool suite and set
- C. An established coding standard and guideline set only
- D. A set of six object-oriented metrics: WMC, DIT, NOC, CBO, RFC, LCOM

Answer: D

Q1082. What is the Response For a Class (RFC) metric?

- A. A network communication protocol metric and measure during the software lifecycle
- B. A relational database performance metric and measure within the project scope
- C. The count of all methods that can be invoked in response to a message to the class
- D. A comprehensive software testing metric and measure for the development team

Answer: C

Q1083. What is the Lack of Cohesion of Methods (LCOM) metric?

- A. A production deployment readiness metric and measure during implementation
- B. A metric measuring how dissimilar methods are in a class based on the instance variables they use
- C. A comprehensive software testing metric and measure in the system context
- D. A measure of total source code line length and size throughout the project

Answer: B

Q1084. What is the Coupling Between Objects (CBO) metric?

- A. A relational database join performance metric and score as a standard approach
- B. A network bandwidth and latency metric and measurement in practice typically
- C. A physical coupling measurement between parts and things for quality purposes
- D. The count of classes to which a class is coupled through method calls, variables, or inheritance

Answer: D

Q1085. What is the concept of 'measurement dysfunction'?

- A. Broken physical measurement tools and device parts by the organization
- B. Errors in hardware measurement instruments and tools across all phases
- C. When metrics are gamed or misused, leading to counterproductive behavior
- D. Dysfunctional software that crashes frequently daily at every stage

Answer: C

Q1086. What is GQM+ Strategies?

- A. A comprehensive software testing strategy and plan according to best practices
- B. An extension of GQM that aligns measurement goals with organizational business goals
- C. A recreational video gaming strategy guide and plan in a systematic way
- D. A source code implementation coding strategy and plan for the project goals

Answer: B

Q1087. What is the concept of 'metric validation' in software engineering?

- A. Validating application source code for errors and bugs by the development process
- B. Testing software requirements for completeness and scope and its related activities
- C. Ensuring that a metric actually measures what it claims to measure and is useful
- D. Testing physical measurement tools for their accuracy within the system boundary

Answer: C

Q1088. What is the Number of Children (NOC) metric?

- A. The total number of comments in the source code base
- B. The total number of source code files in the project
- C. The number of child processes currently running now
- D. The count of immediate subclasses of a class in the inheritance tree

Answer: D

Q1089. What is the difference between size-oriented and function-oriented metrics?

- A. Size-oriented uses LOC as the basis; function-oriented uses function points
- B. Function-oriented metrics use LOC as the main basis as defined by standards
- C. Size-oriented metrics use function points as basis for all project stakeholders
- D. The two metric types are fundamentally identical overall over the entire lifecycle

Answer: A

Q1090. What is the concept of a 'balanced scorecard' in software metrics?

- A. A scorecard for athletic sports competition events within the given constraints
- B. A formal source code peer review evaluation and form by the project team members
- C. A comprehensive software testing checklist form sheet in all development efforts
- D. A strategic management framework measuring performance across multiple perspectives

Answer: D

Q1091. What is the concept of 'configuration identification'?

- A. Identifying individual automated test case scenarios in a systematic way
- B. Selecting and labeling configuration items and documenting their characteristics
- C. Identifying specific software bugs and defect reports across all phases
- D. Identifying individual team member profile records at every stage

Answer: B

Q1092. What is the difference between configuration management and change management?

- A. CM only involves application source code files and code by the development process
- B. Change management is always much broader in its scope within the system boundary
- C. CM manages all configuration items; change management specifically handles the change request process
- D. The two concepts are completely identical in all ways for the project goals according to best practices

Answer: C

Q1093. What is a Software Bill of Materials (SBOM)?

- A. A project budget and financial document and report over the entire lifecycle
- B. A grocery shopping list for the team members only and its related activities
- C. A team member roster and directory listing sheet as defined by standards
- D. A formal record of the components and dependencies in a piece of software

Answer: D

Q1094. What is Infrastructure as Code (IaC)?

- A. Building physical infrastructure roads and buildings for all project stakeholders
- B. A general-purpose coding language definition and spec within the given constraints
- C. A comprehensive software testing framework and tool set in all development efforts
- D. Managing and provisioning computing infrastructure through machine-readable configuration files

Answer: D

Q1095. What is the concept of 'immutable infrastructure'?

- A. An approach where infrastructure components are replaced rather than modified, ensuring consistency
- B. Permanent physical hardware installations and setups and related components
- C. Infrastructure that physically cannot ever change form by the project team members
- D. A specific type of database storage system and service to achieve project objectives

Answer: A

Q1096. What is semantic versioning?

- A. Alphabetical versioning of all software release names for effective project outcomes
- B. Using random numbering for all software version names in the engineering discipline
- C. A versioning scheme using MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH to convey meaning about underlying changes
- D. Date-based versioning of all software release versions as part of the methodology

Answer: C

Q1097. What is a monorepo strategy?

- A. Multiple separate repos per each single project type
- B. Storing multiple projects in a single version control repository
- C. One separate repository per individual project file
- D. Having absolutely no repository at all for the code

Answer: B

Q1098. What is the concept of 'configuration status accounting'?

- A. Recording and reporting the status of configuration items and change requests throughout the project
- B. Financial accounting and bookkeeping tasks and work in the development process
- C. Tracking developer working hours per task and activity within the project scope
- D. Counting total source code lines in the whole project during the software lifecycle

Answer: A

Q1099. What is a feature flag (feature toggle)?

- A. A physical flag or banner for signaling and marking for the development team
- B. A test indicator for pass or fail status result only in the system context
- C. A technique allowing features to be enabled or disabled without deploying new code
- D. A marker for identifying software bugs and issues only throughout the project

Answer: C

Q1100. What is the concept of 'GitOps'?

- A. A comprehensive software testing approach and method only in practice typically as a standard approach
- B. An operational framework where Git is the single source of truth for infrastructure and application deployment
- C. An established coding standard and guideline set for teams by the organization at every stage
- D. Only performing basic Git operations and nothing else during implementation for quality purposes

Answer: B

Q1101. What is the Expected Monetary Value (EMV) in risk analysis?

- A. An employee salary expectation and forecast amount in practice typically
- B. A project budget and financial metric and measurement as a standard approach
- C. A product pricing strategy and approach and methodology by the organization
- D. The product of probability and monetary impact of a risk, used in decision trees

Answer: D

Q1102. What is the concept of 'risk-driven development'?

- A. Deliberately ignoring risks in the development process in a systematic way for the project goals
- B. A comprehensive software testing approach and method only according to best practices
- C. Developing intentionally risky software applications at every stage across all phases
- D. A development approach that uses risk analysis to prioritize and guide architecture and design decisions

Answer: D

Q1103. What is a decision tree in risk management?

- A. A test hierarchy and organization structure and setup and its related activities
- B. A diagram showing decision choices, chance events, probabilities, and outcomes for risk analysis
- C. A physical tree growing in a garden area outdoors within the system boundary
- D. A source code tree and directory structure and layout by the development process

Answer: B

Q1104. What is sensitivity analysis in risk management?

- A. An emotional sensitivity analysis technique approach over the entire lifecycle
- B. A source code analysis technique and tool and method for all project stakeholders
- C. A security vulnerability analysis technique and method as defined by standards
- D. A technique that determines which risks have the greatest potential impact on project outcomes

Answer: D

Q1105. What is the concept of 'risk appetite' vs 'risk tolerance'?

- A. The two concepts are completely identical in every way within the given constraints in all development efforts
- B. Risk appetite is the level of risk an organization is willing to pursue; risk tolerance is the acceptable variation in outcomes
- C. Risk appetite is always smaller than risk tolerance level by the project team members and related components
- D. Risk tolerance always means absolutely zero risk accepted to achieve project objectives in the engineering discipline

Answer: B

Q1106. What is Monte Carlo simulation in risk management?

- A. A technique using random sampling to simulate project outcomes and assess risk probability
- B. A comprehensive software testing simulation and approach in the development process
- C. A source code implementation coding simulation and test as part of the methodology
- D. A recreational casino gambling game activity and event for effective project outcomes

Answer: A

Q1107. What is residual risk?

- A. The risk that remains after risk responses have been implemented
- B. A production deployment issue and concern and problem
- C. No risk at all remaining after response is applied
- D. A specific type of source code error found in the code

Answer: A

Q1108. What is secondary risk?

- A. A risk that is considered less important than others during the software lifecycle
- B. A specific type of reported software bug and defect for the development team
- C. A new risk that arises as a direct result of implementing a risk response
- D. A backup risk for contingency planning purposes only within the project scope

Answer: C

Q1109. What is the concept of 'risk-based testing'?

- A. A testing approach that uses risk analysis to prioritize test cases and allocate testing effort
- B. Testing software without a formal plan or schedule during implementation
- C. Random and unstructured software testing approaches in the system context
- D. Testing software with risky input data and scenarios throughout the project

Answer: A

Q1110. What is the Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA) in software?

- A. A failure analysis report document summary and overview for quality purposes in practice typically
- B. A systematic technique for identifying potential failure modes, their causes, and effects on the system
- C. A production deployment analysis and report and summary by the organization at every stage
- D. A source code implementation coding technique and method as a standard approach

Answer: B

Q1111. What is threat modeling?

- A. Creating detailed threat assessment reports and summaries for the development team
- B. A systematic approach to identifying, quantifying, and addressing security threats to a system
- C. Modeling threats in three-dimensional space and models within the project scope
- D. A specific type of software testing approach and method throughout the project

Answer: B

Q1112. What is the STRIDE threat model?

- A. A source code implementation coding framework and library for quality purposes in practice typically
- B. A comprehensive software testing model and approach only as a standard approach by the organization
- C. A threat classification model: Spoofing, Tampering, Repudiation, Information Disclosure, DoS, Elevation of Privilege
- D. A physical walking gait analysis technique and method in the system context during implementation

Answer: C

Q1113. What is the concept of 'security by design'?

- A. Integrating security considerations into every phase of the software development lifecycle
- B. Designing security logos and brand imagery and assets at every stage
- C. Adding security features only after deployment to production across all phases
- D. Writing security documentation exclusively and nothing else in a systematic way

Answer: A

Q1114. What is a zero-day vulnerability?

- A. A vulnerability that is only one day old at most today within the system boundary
- B. A previously unknown vulnerability that is exploited before a patch is available
- C. A vulnerability with absolutely zero impact on the system according to best practices
- D. A vulnerability that was fixed on day zero of discovery for the project goals

Answer: B

Q1115. What is the DREAD risk assessment model?

- A. A comprehensive software testing model and approach only and its related activities
- B. An established coding standard and guideline and rule set over the entire lifecycle
- C. An assessment of fear and dread feelings and emotions by the development process
- D. A model rating threats by Damage, Reproducibility, Exploitability, Affected users, Discoverability

Answer: D

Q1116. What is secure software development lifecycle (SSDLC)?

- A. A comprehensive software testing lifecycle and approach for all project stakeholders
- B. A production deployment lifecycle plan and schedule doc within the given constraints
- C. An approach that integrates security practices into each phase of the traditional SDLC
- D. A brand new programming language created from scratch as defined by standards

Answer: C

Q1117. What is the difference between symmetric and asymmetric encryption?

- A. Asymmetric encryption uses only one single key for all by the project team members
- B. The two encryption types are fundamentally the same thing in all development efforts
- C. Symmetric encryption uses two different keys always now and related components
- D. Symmetric uses the same key for encryption and decryption; asymmetric uses a key pair

Answer: D

Q1118. What is a Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE)?

- A. A standardized system for identifying and naming publicly known cybersecurity vulnerabilities
- B. A comprehensive software testing framework and tool suite for effective project outcomes
- C. An established coding standard and guideline and rule set in the engineering discipline
- D. A specific type of computer virus or malware and threat to achieve project objectives

Answer: A

Q1119. What is the concept of 'attack surface'?

- A. The physical surface of a computer case and housing as part of the methodology
- B. A network configuration and topology setup and structure during the software lifecycle
- C. A specific type of user interface design and layout only in the development process
- D. The total number of points where an unauthorized user can try to enter or extract data

Answer: D

Q1120. What is the principle of 'fail secure' vs 'fail open'?

- A. The two concepts are fundamentally identical in all ways within the project scope
- B. Fail secure allows all access on any failure or error event throughout the project
- C. Fail open is always the more secure approach and method for the development team
- D. Fail secure denies access by default on failure; fail open allows access on failure

Answer: D

Q1121. A company is experiencing frequent project delays and cost overruns. Which fundamental software engineering principle would most directly address this?

- A. Hiring additional developers without changing methodology
- B. Reducing documentation to accelerate coding activities
- C. Adopting structured process models with clear milestones
- D. Purchasing more powerful servers for the development team

Answer: C

Q1122. In Lehman's laws of software evolution, what does the law of continuing change state?

- A. Software quality improves automatically without any effort
- B. Software maintenance effort reduces with each new release
- C. Software complexity decreases naturally over time periods
- D. Software must continually adapt or become less satisfactory

Answer: D

Q1123. A team finds that fixing one bug consistently introduces two new defects. Which concept best explains this phenomenon?

- A. Software entropy and increasing system complexity over time
- B. Effective regression testing preventing all defect propagation
- C. Proper documentation reducing overall maintenance difficulty
- D. Successful modular design isolating component dependencies

Answer: A

Q1124. When applying the 'separation of concerns' principle, what is the primary architectural benefit achieved?

- A. Documentation requirements are completely eliminated from work
- B. Each module addresses a distinct feature independently of others
- C. Testing becomes unnecessary due to simplified code structure
- D. All system functionality is consolidated into a single module

Answer: B

Q1125. A startup must deliver a product quickly with uncertain requirements. Which combination of software engineering principles is most appropriate?

- A. Comprehensive upfront documentation with rigid phase milestones
- B. Iterative development with frequent stakeholder feedback cycles
- C. Big bang integration testing after all modules are completed
- D. Waterfall model with complete requirements before any coding

Answer: B

Q1126. What is Brooks' law and how does it impact late software projects?

- A. Late projects benefit most from adding experienced engineers
- B. Doubling the team size will exactly halve the delivery time
- C. Adding people to a late project makes it even later overall
- D. Project delays are always caused by insufficient team members

Answer: C

Q1127. In the context of sociotechnical systems, why must software engineers consider organizational factors?

- A. Organizational factors have no measurable impact on software quality
- B. Technical solutions must align with organizational processes and culture
- C. Software operates independently of any human or organizational context
- D. Engineering decisions should be based solely on technical merit alone

Answer: B

Q1128. A legacy system handles critical operations but uses obsolete technology. What is the recommended engineering approach?

- A. Ignoring the system until it fails completely in production
- B. Complete system rewrite without referencing existing functionality
- C. Immediate shutdown followed by building from scratch entirely
- D. Incremental modernization while maintaining system availability

Answer: D

Q1129. What distinguishes emergent system properties from designed properties in software engineering?

