SAFETY QUIZ SAFETY FOR NEW EMPLOYEES

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1. What is the primary goal of workplace safety?

- a) Increasing productivity
- b) Reducing costs
- c) Ensuring employee well-being
- d) Meeting deadlines

Answer: c) Ensuring employee well-being

Explanation: The main objective of workplace safety is to protect the well-being of employees.

2. Which government agency in the United States is responsible for enforcing workplace safety regulations?

- a) OSHA
- b) EPA
- c) CDC
- d) FDA

Answer: a) OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration)

Explanation: OSHA is responsible for regulating and enforcing workplace safety standards in the United States.



3. What should you do if you notice a safety hazard in your workplace?

- a) Ignore it
- b) Report it to your supervisor
- c) Fix it yourself
- d) Wait for someone else to report it

Answer: b) Report it to your supervisor

Explanation: Reporting safety hazards is crucial to ensure they are addressed promptly by responsible personnel.

4. What is PPE?

- a) Personal Product Equipment
- b) Proper Protective Equipment
- c) Personal Protective Equipment
- d) Professional Protection Equipment

Answer: c) Personal Protective Equipment

Explanation: PPE stands for Personal Protective Equipment, which includes gear like helmets, gloves, and goggles used to protect employees from workplace hazards.



5. What does the acronym MSDS stand for?

- a) Material Safety Data Sheet
- b) Master Safety Documentation System
- c) Mandatory Safety Data Standards
- d) Manufacturing Safety Data Sheet

Answer: a) Material Safety Data Sheet

Explanation: MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet) provides information about the properties of chemicals and how to handle them safely.

6. What should you do in case of a fire in the workplace?

- a) Try to extinguish it on your own
- b) Evacuate immediately and call 911
- c) Continue working
- d) Notify a coworker

Answer: b) Evacuate immediately and call 911

Explanation: Safety protocol during a fire is to evacuate and call emergency services.



7. What is the purpose of a safety data sheet (SDS)?

- a) To list all employees in the company
- b) To provide emergency contact information
- c) To provide information on hazardous chemicals
- d) To track employee work hours

Answer: c) To provide information on hazardous chemicals

Explanation: SDS contains information about hazardous chemicals used in the workplace.

8. Which of the following is not a safe lifting technique?

- a) Bend at the waist while lifting
- b) Keep the load close to your body
- c) Lift with your legs, not your back
- d) Use proper lifting equipment when necessary

Answer: a) Bend at the waist while lifting

Explanation: Bending at the waist while lifting can strain your back; it's essential to lift with your legs.



9. What should you do if you're unsure about the safety procedures for a task?

- a) Guess and proceed with the task
- b) Ask a coworker who may know
- c) Ignore the task
- d) Skip the task and report it to a supervisor

Answer: b) Ask a coworker who may know

Explanation: When unsure about safety procedures, it's best to seek guidance from a knowledgeable coworker or supervisor.

10. What does the "Right to Know" law require employers to do?

- a) Provide access to workplace snacks
- b) Share financial information with employees
- c) Inform employees about hazardous chemicals
- d) Offer training on workplace politics

Answer: c) Inform employees about hazardous chemicals

Explanation: "Right to Know" laws require employers to provide information about hazardous chemicals used in the workplace.



11. What is the primary purpose of safety signs and labels in the workplace?

- a) To decorate the workplace
- b) To provide directions to the nearest exit
- c) To convey important safety information
- d) To remind employees of lunch break times

Answer: c) To convey important safety information

Explanation: Safety signs and labels are used to communicate essential safety information to employees.

12. What should you do if you notice a coworker violating safety procedures?

- a) Ignore it; it's not your responsibility
- b) Politely remind them of the correct procedures
- c) Report them to your supervisor
- d) Laugh it off with other coworkers

Answer: b) Politely remind them of the correct procedures

Explanation: It's important to promote a culture of safety, so politely reminding a coworker about safety procedures can be helpful.



13. Which of the following is NOT a common office safety hazard?

- a) Wet floors
- b) Ergonomic issues
- c) Paper cuts
- d) Fire hazards

Answer: d) Fire hazards

Explanation: Fire hazards are less common in office settings, but other hazards like wet floors and ergonomic issues can still pose risks.

14. When should you replace damaged or worn-out personal protective equipment (PPE)?

- a) Only when you receive a new PPE set
- b) As soon as possible
- c) When your supervisor tells you to
- d) At the end of the year

Answer: b) As soon as possible

Explanation: Damaged or worn-out PPE should be replaced promptly to ensure your safety.



