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EXAMINATION

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REFEREE GRADE 9

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Instructions: Answer the questions that follow, according to the *Laws of the Game*, effective July 1, 2007, and to the instructions given in the current edition of the USSF publication, *Guide to Procedures for Referees, Assistant Referees and Fourth Officials*, as well as *Advice to Referees*. Unless stated otherwise, questions apply to full-sided games.

In answering the following questions, select the BEST response.

1. The referee and assistant referees must arrive at the field early in order to inspect the field and have a pre-game talk.
 - a. True
 - b. False
2. The referee should inspect and approve the ball.
 - a. True
 - b. False
3. A full-sided team may play without a goalkeeper if they have less than 11 players at game time.
 - a. True
 - b. False
4. A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick.
 - a. True
 - b. False
5. After an indirect free kick, the ball bounces off the goal post, hits a defender's leg and then goes into the goal, a goal should be awarded.
 - a. True
 - b. False
6. At the taking of a corner kick, opponents are required to be 10 yards from:
 - a. the ball
 - b. the corner flag
 - c. the player taking the corner kick
 - d. from the corner arc
 - e. the touchline
7. The correct terms for the boundary lines around the field are called
 - a. end line and side line.
 - b. goal line and touch line.
8. Which is true about the penalty area?
 - a. it shows where the goalkeeper can handle the ball.
 - b. direct kick fouls committed by a defender are punished by a penalty kick.
 - c. goal kicks must clear the penalty area before the ball is in play.
 - d. all of the above.
9. When a penalty kick is taken, all players except the kicker and goalkeeper must be
 - a. outside the penalty area.
 - b. behind the ball.
 - c. on the field of play.
 - d. all of the above.
10. What size ball is used for under-10?
 - a. Size 3.
 - b. Size 4.
 - c. Size 5.
11. How many players are there on a full-sided soccer team that is ready to play?
 - a. 6.
 - b. 12.
 - c. Maximum of 11.

12. At the taking of a throw-in, all opponents must be at least 2 yards away from the point at which the throw-in is to be taken
- a. True
 - b. False
13. A goalkeeper, while punting the ball from the top of the penalty area, goes completely out of the penalty area and into the penalty arc while in control of the ball with his/her hands. The referee should:
- a. award an indirect free kick.
 - b. award a direct free kick.
14. Which requirement applies to players' shoes?
- a. They must be soccer shoes.
 - b. They must be made of leather.
 - c. They must not be dangerous to other players.
15. Which statement about players' equipment is more accurate?
- a. Players must wear shin guards.
 - b. Players must wear shin guards covered by socks.
16. An under-14 match is played in
- a. 2 halves of 35 minutes each.
 - b. 4 quarters of 17 minutes each.
17. The winner of the coin toss before the game
- a. kicks off.
 - b. has a choice of which goal to attack.
18. On a kick-off,
- a. opponents must be 10 yards from the ball (less for under 6, 8, 10).
 - b. all players must be in their own half.
 - c. the ball must be kicked forward.
 - d. all of the above.
19. The game should be restarted with a dropped ball when you have stopped play because of
- a. injury
 - b. interference by outsiders
 - c. lightning (when safe to restart)
 - d. any of the above
20. When is the ball out of play?
- a. When any part of the ball is over the goal line or touch line.
 - b. When the whole ball is completely outside the goal line or touch line.
 - c. When most of the ball is over the goal line or touch line.
21. If the ball hits the referee and stays inside the field,
- a. it is in play.
 - b. it is out of play.
22. A player taking a throw-in must have both feet
- a. on the ground.
 - b. on or outside the touch line.
 - c. both of the above
23. For safety reasons, goals MUST be anchored securely to the ground.
- a. True
 - b. False

24. A player gets hit in the face with a kicked ball and you see that he/she has a bloody nose. You:
- keep playing until a convenient time to stop, then have him/her treated.
 - stop the game and have the player taken off the field and treated. Substitution is allowed.
25. If, from a goal kick, the ball does not go outside the penalty area
- allow any player to kick the ball.
 - retake the goal kick.
26. A corner kick is taken from
- inside the corner arc nearest where the ball went over the goal line.
 - inside the corner arc on either side of the field.
27. To award a direct free kick the foul must be committed
- on the field while the ball is in play.
 - by a player against an opponent (except handling the ball).
 - both of the above.
28. A player commits a charging foul in a manner that you consider reckless. If you decide to caution that player, you should caution him/her for unsporting behavior.
- True
 - False
29. Midway through the second half, severe lightning is observed near the field. The coaches of both teams wish to continue the game. The referee should:
- continue the game
 - suspend the game, regardless of the coaches' opinions.
30. To score a goal on an indirect free kick the ball must be touched by the kicker and
- only a teammate of the kicker.
 - any player from either team, other than the kicker.
31. When an indirect free kick is taken outside the penalty area, the ball is in play when it is kicked and moves.
- True
 - False
32. When a player in his/her own penalty area commits a foul punishable by a direct free kick, the restart is a direct free kick from the spot of the foul.
- True
 - False
33. A player is taking a penalty kick. His/her teammate runs into the penalty area before the ball is kicked and the ball is kicked wide of the goal. You award a
- retake of the penalty kick.
 - goal kick.
 - corner kick.
 - indirect free kick
34. Penalty kicks
- are not used in Under-6 and Under-8 small-sided games.
 - must be taken by the player who is fouled.
 - all of the above.
35. To be in an offside position, a player must be
- ahead of the ball.
 - ahead of the second-to-last defender.
 - both a and b.

36. A player is in an offside position, but is not in the area of active play. He/she does not interfere with play or with an opponent.
- You call him/her offside and give an indirect free kick to the opponents.
 - You allow play to continue and do not call him/her offside.
37. A player, who is onside when the ball is played forward, runs into an offside position to receive the ball. He/she should
- be called offside.
 - not be called offside.
38. A player cannot be punished for being offside if he/she receives the ball directly from a:
- direct free kick.
 - indirect free kick.
 - corner kick.
39. The assistant referee's normal position during the game, when the ball is in play, is even with
- the second-to-last defender.
 - the ball.
 - whichever of those two is closer to the goal line.
40. The official time of the game is kept by the
- coach of the home team.
 - assistant referees.
 - referee.
41. A written report must be completed by the referee, including
- each caution and send-off.
 - bad behavior by a coach.
 - both of the above.
42. After a goal is scored, the signal by the assistant referee is to
- point to the center circle with the flag.
 - run up the touch line toward the halfway line.
43. When the referee blows the whistle for a foul, he/she should
- stand at the spot for the free kick.
 - point in the direction the kicking team is attacking.

In 44 through 50, play is stopped for the reason that is listed. Identify in each case how play should be restarted:

a. Direct free kick	b. Indirect free kick	c. Dropped ball
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44. A player is injured.
45. Pushing.
46. Goalkeeper holding the ball more than six seconds.
47. Tripping.
48. Kicking the ball when it is dangerously close to an opponent's face.
49. Holding.
50. Goalkeeper handling a ball thrown in by a teammate.