- A. Emergent properties arise from component interactions not individual parts
- B. Emergent properties can be fully predicted from individual components
- C. Designed properties only appear after system deployment to production
- D. Emergent properties are explicitly defined in requirements documentation

Answer: A

Q1130. How does Conway's law relate software architecture to organizational structure?

- A. Technical architecture solely determines how teams are organized
- B. Software architecture is always independent of team organization
- C. Organizational hierarchy has no influence on system module design
- D. System designs mirror the communication structure of the organization

Answer: D

Q1131. A government agency requires extensive documentation and formal sign-offs at each development stage. Which process model best fits this environment?

- A. Waterfall model with formal reviews and documentation at each phase
- B. Extreme programming with minimal documentation and rapid iterations
- C. Scrum framework with two-week sprints and daily standup meetings
- D. Kanban method with continuous flow and no predefined phase gates

Answer: A

Q1132. A team is building a safety-critical system for an aircraft. Why would the V-model be preferred over agile approaches?

- A. V-model ensures rigorous verification and validation at each level
- B. V-model eliminates the need for any form of requirements analysis
- C. Agile approaches always produce higher quality safety-critical code
- D. Agile methods provide more thorough documentation for regulators

Answer: A

Q1133. In the spiral model, how does the team determine the scope of each iteration?

- A. By implementing all remaining features in every single spiral loop
- B. By evaluating identified risks and prioritizing their mitigation efforts
- C. By following a fixed predetermined schedule regardless of any risks
- D. By randomly selecting features from the product backlog for building

Answer: B

Q1134. A project started with the waterfall model but requirements keep changing. What is the most pragmatic transition strategy?

- A. Shift to an incremental model preserving completed phase artifacts
- B. Continue with waterfall and reject all incoming change requests
- C. Abandon process models entirely and use ad hoc development now
- D. Restart the entire project from scratch using a different language

Answer: A

Q1135. What is the primary challenge of using evolutionary prototyping for large-scale enterprise systems?

- A. Enterprise systems cannot use any iterative development technique
- B. Large systems never benefit from any prototyping approach at all
- C. Prototypes may evolve into poorly architected production systems
- D. Evolutionary prototyping always produces perfectly structured code

Answer: C

Q1136. How does the Rational Unified Process (RUP) handle changing requirements compared to traditional plan-driven approaches?

- A. RUP accommodates changes through iterative development within structured phases
- B. RUP completely prevents any requirement changes after the inception phase ends
- C. RUP requires a complete project restart whenever any requirement changes occur
- D. RUP has no mechanism for handling requirements changes during development work

Answer: A

Q1137. A medical device company must comply with FDA validation requirements. How does this constraint affect process model selection?

- A. It favors models with traceable verification and validation documentation
- B. It mandates that no testing be performed until final system delivery
- C. It eliminates all possible process models from consideration entirely
- D. It requires using only agile methods without any formal documentation

Answer: A

Q1138. What is the fundamental trade-off between plan-driven and agile process models in terms of project governance?

- A. Plan-driven offers more control and predictability; agile offers more flexibility and speed
- B. Plan-driven and agile models provide identical levels of governance and predictability
- C. Plan-driven models are always inferior to agile in every project context and scenario
- D. Agile models provide more formal governance and control than plan-driven approaches do

Answer: A

Q1139. When applying the DevOps model, how does continuous integration change the traditional process model structure?

- A. It separates development and operations into completely independent workflows
- B. It requires all code to be written before any integration testing takes place
- C. It merges development and operations phases into a continuous automated pipeline
- D. It completely eliminates the need for any testing or quality assurance activities

Answer: C

Q1140. A startup pivots its product direction every three months based on market feedback. Which process model characteristic is most essential?

- A. Fixed scope defined entirely at project start without any later changes
- B. Long sequential phases with comprehensive documentation at every stage
- C. Short iteration cycles with frequent delivery and customer feedback loops
- D. Complete architecture designed before any implementation work begins

Answer: C

Q1141. A team's velocity has been declining over the past five sprints despite no personnel changes. What is the most likely root cause to investigate?

- A. The team has become too skilled and experienced for the project work
- B. Increasing technical debt making new development progressively harder
- C. The product backlog has become too small with too few remaining items
- D. Sprint duration has been too short for any meaningful work to occur

Answer: B

Q1142. How should a Scrum team handle a situation where the Product Owner frequently changes priorities mid-sprint?

- A. Remove the Product Owner from the team to prevent further disruption to the process flow
- B. Educate the Product Owner on sprint commitment and defer changes to next sprint planning
- C. Immediately abandon current sprint work and start on the new priorities without question
- D. Ignore all priority changes and continue working on the original plan without communication

Answer: B

Q1143. In SAFe (Scaled Agile Framework), what is the purpose of a Program Increment planning event?

- A. To eliminate the need for individual team sprint planning sessions throughout the increment
- B. To replace all Scrum ceremonies with a single comprehensive monthly planning meeting event
- C. To align multiple agile teams on shared objectives and dependencies for a planning period
- D. To assign specific tasks to individual developers across all teams in the entire organization

Answer: C

Q1144. A distributed agile team across three time zones is struggling with communication. Which practice would most effectively address this challenge?

- A. Requiring all team members to work the same hours regardless of their local time zone
- B. Establishing overlapping core hours and using asynchronous communication tools effectively
- C. Eliminating all meetings and relying exclusively on email for all team communications
- D. Splitting the team into independent groups that never need to communicate with each other

Answer: B

Q1145. What is the relationship between the Agile Manifesto values and the twelve agile principles?

- A. The values replace the principles and make them unnecessary for any agile team practice
- B. The values and principles are completely unrelated documents with different authors entirely
- C. The principles contradict the values and should be followed instead of the manifesto values
- D. The principles provide specific guidance for applying the four abstract manifesto values

Answer: D

Q1146. When transitioning from waterfall to agile, what is the most significant organizational challenge?

- A. Shifting from command-and-control management to servant leadership and team autonomy
- B. Purchasing new software development tools and IDE licenses for all team members now
- C. Reducing the number of meetings from weekly status updates to no meetings at all
- D. Renaming existing project roles to match agile terminology without changing practices

Answer: A

Q1147. How does technical debt impact agile teams differently than plan-driven teams?

- A. Agile teams are immune to technical debt because they refactor code in every single sprint
- B. Technical debt affects plan-driven teams more because they have longer development cycles
- C. Agile teams feel the impact sooner due to shorter iteration cycles and continuous delivery
- D. Plan-driven teams never accumulate technical debt due to their thorough upfront planning

Answer: C

Q1148. A team is practicing Scrum but the sprint goal is never met. The team completes individual stories but lacks cohesion. What is the underlying issue?

- A. The sprint goal is not well-defined or the team is not collaborating toward a shared objective
- B. The Product Owner is providing too few user stories for the team to work on each sprint
- C. The sprint duration is too long and the team runs out of meaningful work before it ends
- D. Individual team members are too skilled and complete work too quickly without coordination

Answer: A

Q1149. In Lean software development, what does 'eliminating waste' specifically refer to?

- A. Removing activities that do not add value to the customer from the development process
- B. Reducing the physical waste produced by the office including paper and plastic materials
- C. Firing underperforming team members to improve the overall productivity of the team now
- D. Deleting all source code comments and documentation to reduce the size of the codebase

Answer: A

Q1150. What is the difference between adaptive and predictive project management approaches in the context of agile?

- A. Both approaches are identical in how they handle project scope and requirement changes fully
- B. Adaptive approaches fix all requirements at start; predictive approaches change constantly now
- C. Adaptive approaches embrace change and evolve plans; predictive approaches fix scope upfront
- D. Predictive approaches are more responsive to change than adaptive approaches in all cases

Answer: C

Q1151. A healthcare system must comply with HIPAA regulations. How should these regulatory constraints be captured in requirements?

- A. As project management constraints affecting only the delivery timeline and budget
- B. As functional requirements describing the user interface layout and color scheme
- C. As non-functional requirements specifying security, privacy, and audit trail standards
- D. As optional features that can be implemented if time and budget allow during work

Answer: C

Q1152. During elicitation, stakeholders express contradictory requirements. What is the most effective resolution approach?

- A. Implement all contradictory requirements simultaneously without resolving the conflicts
- B. Facilitate negotiation sessions to find compromises and document agreed-upon priorities
- C. Ignore the less senior stakeholder's requirements and implement only the manager's view
- D. Postpone the entire project until all stakeholders naturally reach unanimous agreement

Answer: B

Q1153. What is the relationship between requirements volatility and project risk in software engineering?

- A. Requirements volatility has no measurable impact on project risk or delivery outcomes
- B. Requirements stability increases project risk because it prevents creative innovation work
- C. Volatile requirements always reduce project risk by keeping the team adaptable and ready
- D. Higher requirements volatility increases project risk through scope creep and rework costs

Answer: D

Q1154. How should safety-critical requirements be specified differently from standard functional requirements?

- A. Using informal natural language descriptions without any additional precision or detail
- B. With formal notation, rigorous verification criteria, and detailed failure mode analysis
- C. Exactly the same way as any other functional requirement without special treatment given
- D. By omitting them from documentation and relying on developer intuition during coding

Answer: B

Q1155. A team discovers during implementation that a key requirement is technically infeasible. What is the appropriate requirements engineering response?

- A. Conduct impact analysis, negotiate alternatives with stakeholders, and update the SRS document
- B. Cancel the entire project because a single requirement cannot be implemented as specified
- C. Continue attempting to implement the infeasible requirement regardless of technical limitations
- D. Silently remove the requirement from the SRS without informing any stakeholders about it

Answer: A

Q1156. What is the 'requirements gap' and how does it affect software projects?

- A. It is the physical distance between the development team and the client office locations
- B. It is the difference between documented requirements and actual stakeholder needs and expectations
- C. It is the time delay between writing requirements and implementing them in source code only
- D. It is the salary difference between requirements analysts and software development engineers

Answer: B

Q1157. How do goal-oriented requirements engineering approaches differ from traditional approaches?

- A. They focus exclusively on technical implementation details rather than business-level objectives
- B. They eliminate the need for any stakeholder communication during the requirements phase entirely
- C. They focus on stakeholder goals and derive requirements from high-level objectives systematically
- D. They produce identical results to traditional approaches but use different terminology and tools

Answer: C

Q1158. In a large enterprise system with hundreds of requirements, how should traceability be managed effectively?

- A. By assigning one developer to memorize all requirement-to-code mappings without any tools
- B. By avoiding traceability entirely since it adds overhead without providing any project value
- C. By manually maintaining paper documents that cross-reference every requirement to code lines
- D. Using automated traceability tools with bidirectional links between requirements and artifacts

Answer: D

Q1159. What is the impact of cultural differences on requirements elicitation in global software development projects?

- A. Cultural differences affect communication styles, expectations, and interpretation of requirements
- B. Cultural differences have no impact on requirements because software is a universal language
- C. All cultures have identical approaches to expressing needs and defining system requirements
- D. Cultural factors only affect project management and have no relevance to requirements work

Answer: A

Q1160. How does viewpoint-oriented requirements engineering handle the challenge of multiple perspectives?

- A. It combines all viewpoints into one without distinguishing their sources or resolving conflicts
- B. It selects a single viewpoint and ignores all other perspectives throughout the entire project
- C. It systematically captures and reconciles requirements from different stakeholder viewpoints
- D. It eliminates the need for stakeholder involvement by relying solely on developer assumptions

Answer: C

Q1161. A project is showing a Cost Performance Index (CPI) of 0.8 and Schedule Performance Index (SPI) of 0.9. What does this indicate?

- A. The project is under budget by 20% and ahead of schedule by 10% of planned work
- B. The project is over budget by 20% and behind schedule by 10% of planned progress
- C. The project is exactly on budget and on schedule according to the baseline plan
- D. The project has been completed successfully with all deliverables meeting standards

Answer: B

Q1162. How should a project manager handle a situation where the estimated effort exceeds the available budget?

- A. Cancel the project immediately without exploring any alternative approaches or solutions
- B. Proceed with the full scope and hope the team can work faster than the estimates suggest
- C. Add more developers to reduce the schedule without adjusting the budget or scope at all
- D. Negotiate scope reduction with stakeholders while maintaining core functionality intact

Answer: D

Q1163. In Brooks' Mythical Man-Month, why does adding developers to a late project make it later?

- A. New developers instantly become productive and reduce the workload on existing team members
- B. Projects always finish on time regardless of team size changes during the development period
- C. Adding developers has no measurable effect on project schedule in any known situation today
- D. Communication overhead grows quadratically and new members need ramp-up training time

Answer: D

Q1164. A team uses PERT estimation with optimistic=2 weeks, most likely=4 weeks, and pessimistic=12 weeks. What is the expected duration?

- A. Five weeks based on the weighted average formula used in PERT estimation technique
- B. Two weeks because PERT always selects the most optimistic estimate for planning work
- C. Twelve weeks because PERT always uses the pessimistic estimate for safety margin only
- D. Four weeks because the most likely estimate is always the final expected duration value

Answer: A

Q1165. How does the theory of constraints apply to software project management?

- A. It requires constraining all team members to work at exactly the same speed and pace
- B. It identifies and focuses improvement efforts on the bottleneck limiting overall throughput
- C. It suggests adding constraints to every activity to improve project discipline overall
- D. It eliminates all project constraints by removing deadlines and budget limitations now

Answer: B

Q1166. A project manager discovers that two critical team members plan to leave mid-project. What proactive measures should be taken?

- A. Ignore the risk and assume the remaining team can absorb all additional workload easily
- B. Immediately cancel the project since replacing team members is impossible to accomplish
- C. Reduce product quality standards so the remaining team can deliver with less total effort
- D. Document knowledge, cross-train team members, and plan for replacement hiring immediately

Answer: D

Q1167. What is the relationship between project size and defect density in software engineering?

- A. Project size has absolutely no correlation with defect density in any published research data
- B. Defect density remains perfectly constant regardless of project size or complexity levels
- C. Smaller projects always have more defects than larger projects due to less thorough testing
- D. Larger projects tend to have higher defect density due to increased complexity and coupling

Answer: D

Q1168. How should a project manager balance the competing demands of multiple stakeholders with different priorities?

- A. Randomly select which stakeholder requirements to implement without any systematic approach
- B. Ignore all stakeholder input and make decisions based solely on the development team opinion
- C. Use stakeholder analysis to understand influence and interest, then negotiate compromises
- D. Always prioritize the requirements of the most senior stakeholder without any negotiation

Answer: C

Q1169. What is Monte Carlo simulation used for in project management and how does it improve estimation accuracy?

