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QUESTION 1

SINGLE CHOICE

In a patellar tendon-bearing (PTB) transtibial prosthetic socket, which structure is the primary pressure-tolerant weight-bearing area?

- ☒ **A** Patellar tendon
- ☐ **B** Fibular head
- ☐ **C** Distal tibia
- ☐ **D** Tibial crest

ANSWER A

WHY The PTB socket design directs load-bearing primarily onto the patellar tendon, a pressure-tolerant area, while relieving pressure over sensitive bony prominences like the tibial crest and fibular head.

QUESTION 2

SINGLE CHOICE

Which transfemoral amputation level provides the best mechanical advantage for prosthetic control due to preserved adductor muscle attachment?

- ☐ **A** Very short transfemoral amputation
- ☒ **B** Amputation preserving adductor magnus insertion via myodesis
- ☐ **C** Knee disarticulation
- ☐ **D** Hip disarticulation

ANSWER B

WHY Preserving and reattaching the adductor magnus through myodesis maintains normal muscle length-tension relationships and improves femoral adduction control, enhancing prosthetic gait efficiency.

QUESTION 3

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which of the following are recognized clinical indications for prescribing a solid ankle-foot orthosis (AFO)? (Choose two.)

- ☒ **A** Significant spasticity with fixed equinus deformity
- ☐ **B** Isolated mild dorsiflexion weakness with normal tone
- ☒ **C** Severe mediolateral ankle instability
- ☐ **D** Need for maximal ankle plantarflexion during push-off

ANSWER A • C

WHY A solid AFO fully immobilizes the ankle, making it appropriate for cases with significant spasticity/fixed deformity or severe mediolateral instability; mild isolated weakness is better managed with an articulated or hinged AFO, and solid AFOs restrict rather than allow push-off plantarflexion.

QUESTION 4

SINGLE CHOICE

In a myoelectric transradial prosthesis, surface electrodes are typically placed over which muscle groups to generate control signals?

- ☐ **A** Biceps and triceps
- ☒ **B** Wrist flexors and wrist extensors
- ☐ **C** Deltoid and pectoralis major
- ☐ **D** Trapezius and rhomboids

ANSWER B

WHY Myoelectric transradial prostheses commonly use residual wrist flexor and extensor muscle activity to generate antagonistic EMG signals that control terminal device opening and closing.

QUESTION 5

SINGLE CHOICE

A TLSO is primarily prescribed to restrict motion in which region of the spine?

- ☐ A Cervical spine only
- ☒ B Thoracic and lumbar spine
- ☐ C Lumbar and sacral spine only
- ☐ D Cervical and thoracic spine

ANSWER B

WHY A thoracolumbosacral orthosis (TLSO) is designed to immobilize and support the thoracic and lumbar spinal segments, commonly used for scoliosis, fractures, or post-surgical stabilization.

QUESTION 6

SINGLE CHOICE

Which type of prosthetic knee unit uses hydraulic or pneumatic resistance to adjust swing phase timing in response to walking speed changes?

- ☐ A Single-axis constant friction knee
- ☐ B Manual locking knee
- ☒ C Fluid-controlled (hydraulic/pneumatic) knee
- ☐ D Weight-activated stance control knee
- ☐ E Polycentric knee without fluid control

ANSWER C

WHY Fluid-controlled knee units use hydraulic or pneumatic cylinders to provide variable resistance, allowing swing-phase cadence to adapt automatically to changes in walking speed, unlike constant-friction mechanisms.

QUESTION 7

TRUE FALSE

In pediatric prosthetic management, children typically require more frequent socket replacements than adults primarily due to rapid limb growth and volume changes.

☒ **A** True☐ **B** False**ANSWER A**

WHY Pediatric patients undergo continuous limb growth and residual limb volume changes, necessitating more frequent socket adjustments or replacements compared to skeletally mature adults.

QUESTION 8

SINGLE CHOICE

A transtibial prosthesis user exhibits excessive knee flexion during early stance phase. Which socket or alignment fault is the most likely cause?

☒ **A** Socket set too far anterior relative to the foot☐ **B** Socket set too far posterior relative to the foot☐ **C** Excessive plantarflexion of the prosthetic foot☐ **D** Prosthesis too long**ANSWER A**

WHY An anteriorly placed socket (or excessive dorsiflexion) shifts the ground reaction force line anterior to the knee axis at heel strike, creating a knee flexion moment and causing excessive knee flexion during early stance.

QUESTION 9

SINGLE CHOICE

Which thermoplastic material is most commonly used for fabricating low-temperature, hand-moldable orthoses such as small hand or wrist splints?

- ☐ A Polypropylene
- ☒ B Low-temperature thermoplastic (e.g., polycaprolactone-based material)
- ☐ C Carbon fiber composite
- ☐ D Titanium alloy

ANSWER B

WHY Low-temperature thermoplastics soften in hot water (around 60-70°C) and can be directly hand-molded onto the patient without a positive mold, making them ideal for small splints such as hand or wrist orthoses, unlike polypropylene which requires higher heat and a mold.