

Asbestos Awareness Training

Quiz – Answer Key

Name: _____	
Trainer's Name: _____	
Company/Division: _____	Date: _____

Directions: Read each statement carefully and circle the response that best answers the question.

1. The three primary diseases associated with asbestos exposure include:

- a. Melanoma, asbestosis, and lung cancer
- b. Asbestosis, lung cancer, and mesothelioma**
- c. Asbestosis, lung cancer, and tremolite
- d. Tremolite, lung cancer, and asbestosis

2. What group of workers are most at risk for contracting asbestos-related diseases?

- a. Custodial workers and maintenance workers**
- b. Maintenance workers and window washers
- c. Custodial workers and boiler operators
- d. Boiler operators and people who work in laundering facilities

3. Asbestos is usually not a problem if:

- a. The asbestos is not disturbed
- b. The asbestos is in good condition
- c. Both a and b are correct**
- d. None of the above are correct

4. Asbestos is commonly used as:

- a. An insulating material
- b. A fire-proofing material
- c. Acoustic and decorative material for walls and ceilings
- d. All of the above**



5. Worker protection programs are intended to:

- a. Protect workers from workplace violence
- b. Protect workers from workplace hazards
- c. Protect workers from unhealthy workplace conditions
- d. All of the above**

6. Written respiratory programs are necessary when:

- a. Employees voluntarily wear dust masks
- b. Employees must wear respirators to perform their work duties**
- c. Both a and b are correct
- d. None of the above are correct

7. The percentage of asbestos in many products ranges from approximately:

- a. 1 percent to nearly 100 percent**
- b. 8 percent to nearly 100 percent
- c. 50 percent to 75 percent
- d. 75 percent to 100 percent

8. The precise amount of asbestos in a product can be determined by:

- a. Contacting the manufacturer and asking them
- b. Reading the labels located nearby the asbestos material
- c. Careful visual examination
- d. None of the above is correct**

9. Asbestos is:

- a. A synthetic material
- b. A natural material found in certain types of rock formations**
- c. A natural material derived from sand particles
- d. None of the above is correct



10. Exposure to asbestos fibers can be dangerous because:

- a. **It disrupts the normal functioning of the lungs**
- b. The effects of asbestos exposure are severe and immediate
- c. The health effects of asbestos are not fully known
- d. Both a and b are correct

11. Most symptoms of asbestos become very apparent within 5 years.

- a. True
- b. **False**

12. Studies have shown that many of the most severe health problems from asbestos exposure occur in those who also smoke.

- a. **True.**
- b. False.

13. ACBM is only dangerous if it contains 50 percent or more asbestos.

- a. True.
- b. **False.**

14. When working near asbestos, you should avoid disturbing or damaging the areas where the asbestos is contained.

- a. **True.**
- b. False.

15. Clothing contaminated with asbestos may be safely taken home for cleaning, as the asbestos fibers will all settle off the clothes.

- a. True.
- b. **False.**

16. A building engineer, superintendent, facilities manager, or safety and health director should oversee all asbestos-related activities. At this facility that person is: **This answer is specific to your facility.**

17. Before using a respirator, you should have a physical examination to determine if you are physically able to do so.

- a. **True.**
- b. False.



18. A worker protection program includes:

- a. Engineering controls.
- b. Medical surveillance.
- c. Personal protective equipment.
- d. All of the above.**

19. Engineering controls are the preferred method of worker protection, and there are many engineering control options for asbestos.

- a. True.
- b. False.**

20. The presence of any asbestos is always a hazard.

- a. True.
- b. False.**

