2006 Iowa FFA State Floriculture CDE

General Knowledge Exam

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 - b. Sevin
 - c. B-Nine
 - d. Orthene
- 3. Which of the following is not generally used as a potted crop?
 - a. Snapdragons
 - b. Mums
 - c. Hydrangea
 - d. Gerbera Daisy
- 4. Which of the following is primarily used as a cut flower crop?
 - a. Irisb. Staticec. Liliesd. All of the above
- 5. Identify the flower considered a line flower:
 - a. Liatrisb. Carnationc. Alstromeriad. Baby's Breath

- 6. A cultivated variety is referred to as a:
 - a. mutation
 - b. wild variety
 - c. cultivar
 - d. vegetable variety
- 7. Floral arrangements should be...
 - a. $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 times as tall as the container
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- 8. Florist tape is used to?
 - a. Cover exposed florist wire
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 - c. Hold the flowers more tightly
 - d. all of the above.
- 9. A circular design does not have.
 - a. Balance
 - b. Focal Point
 - c. Harmony
 - d. None of the above
- 10. Single-faced ribbon
 - a. Has a shiny side and a dull side
 - b. Is dull on both sides
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- 11. Which of the following are common colors of poinsettias?
 - a. red, pink, whiteb. red, yellow, orangec. red, white, blued. pink, white, variegated blue
- 12. The effect of the length of day and night on plant growth and development is referred to as:
 - a. phototropism
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 - d. transpiration
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- a. 14 guage
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- a. xylem
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- 17. Colors which are found together on the color wheel are?
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18. Which of the following plants produce adventitious roots?

- a. English ivy, heart leaf philodendron
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- d. Snake plant, aloe
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 - a. Plunging them into cold water
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20. A greenhouse cooling system where large exhaust fans draw air through a moistened pad mounted on the opposite end of the structure is called...

- a. evaporative cooling
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24. Bubbles of air enter the end of the cut flower stem and block water movement. What practice(s) may be used to reverse it?

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25. A floral arrangement is ______ if the two halves are equal in size and shape.

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Iowa State FFA Floriculture CDE Floriculture Problem Solving 2006

Fertilizer 12-4-8	
Guaranteed Analysis	
Total Nitrogen	12%
6.50% Ammoniacal Nitrogen	
1.00% Nitrate Nitrogen	
0.90% Other Water Soluble Nitrogen	
3.60% Water Insoluble Nitrogen	
Available Phosphate Acid (P205)	4%
Soluble Potash (K ₂ 0)	8%
Total Available Plant Food, Not Less than	24%

Proper fertilization of greenhouse crops is very important to their survival. The recommended broadcast application for a floriculture crop is:

1st application: Apply 5 pounds of 12-4-8 per 1000 square feet of bench space

Additional application: Apply 3 pounds of 12-4-8 per 1000 square feet

Question #1

Question: For a 200' x 25' bench space of the floriculture crop how many total pounds of fertilizer would you need for 5 applications?

Select from the below answers:

A. 65 pounds fertilizer

B. 75 pounds fertilizer

- C. 85 pounds fertilizer
- D. 95 pounds fertilizer

Solution #1

Answer: C. 85 pounds fertilizer

Solution:

1. 25 x 200 = 5,000 sq ft of Floriculture Crop Bench Area

2. 1st application: Apply 5 lbs of fertilizer/ 1,000 sq ft = **25 lbs/5,000 sq ft**

Addition applications:

Apply 3 lbs of fertilizer/1,000 sq ft = 15 lbs/5,000 sq ft15 lbs x 4 applications = 60 lbs/5, 000 sq ft

3. 25 lbs + 60 lbs = 85 total pounds of fertilizer needed

Injector	100 ppm	150 ppm	200 ppm	400 ppm	Nitrogen
Ratio	Nitrogen	Nitrogen	Nitrogen	Nitrogen	Strength
0	Dunces of M	asterBlend p	per gallon of	concentrat	te
1:6	2.1 oz.	3.2	4.3	8.5	10%
1:50	6.67 oz.	10.0	13.33	26.66	10%
1:100	13.3 oz.	20.0	26.7	53.3	10%
1:200	26.7 oz.	40.0	53.3		10%
1:16	1.4 oz.	2.1	2.8	5.7	15%
1:50	4.5 oz.	6.75	9.0	18.0	15%
1:100	9.0 oz.	13.5	18.00	36.0	15%
1:200	18.0oz.	27.0	36.0		15%
1:16	1.1 oz.	1.6	2.1	4.3	20%
1:50	3.4 oz.	5.1	6.8	13.5	20%
1:100	6.8 oz.	10.2	13.50	27.0	20%
1:200	13.5 oz.	20.3	27.0	54.0	20%



Question 2

For your spring crop of Geraniums a 20% Nitrogen strength at 100 ppm is recommended when using MasterBlend Fertilizer 20-20-20.

