

# Sample Test Items

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**Section I** In this section of the exam you will be provided with situations that require the use of basic arithmetic. You will read each situation and solve the problem. You are not allowed to use a calculator in this section; scratch paper will be provided in the test booklet to do all of your figuring.

1. Officer Milton visits local area businesses as part of a theft prevention program. If Officer Milton visits three area businesses every week, except for his three-week vacation, how many groups does he visit in one year?
- A. 49
  - B. 98
  - C. 147
  - D. 150
  - E. 166

**Questions 2 and 3 are based on the following information.**

In preparing a report on a burglary in a dentist's office, Sgt. Kramer listed the following stolen items and their values.

Digital camera	\$810
Laptop computer	\$650
Printer	\$325
Paper shredder	\$125

2. What was the total value of all the stolen goods?
- A. \$1800
  - B. \$1810
  - C. \$1860
  - D. \$1910
  - E. \$2010
3. What was the value of all the stolen goods EXCEPT the paper shredder?
- A. \$1100
  - B. \$1260
  - C. \$1585
  - D. \$1685
  - E. \$1785

4. During one 5-day period, Officer Fernandez drove his patrol motorcycle 225 miles. If he drove 85 miles on one day, how many miles did he average on each of the other days?
- A. 28 miles
  - B. 35 miles
  - C. 40 miles
  - D. 70 miles
  - E. 140 miles
5. Burglars broke into an electronics store and left with 30 global navigation systems with a total retail value of \$6,750. What is the average retail value of each navigation system?
- A. \$225
  - B. \$250
  - C. \$275
  - D. \$325
  - E. \$350

There are 20 questions like these in Section I of the test, and you will have 20 minutes to answer them. There is no penalty for guessing. Your score will be the percentage of problems you answer correctly. Therefore, you should try to answer each problem.

## **Section II**

This section measures reading comprehension. You will read passages relating to police duty and then answer questions based on these passages. **NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF LAW OR LAW ENFORCEMENT WILL BE NEEDED TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS.** All the information needed to answer the questions will be provided in the passage.

**THE PASSAGES IN THIS SECTION ARE NOT INTENDED TO REPRESENT ACTUAL LAW OF ANY PARTICULAR STATE. THE PASSAGES PRESENT POTENTIAL RULES AND LAWS RELATING TO POLICE WORK.**

### **Three different types of questions will be asked in this section.**

- (1) True/False questions in which a statement will be given concerning a passage or sample report form. The statement will either be accurate and true based on the passage or form, or the statement will be inaccurate and false according to the passage or form.
- (2) Questions in which you will be asked to choose the correct answer according to the information presented in the passage or on a sample report form.
- (3) Questions in which you will be asked to choose the alternative that best completes the sentence. Again, answers should be based on the information in the passage or on the report form.

**Questions 6-10 are based on the following passage.**

In an effort to conserve fuel, reduce traffic congestion and encourage greater use of public transportation, police in Central City are enforcing new driving restrictions through the use of specially marked license plates. These restrictions apply to all vehicular traffic within a two-mile radius of the city center and are effective Monday through Friday.

Vehicles with an “**A**” license plate are considered essential to city services and may travel and park freely in the city center. Police, fire and emergency vehicles are examples of vehicles that would be issued an “**A**” license plate. Public transportation vehicles such as buses and taxis will be issued a “**K**” license plate, and they too may travel freely through the city center, though they may not park anywhere within the city center.

Delivery vehicles will be issued a “**B**” license plate which allows them access to the city center for loading and unloading between 8 and 10 am and 4 to 6 pm only. There is no restriction on deliveries over the weekend. Shop and business owners within the city center will be issued a “**Q**” license plate which allows them access to their place of business; however, parking within the city center must be off-street.

Privately-owned vehicles with an “**X**” license plate may be driven and parked within the city center on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday only. Vehicles issued a “**Z**” license plate may be driven and parked within the city center on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday only.

Central City police are authorized to ticket and arrange for the immediate towing of vehicles violating these new license ordinances. The objective of these changes is to make the city center less congested and more shopper-friendly.

