
Assessment

Project Management

Fourth Edition

Complete this book, and you'll know how to:

- 1) Discuss the basic principles of project management.
- 2) Define the project to be managed.
- 3) Plan a project.
- 4) Implement a project management plan.
- 5) Complete a project.



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Assessment Questions for Project Management, Fourth Edition

Select the best response.

1. The project manager is responsible for carrying out the project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
2. Planning isn't necessary on small projects.
 - A. True
 - B. False
3. Negotiating for materials, supplies, and services isn't a part of a project manager's duties.
 - A. True
 - B. False
4. The criteria for evaluating performance must be agreed to by the client before the project gets under way.
 - A. True
 - B. False
5. Completing a project within budget isn't important.
 - A. True
 - B. False
6. Specifications, schedules, and budgets developed during the planning phase become the standards against which actual progress is measured in the implementation phase.
 - A. True
 - B. False
7. When developing a schedule, the duration and sequence of each step is important.
 - A. True
 - B. False
8. A project control chart summarizes information on a project's quality dimension.
 - A. True
 - B. False
9. Job specifications detail the requirements for project quality.
 - A. True
 - B. False

10. Writing operations manuals and training client personnel in the operation of project output are part of the completion phase.
 - A. True
 - B. False
11. Personal inspection is the least effective way to monitor project progress.
 - A. True
 - B. False
12. Completing a project on time is an important parameter of project management.
 - A. True
 - B. False
13. A work breakdown structure is the starting point for planning a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
14. Audits are done only at the end of projects to see whether the project is over budget.
 - A. True
 - B. False
15. Objective, measurable criteria of performance are easy to develop.
 - A. True
 - B. False
16. Deploying more resources may save money for the client in the long run.
 - A. True
 - B. False
17. Giving in is never an acceptable strategy for resolving differences.
 - A. True
 - B. False
18. A pilot test can be used to evaluate your strategy.
 - A. True
 - B. False
19. A project is an ongoing venture or activity.
 - A. True
 - B. False
20. Quality isn't important in projects.
 - A. True
 - B. False

21. Projects often make technological advances that are worth sharing with other parts of an organization.
 - A. True
 - B. False
22. The project initiator usually has a clear idea of all important aspects of a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
23. You have power in negotiation when you have attractive alternatives.
 - A. True
 - B. False
24. Your basic strategy for completing a project should be tested before moving ahead.
 - A. True
 - B. False
25. Project management is no different from any other application of management principles.
 - A. True
 - B. False
26. Control point identification usually doesn't save time.
 - A. True
 - B. False
27. The temporary nature of projects leads to unique challenges for project managers.
 - A. True
 - B. False
28. Training project personnel is the responsibility of the human resources department and therefore shouldn't be a concern for the project manager.
 - A. True
 - B. False
29. Tests should be a part of specifications.
 - A. True
 - B. False
30. Effective feedback focuses on actions, results, and reaction to them.
 - A. True
 - B. False

31. The latest time a step can begin isn't significant in the planning process.
 - A. True
 - B. False
32. Testing provides important information on the quality dimension of a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
33. The critical path is the shortest total time through a PERT diagram.
 - A. True
 - B. False
34. Brainstorming has nothing to offer project management.
 - A. True
 - B. False
35. Those responsible for steps of a project shouldn't be included in planning.
 - A. True
 - B. False
36. The work of a project manager ends with delivery of the project output to the client.
 - A. True
 - B. False
37. Lost time can often be made up on later steps of a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
38. There's usually no surplus equipment, materials, or supplies to worry about at the end of a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
39. An interim progress review requires good listening skills.
 - A. True
 - B. False
40. Reassignment of project personnel is one of the final steps in closing down a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
41. Projects are initiated by whoever is in charge.
 - A. True
 - B. False

42. The project team needs to spend time clearly defining the project before getting underway.
 - A. True
 - B. False
43. Typically, the completion of a final audit and the writing of a final report conclude the project manager's responsibilities.
 - A. True
 - B. False
44. All off-specification work should be redone.
 - A. True
 - B. False
45. After a project is completed, little can be gained from spending time evaluating the experience.
 - A. True
 - B. False
46. Controlling is the central activity during the implementation phase of a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
47. A Gantt chart graphically displays the time relationship of each step in a project.
 - A. True
 - B. False
48. Communication is an important part of project management.
 - A. True
 - B. False
49. If they aren't recorded, lessons learned during the course of a project are typically lost and must be relearned by future project managers.
 - A. True
 - B. False
50. Computer simulation can help determine the feasibility of construction projects.
 - A. True
 - B. False

Assessment Answer Key for Project Management, Fourth Edition

Recommended response (Corresponding workbook page)

1. A (19)	14. B (63)	27. A (7)	40. A (83)
2. B (11)	15. B (83)	28. B (29)	41. B (19)
3. B (69)	16. A (65)	29. A (33)	42. A (20)
4. A (19)	17. B (73)	30. A (67)	43. B (83)
5. B (84)	18. A (24)	31. B (34)	44. B (65)
6. A (11)	19. B (21, 33)	32. A (63)	45. B (84)
7. A (34)	20. B (30)	33. A (42)	46. A (56)
8. B (58)	21. A (85)	34. B (23)	47. A (37)
9. A (33)	22. B (19)	35. B (49)	48. A (76)
10. A (83)	23. A (70)	36. B (83)	49. A (84)
11. B (57)	24. A (24)	37. A (65)	50. A (24)
12. A (64)	25. B (7)	38. B (83)	
13. A (30)	26. B (56)	39. A (63)	