Your fertilizer injector is set for a 1:16 ratio.

How many ounces of MasterBlend fertilizer should you mix in 5 gallons of concentrate?

Select from the below answers:

A. 1.1 oz

B. 3.3 oz

C. 5.5 oz

D. 7.7 oz

Answer: C. 5.5 ounces of MasterBlend per 5 gallons of concentrate Solution:

Read numbers off chart:

- 1. Nitrogen Strength @ 20% and Injector rate at 1: 16
- 2. 1: 16 @ 100 ppm = 1.1 ounces per gallon of concentrate
- **3.** 5 x 1.1 = 5.5 ounces per 5 gallons of concentrate

The proper pH of growing media is very important in assuring the availability of essential nutrients. Two pounds of finely ground limestone are needed to bring about a 1 pH unit change in 1 cubic yard of media. The following ingredients were used to mix the media necessary to pot 1000 geraniums:

22.5 cubic feet of sphagnum peat

- 10 cubic feet of washed sand
 - 8 cubic feet of perlite

The pH of the above mixture was found to be 4.3. The optimum pH for the geranium crop is 5.8.

1 cubic yard = 27 cubic feet.

Question #3

How many pounds of ground limestone should be added to the potting mixture to bring the pH to 5.8?

A. 2 poundsB. 3.5 poundsC. 4.5 poundsD. 5.8 pounds

Solution #3

C is the correct answer.

Total amount of media: 22.5 cubic feet of sphagnum peat 10 cubic feet of washed sand 8 cubic feet of perlite 40.5 cubic feet of media = 1.5 cubic yards

Optimum pH5.8Tested pH4.3Units of change1.5

Pounds limestone needed = 1.5 cubic yards X 1.5(2 Pounds)= 4.5 pounds

MasterBlend Fertilizer is a water-soluble fertilizer that is applied to greenhouse crop to promote healthy plants and optimum growth. To produce a crop of bedding plants, 6.8 ounces of fertilizer are added to each gallon of concentrate used by the fertilizer injector. Two gallons of this concentrate are used each week by the fertilizer injector for irrigation, and it will take 6 weeks of irrigation to finish growing the plants.

MasterBlend Fertilizer costs \$22.00 per 25 pound bag. 1 Pound = 16 ounces

Question #4

What is the total cost of fertilizer used to grow this crop of bedding plants from beginning to finish?

A. \$13.60B. \$8.16C. \$1.79D. \$4.49

Solution #4

Answer D is correct.

6.8 ounces of fertilizer X 2(gallons per week)=13.6 ounces per week

13.6 (ounces per week) X 6 weeks=81.6 ounces used

 $\frac{\text{Ounces used}}{400 \text{ ounces } (25 \text{ lbs})} = \frac{\text{Cost of Fertilizer used}}{\$22.00}$

81.6 ounces	=	X
400		\$22.00

$$X = $4.488 = $4.49$$

	Violet Nozzl No Antimist e Sprinkler Flow			Grey Nozzle No Antimist e Sprinkler Flow		Green Nozzle Green Antimist Average Sprinkler Flow: 11gph		Orange Nozzle Orange Antimist Average Sprinkler Flow: 19gph		t	
Bench length	GPM per Line (at 35 psi)	Pipe Size	Bench length	GPM per Line (at 35 psi)	Pipe Size	Bench length	GPM per Line (at 35 psi)	Pipe Size	Bench length	GPM per Line (at 35 psi)	Pipe Size
25'	1.3	³ ⁄4"	25'	2.6	3⁄4"	25'	1.5	³ ⁄ ₄ "	25'	2.6	3⁄4"
50'	2.6	3⁄4"	50'	5.3	3⁄4"	50'	3	3⁄4"	50'	5.3	3⁄4"
75'	4.0	3⁄4"	75'	7.9	3⁄4"	75'	4.5	3⁄4"	75'	7.9	3⁄4"
100'	5.3	3⁄4"	100'	10.6	1"	100'	6.1	3⁄4"	100'	10.6	1"
125'	6.6	3⁄4"	125'	13.2	1"	125'	7.6	1"	125'	13.2	1"
150'	7.9	1"	150'	15.8	1"	150'	9.1	1"	150'	15.8	1"

A 100 foot bench was irrigated using orange antimist nozzles supplied by a 1" pipe with 35 psi of water pressure.