- A. It eliminates all uncertainty from project estimates by using a fixed mathematical formula only
- B. It provides a single deterministic estimate that is always accurate for every project situation
- C. It replaces the need for expert judgment by using random numbers without any project data
- D. It runs thousands of simulations with varying inputs to produce probability-based schedule forecasts

Answer: D

Q1170. In agile project management, how does the concept of 'servant leadership' change the traditional project manager role?

- A. The manager delegates all responsibility and has no involvement in the project activities at all
- B. The manager increases direct control over all individual tasks and decisions made by the team
- C. The manager role is completely eliminated and no leadership exists within agile project teams
- D. The manager focuses on removing impediments and empowering the team rather than directing work

Answer: D

Q1171. A system needs to support multiple database backends (MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB) without changing business logic. Which design approach is most appropriate?

- A. Hardcoding database queries directly into business logic classes for maximum performance
- B. Abstract Factory pattern with database-specific factory implementations for each backend
- C. Using global variables to store database connection strings throughout the application
- D. Writing separate copies of the business logic for each database backend independently

Answer: B

Q1172. How does the SOLID principles violation manifest in a God class anti-pattern?

- A. The class violates SRP by handling too many responsibilities and having many reasons to change
- B. The class follows SRP perfectly by focusing on a single well-defined responsibility only
- C. The class demonstrates ideal OCP by being completely closed to any future extensions work
- D. The class exemplifies LSP by being perfectly substitutable for all of its subtype classes

Answer: A

Q1173. A real-time trading system must process millions of events per second. How should the design balance performance with maintainability?

- A. Sacrifice all code readability and maintainability to achieve maximum raw processing speed
- B. Implement all processing in a single monolithic function for maximum execution throughput
- C. Use the simplest possible design without considering performance requirements at any point
- D. Use event-driven architecture with optimized hot paths while keeping non-critical paths clean

Answer: D

Q1174. What is the relationship between design patterns and anti-patterns in software engineering?

- A. Anti-patterns are always better than design patterns for solving complex engineering problems
- B. Design patterns cause problems while anti-patterns provide effective solutions for all cases
- C. Design patterns solve recurring problems; anti-patterns are commonly used but ineffective solutions
- D. Design patterns and anti-patterns are identical concepts with interchangeable names and usage

Answer: C

Q1175. How does the Hexagonal Architecture (Ports and Adapters) improve testability of business logic?

- A. It isolates business logic from external dependencies through ports allowing easy mock injection
- B. It embeds external dependencies directly into business logic making testing straightforward now
- C. It makes testing harder by creating multiple layers of indirection between all components now
- D. It eliminates the need for any testing by ensuring the business logic is always correct already

Answer: A

Q1176. A development team is debating between using inheritance hierarchies and composition for code reuse. What factors should guide this decision?

- A. Always use composition because inheritance should never be used in any software system today
- B. Use inheritance for genuine is-a relationships; prefer composition for flexible behavior reuse
- C. Always use inheritance because it is fundamentally superior to composition in every scenario
- D. The choice is purely aesthetic and has no impact on system flexibility or maintainability

Answer: B

Q1177. How does the Command pattern enable undo functionality in software applications?

- A. The Command pattern only supports redo operations and cannot implement undo functionality now
- B. Undo is implemented by restarting the entire application from its initial state each time needed
- C. The Command pattern prevents any actions from being undone once they have been executed fully
- D. Each command object encapsulates an action and its inverse allowing execution reversal on demand

Answer: D

Q1178. What is the impact of circular dependencies on software design quality and maintainability?

- A. They simplify the build process by reducing the number of modules that need compilation work
- B. They have no measurable impact on software design quality or long-term maintainability at all
- C. They increase coupling, complicate builds, and make modules impossible to test in isolation easily
- D. They improve design quality by ensuring all modules are tightly integrated with each other now

Answer: C

Q1179. In domain-driven design, how does the Bounded Context pattern help manage complexity in large systems?

- A. It requires a single unified domain model used identically across all parts of the entire system
- B. It eliminates the need for any domain modeling by using generic data structures everywhere now
- C. It defines clear boundaries where specific domain models apply preventing model conflicts globally
- D. It increases complexity by requiring every team to understand all domain models in the system

Answer: C

Q1180. How should a designer handle the tension between the DRY principle and the need for module independence?

- A. Accept controlled duplication when shared abstractions would create inappropriate coupling between modules
- B. Always eliminate every instance of duplication regardless of the coupling it introduces between parts
- C. Force all modules to share a single implementation even when their requirements diverge significantly
- D. Ignore the DRY principle entirely because code duplication has no negative consequences on quality

Answer: A

Q1181. A company needs to migrate a monolithic e-commerce platform to microservices. What is the recommended architectural migration strategy?

- A. Identify bounded contexts, extract services incrementally, and use an API gateway for routing
- B. Rewrite the entire system from scratch in a new language without referencing existing code
- C. Keep the monolith exactly as is and simply rename it as a microservices architecture now
- D. Split the monolith randomly into services without analyzing domain boundaries or dependencies

Answer: A

Q1182. How does the CAP theorem constrain the design of distributed database architectures?

- A. The CAP theorem only applies to relational databases and not to any NoSQL database systems
- B. A distributed system can guarantee at most two of consistency, availability, and partition tolerance
- C. Partition tolerance is optional in distributed systems and can be safely ignored in all designs
- D. A distributed system can easily achieve all three properties simultaneously without any trade-offs

Answer: B

Q1183. A streaming analytics platform must process ten million events per second with sub-second latency. Which architectural pattern is most suitable?

- A. Single-threaded monolithic application processing events sequentially one at a time in order
- B. Batch processing architecture that collects events for hourly processing in large bulk operations
- C. Traditional request-response architecture with synchronous database queries for each single event
- D. Event sourcing with partitioned stream processing and in-memory computation for hot data paths

Answer: D

Q1184. What are the architectural implications of choosing eventual consistency over strong consistency?

- A. Eventual consistency has no implications and behaves identically to strong consistency in all cases
- B. Strong consistency always provides better performance than eventual consistency in every scenario
- C. Eventual consistency eliminates all data inconsistency problems permanently without any trade-offs
- D. The system gains availability and performance but must handle temporary data inconsistencies gracefully

Answer: D

Q1185. How should an architect design a system to be resilient against cascading failures in a microservices environment?

- A. Remove all error handling to reduce code complexity and improve overall system performance metrics
- B. Implement circuit breakers, bulkheads, and graceful degradation patterns between all service boundaries
- C. Use a single shared database for all services to eliminate any communication failures between them
- D. Make every service synchronously dependent on every other service to ensure data consistency always

Answer: B

Q1186. What is the architectural significance of Conway's law when designing large-scale distributed systems?

- A. Conway's law has been disproven and has no relevance to modern software architecture decisions
- B. System architecture should be designed without any consideration of team organization structure
- C. Team structure should align with desired system architecture to avoid communication mismatches
- D. Conway's law only applies to monolithic systems and is irrelevant for distributed architectures

Answer: C

Q1187. A healthcare system requires 99.999% availability. How does this requirement influence the architectural decisions?

- A. It requires a single centralized server to minimize complexity and potential points of failure in system
- B. It mandates redundancy, automatic failover, geographic distribution, and elimination of single points of failure
- C. It means the system should avoid any redundancy to reduce the number of components that can fail
- D. It has no impact on architecture because availability is purely an operational and infrastructure concern

Answer: B

Q1188. How does the saga pattern handle distributed transactions across microservices?

- A. It uses traditional two-phase commit protocol locking all services until the transaction completes fully
- B. It coordinates a sequence of local transactions with compensating actions for failure rollback scenarios
- C. It requires all microservices to share a single database to ensure transactional consistency always
- D. It avoids any form of transaction management and accepts data corruption as an acceptable outcome

Answer: B

Q1189. What architectural considerations are necessary when designing a multi-tenant SaaS application?

- A. Multi-tenant applications should use a separate deployed instance for every individual tenant always
- B. All tenants must share identical configurations with no customization options available for any tenant
- C. Data isolation strategies, per-tenant customization, scalability, and fair resource allocation mechanisms
- D. Multi-tenancy requires no special architectural considerations beyond a standard single-user application

Answer: C

Q1190. How does the sidecar pattern enhance service mesh architectures in cloud-native applications?

- A. It deploys supporting functionality alongside each service without modifying the service code itself
- B. It embeds all infrastructure concerns directly into business logic code of every service instance
- C. It requires every service to implement its own service discovery and load balancing logic fully
- D. It eliminates the need for any networking between services by running everything in one process

Answer: A

Q1191. A healthcare application is used by elderly patients with limited technical experience. Which UI design principles should be prioritized?

- A. Large touch targets, high contrast, simple navigation, clear typography, and minimal cognitive load
- B. Advanced keyboard shortcuts, minimal visual feedback, and hidden navigation behind icon-only menus
- C. Small fonts, complex multi-level menus, gesture-only navigation, and low contrast color schemes
- D. Dense information displays, small buttons, animation-heavy interfaces, and technical terminology use

Answer: A

Q1192. How does cognitive load theory influence the number of options presented in a UI at one time?

- A. The number of options has no measurable impact on user performance or satisfaction in any context
- B. Cognitive load theory suggests options should never be limited because users can process infinite items
- C. Too many options increase cognitive load and decision time, following Hick's law principles closely
- D. Users always prefer having maximum options displayed simultaneously regardless of task complexity

Answer: C

Q1193. A team is designing a dashboard for data analysts who monitor real-time metrics. What design pattern best supports their workflow?

- A. A slideshow that automatically rotates through metrics without any user control or interaction
- B. Full-screen modal dialogs for each individual metric requiring sequential manual navigation
- C. A single fixed text-based report with no interactive elements or visualization capabilities
- D. Overview plus detail pattern with drill-down capabilities and customizable widget arrangements

Answer: D

Q1194. How should error messages be designed to minimize user frustration and support error recovery?

- A. Cryptic error codes without any explanation or guidance for users on how to resolve the problem
- B. Blaming the user for causing the error and demanding they contact technical support immediately
- C. Clear language explaining what went wrong, why it happened, and specific steps to fix the issue
- D. Hiding all errors silently without any notification so the user does not experience any frustration

Answer: C

Q1195. What is the impact of animation and micro-interactions on perceived application performance?

- A. All animations slow down perceived performance and should be completely eliminated from every app
- B. Animations should only be used for decorative purposes and never for functional feedback to users
- C. Animations have no measurable impact on how users perceive the speed of the application interface
- D. Well-designed animations mask loading times and provide continuity making the app feel faster overall

Answer: D

Q1196. A multi-language application serves users across twenty countries. What UI design challenges must be addressed?

- A. Text expansion and contraction, RTL layout support, cultural color meanings, and locale-specific formats
- B. Internationalization only requires translating text strings and has no impact on layout or design work
- C. All languages and cultures use identical UI conventions so no design adaptations are ever necessary
- D. Multi-language support only affects backend code and has no visible impact on the user interface

Answer: A

Q1197. How does the concept of 'dark patterns' in UI design undermine user trust?

- A. Dark patterns refer exclusively to using dark color themes and have no ethical implications at all
- B. Dark patterns manipulate users into unintended actions through deceptive design techniques intentionally
- C. Dark patterns are always beneficial because they guide users toward the best possible decisions
- D. Dark patterns have no impact on user trust because most users cannot detect manipulative design

Answer: B

Q1198. A financial trading application must display rapidly changing data without overwhelming the user. How should the UI handle this?

- A. Use identical visual treatment for all data regardless of importance or rate of change observed
- B. Use visual prioritization, controlled update frequencies, and highlight only significant data changes
- C. Remove all real-time data and only show daily summary reports to reduce information overload
- D. Display every data change immediately with full-screen alerts for each individual price movement

Answer: B

Q1199. What is the relationship between information architecture and UI design in creating effective digital products?

- A. Information architecture defines content structure and organization that UI design then visualizes
- B. UI design determines information architecture since visual layout always precedes content structure
- C. Information architecture only applies to physical spaces and has no relevance to digital products
- D. Information architecture and UI design are completely unrelated disciplines with no overlap at all

Answer: A

Q1200. How should a design team approach creating an inclusive design that works for users with motor, visual, cognitive, and auditory disabilities?

- A. Design only for the average user and provide a separate simplified version for disabled users later
- B. Assistive technologies handle all accessibility needs so designers do not need to consider them now
- C. Follow WCAG guidelines, test with assistive technologies, and involve users with disabilities in testing
- D. Accessibility is a legal requirement only and does not require any changes to the actual design work

Answer: C

Q1201. A team is experiencing frequent merge conflicts in a large codebase. What implementation practices would most effectively reduce this problem?

- A. Larger infrequent commits combining many changes to reduce the total number of merge operations
- B. Smaller frequent commits, feature branching strategies, and modular code with clear ownership areas
- C. Having all developers work on the same branch and file simultaneously without any coordination
- D. Avoiding version control entirely and using shared network drives for all source code storage

Answer: B

Q1202. How does test-driven development (TDD) change the implementation workflow compared to traditional development?

- A. Tests are completely eliminated from the development process to accelerate feature delivery speed
- B. TDD and traditional development follow identical workflows with no differences in approach at all
- C. Implementation is completed fully before any tests are considered or written for the codebase
- D. Tests are written before implementation code, driving design decisions and ensuring test coverage

Answer: D

Q1203. A legacy codebase has no automated tests. What is the safest approach to introduce testing?

- A. Delete all existing code and replace it with test stubs that will be implemented later on
- B. Skip testing entirely since the codebase has worked without tests for its entire lifetime so far
- C. Write characterization tests capturing current behavior before making any code changes to system
- D. Rewrite the entire codebase from scratch with tests rather than adding tests to existing code

Answer: C

Q1204. How does feature flag implementation enable continuous deployment while managing risk?

- A. Feature flags completely prevent any bugs from reaching the production environment automatically
- B. Feature flags are only useful for UI changes and cannot be applied to backend logic or services
- C. Flags allow deploying code to production with features disabled, enabling gradual controlled rollout
- D. Flags eliminate the need for any testing since features can be toggled off if problems occur now

Answer: C

Q1205. What is the impact of choosing a monorepo versus polyrepo strategy on implementation workflow?

- A. Monorepos are only suitable for small projects and cannot scale to large enterprise codebases
- B. Monorepos and polyrepos have identical workflow implications with no meaningful differences at all
- C. Monorepos simplify cross-project changes but require sophisticated build and CI tooling at scale
- D. Polyrepos are always superior because they eliminate all cross-project dependency management needs

Answer: C

Q1206. A performance-critical system component is a bottleneck. How should the team approach optimization?

- A. Apply every known optimization technique to all code regardless of whether it is a bottleneck
- B. Rewrite the entire codebase in assembly language without profiling or measuring performance first
- C. Profile to identify actual bottlenecks, optimize measured hot paths, and benchmark improvements
- D. Avoid any optimization since premature optimization is the root of all evil in every situation

Answer: C

Q1207. How does clean code philosophy address the trade-off between code readability and cleverness?

