ACLS Advanced Cardiac Life Support

Practice Test Questions

1. The following is included in the ACLS Survey:

- a. Airway, Breathing, Circulation, Differential Diagnosis
- b. Airway, Breathing, Circulation, Defibrillation
- c. Assessment, Breathing, Circulation, Defibrillation
- d. Airway, Breathing, CPR, Differential Diagnosis

2. The primary focus in cardiac arrest is:

- a. Effective CPR
- b. Early defibrillation
- c. Drug administration
- d. Both A and B

3. Which of the following is NOT an example of an advanced airway?

- a. Oropharyngeal airway
- b. Esophageal-tracheal tube (ETT)
- c. Laryngeal Mask Airway (LMA)
- d. Combitube

4. The followings are possible effects of hyperventilation:

- a. Increases intrathoracic pressure
- b. Decreases venous return to the heart
- c. Both A and B
- d. None of the above

5. The normal sinus rhythm of the heart starts in the:

- a. Left ventricle
- b. Atrioventricular node
- c. Sinoatrial node
- d. Right ventricle





6.	According to the	2020 ILCOR up	odate, high-q	quality CPF	R is defined as:
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- a. 100-120 chest compressions per minute at a depth of at least 2" (5 cm), but not greater than 2.4 inches (6 cm)
- b. 80 chest compressions per minute at a depth of at least 1" (2.5 cm)
- c. 100 chest compressions per minute at a depth of at least 1" (2.5 cm)
- d. 80 chest compressions per minute at a depth of at least 2" (5 cm)

7.	Before placement of an advanced airway, the compression-to-ventilation ratio during CPR is:
	a. 30:1
	b. 30:2
	c. 15:1
	d. 20:2
8.	You should, in a patient with ventricular fibrillation (VF), immediately following a shock
	a. Resume CPR
	b. Check heart rate
	c. Analyze rhythm
	d. Give Amiodarone

- 9. _____joules (J) are delivered per shock when using a monophasic defibrillator
 - a. 200
 - b. 260
 - c. 300
 - d. 360
- 10. The following medication(s) can be used to treat hypotension during the post-cardiac arrest phase:
 - a. Dopamine
 - b. Milrinone
 - c. Amiodarone
 - d. Both A and B
- 11. The following antiarrhythmic drug(s) can be used for persistent ventricular fibrillation or pulseless ventricular tachycardia, EXCEPT:
 - a. Amiodarone
 - b. Lidocaine
 - c. Atropine
 - d. Both A and B



12. Which of the following is NOT a potential cause of PEA?

- a. Toxins
- b. Hyperkalemia
- c. Hyperventilation
- d. Trauma

13. Which of the following is a shockable rhythm?

- a. Ventricular fibrillation
- b. Ventricular tachycardia (pulseless)
- c. Torsades de Pointes
- d. All of the above

14. Which ACLS drug(s) may NOT be given via an endotracheal tube?

- a. Naloxone
- b. Atropine
- c. Vasopressin
- d. Amiodarone

15. The following drug(s) may be used in the ACS patient for cardiac reperfusion:

- a. Fibrinolytic therapy
- b. Epinephrine
- c. Atropine
- d. Both A and C

16. All of the following are bradycardic rhythms EXCEPT:

- a. Atrial fibrillation
- b. 1st-degree heart block
- c. Mobitz Type I
- d. 3rd-degree heart block

17. _____ access is preferred in arrest due to easy access and no interruption in CPR.

- a. Central
- b. Peripheral
- c. Intraosseous
- d. Endotracheal





- 18. Which of the following is first-line treatment for acute coronary syndrome?
 - a. Morphine
 - b. Aspirin
 - c. Nitroglycerin
 - d. All of the above
- 19. The following are classic signs of an acute stroke EXCEPT:
 - a. Facial droop
 - b. Arm drift
 - c. Abnormal speech
 - d. All of the above are signs of an acute stroke
- 20. Which of the following is NOT found within the 7 Ds of Stroke Care?
 - a. Detection
 - b. Dispatch
 - c. Delivery
 - d. Defibrillate

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ANSWERS

1. A

Airway, Breathing, Circulation, Differential Diagnosis

2. D

Both A and B

3. A

Oropharyngeal airway

4. D

None of the above

5. C

Sinoatrial node

6. B

100 compressions per minute at a depth of at least 2 inches

7. B

30:2

8. A

Resume CPR

9. D

360

10. A

Dopamine

11. C

Atrophine

12. C

Hyperventilation

13. D

All of the above

14. D

Amiodarone

15. A

Fibrinolytic therapy



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16. A

Atrial fibrillation

17. B

Peripheral

18. D

All of the above

19. D

All of the above are signs of an acute stroke

20. D

Defibrillate

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