Question #2

Using the above chart, how many gallons of water would be required to run the system for 22 minutes each day for 8 days?

- A. 84.8 gallons
- B. 1865.6 gallons
- C. 186.6 gallons
- D. 5612 gallons

B. is the correct answer.

10.6 gallons/minute

22 minutes X 8 = 176 minutes

 $\frac{10.6}{X} = \frac{1 \text{ minute}}{176 \text{ minutes}}$

X = 176(10.6)X = 1865.6 gallons

Iowa FFA State Floriculture CDE Individual Practicum

Potting Plants

Your Name _____

Your contestant number _____

Judges Score _____

100 possible pts

Your FFA Chapter _____

You will be planting five rooted cuttings in a provided pot. You have a total of 15 minutes in which to select your five cuttings, select a pot, select/make a potting mix, and pot the cuttings. When done, turn in your container and this sheet for evaluation.

Judges Scorecard:

P	Plant Potting Practicum Scorecard					
	Points Possible	Needs Improvement	Good	Excellent	Member Score	
Potting Process	70	•				
Selection of Cuttings	14	0-5	6-9	10-14		
Filling Pot with Soil	6	0-1	2-5	6		
Placing of Cuttings	8	0-2	3-5	6-8		
Covering Cutting Rooted Ends	24	0-10	11-17	18-24		
Labeling of Pot	12	0-4	5-8	9-12		
Watering of Potted Cuttings	6	0-2	3-5	6		
Potting Product	30					
Depth of Planting	7	0-2	3-4	5-7		
Correct Soil Level in Pot	7	0-2	3-4	5-7		
Cutting Arrangement & Angle	6	0-2	3-4	5-6		
Firmness of Soil	5	0-1	2-3	4-5		
General Appearance (Freedom from handling damage)	5	0-1	2-3	4-5		
Total Score	100					

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Individual Practicum Identify and Control a plant disorder

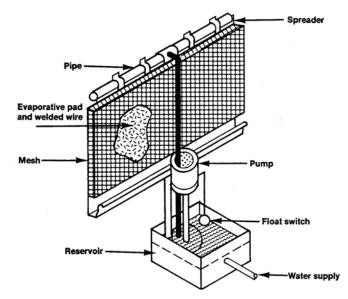
Your name Your contestant number	Judges score 100 possible pts
Your FFA Chapter	
2. What is your recommendation for this plant	t disorder?

Judges Scorecard on backside of paper

Control of Plant Disorders Scorecard					
	(For Plants With	Insect or Disea	<u>se</u> Disorders	3)	
Needs					
	Points Possible	Improvement	Good	Excellent	Member Score
Diagnosis of Problem	18	0-6	7-11	12-18	
Prescription of Treatment	18	0-6	7-11	12-18	
Preparation of Treatment	22	0-9	10-15	16-22	
Application of Treatment	22	0-9	10-15	16-22	
Followed Recommended					
Safety Procedures	20	0-8	9-14	15-20	
Total Score	100				

	S	corecard			
(For I	Plants With <u>Nutri</u>	tional or Enviro	<u>nmental</u> Di	sorders	
	Possible Points	Needs Improvement	Good	Excellent	Member Score
Diagnosis of Problem	16	0-7	7-11	12-16	
Description of Problem	20	0-9	9-14	15-20	
Discussion of Problem	24	0-11	11-17	18-24	
Prescription of Treatment	24	0-11	11-17	18-24	
Personality	16	0-7	7-11	12-16	
Total Score	100				

Problem Number 1



Recommended Water Flowrate and Reservoir Capacity for				
Cooling Pad				
Pad Type	Minimum	Minimum		
	Flowrate	Reservoir Capacity		
	Per Length of Pad	Per Unit Pad Area		
	(gpm/ft)	(Gal/ft^{2})		
Aspen Fiber (2-4 inches)	0.3	0.5		
Corrugated Cellulose (4 inches)	0.5	0.8		
Corrugated Cellulose (6 inches)	0.8	1.0		

What is the minimum water reservoir needed for a 3' x 24', four inch thick corrugated evaporative cooling pad?