- A. It treats readability and cleverness as identical qualities that never conflict with each other
- B. It suggests that code readability is irrelevant since compilers handle all code interpretation
- C. It encourages maximally clever code because shorter code is always better regardless of clarity
- D. It prioritizes readability over cleverness because code is read far more often than it is written

Answer: D

Q1208. What are the implementation challenges of handling distributed system failures gracefully?

- A. All distributed failures can be prevented entirely through proper implementation techniques alone
- B. Distributed systems never experience failures because modern networks are perfectly reliable now
- C. Network partitions, partial failures, and timeout handling require careful idempotent retry design
- D. Failure handling is identical in distributed and single-machine systems with no added complexity

Answer: C

Q1209. How does immutable infrastructure change the deployment and implementation practices?

- A. Immutable infrastructure prevents any updates or patches from being applied to the system ever
- B. Immutable infrastructure is identical to traditional mutable server management in all aspects
- C. Servers are continuously patched and modified in place to apply updates and configuration changes
- D. Servers are never modified after creation; changes require building and deploying new instances

Answer: D

Q1210. What is the role of code complexity metrics like cyclomatic complexity in guiding implementation decisions?

- A. Complexity metrics should only be used for documentation purposes and never influence coding work
- B. Higher complexity always means better code because it handles more edge cases and scenarios now
- C. Cyclomatic complexity has no correlation with defect rates or maintenance difficulty in any study
- D. High complexity indicates code that is harder to test, maintain, and more likely to contain defects

Answer: D

Q1211. A team has 90% code coverage but still experiences production bugs. What does this reveal about their testing strategy?

- A. High coverage does not guarantee test quality; tests may lack meaningful assertions and edge cases
- B. Code coverage is meaningless and should be completely ignored as a testing quality metric now
- C. The remaining ten percent of uncovered code contains all bugs and coverage should reach exactly full
- D. Ninety percent coverage guarantees that ninety percent of all possible bugs have been detected

Answer: A

Q1212. How does property-based testing complement example-based testing?

- A. It generates hundreds of random inputs to test properties that should hold for all valid inputs
- B. It is identical to example-based testing and provides no additional value to the test suite now
- C. It only tests a single predefined example and is less thorough than example-based approaches
- D. It replaces example-based testing entirely and provides complete coverage of all possibilities

Answer: A

Q1213. A safety-critical aviation system requires DO-178C compliance. How does this affect the testing approach?

- A. It allows the team to choose any testing approach without following any specific testing standards
- B. It only requires basic unit testing without any structural coverage or formal verification work
- C. It mandates structural coverage analysis, requirements-based testing, and formal verification methods
- D. It eliminates the need for any testing because certification replaces all quality activities now

Answer: C

Q1214. What is the oracle problem in software testing and how does it affect test automation?

- A. The oracle problem has been completely solved and no longer affects any testing activities today
- B. The oracle problem only applies to manual testing and has no impact on automated testing work
- C. Difficulty in determining expected outputs for complex scenarios limits automated test effectiveness
- D. It refers to the challenge of selecting which database system to use for storing test data only

Answer: C

Q1215. How does chaos engineering differ from traditional testing approaches?

- A. It replaces all traditional testing and eliminates the need for unit and integration test suites
- B. It intentionally introduces failures in production to verify system resilience and recovery capability
- C. It follows traditional scripted test cases executed in a controlled staging environment only today
- D. It avoids any deliberate failure injection and relies on monitoring to detect issues passively

Answer: B

Q1216. A microservices architecture has complex service interactions. What testing strategy best addresses integration risks?

- A. Full end-to-end testing of every possible service interaction path for complete coverage goal
- B. Contract testing verifying service interfaces plus consumer-driven contracts between service pairs
- C. Skipping all testing and relying on production monitoring to detect integration failures only
- D. Only unit testing individual services without any integration or contract testing between them

Answer: B

Q1217. What is the relationship between testability and software design quality?

- A. Poorly designed code is always easier to test than well-designed code due to simpler structure
- B. Highly testable code typically exhibits good design qualities like loose coupling and high cohesion
- C. Testability has no relationship with design quality and they are completely independent concerns
- D. Testability should never influence design decisions because it compromises performance always

Answer: B

Q1218. How should a team prioritize test automation efforts when resources are limited?

- A. Automate high-value repetitive tests first: smoke tests, regression suites, and critical path scenarios
- B. Automate only the tests that are easiest to write regardless of their value to the project now
- C. Avoid all automation and rely entirely on manual testing regardless of the available resources
- D. Automate random tests without considering their value or frequency of execution by the team

Answer: A

Q1219. What is the impact of flaky tests on development team productivity and confidence?

- A. Flaky tests are beneficial because they simulate real-world conditions and improve test coverage
- B. Flaky tests improve team productivity by adding unpredictability that keeps developers alert now
- C. Flaky tests erode confidence in the test suite and cause teams to ignore legitimate test failures
- D. Flaky tests have no measurable impact on team productivity or confidence in the testing suite

Answer: C

Q1220. How does shift-left testing change the economics of defect detection in software projects?

- A. Testing earlier increases costs because more comprehensive testing infrastructure is needed upfront
- B. Finding defects earlier in development is significantly cheaper than finding them in production later
- C. Shift-left testing has no impact on the cost of defect detection at any stage of development
- D. Defects found in production are always cheaper to fix than those found during early development

Answer: B

Q1221. A legacy system with no documentation or original developers must be maintained. What is the recommended approach?

- A. Make changes randomly and deploy them immediately without understanding the system structure
- B. Use reverse engineering and program comprehension techniques to recover design knowledge first
- C. Refuse to maintain the system and recommend shutting it down immediately without replacement
- D. Rewrite the entire system from scratch without studying the existing system behavior at all

Answer: B

Q1222. How does Lehman's law of conservation of organizational stability affect maintenance planning?

- A. Adding more developers always proportionally increases the rate of maintenance activity and output
- B. The rate of development activity tends to remain constant over a system's lifetime regardless of resources
- C. Organizational stability has no measurable effect on maintenance planning or resource allocation
- D. Maintenance effort always decreases over time as the system becomes more stable and mature now

Answer: B

Q1223. A system experiences performance degradation every few months requiring manual restarts. What maintenance strategy addresses this systematically?

- A. Add more hardware resources each time degradation occurs without investigating the root cause
- B. Ignore the degradation until the system completely fails and then perform emergency maintenance
- C. Manually restart the system only when users complain about noticeable performance problems now
- D. Implement proactive software rejuvenation with automated scheduled restarts and resource cleanup

Answer: D

Q1224. What is the relationship between software architecture erosion and increasing maintenance costs?

- A. Architecture erosion increases coupling and decreases cohesion making changes progressively harder
- B. Architecture erosion has no impact on maintenance costs because architecture is only relevant initially
- C. Erosion decreases maintenance costs by simplifying the system structure through organic evolution now
- D. Architecture quality always improves over time through maintenance activities without deliberate effort

Answer: A

Q1225. How should a maintenance team prioritize between corrective, adaptive, perfective, and preventive maintenance requests?

- A. Preventive maintenance should always have lowest priority since it addresses only future problems
- B. Prioritize critical corrections first, then assess adaptive, perfective, and preventive by business value
- C. All maintenance types should be treated with equal priority without any systematic prioritization
- D. Always complete all corrective maintenance before considering any other type of maintenance request

Answer: B

Q1226. What is the economic justification for investing in preventive maintenance of software systems?

- A. Preventing defects is significantly cheaper than fixing them after they manifest in production use
- B. There is no economic basis for preventive maintenance since all software eventually needs replacing
- C. Preventive maintenance never provides any return on investment and should always be avoided now
- D. The cost of preventive maintenance always exceeds the cost of fixing defects after they occur

Answer: A

Q1227. How does microservices architecture change the maintenance approach compared to monolithic systems?

- A. Individual services can be maintained, deployed, and scaled independently reducing maintenance scope
- B. Microservices and monolithic systems require identical maintenance approaches without differences
- C. Microservices eliminate all maintenance needs because services are small enough to rewrite quickly
- D. Monolithic systems are always easier to maintain than microservices in every possible scenario now

Answer: A

Q1228. A company wants to decide whether to maintain or replace a legacy system. What factors should drive this decision?

- A. Business value, maintenance cost trajectory, technical risk, and availability of replacement options
- B. Legacy systems should always be maintained indefinitely regardless of costs or technical risks
- C. Only the age of the system should be considered since older systems should always be replaced now
- D. The decision should be based solely on the programming language used regardless of other factors

Answer: A

Q1229. What is the difference between software maintenance and software evolution from a theoretical perspective?

- A. Maintenance implies keeping software functional; evolution implies continuous adaptation and growth
- B. Maintenance and evolution are identical concepts with no theoretical distinction between them now
- C. Maintenance is a proactive process while evolution is purely reactive to environmental changes
- D. Evolution only occurs during initial development while maintenance happens exclusively after release

Answer: A

Q1230. How do maintenance metrics like Mean Time to Repair (MTTR) guide maintenance process improvement?

- A. MTTR measures repair speed, identifying bottlenecks in diagnosis, implementation, and deployment phases
- B. MTTR has no practical value for improving maintenance processes and should not be tracked at all
- C. Lower MTTR values always indicate worse maintenance performance and should be increased over time
- D. MTTR only measures the time to find bugs and does not include the time to fix and deploy them now

Answer: A

Q1231. How does the Deming cycle (PDCA) apply to continuous quality improvement in software?

- A. PDCA requires completing all four steps simultaneously without any sequential ordering of them
- B. The cycle should only be executed once and never repeated for continuous improvement purposes
- C. The Deming cycle only applies to manufacturing and has no relevance to software quality at all
- D. Plan improvements, Do implement them, Check results, Act to standardize or adjust the approach

Answer: D

Q1232. A company at CMMI Level 2 wants to reach Level 3. What fundamental change is required?

- A. Reducing the number of quality activities to simplify the overall process framework at the org
- B. Transitioning from project-level managed processes to organization-wide defined standard processes
- C. Maintaining the same project-level processes without any standardization across the organization
- D. Only purchasing more expensive quality assurance tools without changing any existing processes now

Answer: B

Q1233. What is the relationship between technical debt and software quality degradation over time?

- A. Technical debt accumulates quality compromises that progressively degrade system quality over time
- B. Accumulating technical debt always improves software quality by simplifying the system structure
- C. Technical debt only affects development speed and never impacts the quality of the software now
- D. Technical debt has no relationship with software quality and can be safely ignored by all teams

Answer: A

Q1234. How should an organization measure the return on investment of quality assurance activities?

- A. Calculate ROI based solely on the number of QA engineers hired regardless of their actual output
- B. Only measure the number of defects found without considering the cost of finding or preventing them
- C. ROI of QA cannot be measured because quality improvements are intangible and subjective in all cases
- D. Compare prevention and appraisal costs against reduction in failure costs and customer satisfaction gains

Answer: D

Q1235. A software product consistently fails in production despite passing all quality gates. What systemic issue might explain this?

- A. Quality gates always guarantee production quality and any failures must be caused by hardware now
- B. The quality gates are too strict and should be relaxed to allow more defects through to production
- C. Quality gates may not adequately represent real-world conditions and usage patterns of the system
- D. The development team is too skilled and the quality gates cannot keep up with their code changes

Answer: C

Q1236. How do organizational culture and management commitment affect quality assurance effectiveness?

- A. Management commitment has no impact on QA because quality is solely the responsibility of testers
- B. Strong management commitment and quality culture are essential for effective QA adoption and practice
- C. Excessive management involvement always reduces QA effectiveness by creating bureaucratic overhead
- D. Organizational culture is irrelevant to quality outcomes since only tools and processes matter now

Answer: B

Q1237. What is the Six Sigma approach and how does it apply to software quality management?

- A. It aims to reduce process variation to achieve fewer than 3.4 defects per million opportunities made
- B. Six Sigma only works for hardware manufacturing and has no proven application in software at all
- C. It requires eliminating all defects completely with zero tolerance for any imperfection in product
- D. Six Sigma increases process variation intentionally to improve creativity in software development

Answer: A

Q1238. How does model-based testing support quality assurance for complex software systems?

- A. It eliminates the need for any testing by mathematically proving software correctness from models
- B. It replaces quality assurance entirely by generating defect-free code directly from the models
- C. It only works for simple systems and cannot handle the complexity of real-world applications now
- D. It generates test cases from system models ensuring systematic coverage of modeled behaviors fully

Answer: D

Q1239. What is the impact of shifting quality responsibility to the entire development team rather than a separate QA group?

- A. It doubles the quality effort because both developers and QA testers do identical redundant work
- B. It has no impact on quality outcomes because only dedicated QA teams can effectively ensure quality
- C. It integrates quality thinking into all activities leading to earlier defect detection and prevention
- D. It eliminates quality entirely because developers do not have the skills to perform QA activities

Answer: C

Q1240. How should quality requirements be quantified and measured for a performance-critical real-time system?

- A. Quality requirements for real-time systems cannot be quantified and must remain purely qualitative
- B. Only measure response time and ignore all other quality attributes for real-time system evaluation
- C. Define measurable SLAs for latency, throughput, and availability with continuous monitoring infrastructure
- D. Use the same quality metrics as batch processing systems without any adaptation for real-time needs

Answer: C

Q1241. A team is using LOC as the primary productivity metric. What are the fundamental problems with this approach?

- A. LOC is technology-independent and measures delivered value perfectly for all project contexts
- B. LOC is the most accurate and comprehensive metric for measuring developer productivity always
- C. LOC penalizes efficient code, varies by language, and does not measure delivered business value
- D. There are no problems with using LOC as a productivity metric in any development environment

Answer: C

Q1242. How should metrics be used to avoid Goodhart's law in software development teams?

- A. Set aggressive metric targets and penalize teams that fail to meet them to ensure compliance
- B. Goodhart's law does not apply to software metrics and can be safely ignored by all managers
- C. Use metrics for insight rather than targets because optimizing for metrics distorts the behavior
- D. Use a single metric for all performance evaluations to ensure simplicity and consistency now

Answer: C

Q1243. A project shows decreasing defect density but increasing customer complaints. What does this discrepancy reveal?

- A. Testing may miss requirement-level defects that affect user experience but not code-level quality
- B. Customer complaints are irrelevant to software quality and should be ignored by the team always
- C. The metrics system is working perfectly and no investigation is needed for this discrepancy at all
- D. Decreasing defect density always means improved customer satisfaction without any exceptions now

Answer: A

Q1244. How does the Balanced Scorecard approach apply to software engineering measurement?

- A. It measures performance across financial, customer, process, and learning dimensions holistically
- B. It only measures financial metrics and ignores all other aspects of software project performance
- C. It measures a single dimension of performance and provides a narrow view of project health only
- D. It is exclusively a hardware manufacturing tool with no application to software engineering now

Answer: A

Q1245. What is the relationship between code churn metrics and defect prediction in software projects?