6. According to the passage, a package delivery service may deliver a shipment of medications to a pharmacy in the city center
- A. at any time of day
  - B. on weekends only
  - C. between 8 am and 10 am
  - D. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday only
  - E. between 8 am and 6 pm only

7. According to the passage, what type of license plate will be assigned to Lucy, who owns a clothing store in the city center?
- A. **Q** license plate
  - B. **X** license plate
  - C. **A** license plate
  - D. **B** license plate
  - E. **Z** license plate
8. According to the passage, Mrs. Jackson drives a Volvo with a **Z** license plate and may drive and park within the city center
- A. on any Monday
  - B. on any Friday
  - C. before 9 am or after 7 pm on any day
  - D. for loading and unloading purposes only
  - E. at any time
9. According to the passage, drivers with an **X** or **Z** license plate may drive and park in the city center on any Wednesday.
- A. True
  - B. False
10. According to the passage, which of the following statements would be accurate?
- A. The newly enacted driving restrictions apply to all vehicular traffic driving within the boundaries of Central City.
  - B. Central City police may choose to either ticket or tow vehicles violating these new license ordinances.
  - C. Vehicles with an **A** license plate may travel freely in the city center but may not park on the street there.
  - D. The goal of these new driving restrictions is to create a pedestrian-only shopping area.
  - E. The purpose of these newly issued plates is to reduce traffic volume in the city center during the time when shoppers frequent the businesses.

**Question 11 is based on the statements below. Do not assume anything to be true that is not stated in the passage or in the question.**

The **First Amendment** guarantees freedom of religion, speech and press, as well as the right to assemble peacefully.

The **Fifth Amendment** protects citizens against violations of due process in criminal proceedings. No person may be compelled to testify against him/herself, a grand jury process is required for criminal indictments and double jeopardy is prohibited.

The **Sixth Amendment** guarantees a speedy, fair trial by an impartial jury and the right to counsel in all criminal cases.

The **Eighth Amendment** prohibits excessive bail or fines, as well as cruel or unusual punishment.

11. Which of the following best describes the *Fifth* Amendment?
- A. George, who has little money, has a court-appointed lawyer to defend him in his manslaughter trial.
  - B. Because Juan is a flight risk, Judge Bailey has set bail at one million dollars.
  - C. During interrogation, Drew incriminates himself because a lawyer was not present to advise him.
  - D. Manuel, who was found not guilty in the murder of his wife, cannot be tried again after new evidence is found.
  - E. Spencer has waited three years for his burglary charge to go to trial.

**Questions 12 and 13 are based on the incident report form and the incident description below.**

INCIDENT REPORT--POLICE DEPARTMENT							
1. ADDRESS OF INCIDENT		2. OFFENSE		3. CODE		4. DATE	
5. NAME OF VICTIM: INDIVIDUAL OR BUSINESS				6. ADDRESS		PHONE	
7. ASSIGNED OFFICERS/BADGE NUMBERS			8. AGE OF VICTIM	9. RACE OF VICTIM	10. VICTIM'S DATE OF BIRTH		
11. NAME OF SUSPECT				12. ADDRESS			
13. AGE	14. RACE	15. SEX	16. DATE OF BIRTH		17. HEIGHT	18. WEIGHT	
19. HAIR	20. EYES	21. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION					
22. CHARGES							
23. ITEM	24. BRAND		25. SERIAL NUMBER		26. VALUE		
27. ITEM	28. BRAND		29. SERIAL NUMBER		30. VALUE		
31. ITEM	32. BRAND		33. SERIAL NUMBER		34. VALUE		
35. _____ SIGNATURE OF OFFICER/BADGE NUMBER							

Michelle Wilson, owner of the Coffee Bean at 1535 Madison Avenue, Park Center called police headquarters at 6:30 am, Friday, April 13, to report that her coffee shop had been broken into during the night. Officers Keith Michaels and Toby Manelli arrived at the store at 6:40 am to investigate the incident. Ms. Wilson was able to report immediately that an espresso machine and \$78 from the cash register were missing.

12. The incident report can be fully completed based on the information in the paragraph.

- A. True
- B. False

13. The incident was reported on April 13.

- A. True
- B. False

There are 25 questions like these in Section II of the test, and you will have 25 minutes to answer them. There is no penalty for guessing. Your score will be the percentage of problems you answer correctly. Therefore, you should try to answer each problem.

