

2011 IDAHO FFA PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE CDE  
WRITTEN EXAMINATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

DIRECTIONS: Read each question carefully. **On the answer sheet blacken out the letter of the one best answer for each question.** When you are finished turn your answer sheet into to the contest official, you may keep the test question sheets.

- 1) If the chair says, “Are you ready for the question” it means the
  - A) Assembly has exhausted the limits of debate
  - B) Members may debate the pending question
  - C) Assembly seems to be ready to vote
  - D) The maker of the motion must yield to any point of information asked as a question
  
- 2) The device that permits a request or main motion relating to the rights of the assembly or any of its members to be brought up for possible immediate consideration because of its urgency is
  - A) Suspend the rules
  - B) To raise a question of privilege
  - C) A parliamentary inquiry
  - D) A division of the assembly
  
- 3) In an ordinary society, the unpublished minutes should contain mainly a record of
  - A) Each motion, second, and pertinent debate occurred
  - B) What was said by the members
  - C) The secretary’s and president’s most accurate recollection of the meeting
  - D) What was done at the meeting
  
- 4) It is not the chair’s duty to answer *parliamentary inquiries* that
  - A) Allow a member to raise a proper point of order that could be used to correct the chair
  - B) Assist a member to understand the current parliamentary situation
  - C) Is a question that the member should clearly be aware of
  - D) Raise a hypothetical question about the motion
  
- 5) Which rules can be suspended with the use of the incidental motion to *suspend the rules*?
  - A) Chapter standing rules
  - B) Chapter bylaws
  - C) Rules protecting basic rights of the individual members
  - D) Rules which embody the fundamental principles of parliamentary law
  
- 6) If a member votes in favor of an amendment and the amendment passes, when the vote is taken on the main motion the member
  - A) Is not obligated to vote in favor of the amended motion
  - B) Is obligated to vote in favor of the amended motion
  - C) May abstain but may not vote against the motion
  - D) None of the above

- 7) A *secondary amendment*
- A) May not be amended
  - B) May require a 2/3 vote if applied to a motion limiting debate
  - C) May never be debated
  - D) May be amended if the maker of the primary amendment approves
- 8) Which one of the following motions is not an incidental motion?
- A) Parliamentary inquiry
  - B) Division of the assembly
  - C) Suspend the rules
  - D) Call for the orders of the day
- 9) Which one of the following motions is not amendable?
- A) Amendment to extend time of debate
  - B) Amendment to limit debate
  - C) Adjourn
  - D) Recess
- 10) If all of the following motions were pending, which one would be voted on first?
- A) Question of personal privilege
  - B) Refer to committee
  - C) An amendment to the postpone definitely
  - D) Postpone definitely
- 11) If a question is taken up from the table on the same day that it was *laid on the table*
- A) Every member will have a chance to debate the main motion again
  - B) All motions adhering to the original main motion are still considered
  - C) Only adhering amendments and the main motion are considered
  - D) Only adhering incidental motions and the main motion are considered
- 12) During a regular FFA chapter meeting each member has what maximum rights of debate?
- A) To speak once on main motions and once on subsidiary motions
  - B) To speak twice on main motions and once on subsidiary motions
  - C) To speak once on any question during the meeting
  - D) To speak twice on any question during the meeting
- 13) A chapter has a roll of 80 members and a quorum is present at a regular meeting. A total of 58 members vote on a motion *to table* the main motion. Assuming that there are no fractional votes, how many members must vote in the affirmative for the *lay on the table* to carry?
- A) 29
  - B) 30
  - C) 39
  - D) 41

- 14) A chapter has a roll of 80 members and a quorum is present at a regular meeting. A total of 58 members vote on a motion to *extend debate*. Assuming that there are no fractional votes, how many must vote in the affirmative for the motion to carry?
- A) 30
  - B) 36
  - C) 39
  - D) 41
- 15) Which one of the following cannot be *reconsidered*?
- A) Postpone definitely
  - B) Suspend the rules
  - C) Main motion
  - D) Limit debate
- 16) *Previous question* is said to be exhausted when
- A) All of the motions under the order of previous question have been disposed
  - B) Every member has exhausted their opportunities to debate on pending debatable motions
  - C) The members are tired of hearing debate and move the previous question on all pending business
  - D) The chair opens the floor for new business
- 17) When the motion *postpone indefinitely* has been applied to a main motion
- A) The main motion can be amended
  - B) The postpone indefinitely can be referred to committee
  - C) The main motion cannot be tabled
  - D) The postpone indefinitely can be tabled
- 18) At the State FFA Convention if a motion proposed by a chapter delegate failed by a vote of 49 in favor and 100 opposed during the 11 A.M. session on Thursday, when would it be out of order to move to reconsider?
- A) Thursday, 1 P.M. session
  - B) Thursday, 11 A.M. session
  - C) Friday, 5 P.M. session
  - D) Saturday, 8 A.M. session
- 19) If the president of the chapter at a regular meeting appoints a committee to complete a motion to *refer*, how is the chair of the committee determined?
- A) The committee elects their own chair
  - B) The vice-president who is in charge of all committees appoints a chair
  - C) The first senior member named to the committee
  - D) The first person who was named to the committee
- 20) To call for a *division of the assembly*
- A) You must have been in the majority of the original vote announcement
  - B) You must make the call before the vote is officially announced by the chair
  - C) Requires the chair to vote again by having the members rise
  - D) Requires the chair to vote again by counting the vote

- 21) A motion is *dilatory* if it
- A) Is taken out of the normal sequence of order
  - B) Suspends the rights of the minority to speak
  - C) Is closely related to or has bearing on the subject
  - D) Obstructs the will of the assembly
- 22) The device that permits a request or main motion relating to the rights of the assembly or any of its members to be brought up for possible immediate consideration because of its urgency is
- A) Suspend the rules
  - B) A parliamentary inquiry
  - C) A division of the assembly
  - D) To raise a question of privilege
- 23) You are in a meeting at 1 P.M., a main motion and an amendment is on the floor. Which of the following is not a privileged motion?
- A) I move we recess for 15 minutes
  - B) I move that we take a recess
  - C) I move we adjourn
  - D) I move we adjourn one hour from now.
- 24) An *original main motion* is a motion that
- A) Is related to the business of the assembly or its future actions
  - B) Proposes an action that is defined under parliamentary law
  - C) Adopts a recommendation that has been proposed
  - D) Raises a substantive question as a new subject
- 25) If the chapter treasurer serves as the chair during a meeting of one of your FFA chapter's standing committees (composed of 6 members), which one of the following is true?
- A) The chairman may enter into discussions but not vote unless there is a tie
  - B) The chairman may make motions and vote on all motions
  - C) The chairman may determine how many times each member can debate
  - D) Any member may make a motion to set the length of debates allowed

**Make sure your name and chapter are on the answer sheet and turn the answer sheet into the contest official. You may keep the test.**

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ANSWER SHEET

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