- A. Code churn has no correlation with defect rates and provides no predictive value for quality now
- B. Lower code churn always indicates more defects because unchanged code accumulates hidden bugs
- C. Code churn only measures developer activity and has no relationship to code quality whatsoever
- D. High code churn in specific files correlates with higher defect probability in those areas later

Answer: D

Q1246. How should an organization establish a metrics program without creating a dysfunctional measurement culture?

- A. Publicly rank individual developers by all metrics and reward the highest performers exclusively
- B. Use metrics exclusively for performance reviews and salary decisions without any other purpose
- C. Focus on team-level process improvement metrics rather than individual performance punishment data
- D. Collect as many metrics as possible regardless of their relevance to organizational goals now

Answer: C

Q1247. What is the role of benchmarking in software metrics and what are its limitations?

- A. Benchmarking provides perfectly comparable results across all organizations without any limitations
- B. It is impossible to benchmark software organizations because no two projects are ever similar now
- C. Benchmarking compares performance against peers but context differences limit direct comparisons
- D. Benchmarking only works for hardware measurements and has no application in software contexts

Answer: C

Q1248. How do object-oriented metrics like CK metrics suite differ from traditional complexity metrics?

- A. CK metrics and traditional metrics measure identical properties with identical calculation methods
- B. CK metrics only apply to procedural programming and cannot be used for object-oriented systems
- C. Traditional metrics are always superior to CK metrics for assessing object-oriented code quality
- D. CK metrics measure class-level properties like coupling, cohesion, inheritance, and method complexity

Answer: D

Q1249. A manager wants to compare productivity across teams using different technologies. What measurement approach is most fair?

- A. Compare teams solely on lines of code produced regardless of the programming languages they use
- B. Use technology-independent metrics like function points delivered per unit of effort for comparison
- C. Use identical metrics thresholds for all teams regardless of their technology stack differences
- D. Avoid any cross-team comparison because different technologies make all comparisons meaningless

Answer: B

Q1250. What is the statistical validity concern when using small sample sizes for software metrics?

- A. Software metrics do not follow statistical distributions so sample size is completely irrelevant
- B. Small sample sizes always produce more accurate statistics than large sample sizes in all cases
- C. Sample size has no impact on the statistical validity of software metrics or their conclusions
- D. Small samples produce unreliable statistics with wide confidence intervals limiting conclusion validity

Answer: D

Q1251. A large distributed team experiences frequent integration failures. How should their CM practices be improved?

- A. Eliminate automated testing to speed up the integration process and reduce pipeline execution time
- B. Have each developer maintain a separate repository that is never integrated with other team work
- C. Reduce commit frequency to monthly batches so integration issues can be resolved all at once now
- D. Implement CI with automated builds and tests, smaller commits, and trunk-based development workflow

Answer: D

Q1252. How does infrastructure as code (IaC) extend traditional configuration management principles?

- A. It replaces all software configuration management with manual server setup and configuration work
- B. It applies version control, reproducibility, and automation principles to infrastructure provisioning
- C. It eliminates the need for version control by automating all infrastructure changes automatically
- D. IaC has no relationship with configuration management principles or practices in any context now

Answer: B

Q1253. What are the trade-offs between feature branching and trunk-based development strategies?

- A. Trunk-based development cannot work with more than three developers on any given project team
- B. Feature branching is always superior to trunk-based development in every project context scenario
- C. Feature branches isolate work but delay integration; trunk-based enables faster integration but needs discipline
- D. Feature branching and trunk-based development produce identical outcomes with no trade-offs at all

Answer: C

Q1254. A production incident requires an emergency fix while a major release is in progress. How should configuration management handle this?

- A. Create a hotfix branch from the production release tag, apply the fix, merge to both main and release branches
- B. Apply the fix directly to the production server without any version control tracking or review
- C. Cancel the major release entirely and restart the development from scratch to include the fix
- D. Delay the emergency fix until the major release is complete to avoid any branching complexity

Answer: A

Q1255. How does GitOps extend configuration management principles to infrastructure and deployment operations?

- A. GitOps eliminates the need for any version control in infrastructure management and operations
- B. GitOps requires manual deployment processes without any automation or version control involvement
- C. GitOps only applies to application code and has no relevance to infrastructure or operations work
- D. GitOps uses Git as the single source of truth for infrastructure and deployment configurations now

Answer: D

Q1256. What is the impact of poor configuration management on software project outcomes?

- A. It leads to integration failures, lost changes, deployment errors, and inability to reproduce builds
- B. Poor CM has no measurable impact on project outcomes because CM is purely administrative overhead
- C. Only large projects are affected by poor CM while small projects are completely immune to problems
- D. Poor CM only affects the testing phase and has no impact on development or deployment activities

Answer: A

Q1257. How should database schema changes be managed within a configuration management framework?

- A. Use versioned migration scripts tracked in version control with automated application during deployment
- B. Store schema documentation in email threads rather than in the version control repository system
- C. Database schemas should never change after initial deployment regardless of evolving requirements
- D. Apply schema changes directly to production databases without any tracking or version control work

Answer: A

Q1258. What is the relationship between configuration management and reproducible builds?

- A. CM has no impact on build reproducibility since builds are determined solely by compiler versions
- B. Reproducible builds are impossible regardless of how thorough the configuration management practices
- C. CM ensures all build inputs are versioned and tracked enabling identical build reproduction every time
- D. Reproducible builds only matter for open-source projects and are irrelevant for commercial software

Answer: C

Q1259. How does artifact management complement source code version control in a complete CM strategy?

- A. Artifact management replaces source code version control entirely making repositories unnecessary
- B. Only source code needs version control; built artifacts never need tracking or management at all
- C. Artifact management and source code control serve identical purposes and using both is redundant
- D. It tracks versioned build outputs, dependencies, and deployable packages alongside source code control

Answer: D

Q1260. A team needs to maintain multiple product versions simultaneously for different customers. What CM strategy supports this?

- A. Long-lived release branches with selective backporting of changes between supported version branches
- B. Maintain separate codebases for each customer version without any shared source code between them
- C. Use a single branch and deploy different versions by modifying configuration at deployment time only
- D. Force all customers to use the same version and reject any requests for version-specific support

Answer: A

Q1261. A project manager discovers that the team's key architect is considering leaving. How should this personnel risk be managed?

- A. Ignore the risk because the architect has not officially resigned from the project team yet now
- B. Immediately terminate the architect to control the timing of their departure from the team work
- C. Prevent the architect from communicating with other team members to reduce knowledge dependency
- D. Document critical knowledge, cross-train team members, and develop a succession plan immediately

Answer: D

Q1262. How does Monte Carlo simulation enhance risk assessment compared to deterministic estimation methods?

- A. It models uncertainty by running thousands of simulations to produce probability distributions of outcomes
- B. Monte Carlo simulation only works for financial risk assessment and not for software project risks
- C. It provides a single exact answer that is always more accurate than any probabilistic approach used
- D. It eliminates all uncertainty from risk assessment by computing the exact outcome every single time

Answer: A

Q1263. A project depends on a third-party API that may be deprecated. How should this dependency risk be assessed and managed?

- A. Build the entire application tightly coupled to the API without any abstraction or fallback plans
- B. Ignore the deprecation risk because third-party providers never actually remove their APIs from use
- C. Wait until the API is actually deprecated before taking any action to address the dependency risk
- D. Create abstraction layers, monitor API provider communications, and plan migration alternatives early

Answer: D

Q1264. What is the relationship between risk appetite and risk tolerance in organizational risk management?

- A. Risk appetite and risk tolerance are identical concepts with no difference in their definitions at all
- B. Risk appetite refers to specific measurable thresholds while tolerance is a general attitude toward risk
- C. Risk appetite is the overall willingness to take risk; tolerance is the acceptable variation around objectives
- D. Organizations should have zero risk appetite and zero risk tolerance to ensure project success always

Answer: C

Q1265. How should risk management be adapted for agile projects compared to traditional plan-driven projects?

- A. Agile projects have no risks because the iterative nature eliminates all uncertainty automatically now
- B. Apply identical heavyweight risk management processes regardless of whether the project is agile
- C. Integrate risk identification into sprint planning and retrospectives with continuous lightweight assessment
- D. Perform risk management only once at project start and never revisit risks throughout agile sprints

Answer: C

Q1266. A software product must launch on a fixed date for a regulatory deadline. How does this constraint affect risk management?

- A. It elevates schedule risks to critical priority and may require scope negotiation as the main lever
- B. Schedule constraints only affect the budget and have no impact on scope or quality risk factors
- C. The regulatory deadline should be ignored if the team determines it is not technically achievable
- D. Fixed deadlines eliminate all risks because the team will naturally work harder to meet the date

Answer: A

Q1267. What is the difference between known risks, unknown risks, and unknowable risks in project management?

- A. Known risks are identified; unknown risks are unidentified but identifiable; unknowable risks cannot be anticipated
- B. Unknowable risks are the only category worth managing since known and unknown risks resolve themselves
- C. Unknown risks do not exist because thorough analysis will always identify every possible risk event
- D. All three categories are identical because every risk can be identified with sufficient analysis effort

Answer: A

Q1268. How does the concept of 'risk budgeting' help project managers allocate resources effectively?

- A. Risk budgeting wastes project resources on events that may never occur and should be avoided always
- B. All project budget should be allocated to development activities with nothing reserved for risk events
- C. It reserves specific time and budget for managing identified risks proportional to their exposure values
- D. Risk budgeting only applies to financial institutions and has no relevance to software project work

Answer: C

Q1269. What is the impact of cognitive biases on risk assessment accuracy in software projects?

- A. Cognitive biases always improve risk assessment by providing diverse perspectives on potential risks
- B. Cognitive biases only affect individual contributors and never influence management risk decisions
- C. Project managers are immune to cognitive biases due to their training and professional experience
- D. Biases like optimism, anchoring, and groupthink lead to systematic underestimation of project risks

Answer: D

Q1270. A distributed development team faces geopolitical risks across multiple countries. How should these be incorporated into the risk management framework?

- A. Only consider geopolitical risks if a team member specifically raises a concern during a meeting
- B. Assume all regions have identical risk profiles and apply a single uniform risk assessment globally
- C. Assess regulatory, political, and infrastructure risks per region and create contingency plans for each
- D. Geopolitical risks are outside the scope of software project risk management and should be ignored

Answer: C

Q1271. A web application stores user passwords in plaintext in the database. What is the proper remediation approach?

- A. Encrypt passwords with a symmetric key stored alongside the passwords in the same database table
- B. Store passwords in a separate plaintext file on the server instead of in the database tables
- C. Continue storing passwords in plaintext because hashing adds unnecessary system complexity now
- D. Hash passwords using bcrypt or Argon2 with per-user salts and migrate all existing user records

Answer: D

Q1272. How does the STRIDE threat model categorize security threats?

- A. Scalability, Traceability, Reusability, Interoperability, Durability, and Extensibility of design
- B. Spoofing, Tampering, Repudiation, Information disclosure, Denial of service, Elevation of privilege
- C. Speed, Testing, Reliability, Integration, Deployment, and Efficiency of the system components
- D. Storage, Transmission, Retrieval, Indexing, Deletion, and Encryption of application data now

Answer: B

Q1273. A company discovers that a critical zero-day vulnerability affects their production system. What is the recommended incident response?

- A. Shut down all company systems permanently until the vulnerability is fixed by the software vendor
- B. Post details of the vulnerability publicly to warn other companies before applying any patches
- C. Isolate affected systems, assess impact, apply temporary mitigations, develop and deploy a permanent fix
- D. Ignore the vulnerability because zero-day means no exploit exists yet in the wild for it now

Answer: C

Q1274. How does the principle of 'security by design' differ from 'security by obscurity'?

- A. Security by design has been proven ineffective and all modern systems rely on obscurity instead
- B. Security by design builds protection into architecture; obscurity relies on hiding implementation details
- C. Security by obscurity is more effective because attackers cannot exploit what they cannot find now
- D. Security by design and security by obscurity are identical approaches producing equivalent protection

Answer: B

Q1275. What is the impact of the DevSecOps approach on traditional security engineering practices?

- A. It delays all security testing until after production deployment to avoid slowing down development
- B. It eliminates all security activities because DevOps automation makes applications inherently secure
- C. DevSecOps has no meaningful impact on security practices compared to traditional approaches now
- D. It integrates security into every stage of the CI/CD pipeline rather than treating it as a gate only

Answer: D

Q1276. How should an organization implement a zero-trust security architecture?

- A. Verify every request regardless of source, enforce least privilege, and assume breach at all times
- B. Implement a single perimeter firewall and trust everything inside the corporate network boundary
- C. Trust all internal network traffic and only verify requests coming from external network sources
- D. Remove all authentication and authorization controls to achieve maximum system simplicity now

Answer: A

Q1277. What is the relationship between security requirements and functional requirements in software engineering?

- A. Functional requirements always take priority and security requirements can be ignored if needed
- B. Security requirements are completely independent of functional requirements with no interaction now
- C. Security requirements constrain how functional requirements are implemented to protect system assets
- D. Security requirements only apply to the network layer and never affect application functionality

Answer: C

Q1278. How does supply chain security affect modern software development practices?

- A. Supply chain security is irrelevant because all third-party libraries are thoroughly vetted already
- B. Only first-party code can contain vulnerabilities since third-party libraries are always secure now
- C. Third-party dependencies can introduce vulnerabilities requiring continuous monitoring and auditing
- D. Supply chain attacks only target hardware and have no relevance to software development practices

Answer: C

Q1279. What is the role of security testing throughout the software development lifecycle?

- A. Early security testing is wasteful because most vulnerabilities are introduced during deployment
- B. Security testing should only occur during the final phase before deployment to production servers
- C. Security testing at every phase catches vulnerabilities earlier when they are cheaper to fix overall
- D. Security testing is unnecessary if the development team follows secure coding guidelines properly

Answer: C

Q1280. How should cryptographic key management be implemented in enterprise software systems?

- A. Store encryption keys in plaintext files alongside the encrypted data for easy access and retrieval
- B. Use hardware security modules, automated key rotation, and strict access controls for all key materials
- C. Use a single encryption key for all data across the entire organization without any rotation ever
- D. Hardcode encryption keys directly into the application source code for convenience and reliability

Answer: B

Q1281. What does Lehman's Law of Continuing Growth state?

- A. Software always decreases in size
- B. Software must continuously grow in functionality to remain satisfactory to users
- C. Software never changes after release
- D. Growth always improves quality

Answer: B

Q1282. In the context of socio-technical systems, what is an organizational system?

