

# **PRACTICE EXAM 17: COSMETOLOGY STATE BOARD SIMULATION (110 QUESTIONS)**

---

*This practice exam contains 110 multiple-choice questions covering infection control, scientific concepts, haircare, chemical services, skin care, nails, and professional practice. Select the single best answer for each question. Use it as review material; follow your jurisdiction's current candidate bulletin for the official test format and rules.*

**1.** What is a traveling guideline?

- A. A guideline that moves as cutting progresses
- B. A guide fixed at the nape
- C. A guide used only for color
- D. A guide drawn on a mannequin

**2.** What does elevation mean in haircutting?

- A. Amount of hair removed by thinning
- B. Speed of clipper movement
- C. Angle at which hair is held from the head
- D. Temperature of a blow dryer

**3.** What haircut result is typically created with 0-degree elevation?

- A. Uniformly layered shape
- B. Long layered shape
- C. One-length or blunt shape
- D. Graduated shape only

**4.** What is overdirection used for?

- A. Create length increase or decrease within a shape
- B. Change the pH of hair
- C. Sterilize metal tools
- D. Test for skin sensitivity

**5.** What is point cutting used to create?

- A. A perfectly blunt perimeter
- B. A chemical color deposit
- C. A nail enhancement overlay
- D. Softened, textured line ends

**6.** What is thinning shears primarily used for?

- A. Create a blunt perimeter
- B. Remove bulk and create texture
- C. Apply lightener precisely
- D. Shape the natural nail

**7.** What is a razor commonly used to create?

- A. A chemical relaxer pattern
- B. A permanent color formula
- C. Soft, tapered texture
- D. A nail polish finish

**8.** What is thermal styling?

- A. Styling hair with heated tools
- B. Setting hair only with water
- C. Cutting hair with a razor
- D. Applying color with foil

**9.** What should be applied before using a thermal iron?

- A. Disinfectant concentrate
- B. Heat protectant product
- C. Cuticle remover
- D. Developer lotion

**10.** Why is a test curl performed during a permanent wave?

- A. Determine natural hair color
- B. Measure nail plate thickness
- C. Replace the neutralizer step
- D. Check curl formation and processing

**11.** What is the purpose of neutralizer in a permanent wave?

- A. Open the cuticle before wrapping
- B. Reform bonds into the new shape
- C. Remove all natural pigment
- D. Increase hair alkalinity permanently

**12.** What does a relaxer do to hair?

- A. Deposits direct dye molecules
- B. Cleanses scalp buildup
- C. Chemically rearranges curl pattern

D. Temporarily adds surface shine

**13.** What is a base cream used for during relaxer services?

- A. Protect scalp and hairline skin
- B. Increase processing speed
- C. Neutralize unwanted orange tone
- D. Sanitize combs after service

**14.** What is the purpose of a blow dryer concentrator nozzle?

- A. Create a chemical wave pattern
- B. Measure hair color level
- C. Soften cuticle tissue
- D. Direct airflow to a specific area

**15.** What is backcombing used to create?

- A. Volume and support at the base
- B. A uniform blunt cut
- C. A lower hair pH
- D. A sanitized nail surface

**16.** What is a roller set designed to establish?

- A. Haircolor oxidation
- B. Curl pattern and volume
- C. Nail plate adhesion
- D. Skin exfoliation depth

**17.** What does product viscosity describe?

- A. Color intensity of pigment
- B. Amount of heat from a dryer
- C. Thickness and flow of a product
- D. Size of a hair subsection

**18.** What is a facial cleanser intended to do?

- A. Permanently tighten pores
- B. Bleach facial hair
- C. Disinfect all equipment
- D. Remove surface soil and makeup

**19.** What does exfoliation remove?

- A. Excess dead surface cells
- B. Living dermis cells
- C. All skin pigment
- D. Natural facial muscles

**20.** What is the purpose of a facial mask?

- A. Replace all cleansing steps
- B. Change bone structure
- C. Provide a targeted skin treatment
- D. Permanently remove pores

**21.** What is a primary reason to use sunscreen?

- A. Increase sebum production
- B. Open hair cuticle layers
- C. Sterilize the skin surface
- D. Limit ultraviolet exposure

