



SECTION 4

TEST II SAMPLE QUESTIONS

This section of the Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators® (GACE™) Preparation Guide provides sample selected-response questions with an annotated answer key for you to review as part of your preparation for the test. The sample selected-response questions are designed to illustrate the nature of the test questions. Work through the questions carefully before referring to the annotated answer key, which follows the sample selected-response questions. The answer key provides the correct response to each question, describes why each correct response is the best answer, and lists the objective within the test framework to which each question is linked.

QUESTIONS

1. Wendy's application for a personal loan has been approved by her bank. The bank has offered her the option of paying back the loan over 24, 36, or 48 months. It is likely that the 48-month loan will have the:
 - A. greatest collateral requirement.
 - B. lowest annual percentage rate.
 - C. highest total finance charges.
 - D. lowest late-payment penalties.

2. Eric is a single parent who relies on his mother to watch his two-year-old daughter and four-year-old son while he is at work during the day. Although Eric is financially unable to compensate his mother for the care she provides for the children, he routinely takes care of household chores, yard work, and errands that his mother needs done. Eric's situation could best be used to illustrate which of the following resource management strategies?
 - A. sharing resources to meet various needs
 - B. defining goals to plan resource use
 - C. conserving resources to reflect personal values
 - D. accomplishing goals through careful resource planning

3. Margaret receives a charge on her credit card for a service she has no recollection of purchasing. In this situation, her first course of action should be to:
 - A. call the credit card provider to report fraudulent usage of her card.
 - B. request a credit report from each of the three credit reporting bureaus.
 - C. call the credit card provider to request further information about the charge.
 - D. stop payment on the charge until the matter has been investigated and resolved.

4. The emerging trend of high-performance housing has resulted from consumer interest in living spaces designed to:
 - A. meet higher energy-use demands.
 - B. reduce utility costs and environmental pollution.
 - C. require less maintenance work.
 - D. increase accessibility and multipurpose use.

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5. In the event of a major fire within the home, it is most important that children understand how to:
- A. use a fire extinguisher.
 - B. call 911.
 - C. exit the building.
 - D. identify flammable materials.
6. Which of the following best illustrates the use of proportion in fashion design?
- A. a shirt that has the same number of sequins on each shoulder
 - B. a dress that has a narrow bodice and a wide skirt
 - C. a suit that displays repetition of line and color throughout
 - D. a sweater that includes a decorative ribbon belt around the waist
7. Changes in the median population age in the United States most directly affect consumer demand for professional services in:
- A. financial planning.
 - B. accounting.
 - C. advertising.
 - D. tax preparation.
8. Cristos is starting a child-care business and is researching what information is necessary and important to keep in each child's personal record. After determining what to include, Cristos's next step should be to:
- A. decide how and when records will be archived or destroyed.
 - B. develop a system to keep track of the information.
 - C. schedule a regular time to maintain and update his records.
 - D. determine what information needs to be kept private and confidential.

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9. A senior in high school has selected a career to pursue. His next step in formulating long-term career goals should be to:
- A. conduct a job search.
 - B. determine education or training requirements.
 - C. develop workplace skills.
 - D. create a résumé, a cover letter, and a list of references.
10. In addition to job competence, which of the following do employers generally view as being most important to an employee's long-term job success?
- A. an advanced degree
 - B. the ability to master new technologies
 - C. a professional image
 - D. the ability to get along with others
11. In the delivery of a spoken message, varying pitch can be used most effectively to:
- A. convey knowledge about the topic.
 - B. clarify difficult concepts for the listener.
 - C. present information in a polite and courteous manner.
 - D. maintain the attention of the listener.

ANNOTATED ANSWER KEY

For question	The correct response is	Reason	Test Objective
1	C	Finance charges are the costs a consumer agrees to pay in order to borrow money from a lender. Finance charges include the interest paid on the amount borrowed and any other related fees. Typically, the longer the term of a loan is, the more interest and finance charges the consumer will pay over the life of the loan. Wendy will likely pay the most in finance charges for a 48-month loan than she will for a 24- or 36-month loan because she will be making more payments and paying interest on the amount borrowed for a longer period of time.	0012
2	A	Sharing and exchanging resources with others is a method that can be used to meet various needs and wants an individual or family may have. In this situation, Eric has limited financial resources but needs childcare. His mother gives him some of her resources (i.e., skill, ability, and time) to help him meet his childcare needs. In exchange, she benefits from Eric giving her some of his resources (i.e., time and ability) to help her with household tasks and errands.	0013
3	C	As a consumer, Margaret is responsible for determining whether she actually purchased the service for which she has been charged. It may be that Margaret did purchase the service, and further information will help her verify that fact. However, the charge may be a billing error, or an instance of fraudulent usage of her credit card number. By calling the credit card provider to request further information, she is taking proactive steps to resolve the situation, demonstrating consumer responsibility, and exercising her right to information.	0014
4	B	Rising utility costs have increased consumer demand for conservation technologies within the home. Also, growing awareness of environmental problems has increased concern about how the environment is affected, altered, and changed by new home construction, renovation, and by the manner in which people live. High-performance housing has emerged in response to these concerns and seeks to address these issues through energy efficient technologies and new construction methods.	0015
5	C	Children should be taught that when a fire is present in the home, their own personal safety is their first concern. It is important to plan escape routes from every area of the home, as well as to designate a safe meeting place outside of the home. Children should participate in fire drills on a regular basis to practice and maintain their knowledge of emergency evacuation procedures.	0016

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6	B	Proportion, a principle of design, concerns the relationship of scale with various components of a design. Typically, apparel designers use the ratio taken from the head to the waist and from the waist to the feet to create harmonious, well-proportioned designs. There is less distance on the human body structure between the head and waist than there is from the waist to the feet. A dress with a narrow bodice with a wide skirt compliments this ratio by giving the top of the dress less space than the bottom part of the dress.	0017
7	A	Typically, financial planning becomes increasingly important as people become older and financial concerns related to personal goals, family, and retirement become more prevalent. Therefore, the demand for financial planning services will rise and fall, depending on whether the median population age is higher or lower.	0018
8	B	After recognizing the need to keep certain information, developing a system for organizing that information is the logical next step. Planning in advance how information will be organized will make retrieval of the information easy and will help Cristos track what important information is missing from a child's record.	0019
9	B	After making a career choice, the next step should be to determine how to prepare for it. By learning what education and training requirements are necessary for a particular career, an individual can start planning how to meet these requirements in order to achieve his or her career goals.	0020
10	D	An employee's ability to get along with others in a work setting demonstrates to an employer the employee's willingness to work cooperatively with others to accomplish the employer's goals. An employee who has this ability is also less likely to cause conflict and disruption within the workplace, which will result in fewer personnel problems for a business and greater overall productivity.	0021
11	D	Listeners are less likely to stay focused on a message if it is delivered to them in a monotonous tone. Varying pitch can help retain the listeners' attention because it adds sound variation to the message. It also can be used as a tool to emphasize important points within the message to the listener.	0022