- A. A system made only of hardware
- B. A broader system that includes social and organizational policies and rules governing how people interact with the technical system
- C. A database management system
- D. An operating system

Answer: B

Q1283. What is the 'no silver bullet' argument by Fred Brooks?

- A. That all software should use silver encryption
- B. That there is no single technique that will dramatically improve software productivity by an order of magnitude
- C. That only one programming language should be used
- D. That testing alone can guarantee quality

Answer: B

Q1284. What distinguishes 'essential complexity' from 'accidental complexity' in software?

- A. Essential complexity can be eliminated; accidental cannot
- B. Essential complexity is inherent to the problem; accidental complexity arises from the chosen solution approach
- C. They are the same concept
- D. Essential complexity relates only to hardware

Answer: B

Q1285. What is the Standish Group's CHAOS report primarily known for?

- A. Evaluating programming languages
- B. Analyzing software project success and failure rates
- C. Rating software companies
- D. Benchmarking hardware performance

Answer: B

Q1286. Which of the following best describes the concept of 'wicked problems' in software engineering?

- A. Problems that involve malicious code
- B. Problems that are inherently ill-defined and have no definitive solution
- C. Simple problems with obvious solutions
- D. Problems caused by poor coding practices

Answer: B

Q1287. What is the principle of 'separation of concerns' in software engineering?

- A. Keeping developers separate from testers
- B. Dividing a program into distinct sections that each address a separate concern or functionality
- C. Separating the budget from the schedule
- D. Using different computers for different tasks

Answer: B

Q1288. What is Lehman's Law of Declining Quality?

- A. Software quality always improves
- B. Software will be perceived as declining in quality unless rigorously maintained and adapted to its operational environment
- C. Quality is unrelated to maintenance
- D. Only hardware quality declines

Answer: B

Q1289. What role does abstraction play in managing software complexity?

- A. It makes software run faster
- B. It hides unnecessary details so developers can focus on relevant aspects at each level
- C. It eliminates all bugs
- D. It replaces the need for testing

Answer: B

Q1290. What is the 'Pareto Principle' as applied to software defects?

- A. All modules have equal defect rates
- B. Roughly 80% of defects are found in approximately 20% of the modules
- C. Defects can never be found
- D. Testing eliminates 100% of defects

Answer: B

Q1291. What are the four phases of the Rational Unified Process (RUP)?

- A. Plan, Code, Test, Deploy
- B. Inception, Elaboration, Construction, Transition
- C. Analysis, Design, Code, Maintain
- D. Gather, Build, Verify, Release

Answer: B

Q1292. What is the cleanroom software engineering process?

- A. Development done in a physically clean room
- B. A process emphasizing formal specification, incremental development, and statistical testing to produce near-zero-defect software
- C. A process that only uses one programmer
- D. A process that avoids all documentation

Answer: B

Q1293. What is the concept of 'process tailoring'?

- A. Designing new programming languages
- B. Adapting a standard process model to fit specific project needs, constraints, and organizational culture
- C. Ignoring all processes
- D. Writing code without any process

Answer: B

Q1294. In the Spiral model, what happens during the 'planning' quadrant?

- A. Code is written
- B. Project scope, schedule, and cost estimates are reviewed and the next iteration is planned based on risk analysis results
- C. The software is deployed
- D. Users are trained

Answer: B

Q1295. What is the difference between verification and validation in process models?

- A. They are the same activity
- B. Verification checks if the product is built correctly per specification; validation checks if the right product is built for the user
- C. Verification is done after deployment; validation is done before coding
- D. Neither involves testing

Answer: B

Q1296. What is a stage-gate process in software development?

- A. A process with no checkpoints
- B. A process where each phase ends with a formal review (gate) that must be passed before proceeding to the next stage
- C. A process that only uses one language
- D. An automated deployment pipeline

Answer: B

Q1297. What is the key criticism of prescriptive process models in modern software development?

- A. They are too flexible
- B. They can be too rigid and document-heavy, failing to adapt to rapidly changing requirements and technologies
- C. They produce software too quickly
- D. They never include testing

Answer: B

Q1298. What is the Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI) and how does it relate to process models?

- A. A programming language
- B. A framework for assessing and improving organizational process maturity across five levels
- C. A type of database
- D. A testing tool

Answer: B

Q1299. What is the Cynefin framework and how does it relate to Agile?

- A. A programming framework
- B. A sense-making model that categorizes problems into domains (simple, complicated, complex, chaotic) to guide the appropriate management approach
- C. A database management system
- D. A version control system

Answer: B

Q1300. What is the difference between Scrum and Scrumban?

- A. There is no difference
- B. Scrumban combines Scrum's structure with Kanban's flow-based approach, using WIP limits instead of strict Sprint commitments
- C. Scrumban eliminates all Scrum ceremonies
- D. Scrumban is only for hardware development

Answer: B

Q1301. What is the concept of 'swarming' in Agile?

- A. The team working on many tasks simultaneously
- B. Multiple team members collaborating on a single high-priority item to complete it quickly
- C. A technique for writing documentation
- D. A method for deploying software

Answer: B

Q1302. What is Large-Scale Scrum (LeSS)?

- A. A version of Scrum for small teams
- B. A framework for applying Scrum principles to multiple teams working on a single product with minimal additional roles or artifacts
- C. A testing methodology
- D. A documentation standard

Answer: B

Q1303. What is the 'iron triangle' trade-off in Agile versus traditional project management?

- A. Agile fixes scope and varies time/cost
- B. In traditional management scope is fixed while in Agile time and cost are fixed and scope varies
- C. They handle trade-offs identically
- D. Agile ignores all constraints

Answer: B

Q1304. What is Behavior-Driven Development (BDD) and how does it extend TDD?

- A. BDD replaces all testing
- B. BDD extends TDD by using natural language specifications that describe system behavior from the user's perspective
- C. BDD is unrelated to testing
- D. BDD only tests database operations

Answer: B

Q1305. What is the concept of 'Minimum Viable Product' (MVP) in Agile?

- A. The cheapest product possible
- B. The smallest version of a product that delivers enough value to early adopters and provides validated learning
- C. A product with no features
- D. The final release version

Answer: B

Q1306. What is the Spotify model in Agile?

- A. A music streaming app
- B. An organizational model using Squads, Tribes, Chapters, and Guilds to balance team autonomy with cross-functional alignment
- C. A testing framework
- D. A deployment strategy

Answer: B

Q1307. What is the Agile concept of 'sustainable pace'?

- A. Working overtime every day
- B. Maintaining a work rhythm that the team can sustain indefinitely without burnout
- C. Releasing software once a year
- D. Working only 2 hours per day

Answer: B

Q1308. What are Agile release trains (ARTs) in the Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe)?

- A. Physical trains that deliver software
- B. Long-lived teams of Agile teams that plan, commit, and execute together in Program Increments
- C. A type of version control
- D. A deployment tool

Answer: B

Q1309. What is the KAOS methodology in requirements engineering?

- A. A methodology for causing chaos
- B. A goal-oriented requirements engineering approach that derives requirements from high-level organizational goals
- C. A testing technique
- D. A coding standard

Answer: B

Q1310. What is the difference between safety requirements and security requirements?

- A. They are the same
- B. Safety requirements prevent harm to people or environment; security requirements protect against malicious threats
- C. Safety is about passwords
- D. Security is about physical safety

Answer: B

Q1311. What is the problem of 'requirements creep'?

- A. Requirements that are too small
- B. The uncontrolled expansion of project scope as new requirements are continuously added without proper change management
- C. Requirements that are well-managed
- D. A beneficial increase in features

Answer: B

Q1312. What is the i* (iStar) framework in requirements engineering?

- A. A programming language
- B. An agent-oriented modeling framework that captures stakeholder goals, dependencies, and relationships
- C. A testing framework
- D. A deployment tool

Answer: B

Q1313. How does ethnography contribute to requirements elicitation?

- A. It replaces all other elicitation techniques
- B. It reveals implicit requirements by observing users in their actual work environment to understand real practices
- C. It only studies ancient cultures
- D. It is a testing technique

Answer: B

Q1314. What is the Kano model in requirements analysis?

- A. A database model
- B. A model that classifies features into must-be, one-dimensional, attractive, indifferent, and reverse categories based on customer satisfaction
- C. A process model
- D. A testing model

Answer: B

Q1315. What is the concept of 'requirements engineering for self-adaptive systems'?

- A. Systems that never change
- B. Specifying requirements that allow a system to monitor itself and dynamically adjust its behavior to meet goals
- C. Requirements written by AI
- D. Systems without any requirements

Answer: B

Q1316. What is the role of natural language processing (NLP) in modern requirements engineering?

- A. It has no role
- B. NLP tools help detect ambiguities, inconsistencies, and missing information in requirements documents
- C. NLP replaces all requirements activities
- D. NLP is only used for coding

Answer: B

Q1317. What is the Putnam model (SLIM) used for in software estimation?

- A. Estimating physical weight of hardware
- B. Using a Rayleigh curve to relate project effort, development time, and software size for effort estimation
- C. Estimating employee satisfaction
- D. Predicting market trends

Answer: B

Q1318. What is the difference between COCOMO I and COCOMO II?

- A. There is no difference
- B. COCOMO II accounts for modern development practices including reuse, object-oriented development, and iterative processes
- C. COCOMO I is newer
- D. COCOMO II only estimates hardware costs

Answer: B

Q1319. What is the Wideband Delphi estimation technique?

- A. A single expert making all estimates
- B. A consensus-based estimation method where experts independently estimate, discuss differences, and re-estimate iteratively
- C. A database query optimization method
- D. An automated code generation technique

Answer: B

Q1320. What is the concept of 'planning poker' in Agile estimation?

- A. A card game for entertainment
- B. A consensus-based estimation technique where team members simultaneously reveal their estimates using cards to avoid anchoring bias
- C. A method for assigning tasks randomly
- D. A technique for prioritizing bug fixes

Answer: B

Q1321. What is the concept of 'cone of uncertainty' in estimation?

- A. A physical cone used in meetings
- B. The principle that estimation accuracy improves as the project progresses, with early estimates having 4x variability
- C. Uncertainty never decreases
- D. Estimates are always accurate from the start

Answer: B

Q1322. What is the Theory of Constraints (TOC) as applied to software project management?

- A. A theory about hardware limitations
- B. A management philosophy that identifies the most critical limiting factor (bottleneck) and systematically improves it
- C. A programming paradigm
- D. A database optimization theory

Answer: B

Q1323. What is the concept of 'project velocity' in iterative estimation?

- A. The speed of code compilation
- B. Using historical throughput data from past iterations to forecast how much work can be completed in future iterations
- C. The network speed of the team
- D. How fast code is deployed

Answer: B

Q1324. What is Goldratt's Critical Chain Project Management (CCPM)?

- A. Managing chains of emails
- B. A method that accounts for resource constraints and uses project buffers instead of task-level buffers to protect the schedule
- C. A version control strategy
- D. A code review technique

Answer: B

Q1325. What is the purpose of post-mortem analysis in project management?

- A. Analyzing deceased team members
- B. Reviewing a completed project to identify lessons learned, successes, and areas for improvement
- C. Analyzing legacy code
- D. Testing production systems

Answer: B

Q1326. What is the Visitor design pattern?

- A. A pattern for tracking website visitors
- B. A pattern that separates an algorithm from the object structure it operates on, allowing new operations without modifying the objects
- C. A pattern for user authentication
- D. A pattern for logging

Answer: B

Q1327. What is the Abstract Factory design pattern?

- A. A factory building blueprint
- B. A pattern that provides an interface for creating families of related objects without specifying their concrete classes
- C. An abstract art design tool
- D. A database abstraction layer

Answer: B

Q1328. What is the Law of Demeter and why is it important?

- A. A mathematical law
- B. A design principle stating that a method should only call methods on its own object, parameters, created objects, or direct components, reducing coupling
- C. A law about documentation
- D. A law about data encryption

Answer: B

Q1329. What is the difference between the Bridge and Adapter patterns?

- A. They are identical
- B. The Bridge pattern separates abstraction from implementation by design; the Adapter makes existing incompatible interfaces work together after the fact
- C. Bridge is for databases; Adapter is for files
- D. Neither involves interfaces

Answer: B

Q1330. What is the concept of 'design debt' in software engineering?

- A. The financial cost of design tools
- B. The accumulated cost of shortcuts and suboptimal design decisions that will require future refactoring
- C. Debt incurred by buying design software
- D. The cost of hiring designers

Answer: B

Q1331. What is the Mediator design pattern?

- A. A legal mediation tool
- B. A pattern that defines an object that encapsulates how a set of objects interact, promoting loose coupling by preventing direct references
- C. A middleware framework
- D. A database connector

Answer: B

Q1332. What is the concept of 'design for testability'?

- A. Making the UI look like a test
- B. Structuring software so that individual components can be easily isolated and tested through techniques like dependency injection
- C. Writing tests before design
- D. Testing the design document

Answer: B

Q1333. What is the Chain of Responsibility design pattern?

- A. An organizational hierarchy chart
- B. A pattern that passes a request along a chain of handlers, where each handler decides whether to process it or pass it to the next handler
- C. A supply chain management tool
- D. A blockchain pattern

Answer: B

Q1334. What is the Architecture Tradeoff Analysis Method (ATAM) used for?

- A. Analyzing stock trades
- B. Evaluating software architectures against quality attributes by identifying sensitivity points, tradeoff points, and risks
- C. Analyzing code performance
- D. Trading software licenses

Answer: B

Q1335. What is the concept of 'eventual consistency' in distributed systems?

- A. Systems that are always consistent
- B. A model where, given enough time without new updates, all replicas of data will converge to the same value
- C. Systems that are never consistent
- D. A database locking mechanism

Answer: B

Q1336. What does the CAP theorem state?

- A. All distributed systems are perfect
- B. A distributed system can provide at most two of three guarantees: Consistency, Availability, and Partition tolerance simultaneously
- C. Distributed systems have no limitations
- D. CAP stands for Code, Application, Program

Answer: B

Q1337. What is the Strangler Fig pattern for migrating legacy systems?

- A. A pattern for growing plants
- B. A migration strategy that gradually replaces parts of a legacy system with new components until the old system is completely replaced
- C. A security vulnerability pattern
- D. A testing pattern

Answer: B

Q1338. What is the concept of 'architectural fitness functions'?

- A. Exercise routines for architects
- B. Automated tests that verify whether an architecture meets its intended quality attributes and constraints over time
- C. A measure of code readability
- D. A design pattern

Answer: B

Q1339. What is the Saga pattern in microservices?

- A. A storytelling framework
- B. A pattern for managing distributed transactions across multiple services using a sequence of local transactions with compensating actions
- C. A logging framework
- D. A deployment pattern

Answer: B

Q1340. What is the concept of 'domain-driven design' (DDD) in architecture?