**22.** What is waxing primarily used for?

- A. Permanent pigment removal
- B. Temporary hair removal from the root
- C. Chemical hair straightening
- D. Nail enhancement curing

**23.** Why should wax temperature be tested before application?

- A. Prevent client burns
- B. Make hair grow faster
- C. Increase pigment deposit
- D. Create a harder nail plate

**24.** What direction is wax generally applied?

- A. Against hair growth only
- B. In the direction of hair growth
- C. In a circular motion
- D. From center to scalp

**25.** What direction is wax generally removed?

- A. In the direction of hair growth
- B. Straight upward from skin
- C. Toward the center of the face

D. Against the direction of hair growth

**26.** What is a basic makeup primer intended to do?

- A. Remove all facial hair
- B. Replace a cleanser
- C. Improve makeup application and wear
- D. Disinfect cosmetic brushes

**27.** What is foundation primarily used to create?

- A. A permanent tan
- B. A chemical exfoliation
- C. A more even-looking complexion
- D. A haircolor base

**28.** What makeup product is generally used to add color to cheeks?

- A. Blush
- B. Concealer
- C. Setting powder
- D. Brow pencil

**29.** What should be done with a mascara wand after use?

- A. Return it to the tube for storage
- B. Discard or avoid double-dipping it
- C. Disinfect it with water only
- D. Share it with the next client

**30.** What is the purpose of a nail dehydrator?

- A. Soften the nail plate
- B. Hydrate the cuticle
- C. Add color to polish
- D. Remove surface oils before enhancement

**31.** What is an acrylic nail enhancement created from?

- A. Shampoo and conditioner
- B. Developer and haircolor
- C. Wax and resin
- D. Liquid monomer and powder polymer

**32.** What is a nail primer used to improve?

- A. Adhesion of enhancement product
- B. Length of the free edge
- C. Natural nail pigment
- D. Cuticle softness only

**33.** What is an overlay?

- A. A polish applied under the nail
- B. A cuticle-removal method
- C. Enhancement applied over the natural nail
- D. A procedure for hair extensions

**34.** What is the free edge?

- A. Living skin around nail base
- B. Portion extending beyond the fingertip
- C. Area beneath the matrix
- D. White spot inside the plate

**35.** Why should nail enhancements be maintained regularly?

- A. Make nails grow permanently faster
- B. Manage growth and prevent lifting
- C. Eliminate the need for sanitation
- D. Change the natural nail matrix

**36.** What is lifting in nail enhancements?

- A. An increase in nail plate thickness
- B. A technique for applying polish
- C. A way to file the free edge
- D. Separation between product and natural nail

**37.** What is the purpose of a client record?

- A. Document services, formulas, and observations
- B. Replace an informed consultation
- C. Store used implements
- D. List only retail prices

**38.** Why should a cosmetologist stay within scope of practice?

- A. Avoid learning new techniques
- B. Increase product processing time
- C. Protect clients and comply with regulation

D. Replace required licensing

**39.** What is the best response to a suspected contagious condition?

- A. Postpone service and refer appropriately
- B. Perform a stronger massage
- C. Cover it with makeup and continue
- D. Use a stronger disinfectant on skin

**40.** Why should a cosmetologist follow manufacturer directions?

- A. They eliminate the need for training
- B. They make patch tests unnecessary
- C. They specify safe and effective product use
- D. They guarantee every client result

**41.** Which agency enforces workplace safety rules in salons?

- A. FDA
- B. EPA
- C. FTC
- D. OSHA

**42.** What is the safest first response to a small cut during a service?

- A. Cover it with a dry towel and continue
- B. Stop the service and follow blood-exposure procedures
- C. Rinse tools only after the appointment
- D. Apply product to seal the area

**43.** What does cleaning remove from a nonporous implement?

- A. All bacterial spores
- B. Visible dirt and debris
- C. Only odor molecules
- D. Only cosmetic stains

**44.** Which process destroys most pathogenic organisms on implements?

- A. Disinfection
- B. Sanitation
- C. Sterilization
- D. Dehydration

**45.** What type of item must be discarded after use if contaminated?

- A. Metal shears
- B. Glass jar
- C. Porous single-use item
- D. Hard-rubber comb

