Preventive and community dentistry

- 1. Compared to waxed dental floss, un waxed floss ------.
 - a. Is of a smaller diameter and thus more easily passes through inter proximal contacts.
 - b. Flattens out under tension and thus each separate thread effectively covers a large surface area.
 - c. <u>All of the above.</u>
 - d. None of the above.
- 2. A white coating, composed of microorganisms, dead epithelial cells and leukocytes, that is loosely adherent to the tooth and can be removed by water spray or rinsing, is ------.
 - a. Microbial plaque.
 - b. Materia alba.
 - c. Calculus.
 - d. Acquired pellicle.
- 3. The brushing method which provides good interproximal and gingival cleaning, good gingival stimulation, and requires moderate dexterity, is the ------.
 - a. Physiologic method.
 - b. Roll method.
 - c. Intrasulcular method.
 - d. Stillman's method.
- 4. The brushing method in which the brush has very short back and forth vibratory motions, with bristle ends remaining in the gingival sulcus, is the ------.

- a. Charter's method.
- b. Bass method.
- c. Physiologic method.
- d. Fone's method.
- 5. Flossing should be done at least ------.
 - a. Once daily.
 - b. Every alternate day.
 - c. Once weekly.
 - d. After every meal.
- 6. Which of the following agents is capable of effectively removing dental plaque ------.
 - a. Chewing gum or bubble gum.
 - b. Water irrigation devices.
 - c. Mouth rinses.
 - d. None of the above.

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- 7. 0.2% sodium fluoride mouth rinses are recommended for use ----
 - a. <u>Daily.</u>
 - b. Once weekly.
 - c. Twice daily.
 - d. Once monthly.
- 8. Dental plaque is not necessary for the initiation of ------.
 - a. Pit and fissure caries.
 - b. Proximal caries.
 - c. Smooth surface caries.
 - d. Labial surface caries.

- 9. Which of the following sugars is least carcinogenic -----.
 - a. Glucose.
 - b. <u>Xylitol.</u>
 - c. Fructose.
 - d. Galactose.
- 10. Pit and fissure caries can be best prevented by ------.
 - a. The use of adhesive sealants.
 - b. Topical fluoride application.
 - c. Diet control.
 - d. Effective plaque control.
- 11. How much time dose bacterial plaque take to produce acids, following the consumption of sugar -----.
 - a. 20 minutes.
 - b. Few minutes.
 - c. Seconds.
 - d. 2-3 hours.
- 12. Which of the following methods of tooth brushing is never recommended ------.
 - a. Bass.
 - b. Intrasulcular.
 - c. Roll.
 - d. Side to side.
- 13. The best age for the application of pit and fissure sealants, in children is ------.
 - a. 10-16 years.

- b. 6-12 years.
- c. 4-7 years.
- d. 2-5 years.
- 14. Ethics can be best defined as ------.
 - a. A set of rules to be followed by a profession.
 - b. A code of conduct which the members of an association are expected to follow.
 - c. A set of unwritten rules and guidelines.
 - d. The science of mortal duty.
- 15. The most important factors in the selection of toothbrush of a patient is ------.
 - a. Angle of the head.
 - b. Condition of the patient's gingival.
 - c. Oral health needs of the patient.
 - d. Approval of a professional body.
- 16. Where should the assistant's feet be during any operative procedure when four handed dentistry is being practiced -----.
 - a. On the suction control.
 - b. On the stool support.
 - c. On the floor.
 - d. Anywhere.
- 17. The carcinogenicity of a patient's diet depends on the -----.
 - a. Frequency of consumption.
 - b. Type of carbohydrate consumed.
 - c. Carbohydrate content of the diet.
 - d. All of the above.

18. The toothbrush recommended for plaque control should have -----

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- a. Rounded ended, natural bristles.
- b. Hard textured, nylon bristles.
- c. Soft textured, nylon bristles.
- d. Medium textured, straight ended nylon bristles.
- 19. Which of the following is least important in a caries control program ------.
 - a. Fluoridation of community water supplies.
 - b. Early detection and treatment.
 - c. Regular use of a fluoride dentifrice.
 - d. Routine and thorough oral prophylaxis.
- 20. Teeth of a preschool child should be brushed -----.
 - a. By a dental auxiliary or a nurse.
 - b. By the child himself.
 - c. By the parents.
 - d. By the dentist.
- 21. A distinct advantage of the Bass method of tooth brushing, is that,
 - it -----.
 - a. Removes more plaque.
 - b. Provides gingival stimulation.
 - c. Is easy to perform.
 - d. Requires less time.

- 22. The brushing method in which the bristles are placed perpendicular to the tooth surface, is the -----.
 - a. Charter's method.
 - b. Stillman's method.
 - c. Fone's method.
 - d. Roll method.
- 23. The most effective means of reducing dental caries in a community by using topical fluoride is -----.
 - a. Fluoridation of the community water supply.
 - b. <u>Routine topical fluoride application to all children in public</u> <u>schools.</u>
 - c. Routine topical fluoride application by local dentists and dental auxiliaries.
 - d. Giving each family with children fluoride tablets to be dissolved in the children's drinking water.
- 24. Primary prevention refers to those measures taken to -----
 - a. Prevents disease before evidence of its occurrence is detected.
 - b. Prevents incipient disease from progressing to destructive activity.
 - c. Focus priority on those practices which minimize the loss of teeth.
 - d. Ensure emphasis on prevention in all dental treatment at any time.
- 25. Assuming that community water fluoridation is not available, the most effective means of decreasing caries for specific 5 years old child is probably ------.
 - a. Topical use of 1.23% acidulated phosphate fluoride twice a year.
 - b. <u>Sodium fluoride tablets</u>, 2.2mg daily.
 - c. Daily use of fluoride containing tooth paste.
 - d. Weekly use of a fluoride containing tooth paste.

- 26. The optimal amount of fluoride for public drinking water of most communities is -----ppm.
 - a. 0.7.
 - b. 0.8.
 - c. <u>1.0.</u> d. 2.0.
- 27. Which of the following complicates flossing by the patient ------
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 - a. Carious root surface.
 - b. Solder joints in fixed prostheses.
 - c. Rough or sharp interdental restoration.
 - d. <u>All the above.</u>
- 28. Frequent brushing helps to prevent calculus formation by -----
 - a. Neutralizing local acidity.
 - b. Breaking up the matrix of plaque.
 - d. Removing food particles on teeth and interproximal areas.
 - e. All of the above.
- 29. Brushing with hard multi bristled tooth brush could cause ------

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- a. Cervical erosion.
- b. Facial clefts.
- c. Gingival recession.
- d. Cervical abrasion.