15. What is the "buddy system" in workplace safety?

- a) Pairing employees for team-building exercises
- b) Having a coworker accompany you when working in hazardous conditions
- c) Sharing work tasks equally among all employees
- d) A type of first aid training

Answer: b) Having a coworker accompany you when working in hazardous conditions

Explanation: The buddy system involves having a coworker accompany you in high-risk situations for added safety.

16. What is the purpose of an emergency evacuation plan?

- a) To create a sense of urgency among employees
- b) To organize company parties and events
- c) To provide guidance on safely exiting the workplace during emergencies
- d) To assign roles and responsibilities for non-emergency situations

Answer: c) To provide guidance on safely exiting the workplace during emergencies

Explanation: An evacuation plan outlines the procedures to follow during emergencies, ensuring everyone can exit the workplace safely.



17. What is the correct procedure for using a fire extinguisher?

a) Aim at the base of the fire, pull the pin, squeeze the handle, and sweep from side to side

b) Aim at the top of the fire, pull the pin, and spray continuously

c) Spray the fire extinguisher randomly

d) Shake the fire extinguisher before use

Answer: a) Aim at the base of the fire, pull the pin, squeeze the handle, and sweep from side to side

Explanation: PASS (Pull, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep) is the correct procedure for using a fire extinguisher.

18. What is the primary purpose of safety training programs for new employees?

- a) To make employees more productive
- b) To teach employees how to work faster
- c) To ensure employees understand and follow safety procedures
- d) To encourage employees to take longer breaks

Answer: c) To ensure employees understand and follow safety procedures

Explanation: Safety training programs aim to educate employees about safety procedures and practices.



19. In the event of a power outage, what should you do to ensure safety?

- a) Continue working with battery-powered devices
- b) Use your cell phone for lighting
- c) Evacuate the building
- d) Stay at your workstation and wait for instructions

Answer: d) Stay at your workstation and wait for instructions

Explanation: During a power outage, it's usually safer to stay at your workstation and await instructions rather than wandering in the dark.

20. What does the acronym CPR stand for?

- a) Cardiac Procedure Rescue
- b) Cardiovascular Pulmonary Resuscitation
- c) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
- d) Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation

Answer: c) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

Explanation: CPR stands for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, a life-saving technique used in emergencies.



21. What should you do if you accidentally spill a hazardous chemical on your skin?

- a) Ignore it; it will evaporate
- b) Wash it off immediately with water for at least 15 minutes
- c) Rub it with a cloth or paper towel
- d) Wait until the end of your shift to address it

Answer: b) Wash it off immediately with water for at least 15 minutes

Explanation: Washing off hazardous chemicals promptly is crucial to minimize harm to the skin.

22. What is the purpose of a safety inspection in the workplace?

- a) To identify employees who are not following safety procedures
- b) To document safety violations for disciplinary action
- c) To identify and correct potential hazards
- d) To assess employee performance

Answer: c) To identify and correct potential hazards

Explanation: Safety inspections aim to find and address safety hazards to prevent accidents.



23. Which of the following is a potential sign of workplace violence?

- a) Open communication among coworkers
- b) A well-lit and secure parking lot
- c) A coworker displaying aggressive behavior
- d) Frequent team-building activities

Answer: c) A coworker displaying aggressive behavior

Explanation: Aggressive behavior in the workplace can be a sign of potential workplace violence.

24. What should you do if you discover a damaged electrical cord?

- a) Tape it up and continue using it
- b) Report it to your supervisor and do not use it
- c) Repair it yourself if you have electrical knowledge
- d) Use it carefully without touching the damaged area

Answer: b) Report it to your supervisor and do not use it

Explanation: Damaged electrical cords can pose serious electrical hazards and should not be used until repaired or replaced.



25. What is the purpose of a safety committee in the workplace?

- a) To plan office parties and events
- b) To enforce strict safety regulations
- c) To engage employees in safety-related discussions and decisions
- d) To report safety violations to management

Answer: c) To engage employees in safety-related discussions and decisions

Explanation: Safety committees involve employees in safety-related discussions and decisions to improve workplace safety.

26. Which of the following is NOT considered personal protective equipment (PPE)?

- a) Hard hat
- b) Safety goggles
- c) Work boots
- d) Necktie

Answer: d) Necktie

Explanation: A necktie is not considered PPE; it is a piece of clothing with no protective function.