**46.** Which product should be used on hands when soap and water are unavailable?

- A. A finishing spray
- B. A clarifying shampoo
- C. A cuticle solvent
- D. An appropriate hand antiseptic

**47.** Why are Safety Data Sheets kept in the salon?

- A. To list client appointment times
- B. To provide hazard and handling information
- C. To record inventory prices
- D. To show service procedures

**48.** What does cross-contamination mean?

- A. Mixing two compatible hair colors
- B. Using a new cape for each guest
- C. Following a product label
- D. Transfer of harmful material between people or objects

**49.** Which item is considered nonporous?

- A. A metal tweezer
- B. A wood stick
- C. A cotton towel
- D. A paper neck strip

**50.** Before disinfecting an implement, what should be done first?

- A. Place it in a sealed drawer
- B. Dry it with a towel
- C. Clean it thoroughly
- D. Spray it with perfume

**51.** What is a contraindication?

- A. A preferred retail recommendation
- B. A method of increasing volume
- C. A condition requiring a service change or postponement

D. A type of hair extension

**52.** When should a salon employee wash their hands?

- A. Before and after every client service
- B. Only after chemical services
- C. Once at the end of the day
- D. Only when gloves are worn

**53.** What is the purpose of an EPA-registered disinfectant?

- A. To clean porous towels
- B. To condition the scalp
- C. To sanitize makeup brushes only
- D. To disinfect eligible hard, nonporous surfaces

**54.** How should clean, disinfected implements be stored?

- A. Loose on the workstation
- B. In a clean, covered container
- C. In the same container as soiled tools
- D. Wrapped in a used towel

**55.** What should be done with a product that has an unreadable label?

- A. Do not use it until it is properly identified
- B. Use it only on long hair
- C. Mix it with water first
- D. Store it near the shampoo bowl

**56.** Why is ventilation important during chemical services?

- A. It makes color process faster
- B. It eliminates the need for gloves
- C. It replaces patch testing
- D. It helps reduce inhalation exposure

**57.** Which practice helps prevent slips in a salon?

- A. Store towels on the floor
- B. Wipe spills promptly
- C. Leave cords across walkways
- D. Use loose mats near bowls

**58.** What is the correct purpose of a neck strip?

- A. Hold wet hair in place
- B. Replace a towel during shampooing
- C. Create a barrier between cape and skin
- D. Protect the workstation

**59.** What should be used to remove spilled broken glass?

- A. Bare hands with a towel
- B. A brush and dustpan or other safe tool
- C. A damp cotton pad
- D. A disinfected comb

**60.** What is the best action when a client reports burning during a chemical service?

- A. Stop immediately and assess the condition
- B. Add more product to dilute it
- C. Continue until the timer ends
- D. Cover the area with a cape

**61.** Which body system provides the framework of the body?

- A. Endocrine system
- B. Digestive system
- C. Integumentary system
- D. Skeletal system

**62.** What type of tissue connects muscle to bone?

- A. Ligament
- B. Nerve
- C. Tendon
- D. Cartilage

**63.** Which muscle is primarily responsible for closing the eyelid?

- A. Masseter
- B. Temporalis
- C. Orbicularis oculi
- D. Frontalis

**64.** What is the largest organ of the body?

- A. Heart
- B. Liver
- C. Lung

D. Skin

**65.** Which layer of the skin contains blood vessels and nerves?

- A. Epidermis
- B. Dermis
- C. Stratum corneum
- D. Cuticle

**66.** What is sebum?

- A. Oil secreted by sebaceous glands
- B. Sweat from sudoriferous glands
- C. Keratin from hair cortex
- D. Pigment from melanin cells

**67.** What causes skin color?

- A. Sebum secretion
- B. Collagen contraction
- C. Melanin production
- D. Keratin removal

**68.** What is the technical term for excessive perspiration?

- A. Anhidrosis
- B. Hyperhidrosis
- C. Hirsutism
- D. Seborrhea

**69.** What is a common purpose of massage in a facial service?

- A. Promote relaxation and circulation
- B. Remove all melanin pigment
- C. Permanently tighten pores
- D. Replace exfoliation products

