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QUESTION 1

SINGLE CHOICE

A term, alert infant is latched at breast. Which assessment finding most directly indicates effective milk transfer during the feeding?

- ☐ A The mother feels only strong let-down pressure
- ☒ B The infant displays rhythmic sucking and swallowing with audible milk intake
- ☐ C The infant sleeps at the breast for the entire feeding
- ☐ D The mother produces a specified volume of milk by breast massage

ANSWER B

WHY Rhythmic sucking with swallowing and audible milk intake during a feed provides direct evidence that the infant is transferring milk. Feelings of let-down, a quiet or sleeping infant, or a volume obtained by breast massage do not by themselves confirm effective transfer.

QUESTION 2

SINGLE CHOICE

During prenatal education, a pregnant client asks which measure most effectively supports successful breastfeeding after birth. Which recommendation is best?

- ☐ A Avoid all breast exposure before delivery
- ☐ B Feed the infant on a fixed schedule from the first day
- ☒ C Plan for early, frequent skin-to-skin contact and responsive feeding
- ☐ D Delay the first breastfeed until the infant is fully awake and crying

ANSWER C

WHY Early, frequent skin-to-skin contact supports infant stabilization, breastfeeding initiation, and access to the breast. Responsive feeding is developmentally appropriate; fixed schedules and delaying feeding are not recommended practices.

QUESTION 3

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which two observations indicate that the infant may have a shallow latch requiring breastfeeding assistance? (Choose two.)

- ☐ A The infant's lower lip is everted
- ☒ B The mother reports persistent nipple pain throughout the feed
- ☐ C The infant's cheeks remain rounded during sucking
- ☒ D The infant repeatedly slips off the breast despite initial attachment

ANSWER B • D

WHY Persistent nipple pain and repeated slipping off the breast can indicate a poor or shallow latch. An everted lower lip and rounded cheeks are generally favorable features of attachment and sucking.

QUESTION 4

SINGLE CHOICE

A breastfeeding mother develops a painful, erythematous area of one breast with fever and flu-like symptoms. Which condition should the IBCLC first consider?

- ☒ A Mastitis
- ☐ B A normal let-down reflex
- ☐ C Infant tongue-tie only
- ☐ D A normal postpartum diuresis

ANSWER A

WHY Mastitis commonly presents with a painful, erythematous breast area and systemic symptoms such as fever and malaise. The other options do not fit this clinical presentation.

QUESTION 5

SINGLE CHOICE

Which finding is a reliable indicator that a healthy term newborn is receiving adequate breast milk intake?

- ☐ A The infant has one wet diaper on the second day of life
- ☐ B The infant is sleepy and difficult to awaken for feeds
- ☒ C The infant is gaining weight appropriately after the expected early newborn weight loss
- ☐ D The mother's breasts always feel soft after feeding

ANSWER C

WHY Appropriate weight gain after the expected early newborn weight loss is strong evidence of adequate intake. Urine output, alertness, and breast softness are less reliable when considered alone.

QUESTION 6

SINGLE CHOICE

For a healthy term infant, what does exclusive breastfeeding mean?

- ☒ A The infant receives breast milk only, with no other liquids or solids, while receiving vitamins or medicines when indicated
- ☐ B The infant receives breast milk plus water after the first week
- ☐ C The infant receives breast milk and infant formula whenever the mother chooses
- ☐ D The infant receives breast milk only during the daytime

ANSWER A

WHY Exclusive breastfeeding means the infant receives human milk only, without other foods or liquids. Medicines and vitamin or mineral supplements may be given when clinically indicated or recommended.

QUESTION 7

SINGLE CHOICE

Under the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes, which practice by a manufacturer is prohibited?

- ☐ A Providing scientifically justified information to healthcare professionals about breast-milk substitutes
- ☒ B Distributing free samples of breast-milk substitutes to pregnant women or mothers
- ☐ C Printing ingredient information required for safe product use
- ☐ D Supporting independent scientific research without interfering with clinical independence

ANSWER B

WHY The Code prohibits marketing practices such as providing free samples of breast-milk substitutes to pregnant women and mothers. Scientific and factual information to professionals and required product information are addressed differently under the Code.

QUESTION 8

SINGLE CHOICE

An IBCLC is providing care to a family whose cultural practices differ from the IBCLC's own beliefs. Which approach best demonstrates culturally sensitive, client-centered care?

- ☐ A Replace the family's practices with the IBCLC's preferred practices
- ☒ B Ask how the family's practices and feeding goals align with safe breastfeeding support
- ☐ C Avoid discussing culture because it is not clinically relevant
- ☐ D Provide the same feeding plan to every family regardless of preferences

ANSWER B

WHY Exploring the family's practices, preferences, and goals allows the IBCLC to provide respectful, individualized, evidence-based care while supporting safe infant feeding.

QUESTION 9

SINGLE CHOICE

A mother says, "I don't think I can keep breastfeeding because breastfeeding hurts." Which response best reflects effective lactation counseling?

- ☐ A "That is normal; you should ignore the pain."
- ☒ B "Tell me more about when the pain began and what you have noticed about the infant's latch."
- ☐ C "You should stop immediately if you feel pain."
- ☐ D "Most mothers experience pain, so you need to be more determined."

ANSWER B

WHY An open, focused invitation to describe the pain and latch experience supports assessment and shared decision-making. Dismissing the concern, giving unsupported reassurance, or directing immediate weaning does not provide effective counseling.