27. What is the purpose of a safety audit in the workplace?

- a) To assess employee performance
- b) To identify and correct safety violations
- c) To evaluate the profitability of the company
- d) To review the company's marketing strategies

Answer: b) To identify and correct safety violations

Explanation: Safety audits help identify and correct safety violations to improve workplace safety.

28. In the event of a chemical spill, what should you do first?

- a) Ventilate the area
- b) Contain the spill if safe to do so
- c) Evacuate the building
- d) Report it to your supervisor

Answer: c) Evacuate the building

Explanation: Safety protocol for a chemical spill often includes immediate evacuation to ensure everyone's safety.



29. Which of the following is NOT a common office ergonomics best practice?

- a) Adjusting chair height to support proper posture
- b) Using a laptop on your lap for extended periods
- c) Positioning the computer monitor at eye level
- d) Taking regular breaks to stretch and move

Answer: b) Using a laptop on your lap for extended periods

Explanation: Using a laptop on your lap for extended periods can lead to poor ergonomics and discomfort.

30. What is the purpose of a safety data sheet (SDS)?

- a) To provide information on workplace social events
- b) To outline employee work schedules
- c) To list the company's financial records
- d) To provide information on hazardous chemicals

Answer: d) To provide information on hazardous chemicals

Explanation: SDS contains information about hazardous chemicals used in the workplace.



31. What should you do if you encounter a hazardous spill that you're not trained to handle?

- a) Attempt to clean it up as best as you can
- b) Report it to your supervisor and wait for trained personnel
- c) Continue working and ignore it
- d) Notify your coworkers to help clean it up

Answer: b) Report it to your supervisor and wait for trained personnel

Explanation: When you encounter a hazardous spill, it's essential to report it and wait for trained personnel to handle it safely.

32. What is the primary purpose of safety drills in the workplace?

- a) To create a sense of panic among employees
- b) To evaluate employee performance
- c) To practice emergency response procedures
- d) To simulate real workplace accidents

Answer: c) To practice emergency response procedures

Explanation: Safety drills help employees practice and become familiar with emergency response procedures.



33. Why is it important to keep emergency exits clear and unobstructed?

- a) To prevent employees from leaving the workplace
- b) To maintain a neat and tidy appearance
- c) To allow for safe evacuation in case of emergencies
- d) To provide additional storage space

Answer: c) To allow for safe evacuation in case of emergencies

Explanation: Clear and unobstructed emergency exits are crucial for safe evacuation during emergencies.

34. What should you do if you notice a fire alarm has been tampered with or is not functioning correctly?

- a) Ignore it; it's probably a false alarm
- b) Report it to your supervisor and/or the building management
- c) Attempt to repair it yourself
- d) Evacuate the building immediately

Answer: b) Report it to your supervisor and/or the building management

Explanation: Tampering with or malfunctioning fire alarms should be reported to the appropriate personnel for prompt repair.



35. When using stairs in the workplace, what should you do to ensure safety?

- a) Run down the stairs to save time
- b) Use the handrail and take one step at a time
- c) Skip steps to descend more quickly
- d) Carry heavy objects without holding the handrail

Answer: b) Use the handrail and take one step at a time

Explanation: Using the handrail and taking one step at a time helps prevent slips and falls on stairs.

36. What is the purpose of lockout/tagout procedures?

- a) To lock employees out of the workplace during emergencies
- b) To ensure that employees don't leave their workstations
- c) To isolate and control energy sources during equipment maintenance
- d) To tag equipment for disposal

Answer: c) To isolate and control energy sources during equipment maintenance

Explanation: Lockout/tagout procedures are used to safely isolate and control energy sources during equipment maintenance to prevent accidents.



37. In the event of a power outage, what should you do to ensure safety?

a) Continue working with battery-powered devices

- b) Evacuate the building immediately
- c) Wait at your workstation for instructions
- d) Use candles for lighting

Answer: c) Wait at your workstation for instructions

Explanation: During a power outage, it's usually safer to stay at your workstation and await instructions rather than wandering in the dark.

38. What is the "three-point contact" rule when using a ladder?

- a) Keep three body parts in contact with the ladder at all times
- b) Maintain three feet of distance between yourself and the ladder
- c) Always have three coworkers supervise ladder use

d) Use a ladder with three sections for added stability

Answer: a) Keep three body parts in contact with the ladder at all times

Explanation: The three-point contact rule means that at least three of your body parts should be in contact with the ladder to maintain stability while climbing.



