Assessment Questions for Using Visual Aids

Name:

Select the best response.

- 1. In a presentation, visuals should be:
- A. the focal point.
- B. support for your points.
- 2. It is always more effective to use slides than to use a flipchart.
- A. True
- B. False
- 3. When using transparencies on an overhead projector:
- A. letters should be at least 1/4" high.
- B. use a frame for each image.
- C. dim the room lights.
- D. A and B
- E. B and C
- 4. Transparencies are placed on the glass stage of the projector exactly as you would place them for you to read.
- A. True
- B. False
- 5. A good technique when using a pointer is to:
- A. put the pointer down when you are not using it.
- B. hold the pointer in the hand nearest the screen.
- C. consider using a "swizzle stick" for a pointer.
- D. all of the above
- 6. Which of the following is unpopular with some audiences because it appears as if the speaker has a secret?
- A. revelation (revealing each item as you discuss it)
- B. masking (showing the whole, then masking all but your subject)
- C. overlays (transparencies on top of transparencies)

- 7. The screen should be placed above the floor at least: A. one foot. B. four feet.
- C. eight feet.D. twelve feet.
- A. photos reproduce well.
- B. slides are easier to update than videotapes.
- C. the room does not have to be dark.

8. An advantage of using slides is:

- D. A and B
- E. A and C
- 9. When using visuals, you should:
- A. orient yourself to look at the visual and not at the audience.
- B. orient yourself to look at the audience and not at the visual.
- C. keep shoulder orientation to the audience.
- D. any of the above
- 10. Maintaining even pace when presenting slides is better than varying the pace.
- A. True
- B. False
- 11. A chart to convey percentage relationships is a:
- A. flow chart.
- B. line graph.
- C. pie chart.
- D. none of the above
- 12. Before buying a film or videotape, you should ask yourself if:
- A. it portrays a pluralistic workforce.
- B. its technical quality is high.
- C. it is realistic, relevant and cost effective.
- D. it is appropriate for your group.
- E. all of the above
- 13. If a film works well, yet the film's soundtrack isn't right for your audience, a creative idea is to develop your own narrative and turn the sound off.
- A. True
- B. False
- 14. Film and video audiences tend to be:
- A. passive.
- B. active.

- 15. Models are sometimes the best visual aids except when they:
- A. are tangible.
- B. add realism.
- C. add drama.
- D. are used for large groups.
- 16. When profiling your audience, try to determine:
- A. level of education.
- B. knowledge of topic.
- C. gender and ethnic background.
- D. all of the above
- 17. To plan the sequence of your visual aids, you should use a:
- A. chalkboard.
- B. storyboard.
- C. thumbnail sketch.
- D. video tape.
- 18. A good design:
- A. is simple and organized.
- B. has white space.
- C. has a dominant point.
- D. has interesting divisions and a path for the eye.
- E. all of the above
- 19. Each visual should present only one idea.
- A. True
- B. False
- 20. The color red on a visual usually signifies:
- A. growth and movement.
- B. spiritual meaning.
- C. power and energy.
- D. negative issues.
- 21. Any words used on a visual should not require additional explanation.
- A. True
- B. False
- 22. A good rule for including words on a visual is:
- A. five lines of four words each.
- B. six lines of six words each.
- C. six lines of no more than ten words each.
- D. eight lines of four words each.

- 23. It is a good idea to use all caps for text on visuals.
- A. True
- B. False
- 24. Whenever you plan a presentation with visual aids, you should have
- A. a slide projector.
- B. a backup plan.
- C. a projector bulb.
- D. all of the above
- 25. You should avoid reading aloud from your visuals.
- A. True
- B. False

Good Luck

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Qualitative Objectives for *Using Visual Aids*

To explain the use of seven types of visual media *Questions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 15*

To show how to organize and create visuals *Questions 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23*

To provide tips and advise about pitfalls in the use of visual aids *Questions 1, 2, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 24, 25*

Answer Key

- 1. B (5)
- 2. B (9)
- 3. D (12)
- 4. A (14)
- 5. D (16)
- 6. A (19)
- 7. B (14)
- 8. D (21)
- 9. C (23)
- 10. B (24)
- 11. C (27)
- 12. E (36)
- 13. A (37)
- 14. A (37)
- 15. D (38)
- 16. D (42)
- 17. B (46)
- 18. E (48)
- 19. A (52)
- 20. C (56)
- 21. B (58)
- 22. B (59)
- 23. B (62)
- 24. B (70)
- 25. A (69)