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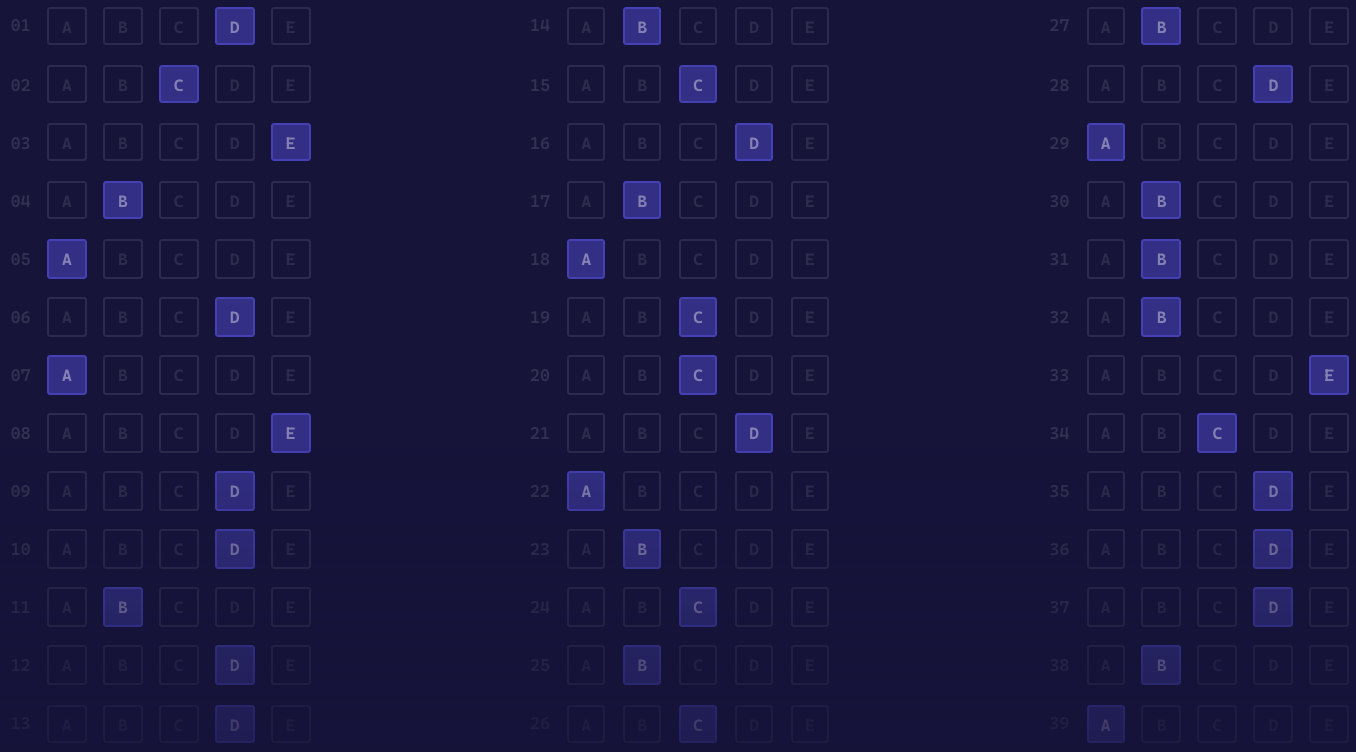

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

Colorado Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure

X65XZLCY

CO Hairstylist Examination

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9 practice questions for Colorado Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure `X65XZLCY`, each with its answer key and an explanation. Answer a question before you read its key — the explanation is worth more once you have committed.

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QUESTION 1 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which two actions must a hairstylist take between clients to help prevent cross-contamination? (Choose two.)

- **A** **Wash hands before and after servicing each client**
- **B** Store used combs in a closed, labeled container until they can be disinfected
- **C** **Disinfect tools and implements that have come into contact with blood or bodily fluids**
- **D** Reuse a clean neck brush after brushing visible hair from a client's neck

ANSWER **A · C**

WHY Hand hygiene and proper disinfection of contaminated tools are required infection-control practices. Used implements must be cleaned and disinfected rather than stored for later disinfection, and a clean neck brush should not be used to remove visible hair before being disinfected.

QUESTION 2 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which two practices are appropriate during a shampoo service? (Choose two.)