Select from the below answers:

- A. 50 gallon reservoir B. 60 gallon reservoir
- B. 70 gallon reservoir C.
- C. 80 gallon reservoir

Problem Number 2

Situation: You are building a new greenhouse. The dimensions are 20 feet wide X 96 feet long. The airflow required is 8 cfm per square foot of greenhouse area.

Problem: Using the chart below, select the fan that meets the minimum capacity requirements.

Fan	Diameter	Rpm	Capacity (cfm)	Motor (hp)
Α	30"	650	8,570	1/8
В	36"	476	10,900	1/2
С	42"	462	16,800	1
D	48"	382	21,400	1

Capacity=8 cfm X area of greenhouse

Problem Number 3

Yvonne designed a triangular design as a project for her high school floral design class. Using the following materials and price, what would the selling price of the design assuming a 65% mark-up and 7% tax.

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1	10" silver embossed pedestal design bowl	\$15.63
1	Cube of floral oasis	\$00.69
1	Bundle leatherleaf fern	\$ 1.18
11	Gladioli	\$00.75 each
2	Bundles mums	\$ 2.17/bundle
3	Stems liatrus	\$00.045 each
1	Stem 'Babies breathe'	\$00.0125
	Miscellaneous	\$ 1.31

A.	\$38.47	B. \$31.55	C. \$52.06	D. \$55.70

Problem Number 4

Situation:

You have a 24' X 120' polyethylene covered greenhouse. If you have determined that it would take a 32' wide sheet of polyethylene to cover the greenhouse, what would be the total cost of TUFFLIFE_{TM} INFRARED_{TM} polyethylene needed to cover the house including 6% tax and no shipping charge.

\$377.00	B. \$251.00	. C. \$39	9.62	D. \$26
8,	tyco	It's the Cle	ar Choice	š s t
4 MIL 8 6 1				
GS - GUSSETED	UF - U FOLD	DF - DOUBLE FO	DLD LF-LA	Y FLAT
INFRARED	USPA CHARMAGE	PRICE	STANDARD	POLINDS
STOCK#	SIZE	PER ROLL	PUT-UP	/ROLL
PCWs21116	6 MIL SHEETI	NG	MASS & MI	15 8/
PTES2000-AR	20' X 100'	\$157.00	GS(8')	68
PTES2400-AR	24' X 100'	\$188.00	GS(8')	81
PTES2415-AR	24' X 150'	\$282.00	GS(8')	
PTES3200-AR				120
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Problem Number 5

Situation: You are planning to build a new greenhouse. The dimensions are 20 feet wide X 100 feet long. You have a \$13,000 budget for erection and materials cost.

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Use the chart below to select the type of greenhouse that would best fit your budget.

HOUSE	ТҮРЕ	MATERIALS	ERECTION	TOTAL
		\$/ ft²	LABOR COST \$/ft ²	\$/ ft²
Α	Conventional	\$7.00-\$9.00	\$3.00-\$4.00	\$10.00-\$13.00
	Glass			
В	Steel Pipe	\$4.00-\$6.00	.4060	\$4.40-\$6.60
	Polycarbonate cover			
С	Steel Pipe	\$1.50-\$2.50	.3050	\$1.80-\$3.00
	Poly cover			
D	Wood Greenhouse	\$1.00-\$1.50	.3560	\$1.35-\$2.10
	Poly cover			

FLORICULTURE PROBLEM SOLVING ANSWERS

1. Answer: **B**.

- $3 \ge 24 = 72$ sq ft of pad area
- 72 x .8 = 57.6 minimum reservoir needed for pad

round up to 60 gallon reservoir

2. Answer **C.** Solution: Capacity=8 cfm X area of greenhouse Capacity= 8 cfm X (20' X 96') Capacity= 8 cfm X 1920 square ft. Capacity= 15,360 cfm

3. Answer **D**

Solution:	11 Glads X 0.75 =	8.25	15.63
	2 mums X 2.17 =	= 4.34	.69
	3 liatrus X .045 =	0.135	1.18
			8.25
			4.34
31.55 X 6	5%		1.18
			.135
31.55			.0125
x <u>0.65</u>			<u>1.31</u>
20.51			\$31.55
31.55	-	52.06	52.06
<u>20.</u> 51	X	.07	+ 3.64
52.06		3.64	55.70

4. Answer C.

It would take one roll of 32' X 150' at \$377.00/roll to cover the house. Adding 6% tax would make a grand total of \$399.62.