- A. Designing domain names for websites
- B. An approach that models software structure and behavior around the business domain using bounded contexts, aggregates, and ubiquitous language
- C. A database design approach
- D. A UI design methodology

Answer: B

Q1341. What is the Bulkhead pattern in resilient architecture?

- A. A ship construction pattern
- B. A pattern that isolates system components into pools so that failure in one does not cascade and bring down the entire system
- C. A database partitioning strategy
- D. A UI layout pattern

Answer: B

Q1342. What is a cell-based architecture?

- A. An architecture inspired by biological cells
- B. An architecture that groups related microservices into independently deployable and scalable cells, each containing a complete stack
- C. A spreadsheet-based architecture
- D. A hardware design approach

Answer: B

Q1343. What is the difference between summative and formative usability evaluation?

- A. They are the same
- B. Formative evaluation identifies problems during design to improve the product; summative evaluation measures overall usability of the finished product
- C. Summative is done first
- D. Formative evaluation cannot find problems

Answer: B

Q1344. What is the GOMS model in HCI?

- A. A graphics rendering model
- B. A cognitive modeling method that predicts user performance by analyzing Goals, Operators, Methods, and Selection rules
- C. A database model
- D. A project management model

Answer: B

Q1345. What is the concept of 'cognitive walkthrough' in usability evaluation?

- A. Walking while thinking
- B. A usability inspection method where evaluators step through task scenarios to identify learnability problems from a new user's perspective
- C. A physical exercise program
- D. A code review technique

Answer: B

Q1346. What is Hick's Law and its implication for UI design?

- A. A law about screen resolution
- B. The time to make a decision increases logarithmically with the number of choices, implying designers should minimize options
- C. A law about animation speed
- D. A law about data transfer

Answer: B

Q1347. What is the ISO 9241-210 standard about?

- A. Database design
- B. An international standard providing requirements and recommendations for human-centered design of interactive systems
- C. Network protocols
- D. Software licensing

Answer: B

Q1348. What is the concept of 'design thinking' in UI/UX?

- A. Thinking about design while sleeping
- B. A human-centered innovation approach using empathy, ideation, prototyping, and testing to solve complex design problems iteratively
- C. A method for writing code
- D. A database design technique

Answer: B

Q1349. What is the Weber-Fechner Law in the context of UI design?

- A. A law about network latency
- B. A psychophysical law stating that the perceived difference between stimuli is proportional to their ratio, affecting how users notice UI changes
- C. A database normalization rule
- D. A coding standard

Answer: B

Q1350. What is the concept of 'emotional design' as described by Don Norman?

- A. Designing software that makes users cry
- B. A design philosophy addressing three levels of user experience: visceral (appearance), behavioral (usability), and reflective (self-image)
- C. Designing emoticons
- D. A psychological test

Answer: B

Q1351. What is the concept of 'defensive programming'?

- A. Programming while on defense in sports
- B. Writing code that anticipates and handles unexpected inputs, states, and errors gracefully to improve robustness
- C. Programming in a secure facility
- D. Programming with antivirus software

Answer: B

Q1352. What is the difference between optimistic and pessimistic concurrency control?

- A. They produce identical results
- B. Optimistic assumes conflicts are rare and checks at commit time; pessimistic locks resources preemptively to prevent conflicts
- C. Optimistic always uses locks
- D. Pessimistic never uses locks

Answer: B

Q1353. What is the concept of 'immutability' and why is it valuable in implementation?

- A. Code that cannot be read
- B. Objects whose state cannot be modified after creation, reducing bugs from unintended state changes and simplifying concurrent programming
- C. Variables that can change freely
- D. A database locking mechanism

Answer: B

Q1354. What is the 'fail-fast' principle in implementation?

- A. Making software crash as often as possible
- B. Detecting and reporting errors immediately at the point of failure rather than allowing them to propagate and cause obscure failures later
- C. Deploying quickly without testing
- D. Skipping error handling

Answer: B

Q1355. What is aspect-oriented programming (AOP)?

- A. Programming from different angles
- B. A programming paradigm that separates cross-cutting concerns like logging, security, and transactions from business logic
- C. Programming for aspect ratios
- D. A type of object-oriented programming

Answer: B

Q1356. What is the concept of 'continuous delivery' pipeline?

- A. A pipe for delivering water
- B. An automated software release pipeline that ensures code changes are always in a deployable state through build, test, and staging automation
- C. A continuous email notification system
- D. A hardware delivery system

Answer: B

Q1357. What is the concept of 'feature flags' in implementation?

- A. Physical flags on servers
- B. Conditional switches in code that enable or disable features at runtime without deploying new code
- C. Flags in a debugging tool
- D. Country flags in the UI

Answer: B

Q1358. What is the concept of 'contract-based programming'?

- A. Legal contracts for developers
- B. A programming approach where functions define preconditions, postconditions, and invariants as formal contracts
- C. Freelance programming
- D. A licensing scheme

Answer: B

Q1359. What is the strangler pattern applied to codebase modernization?

- A. A gardening technique
- B. Gradually replacing legacy code by wrapping it with new implementations and redirecting calls until the old code can be safely removed
- C. Strangling competition
- D. A compression algorithm

Answer: B

Q1360. What is the concept of 'trunk-based development'?

- A. Developing software on a tree trunk
- B. A branching strategy where all developers commit to a single main branch frequently, using short-lived feature branches
- C. Using elephant trunks as input devices
- D. A storage management technique

Answer: B

Q1361. What is mutation testing and how does it assess test quality?

- A. Testing with mutated viruses
- B. A technique that introduces small changes (mutants) to the source code and checks whether existing tests detect these changes
- C. Genetic testing of software
- D. Testing software mutations over time

Answer: B

Q1362. What is the concept of 'combinatorial testing' (pairwise testing)?

- A. Testing combinations of locks
- B. A technique that tests interactions between parameters by covering all pairwise combinations, significantly reducing the number of test cases needed
- C. Combining two test suites
- D. Testing with two testers

Answer: B

Q1363. What is symbolic execution in testing?

- A. Testing with symbols instead of code
- B. A technique that analyzes programs by using symbolic values instead of concrete inputs to explore multiple execution paths simultaneously
- C. A type of code signing
- D. Writing tests using special symbols

Answer: B

Q1364. What is the concept of 'chaos engineering' in testing?

- A. Creating chaos in the testing team
- B. Deliberately injecting failures into a production system to test its resilience and identify weaknesses before real failures occur
- C. Disorganized testing practices
- D. Testing without any plan

Answer: B

Q1365. What is the oracle problem in software testing?

- A. A problem with Oracle databases
- B. The difficulty of determining the correct expected output for a given test input, especially for complex or novel systems
- C. A licensing issue
- D. A performance problem

Answer: B

Q1366. What is metamorphic testing?

- A. Testing software transformation
- B. A technique that addresses the oracle problem by defining relationships between inputs and outputs across multiple test executions
- C. Testing software evolution
- D. Testing user interface transitions

Answer: B

Q1367. What is the concept of 'shift-left testing'?

- A. Moving test results to the left column
- B. Integrating testing activities earlier in the software development lifecycle to find defects sooner when they are cheaper to fix
- C. Testing only left-aligned text
- D. A specific testing tool

Answer: B

Q1368. What is fuzzing (fuzz testing)?

- A. Making software fuzzy
- B. An automated testing technique that provides invalid, unexpected, or random data as inputs to discover vulnerabilities and crashes
- C. Testing with blurred images
- D. A type of performance test

Answer: B

Q1369. What is Lehman's Law of Increasing Complexity and how does it affect maintenance?

- A. Complexity always decreases
- B. As software evolves, its complexity increases unless deliberate effort is made to reduce it, making maintenance progressively harder
- C. Complexity has no impact on maintenance
- D. Only new software is complex

Answer: B

Q1370. What is the concept of 'software rejuvenation'?

- A. Making old software look new visually
- B. Proactively restarting or refreshing software systems to prevent failures caused by accumulated degradation such as memory leaks
- C. Celebrating a software's anniversary
- D. Installing software updates

Answer: B

Q1371. What is the 'ripple effect' in software maintenance?

- A. An animation effect in the UI
- B. The phenomenon where a change to one part of the system causes unintended changes or failures in other parts
- C. A water-themed design pattern
- D. A network propagation technique

Answer: B

Q1372. What is the concept of 'technical debt management' in maintenance?

- A. Managing financial debt
- B. Strategically identifying, measuring, and prioritizing the repayment of accumulated design and code shortcuts to maintain system health
- C. Managing team debt
- D. Managing hardware debt

Answer: B

Q1373. What is the difference between big-bang and incremental migration for legacy systems?

- A. They are the same approach
- B. Big-bang replaces the entire legacy system at once; incremental migration gradually replaces parts while both systems run in parallel
- C. Big-bang is always safer
- D. Incremental migration is never used

Answer: B

Q1374. What is the concept of 'software archeology' in maintenance?

- A. Digging up old hardware
- B. The practice of investigating and understanding legacy code through code reading, tooling, and historical analysis when documentation is missing
- C. Collecting vintage software
- D. Building a software museum

Answer: B

Q1375. What is the concept of 'planned obsolescence' versus 'unplanned obsolescence' in software?

- A. They are identical
- B. Planned obsolescence is an intentional end-of-life strategy; unplanned obsolescence occurs when external changes make the software unusable unexpectedly
- C. Neither affects maintenance
- D. Obsolescence never happens in software

Answer: B

Q1376. What is the concept of 'evolution-aware software design'?

- A. Designing software inspired by biological evolution
- B. Designing software from the start with the expectation of future changes, making modification points explicit and changes easier
- C. Using evolutionary algorithms
- D. Designing without any plan

Answer: B

Q1377. What is the challenge of maintaining systems with undocumented dependencies?

- A. There is no challenge
- B. Hidden dependencies can cause unexpected cascading failures when changes are made, as maintainers cannot anticipate which components will be affected
- C. Undocumented dependencies improve performance
- D. Dependencies do not affect maintenance

Answer: B

Q1378. What is the concept of 'continuous maintenance' in DevOps?

- A. Maintenance done once a year
- B. An approach where maintenance activities are integrated into daily development workflows through automation, monitoring, and continuous improvement
- C. Maintaining only during business hours
- D. Outsourcing all maintenance

Answer: B

Q1379. What is the GQM (Goal-Question-Metric) paradigm and how is it applied?

- A. A gaming metric
- B. A structured approach where quality goals are defined, questions identify what needs measurement, and metrics provide the answers
- C. A graphics quality metric
- D. A database query method

Answer: B

Q1380. What is the concept of 'quality culture' in an organization?

- A. A culture of testing everything
- B. An organizational environment where quality is valued by everyone, built into processes, and continuously improved as a shared responsibility
- C. A culture of writing documentation
- D. A culture of using expensive tools

Answer: B

Q1381. What is the Rayleigh model used for in defect prediction?

- A. Predicting weather patterns
- B. A statistical model that describes the expected distribution of defect discovery rates over time during development and testing
- C. Predicting stock prices
- D. Predicting network traffic

Answer: B

Q1382. What is the concept of 'defect amplification' in the software process?

- A. Making defects louder
- B. The phenomenon where undetected defects in one phase generate additional defects in subsequent phases, multiplying the total defect count
- C. Amplifying error messages
- D. Increasing test coverage

Answer: B

Q1383. What is Cleanroom software engineering in the context of QA?

- A. Developing in a sterile room
- B. A quality-focused approach using formal specification, structured programming, and statistical usage testing to achieve near-zero-defect software
- C. A method of cleaning code
- D. Developing with air purifiers

Answer: B

Q1384. What is the concept of 'quality attribute scenarios' in quality assessment?

- A. Movie scripts about quality
- B. Structured descriptions that specify quality attribute requirements through source, stimulus, environment, artifact, response, and response measure
- C. Testing scenarios only
- D. User story templates

Answer: B

Q1385. What is the relationship between process maturity and defect rates?

- A. There is no relationship
- B. Higher process maturity levels are generally associated with lower defect rates and more predictable quality outcomes
- C. Higher maturity means more defects
- D. Process maturity is irrelevant to defects

Answer: B

Q1386. What is the concept of 'total quality management' (TQM) applied to software?

- A. A testing management tool
- B. A management philosophy emphasizing continuous improvement, customer focus, and involvement of all employees in quality across the entire organization
- C. A quality certification
- D. A project management methodology

Answer: B

Q1387. What is the Coupling Between Objects (CBO) metric in the CK suite?

- A. The number of physical connections between servers
- B. The count of other classes to which a class is coupled through method calls, variable access, or inheritance, indicating its dependency level
- C. The number of database connections
- D. The number of API calls

Answer: B

Q1388. What is the concept of 'measurement dysfunction' in software metrics?

- A. Broken measurement tools
- B. The phenomenon where measuring a specific attribute causes people to optimize for that metric at the expense of actual goals
- C. Metrics that produce wrong numbers
- D. Dysfunction in the measurement team

Answer: B

Q1389. What is Halstead's concept of 'program vocabulary' and 'program length'?

- A. The number of English words in comments
- B. Vocabulary is the number of distinct operators and operands; length is the total number of operators and operands used in the program
- C. The number of variable names
- D. The number of code files

Answer: B

Q1390. What is the concept of 'technical debt ratio' as a metric?

- A. The company's financial debt ratio
- B. The ratio of the cost to fix all code issues to the total cost of developing the code, indicating the relative amount of accumulated technical shortcuts
- C. The ratio of developers to managers
- D. The ratio of tests to code

Answer: B

Q1391. What is the concept of 'object-oriented design metrics' and how do they differ from traditional metrics?

- A. They are the same as traditional metrics
- B. OO metrics measure class-specific attributes like inheritance depth, coupling, and cohesion that traditional metrics like LOC and cyclomatic complexity do not capture
- C. OO metrics only measure code size
- D. Traditional metrics are always superior

Answer: B

Q1392. What is the concept of 'code churn' as a metric?

- A. The sound of a hard drive
- B. The frequency and volume of code changes over time, where high churn in a module often correlates with higher defect rates
- C. The number of developers who leave
- D. The compilation time

Answer: B

Q1393. What is the purpose of 'software reliability growth models'?

- A. Growing software like plants
- B. Mathematical models that use defect discovery data to predict remaining defects and estimate when software will reach a target reliability level
- C. Models for increasing server capacity
- D. Models for team growth

Answer: B

Q1394. What is the concept of 'metric validation' in software measurement?

- A. Checking if numbers add up correctly
- B. The process of ensuring that a metric actually measures what it claims to measure and is useful for its intended purpose
- C. Validating test results
- D. Checking code syntax

Answer: B

Q1395. What is the concept of 'configuration identification' in SCM?

- A. Identifying configuration files
- B. The process of selecting configuration items, defining their relationships, and establishing a naming and labeling scheme for unique identification
- C. Identifying team members
- D. Identifying hardware components

Answer: B

Q1396. What is the concept of 'infrastructure as code' (IaC) in configuration management?

