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Name _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 1) Physical evidence can be defined as _____ associated with a crime or tort. 1) _____
A) intangible objects B) testimony
C) physical objects D) inanimate objects

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

- 2) In order to be of value, physical evidence must be _____, _____, and _____ 2) _____
properly.

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 3) One of the major purposes for the collection of physical evidence is _____. 3) _____
A) crime scene reconstruction B) to solve the crime
C) investigate D) find the suspects

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

- 4) Physical evidence may help determine whether or not a _____ occurred. 4) _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 5) Physical evidence may _____ an individual with another or with a crime scene. 5) _____
A) link (associate) B) falsely accuse C) prove infallible D) disassociate
- 6) The "Locard principle" states that a(n) _____ of physical evidence may occur when there is 6) _____
contact between two individuals.
A) contamination B) destruction
C) destroying D) exchange (transfer)

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

- 7) Physical evidence may provide _____ to a jury which may assist in the determination 7) _____
of guilt or innocence of an accused.

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 8) The "Linkage Triangle" illustrates the possible transfer of physical evidence between the _____, 8) _____
the _____ and the _____.
A) media, police, public B) victim, suspect, scene
C) log, tape, police D) crime, subject, police
- 9) "Class" characteristics are those characteristics shared by _____. 9) _____
A) all members of a class (group) B) an individual
C) no one D) a single source

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SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

10) _____ is the identification of the individual source of an evidence item. 10) _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

11) Glass, soil and fibers have only _____ characteristics. 11) _____
A) class B) individual C) chemical D) fragile

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

12) The term "Known" refers to the known _____ of an item. 12) _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

13) The term "Exemplar" refers to an item prepared from a _____. 13) _____
A) unknown B) control C) known D) substrate

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

14) In order for physical evidence to be effective and admissible, the collection of the evidence must meet _____, _____ and _____ requirements. 14) _____

15) Standard Identification data includes _____, _____, _____ and _____. 15) _____

16) Fill in the blank for EXEMPLAR: 16) _____

QUESTIONED (Q)	EXEMPLAR (K)	KNOWN SOURCE (K)
Latent fingerprint	_____	Suspect's Fingers

17) Fill in the blank for EXEMPLAR: 17) _____

QUESTIONED (Q)	EXEMPLAR (K)	KNOWN SOURCE (K)
Hair from scene	_____	Hair from suspect

18) Fill in the blank for EXEMPLAR: 18) _____

QUESTIONED (Q)	EXEMPLAR (K)	KNOWN SOURCE (K)
Shoe impression	_____	Shoe from suspect

19) Fill in the blank for EXEMPLAR: 19) _____

QUESTIONED (Q)	EXEMPLAR (K)	KNOWN SOURCE (K)
Bullet from victim	_____	Firearm from suspect

20) Fill in the blank for EXEMPLAR: 20) _____

QUESTIONED (Q)	EXEMPLAR (K)	KNOWN SOURCE (K)
Fiber on victim	_____	Shirt of suspect

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21) Fill in the blank for EXEMPLAR: 21) _____

QUESTIONED (Q) Bloodstain	EXEMPLAR (K) _____	KNOWN SOURCE (K) Blood sample/suspect
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22) Fill in the blank for INDIVIDUAL characteristics: 22) _____

EVIDENCE TYPE Fingerprints	CLASS Basic Patterns	INDIVIDUAL _____
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23) Fill in the blank for INDIVIDUAL characteristics: 23) _____

EVIDENCE TYPE Toolmarks	CLASS Size of Tool Mark	INDIVIDUAL _____
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24) Fill in the blank for INDIVIDUAL characteristics: 24) _____

EVIDENCE TYPE Bloodstains	CLASS ABO, Enzyme Types	INDIVIDUAL _____
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25) Fill in the blank for INDIVIDUAL characteristics: 25) _____

EVIDENCE TYPE Footwear	CLASS Size, Sole Patterns	INDIVIDUAL _____
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26) Fill in the blank for INDIVIDUAL characteristics: 26) _____

EVIDENCE TYPE Handwriting	CLASS Handwriting System	INDIVIDUAL _____
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TRUE/FALSE. Write 'T' if the statement is true and 'F' if the statement is false.

27) Preservation of physical evidence includes proper packaging. 27) _____

28) Reconstruction of a crime scene means using a computer crime scene program to sketch the scene. 28) _____

29) Linkage can mean to link one crime to another crime. 29) _____

30) The most important function of a crime scene investigation is to provide investigative leads to detectives. 30) _____

31) Class characteristics are those characteristics which serve to identify the individual source of an evidence item. 31) _____

32) The individual characteristics of a firearm are the measurements of the lands and grooves. 32) _____

33) Class only physical evidence can often be linked to an individual known item. 33) _____

34) Individualization is the determination of the individual source of an evidence item. 34) _____

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- 35) The term "unknown items" refers to the unknown nature of evidence items. 35) _____
- 36) The term "questioned item" refers to the questioned source of an evidence item. 36) _____
- 37) The term "exemplar" refers to a sample of an unknown evidence item. 37) _____
- 38) Comparative analysis is the determination of the chemical nature of an evidence item through chemical analysis. 38) _____
- 39) A "match" between a known and a questioned item means that the examiner determines that any differences between the individual characteristics of the questioned and known items are insignificant. 39) _____
- 40) An examiner may eliminate a known item as the source of a questioned item when the class characteristics of the two do not agree. 40) _____
- 41) A control standard may be a background control from the crime scene. 41) _____
- 42) A comparison standard is a sample with a known source which is compared to a questioned item. 42) _____
- 43) The term "chain of custody" means the documentation of the custody of an evidence item from the time of its collection until it is presented in court. 43) _____
- 44) Contamination of an evidence item does not affect its admissibility in court. 44) _____

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Answer Key

Testname: UNTITLED1

- 1) C
- 2) Recognized, collected, preserved
- 3) A
- 4) Crime
- 5) A
- 6) D
- 7) Facts
- 8) B
- 9) A
- 10) Individualization
- 11) A
- 12) Source
- 13) C
- 14) Ethical, Legal, Scientific
- 15) Case number, date, item number, name of collector
- 16) Inked fingerprint
- 17) Hair from person
- 18) Test impressions
- 19) Test fired bullet
- 20) Fibers from shirt
- 21) Liquid blood
- 22) Minutiae Patterns
- 23) Striations in Marks
- 24) DNA Patterns
- 25) Wear Damage to Sole
- 26) Variations from System
- 27) TRUE
- 28) FALSE
- 29) TRUE
- 30) FALSE
- 31) FALSE
- 32) FALSE
- 33) FALSE
- 34) TRUE
- 35) FALSE
- 36) TRUE
- 37) FALSE
- 38) FALSE
- 39) TRUE
- 40) TRUE
- 41) TRUE
- 42) TRUE
- 43) TRUE
- 44) FALSE

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