\$377.00 X 6% = \$22.62 \$377.00

+ $\frac{$22.62}{$399.62}$

5. Answer B

Solution: Cost of greenhouse÷area of greenhouse = cost per sq. ft. The greenhouse is 20' X 100' = 2000 sq.ft.

\$13,000 ÷ 2000 sq.ft. = \$6.50/ sq. ft.

Answer B is a total cost of \$4.40 \$6.60.

2000 <u>x 6.50</u> \$13,000.00

Iowa FFA State Floriculture CDE

Individual Practicum Corsage Making

Your Name _____

Your contestant number _____

Judges Score _____

100 possible pts

Your FFA Chapter _____

You will be making and packaging a \$15 corsage. Specific information and wholesale prices will be announced by the event assistant in charge at the beginning of the practicum. You will have 30 minutes in which to complete the construction of the corsage and complete an itemized bill.

Itemized bill to be figured out:

CORSAGE ITEMIZED BILL			
	Quantity Used	Unit Cost	Total
Plant Materials			
Flowers			
Greens			
Other Materials			
Tape			
Wire			
Ribbon			
Corsage Pins			
Corsage Bag			
Box			
Card and Envelope			
		Total Material Cost	
Mark-Up=7	Two and one-half times t	he total material cost	
	TOTAL C	ORSAGE COST	

Judges Scorecard:

CORSAGE PRACTICUM SCORECARD			
	Possible Points	Participant Points	
Wiring and Taping	16		
Use of Ribbon	20		
Design	20		
Wearability	18		
Packaging	10		
Pricing	16		
Total Points	100		

FLORAL IDENTIFICATION

FORM 15

Participant Number:		
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Poinsettia/Euphorbia pulcherrima		
Benjamin Fig/Ficus benjamina		
Rubber Plant/Ficus elastica		
Freesia/Freesia x hybrida		
Garden Gladiolus/Gladiolus x hortulanus		
English ivy/Hedera helix		
Impatiens/Impatiens wallerana		
Kalanchoe/Kalanchoe blossfeldiana		
Garden (Hybrid) lily/Lilum x hybridum		
Sweet Alyssum/Lobularia maritima		
Prayer Plant/Maranta leuconeura		
Boston Fern/Nephrolepis exaltata		
Geranium/Pelargonium x hortorum		
Emerald Ripple Peperomia/Peperomia caperata		
'Emerald Ripple'		
Common Garden Petunia/Petunia x hybrida		
Heartleaf Philodendrom/Philodendron scandens		
Aluminum Plant/Pilea cadierei		
Azalea/Rhododendron spp.		
African Violet/Saintpaulia ionantha		
Salvia/Salvia splendens		
Snake Plant/Sansevieria trifasciata		
Dusty Miller/Senecio cineraria		
Gloxinia/Sinningia speciosa		
Nephthytis/Syngonium podophyllum		
African Marigold/Tagetes erecta		

_____ - Golden Pothos, Devil's Ivy/Epipremnum aureaum

2006 Floriculture State

Career Development Event -Team Event Contest Phase

Name of School/Chapter_____

For this segment of the contest, you are to best utilize the talents of your team to complete the following activity within the 20-minute period.

Situation:

Your floral shop received the following order that needs to be processed and delivered within 20 minutes. This includes delivery (where you will deliver to the customer/judge) and pricing/sales ticket.

The customer/judge would like the following made for a graduation reception.

- 1. A centerpiece
- 2. 1 corsage
- 3. 1 boutonniere

They do not wish to **exceed \$50 total**, which includes tax and delivery.

Retail prices: Your mark-up will be 40% of your wholesale prices. The wholesale prices are posted on the white board in the room.

Sales Ticket: This will be found on the back of this sheet. **This must be handed in** when delivering your order to the customer/judge.

Sales ticket

Customer name _____

Floral Shop/FFA Chapter Name _____

Date _____

Itemized Bill

Qty	Description	Unit cost	Total cost

Sub-total of items \$_____

Tax (6%) \$_____

Delivery \$ 5.00

Total Due \$_____