**Section III** This section of the exam requires you to identify errors in grammar, punctuation, or spelling. There are two types of questions presented in this section. The first type presents incomplete sentences and you are to choose the alternative that best completes the sentence. For these items, be sure to read carefully any material appearing before or after the item. The right answer may be dependent on this material. The second type of question presents sentences that contain a spelling error and you are to choose the alternative that contains the misspelled word.

14. There were three \_\_\_\_\_ at the accident scene.
- A. witness
  - B. witnesses
  - C. witness's
15. The Lieutenant decided \_\_\_\_\_ was enough evidence to issue an arrest warrant.
- A. there
  - B. their
  - C. they're
16. Officer Perez and \_\_\_\_\_ arrested the suspect.
- A. me
  - B. I
17. A recent study found that alcahol was a common factor in traffic accidents. Which word in the above sentence is misspelled?
- A. recent
  - B. found
  - C. alcahol
  - D. common
  - E. accidents
18. On Tuesday, September 18, Officer Daniels investigated a complaint filed by the secretery of an insurance company. Which word in the above sentence is misspelled?
- A. Tuesday
  - B. September
  - C. investigated
  - D. secretery
  - E. insurance

There are 20 questions like these in Section III of the test. You will have 15 minutes to answer them. There is no penalty for guessing. Your score will be the percentage of problems you answer correctly. Therefore, you should try to answer each problem.

**Section IV** Section IV tests your writing skills. On the following page is a completed sample incident report form. Use the information contained on the form to answer the questions that follow. You should write your answers in the spaces provided. All your answers must contain the correct information and be written in complete sentences. The sentences must be grammatically correct and all words should be correctly spelled.

### **EXAMPLE QUESTION**

Read the sample question and answer below.

*What is the victim's date of birth?*

### **EXAMPLE OF CORRECT ANSWER**

*The victim's date of birth is August 5.*

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Note that the answer above contains the correct information and is a complete sentence and the grammar and spelling are correct.

### **EXAMPLES OF INCORRECT ANSWERS**

*August 5*

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The answer above is not a complete sentence and does not contain the correct information.

*Victim's date of birth is August 5.*

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The answer above is not grammatically correct. The word "the" is missing.

*The victim's date of berth is August 5.*

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In the above answer, "birth" is spelled incorrectly.

Questions 19-23 are based on the incident report form below.

INCIDENT REPORT--POLICE DEPARTMENT					
1. ADDRESS OF INCIDENT	2. OFFENSE	3. CODE	4. DATE		
711 W Magnolia	Burglary	A6-250	Nov 11		
5. NAME OF VICTIM: INDIVIDUAL OR BUSINESS		6. ADDRESS	PHONE		
Thomas Stanton		711 W. Magnolia	753-9267		
7. ASSIGNED OFFICERS/BADGE NUMBERS		8. AGE OF VICTIM	9. RACE OF VICTIM	10. VICTIM'S DATE OF BIRTH	
David Crosby #201 Chris Taylor #176		43	White	08/05/80	
11. NAME OF SUSPECT			12. ADDRESS		
Eric Harvey			246 Ivy Lane		
13. AGE	14. RACE	15. SEX	16. DATE OF BIRTH	17. HEIGHT	18. WEIGHT
19	White	Male	04/22	5'10"	180
19. HAIR	20. EYES	21. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION			
Brown	Blue	Wearing black sweatpants, gray sweatshirt			
22. CHARGES					
Burglary					
23. ITEM	24. BRAND	25. SERIAL NUMBER		26. VALUE	
Cash				\$150.00	
27. ITEM	28. BRAND	29. SERIAL NUMBER		30. VALUE	
Jewelry				\$600.00	
31. ITEM	32. BRAND	33. SERIAL NUMBER		34. VALUE	
MP3 Player	Apple	AE98RL567B901		\$200.00	
35. <u>David Crosby #201</u> SIGNATURE OF OFFICER/BADGE NUMBER					

19. When did the incident take place?

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20. What is the name of the suspect?

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21. What is the victim's phone number?

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22. How much does the suspect weigh?

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23. What is the value of the stolen jewelry?

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There are 10 questions like these in Section IV of the test and you will have 15 minutes to answer them. To receive maximum credit, answers must contain the correct information, be in complete sentences, contain no misspelled words and be grammatically correct.