- A. Building physical infrastructure
- B. Managing and provisioning computing infrastructure through machine-readable definition files rather than manual configuration
- C. Writing code on paper
- D. A type of programming language

Answer: B

Q1397. What is the concept of 'immutable infrastructure' in modern configuration management?

- A. Infrastructure that is impossible to change
- B. A practice where servers are never modified after deployment; any change requires building and deploying new instances from scratch
- C. Infrastructure made of unbreakable materials
- D. A type of hardware

Answer: B

Q1398. What is a Software Bill of Materials (SBOM) and why is it important?

- A. A bill for software purchases
- B. A formal, machine-readable inventory of all components, libraries, and dependencies in a software product for security and compliance tracking
- C. A financial document
- D. An employee roster

Answer: B

Q1399. What is the concept of 'GitOps' as a configuration management approach?

- A. Using Git for social media
- B. An operational model where Git repositories serve as the single source of truth for declarative infrastructure and application configuration
- C. A Git tutorial series
- D. A Git plugin

Answer: B

Q1400. What is the difference between 'feature toggles' and 'feature branches' as configuration strategies?

- A. They are identical
- B. Feature branches isolate work in separate code branches; feature toggles allow incomplete features to exist in the main branch but be disabled at runtime
- C. Feature toggles never work
- D. Feature branches are always better

Answer: B

Q1401. What is the concept of 'configuration drift' and how is it managed?

- A. Physical movement of servers
- B. The gradual divergence of actual system configurations from their intended state, managed through automated monitoring and remediation
- C. Network signal drift
- D. Time zone changes

Answer: B

Q1402. What is the concept of 'dependency management' in configuration management?

- A. Managing employee dependencies
- B. Systematically tracking, resolving, and updating third-party libraries and components that a software project depends on
- C. Managing database dependencies
- D. Managing hardware dependencies

Answer: B

Q1403. What is the concept of 'blue-green deployment' in release management?

- A. Using blue and green color themes
- B. A deployment strategy using two identical production environments where traffic is switched from the current (blue) to the new (green) version
- C. A testing strategy using colors
- D. A UI design technique

Answer: B

Q1404. What is canary deployment and how does it reduce release risk?

- A. Deploying software to canary birds
- B. Gradually rolling out changes to a small subset of users before deploying to the entire infrastructure, allowing early detection of issues
- C. A type of load testing
- D. A security scanning technique

Answer: B

Q1405. What is the Expected Monetary Value (EMV) technique in risk analysis?

- A. The expected salary of the project manager
- B. A quantitative technique that calculates the average outcome by multiplying each possible outcome's value by its probability and summing all results
- C. The expected project budget
- D. The expected revenue from the project

Answer: B

Q1406. What is a decision tree in the context of risk management?

- A. A tree used for making physical decisions
- B. A graphical tool that models decision options, chance events, probabilities, and outcomes to evaluate the expected value of different risk response strategies
- C. A type of data structure
- D. A tree in a garden used for thinking

Answer: B

Q1407. What is Boehm's Top 10 Risk Items approach?

- A. A list of the top 10 most expensive software products
- B. A risk management method that continuously tracks the top 10 project risks, ensuring management attention is focused on the most critical risks
- C. A list of the top 10 programming languages
- D. A ranking of the top 10 developers

Answer: B

Q1408. What is the concept of 'risk appetite' versus 'risk tolerance'?

- A. They are identical concepts
- B. Risk appetite is the broad level of risk an organization is willing to accept to achieve goals; risk tolerance is the specific acceptable variation from a particular objective
- C. Risk appetite is about food preferences
- D. Risk tolerance is about physical pain

Answer: B

Q1409. What is the concept of 'anti-fragile' systems in risk management?

- A. Systems that break easily
- B. Systems that actually improve and become stronger when exposed to stressors, volatility, and disorder
- C. Fragile systems that are not working
- D. Systems with no risk

Answer: B

Q1410. What is the concept of 'risk burndown' in Agile projects?

- A. Burning risk documents
- B. A chart tracking the total risk exposure over time, showing whether the project's overall risk is decreasing as planned
- C. A risk that causes burnout
- D. Deleting risk entries from the backlog

Answer: B

Q1411. What is the Monte Carlo simulation used for in risk analysis?

- A. Simulating casino gambling
- B. Running thousands of simulations with randomly varied risk parameters to produce a probability distribution of possible project outcomes
- C. Simulating weather patterns
- D. Simulating network traffic

Answer: B

Q1412. What is the concept of 'residual risk' in risk management?

- A. Risk that has been completely eliminated
- B. The remaining level of risk after risk response strategies have been applied, which must be documented and monitored
- C. Risk from restaurant software
- D. The first risk identified

Answer: B

Q1413. What is the STRIDE threat model and how is each element addressed?

- A. A walking exercise program
- B. A framework categorizing threats as Spoofing, Tampering, Repudiation, Information Disclosure, Denial of Service, and Elevation of Privilege, each with specific countermeasures
- C. A software development methodology
- D. A testing framework

Answer: B

Q1414. What is the concept of 'zero trust architecture'?

- A. Trusting no one in the office
- B. A security model that never implicitly trusts any entity inside or outside the network and requires continuous verification of every access request
- C. An architecture with zero features
- D. An architecture that trusts everything

Answer: B

Q1415. What is a supply chain attack in software security?

- A. Attacking a shipping company
- B. An attack that compromises a trusted third-party component, library, or tool in the software supply chain to inject malicious code into dependent systems
- C. Attacking a grocery store chain
- D. A logistics attack

Answer: B

Q1416. What is the concept of 'security by design' (Secure SDLC)?

- A. Designing secure buildings
- B. Integrating security practices and considerations into every phase of the software development lifecycle rather than adding them as an afterthought
- C. Designing security guard uniforms
- D. A type of physical security

Answer: B

Q1417. What is the concept of 'least privilege escalation paths' in security analysis?

- A. The shortest path to a promotion
- B. Analyzing how an attacker with minimal initial access could chain together vulnerabilities or misconfigurations to escalate their privileges to a higher level
- C. Walking the shortest path in an office
- D. A career development path

Answer: B

Q1418. What is the concept of 'attack surface' in security engineering?

- A. The physical surface of a computer
- B. The total set of points in a system where an attacker could potentially enter, extract data, or cause damage
- C. A type of computer monitor
- D. A mouse pad surface

Answer: B

Q1419. What is homomorphic encryption?

- A. Encryption that makes all data look the same
- B. A form of encryption that allows computations to be performed on encrypted data without decrypting it first, preserving privacy during processing
- C. Simple symmetric encryption
- D. A type of hash function

Answer: B

Q1420. What is the concept of 'secure coding guidelines' like CERT and CWE?

- A. Guidelines for physical building security
- B. Standardized catalogs of coding vulnerabilities (CWE) and best practices (CERT) that help developers write code resistant to common security flaws
- C. Guidelines for writing fast code
- D. Guidelines for team management

Answer: B

Q1421. What is the concept of 'DevSecOps' and how does it differ from traditional security approaches?

- A. A type of firewall
- B. An approach that integrates security practices directly into the DevOps pipeline, making security automated, continuous, and a shared responsibility rather than a late-stage gate
- C. A developer social network
- D. A security certification

Answer: B

Q1422. What is the Unified Software Development Process and how does it differ from the Rational Unified Process (RUP)?

- A. The Unified Process is a generic framework while RUP is a specific commercial implementation with detailed guidance and tools
- B. RUP is a generic framework while the Unified Process is a commercial product
- C. They are identical processes with different names used by different companies
- D. The Unified Process supports only agile methods while RUP supports only plan-driven methods

Answer: A

Q1423. How does the concept of 'technical debt' influence the selection and adaptation of software process models over time?

- A. Technical debt has no effect on process model selection since it is a coding-level concern
- B. Process models should never be changed once selected regardless of technical debt
- C. Accumulated technical debt may force teams to adopt more structured processes that include explicit refactoring and quality improvement phases
- D. Technical debt only affects waterfall projects and has no impact on iterative processes

Answer: C

Q1424. How does the problem frames approach by Michael Jackson differ from traditional requirements analysis methods?

- A. It focuses on identifying recurring problem structures in the real world rather than modeling solutions directly
- B. It eliminates the need for stakeholder involvement in requirements
- C. It is identical to use case modeling but with different terminology
- D. It only works for web-based applications and cannot be applied to embedded systems

Answer: A

Q1425. What role does requirements prioritization using the Wiegers' method play in managing conflicting stakeholder demands?

- A. It eliminates all conflicts by automatically removing low-priority requirements
- B. It uses relative weighting of benefit, penalty, cost, and risk to create an objective priority score that facilitates negotiation
- C. It assigns priority based solely on the seniority of the stakeholder who proposed the requirement
- D. It defers all prioritization decisions until after implementation is complete

Answer: B

Q1426. How does Little's Law apply to software project management for predicting delivery timelines?

- A. It states that adding more people always reduces delivery time proportionally
- B. It establishes that average cycle time equals work in progress divided by throughput, helping teams predict delivery based on current workflow
- C. It proves that all software projects will exceed their initial estimates by exactly 50%
- D. It only applies to manufacturing and has no relevance to software projects

Answer: B

Q1427. What is the Flyweight design pattern and when is it most beneficial?

- A. A pattern that ensures a class has only one instance with global access
- B. A pattern that uses sharing to support large numbers of fine-grained objects efficiently by separating intrinsic and extrinsic state
- C. A pattern that defines a skeleton algorithm in a base class with steps deferred to subclasses
- D. A pattern for creating families of related objects without specifying concrete classes

Answer: B

Q1428. How does the concept of 'connascence' extend the traditional understanding of coupling in software design?

- A. Connascence is simply another name for coupling with no additional insight
- B. Connascence categorizes coupling into static and dynamic forms with varying strengths, providing a more nuanced framework for evaluating design quality
- C. Connascence eliminates the need to consider cohesion in design evaluation
- D. Connascence only applies to functional programming and not object-oriented design

Answer: B

Q1429. What is the concept of 'architectural quanta' in evolutionary architecture and how does it affect deployment?

- A. It refers to the smallest unit of source code that can be compiled independently
- B. It is an independently deployable artifact with high functional cohesion and synchronous connascence, defining the boundary for architectural characteristics
- C. It is a measurement unit for counting the number of microservices in an architecture
- D. It is a quantum computing concept that has no relevance to software architecture

Answer: B

Q1430. How does the KLM-GOMS (Keystroke-Level Model) predict user task completion time?

- A. It measures the actual time users take and averages the results across a sample group
- B. It sums estimated times for basic operations including keystrokes, pointing, homing, drawing, mental preparation, and system response
- C. It uses machine learning algorithms trained on historical user data
- D. It relies solely on subjective user satisfaction surveys

Answer: B

Q1431. How does the concept of 'satisficing' in UI design differ from 'optimizing' and what are its implications?

- A. Satisficing means users always find the best option while optimizing means they settle for less
- B. Users often choose the first option that meets their minimum criteria rather than evaluating all options for the best one, which means interfaces should make good-enough options easy to find
- C. Satisficing and optimizing are identical concepts in UI design
- D. Satisficing only applies to expert users while novice users always optimize their choices

Answer: B

Q1432. What is concolic testing and how does it combine concrete and symbolic execution?

- A. It is a form of manual testing that combines interviews and observations
- B. It simultaneously performs concrete execution with actual inputs and symbolic execution with symbolic values to systematically explore execution paths
- C. It tests only the user interface using both automated and manual approaches
- D. It is an obsolete testing technique replaced entirely by fuzz testing

Answer: B

Q1433. What is the 'all-pairs' or pairwise testing technique and why is it effective for combinatorial testing?

- A. It requires testing every possible combination of all input parameters exhaustively
- B. It ensures that every pair of input parameter values is tested together at least once, significantly reducing test cases while catching most interaction faults
- C. It tests only two input parameters and ignores all others
- D. It is a technique where two testers review the same test case for accuracy

Answer: B

Q1434. What is the Orthogonal Defect Classification (ODC) system and how does it improve quality analysis?

- A. It is a tool for automatically fixing defects in source code
- B. It classifies defects along independent dimensions (type, trigger, impact) to provide actionable feedback about the development process
- C. It is a testing technique that replaces all other forms of quality assurance
- D. It measures only the number of defects without any classification

Answer: B

Q1435. How does the concept of 'quality attributes trade-off' affect architectural decisions in quality assurance?

- A. Quality attributes never conflict with each other, so trade-offs are unnecessary
- B. Improving one quality attribute (e.g., security) can negatively impact another (e.g., performance), requiring deliberate architectural trade-off analysis
- C. Trade-offs only apply during testing and have no effect on architecture
- D. All quality attributes can be maximized simultaneously with sufficient budget

Answer: B

Q1436. What is the Response for a Class (RFC) metric in the CK metrics suite and what are its implications?

- A. It counts the number of HTTP responses a web class can generate
- B. It counts the set of methods that can potentially be executed in response to a message received by an object of the class, indicating testing complexity
- C. It measures the average response time of a class in milliseconds
- D. It counts the number of comment lines in a class file

Answer: B

Q1437. How does the concept of 'metric entropy' relate to software measurement programs?

- A. Metric entropy means all metrics become more accurate over time as data accumulates
- B. As measurement programs mature, collected metrics can become stale, gamed, or lose their diagnostic power, requiring periodic reassessment of what is measured and why
- C. Metric entropy is a thermodynamic law that has no application to software engineering
- D. It ensures that all metrics remain stable and never need to be updated or replaced

Answer: B

Q1438. How does the concept of 'black swan events' challenge traditional risk management approaches in software projects?

- A. Black swan events are easily predicted by standard risk identification techniques
- B. These are highly improbable, high-impact events that lie outside normal expectations and cannot be predicted by historical data, requiring resilience-based rather than prediction-based risk strategies
- C. Black swan events only affect financial industries and have no relevance to software
- D. Traditional risk management already fully accounts for black swan events through contingency planning

Answer: B

Q1439. What is the difference between inherent risk and residual risk, and why is this distinction critical for risk management?

- A. Inherent and residual risk are synonymous terms used interchangeably in all contexts
- B. Inherent risk is the risk level before any controls or mitigations are applied, while residual risk is the remaining risk after mitigation measures are implemented
- C. Residual risk is always zero after proper mitigation strategies are applied
- D. Inherent risk only applies to new projects while residual risk applies only to maintenance projects

Answer: B

Q1440. What is the DREAD risk assessment model and how does it quantify security threats?

- A. DREAD is a psychological assessment of how much developers fear certain vulnerabilities
- B. DREAD rates threats on five dimensions: Damage potential, Reproducibility, Exploitability, Affected users, and Discoverability, each scored to calculate an overall threat rating
- C. DREAD is a network protocol for secure data transmission
- D. DREAD is a testing framework that automatically detects all security vulnerabilities

Answer: B