**70.** Which skin type generally produces excess oil?

- A. Dry skin
- B. Normal skin
- C. Sensitive skin
- D. Oily skin

**71.** What is a comedone?

- A. A plugged hair follicle
- B. An inflamed sweat gland
- C. A broken capillary
- D. A skin pigment cell

**72.** Which condition is characterized by a closed comedone?

- A. Blackhead
- B. Whitehead
- C. Papule
- D. Wheal

**73.** What is the main function of the nail matrix?

- A. Anchor the free edge
- B. Supply surface oil
- C. Produce new nail cells
- D. Protect the hair bulb

**74.** What is the visible portion of the natural nail called?

- A. Nail matrix
- B. Nail bed
- C. Hyponychium
- D. Nail plate

**75.** What is the eponychium commonly called?

- A. Free edge of the nail
- B. Living skin at the nail base
- C. White half-moon area
- D. Underside of the nail

**76.** What is onychophagy?

- A. Nail separation
- B. Nail inflammation
- C. Nail biting
- D. Nail hardening

**77.** What is a hangnail?

- A. A stain within the nail plate
- B. A bruise under the free edge
- C. A ridge across the nail plate

D. A split in the living skin beside the nail

**78.** Which nail condition should not be serviced if infection is suspected?

- A. Inflamed or pus-filled tissue
- B. A smooth free edge
- C. A small white spot
- D. A normal lunula

**79.** What does pH measure?

- A. Hair density
- B. Cuticle thickness
- C. Nail growth rate
- D. Acidity or alkalinity

**80.** A pH below 7 is considered what?

- A. Alkaline
- B. Acidic
- C. Neutral
- D. Oxidized

**81.** What is the natural pH range of healthy hair and skin commonly described as?

- A. Slightly acidic
- B. Strongly alkaline
- C. Completely neutral
- D. Highly oxidizing

**82.** What is the primary protein in hair and nails?

- A. Collagen
- B. Elastin
- C. Keratin
- D. Melanin

**83.** What is the outermost layer of the hair strand?

- A. Cortex
- B. Medulla
- C. Follicle
- D. Cuticle

**84.** Which hair layer gives the strand most of its strength and elasticity?

- A. Cortex
- B. Cuticle
- C. Medulla
- D. Hair bulb

**85.** What is the hair bulb?

- A. The exposed end of the strand
- B. The enlarged base where growth begins
- C. The outer scale layer
- D. The natural pigment layer

**86.** What is the dermal papilla?

- A. The protective outer hair layer
- B. The free edge of a nail
- C. A projection supplying nourishment to the bulb
- D. A type of styling product

**87.** What is anagen?

- A. Transition phase of hair
- B. Resting phase of hair
- C. Active growth phase of hair
- D. Shedding phase of hair

**88.** What is telogen?

- A. Resting phase of hair growth
- B. Active growth phase
- C. Chemical softening phase
- D. Color-depositing phase

**89.** What is hair porosity?

- A. Number of hairs per square inch
- B. Natural direction of growth
- C. Diameter of each strand
- D. Ability to absorb moisture and chemicals

**90.** What is hair density?

- A. Ability to absorb moisture
- B. Number of hairs per square inch
- C. Natural wave pattern

D. Elasticity under tension

**91.** What is hair elasticity?

- A. Ability to stretch and return without breaking
- B. Natural amount of pigment
- C. Speed of scalp circulation
- D. Width of the hair shaft

**92.** What determines the natural direction hair grows?

- A. Shampoo temperature
- B. Follicle shape and placement
- C. Choice of styling brush
- D. Amount of conditioner used

**93.** What is a cowlick?

- A. A section of hair that lacks pigment
- B. A localized abrasion on the scalp surface
- C. A repeated split-end pattern in hair
- D. A tuft of hair growing in a different direction

**94.** What is the best tool for detangling wet hair?

- A. Fine-tail comb
- B. Razor comb
- C. Wide-tooth comb
- D. Teasing brush

**95.** Why should hair be detangled from ends upward?

- A. It opens the cuticle faster
- B. It increases scalp oil production
- C. It creates more permanent volume
- D. It reduces pulling and breakage