- **A** **Check the water temperature before directing it onto the client's hair and scalp**
- **B** **Keep the client's eyes protected and prevent shampoo water from running into them**
- **C** Use the nails aggressively to loosen heavy scalp buildup
- **D** Apply shampoo directly to the client's eyes to test the product

ANSWER **A · B**

WHY Water should be tested for comfortable temperature, and the client's eyes should be protected from shampoo and water. The fingertips, not the nails, are used for scalp manipulation, and shampoo must never be applied to the eyes.

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QUESTION 3 TRUE FALSE

A disinfecting solution must be used according to the manufacturer's directions, including the required concentration and contact time.

A **True**

B False

ANSWER **A**

WHY True. Disinfectants are effective only when prepared and used according to their label directions, including the specified concentration and contact time.

QUESTION 4 SINGLE CHOICE

A Colorado hairstylist should obtain continuing education or otherwise maintain the license as required by the Colorado Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure rather than allowing the license to lapse. What is the primary reason for maintaining a current, active license?

A **It authorizes the holder to legally perform or offer hairstyling services within the scope of the license**

B It automatically guarantees that the stylist will receive a higher hourly wage

C It allows the stylist to practice any regulated profession without additional credentials

D It eliminates the need to follow sanitation requirements

ANSWER **A**

WHY An active Colorado license authorizes the licensee to provide services within the license's scope. It does not automatically increase wages, authorize unrelated professions, or waive sanitation requirements.

QUESTION 5 SINGLE CHOICE

Before performing a service, a hairstylist should follow the applicable Colorado rules for protecting the client and the public. Which action best demonstrates compliance with infection-control requirements?

A **Use clean, disinfected tools and wash hands before beginning the service**

B Use a towel from the service area without changing it between clients

C Place combs in a drawer with previously used tools and retrieve them as needed

D Skip handwashing when the client has no visible skin condition

ANSWER **A**

WHY Clean, disinfected tools and hand hygiene are core infection-control measures. Reusing unclean towels or tools and skipping handwashing can contribute to cross-contamination.

QUESTION 6 SINGLE CHOICE

During a consultation, the hairstylist observes an open, weeping sore on the client's scalp. What is the most appropriate action?

A **Avoid performing the service over the affected area and refer the client to an appropriate healthcare professional**

B Cover the sore with styling product and proceed as usual

C Scrub the area vigorously to remove drainage before the service

D Continue only if the client says the sore is not contagious

ANSWER **A**

WHY An open or weeping scalp condition should not be treated as a normal styling surface. The stylist should avoid the area and recommend appropriate medical evaluation; it should not be scrubbed, masked with product, or ignored.

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QUESTION 7 SINGLE CHOICE

Which factor should a hairstylist evaluate when determining how a client's hair will respond to a chemical service?

A **The client's hair texture, condition, porosity, and previous chemical history**

B The stylist's preferred product brand only

C The color of the salon walls

D The client's choice of footwear

ANSWER **A**

WHY Hair texture, condition, porosity, and prior chemical treatments affect processing and the risk of damage. These client-specific factors are more relevant than unrelated salon or personal characteristics.

QUESTION 8 SINGLE CHOICE

When applying a chemical relaxer, the hairstylist should follow the product manufacturer's directions and avoid overlapping previously treated hair. What is the main reason for avoiding overlap?

A **Overlapping chemical product can increase the risk of excessive processing and damage**

B Overlap makes the hairstyle too short

C Overlap changes the salon's lighting requirements

D Overlap causes the client to lose hair color immediately

ANSWER **A**

WHY Previously treated hair is more vulnerable to additional chemical processing. Applying relaxer over it can overprocess or damage the hair, so the product should be applied only according to the manufacturer's directions and the client's hair condition.

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QUESTION 9 SINGLE CHOICE

Which action is safest when using a heated styling tool?

A **Inspect the tool and cord, use it on dry or prepared hair as directed, and place it only on a heat-resistant surface when not in use**

B Leave the tool switched on and unattended between sections

C Place the hot tool on a towel while adjusting the client

D Use a damaged cord if the tool still heats normally

ANSWER **A**

WHY Heated tools should be inspected, used according to directions, and placed on a suitable heat-resistant surface. Unattended operation, placement on flammable material, and use of damaged electrical equipment create burn and fire hazards.

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