39. What should you do if you encounter a coworker who appears to be intoxicated or impaired at work?

- a) Ignore it; it's not your responsibility
- b) Offer them alcoholic beverages to help them sober up
- c) Report it to your supervisor or HR department
- d) Join them in their activities

Answer: c) Report it to your supervisor or HR department

Explanation: If you suspect a coworker is intoxicated or impaired at work, it's essential to report it to appropriate personnel for safety reasons.

40. What is the purpose of a safety barrier or guardrail in the workplace?

- a) To block access to restricted areas
- b) To create obstacles for employees to navigate
- c) To make the workplace appear more secure
- d) To improve workplace aesthetics

Answer: a) To block access to restricted areas

Explanation: Safety barriers or guardrails are used to block access to restricted areas to prevent unauthorized entry and enhance safety.



41. Why is it important to conduct regular fire drills in the workplace?

- a) To practice using fire extinguishers
- b) To test the building's fire alarms
- c) To simulate real fire emergencies and ensure employee safety
- d) To identify employees who panic during emergencies

Answer: c) To simulate real fire emergencies and ensure employee safety

Explanation: Fire drills simulate real fire emergencies, helping employees become familiar with evacuation procedures and ensuring their safety.

42. When should you wear hearing protection in the workplace?

- a) Only when operating heavy machinery
- b) When exposed to loud noises that could damage your hearing
- c) Only during scheduled breaks
- d) When you want to block out coworkers' conversations

Answer: b) When exposed to loud noises that could damage your hearing

Explanation: Hearing protection should be worn when exposed to loud noises that could potentially harm your hearing.



43. What is the purpose of a safety shower and eyewash station in the workplace?

- a) To provide employees with a place to take showers during lunch breaks
- b) To wash hands after using the restroom
- c) To provide immediate rinsing in case of chemical exposure to the eyes or body
- d) To conserve water

Answer: c) To provide immediate rinsing in case of chemical exposure to the eyes or body

Explanation: Safety showers and eyewash stations are designed for immediate rinsing in case of chemical exposure to the eyes or body.

44. What should you do if you come into contact with hazardous materials, such as chemicals or biohazards?

- a) Ignore it; it's probably harmless
- b) Immediately wash the affected area with water and report the exposure
- c) Continue working and hope for the best
- d) Wait until the end of your shift to address it

Answer: b) Immediately wash the affected area with water and report the exposure

Explanation: Contact with hazardous materials should be addressed promptly by washing the affected area and reporting the exposure.



45. What is the purpose of a safety helmet (hard hat) in the workplace?

- a) To protect against falling objects and head injuries
- b) To keep the head warm in cold weather
- c) To make employees easily identifiable
- d) To improve posture

Answer: a) To protect against falling objects and head injuries

Explanation: Safety helmets (hard hats) are worn to protect the head from falling objects and head injuries in hazardous environments.

46. When should you use a fire extinguisher in the workplace?

- a) To put out small fires that you have been trained to handle
- b) To create a smokescreen in case of a fire
- c) To provide extra lighting during a power outage
- d) To cool down a hot workspace

Answer: a) To put out small fires that you have been trained to handle

Explanation: Fire extinguishers should be used to put out small fires that employees have been trained to handle safely.



47. What should you do if you encounter a broken or damaged piece of equipment?

- a) Ignore it; it's not your responsibility
- b) Use it carefully and hope for the best
- c) Report it to your supervisor and do not use it
- d) Attempt to repair it yourself

Answer: c) Report it to your supervisor and do not use it

Explanation: Broken or damaged equipment should be reported and not used until repaired or replaced.

48. What is the purpose of safety cones and barriers in the workplace?

- a) To create obstacles for employees to navigate
- b) To mark off areas for office parties and events
- c) To indicate hazards and restricted areas
- d) To block access to emergency exits

Answer: c) To indicate hazards and restricted areas

Explanation: Safety cones and barriers are used to indicate hazards and restricted areas to improve safety.



49. What should you do if you discover a potential safety hazard in your workplace and cannot address it immediately?

- a) Document it for future reference
- b) Ignore it; someone else will take care of it
- c) Report it to your supervisor or safety officer
- d) Wait for a coworker to notice it

Answer: c) Report it to your supervisor or safety officer

Explanation: Reporting potential safety hazards is essential to ensure they are addressed promptly.

50. What is the primary purpose of a safety vest in the workplace?

- a) To enhance employee fashion
- b) To provide additional storage pockets
- c) To improve visibility and identify employees in high-traffic areas
- d) To protect against chemical spills

Answer: c) To improve visibility and identify employees in high-traffic areas

Explanation: Safety vests improve visibility and help identify employees in high-traffic areas for safety reasons.



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