**96.** What is a consultation primarily used for?

- A. Determine client needs and service suitability
- B. Replace a patch test
- C. Avoid recording formulas
- D. Set the salon retail price

**97.** What is a patch test designed to identify?

- A. Hair density
- B. Possible allergic sensitivity
- C. Natural curl pattern
- D. Scalp massage preference

**98.** What is strand testing used to evaluate?

- A. How fast nails will grow
- B. Whether skin is dehydrated
- C. How hair may respond to a chemical service
- D. How much retail product to sell

**99.** What is a preliminary test?

- A. A finishing step after blow-drying
- B. A test performed before the main service
- C. A retail discussion with the client
- D. A method of disinfecting tools

**100.** What does the term oxidation mean in haircoloring?

- A. Chemical development involving oxygen
- B. Removal of all pigment
- C. Temporary coating of the cuticle
- D. Mechanical cutting of the hair

**101.** What is a developer commonly used with permanent haircolor?

- A. Sodium hydroxide
- B. Isopropyl alcohol
- C. Hydrogen peroxide
- D. Sodium chloride

**102.** What is the primary purpose of a filler before color application?

- A. Remove all natural pigment
- B. Increase scalp exfoliation
- C. Make hair permanently straighter
- D. Replace missing warm pigment

**103.** What does a toner primarily do?

- A. Lift hair several levels
- B. Thicken each hair strand
- C. Remove all surface oil

D. Refine or neutralize an unwanted tone

**104.** What is a color wheel used for in haircoloring?

- A. Identify neutralizing color relationships
- B. Measure hair density
- C. Determine haircut elevation
- D. Select nail enhancement tips

**105.** Which color neutralizes yellow?

- A. Orange
- B. Red
- C. Violet
- D. Green

**106.** Which color neutralizes orange?

- A. Yellow
- B. Blue
- C. Violet
- D. Red

**107.** What is a single-process color service?

- A. Two haircuts performed together
- B. One formula applied in one operation
- C. A color service without developer
- D. A service using only temporary color

**108.** What is virgin hair?

- A. Hair with a natural wave pattern
- B. Hair that lacks a medulla
- C. Hair that has been shampooed
- D. Hair not previously chemically processed

**109.** What is a retouch application?

- A. Color applied only to ends
- B. Color removed from the scalp
- C. Color applied to new growth
- D. Color mixed without developer

**110.** What is balayage?

- A. A freehand hair-lightening technique
- B. A permanent wave wrapping pattern
- C. A thermal curling procedure
- D. A nail art application method

## **Practice Exam 17: Answer Key and Explanations**

**1. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**2. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**3. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**4. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**5. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**6. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**7. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**8. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**9. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**10. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**11. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**12. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**13. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**14. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**15. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**16. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**17. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**18. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**19. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**20. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**21. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**22. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**23. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**24. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**25. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**26. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**27. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**28. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**29. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**30. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**31. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**32. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**33. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**34. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**35. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**36. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**37. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**38. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**39. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**40. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**41. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**42. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**43. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**44. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**45. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**46. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**47. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**48. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**49. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**50. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**51. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**52. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**53. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**54. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**55. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**56. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**57. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**58. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**59. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**60. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**61. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**62. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**63. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**64. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**65. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**66. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**67. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**68. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**69. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**70. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**71. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**72. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**73. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**74. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**75. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**76. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**77. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**78. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**79. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**80. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**81. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**82. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**83. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**84. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**85. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**86. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**87. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**88. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**89. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**90. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**91. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**92. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**93. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**94. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**95. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**96. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**97. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**98. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**99. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**100. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**101. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**102. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**103. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**104. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**105. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**106. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**107. B** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective,

eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**108. D** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**109. C** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.

**110. A** — The keyed option directly states the correct professional concept for this question. The other choices identify unrelated terms, incomplete actions, or procedures that would not meet accepted cosmetology safety and service standards. On an exam, focus on the stated client-care objective, eliminate choices that do not address it, and choose the response that supports safe, professional practice.