Assessment Working in Teams

Revised Edition

The objectives of this book are:

- To explain what teamwork is all about, what roles you'll play, and how you'll figure out what to do together
- To describe how to make team meetings work, how you can reach agreement with others, and how you can all build your team into a "family" unit
- To present the best ways to follow up on teamwork so others, including the managers who support the whole deal, will listen to your decisions

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Assessment Questions for Working in Teams, Revised Edition

Select the best response.

- 1. In this stage of team development your team is effective and productive:
 - A. Performing
 - B. Norming
 - C. Storming
 - D. None of the above
- 2. Rotating meeting roles:
 - A. Gives everyone a chance to build individual responsibility
 - B. Allows each person to learn all the jobs
 - C. Keeps power with one individual
 - D. A and B
 - E. All of the above
- 3. Good team communication requires:
 - A. Hiding your concerns
 - B. Keeping your thoughts to yourself
 - C. Getting to the point
 - D. Introducing tangents
- 4. A virtual team:
 - A. Can make distant employees feel involved in decisions that affect them
 - B. Is expensive
 - C. Can be more impersonal than a face-to-face meeting
 - D. A and C

- 5. Team contracts or ground rules should be:
 - A. Concerned with all possible issues
 - B. Explicit
 - C. Published
 - D. All of the above
 - E. B and C
- 6. A team charter is:
 - A. A contract between team members, team, and sponsor
 - B. A document giving a team absolute autonomy
 - C. A statement of ways a team mission can be achieved
 - D. All of the above
 - E. A and C
- 7. Once written, a team charter should:
 - A. Not be changed
 - B. Be changed when needed
- 8. A team's master plan should show:
 - A. Prioritized steps in the plan
 - B. Dates for achievement of proposed steps
 - C. The steps of the plan without achievement dates
 - D. A and B
 - E. A and C
- 9. The team assignment is to *reengineer a process*. The first key action is to:
 - A. Define customer satisfaction
 - B. Identify a root cause
 - C. Organize and plan
 - D. Consider various product designs
 - E. Develop a reward system

- 10. After defining the requirements, the next step in developing a new process or product is to:
 - A. Develop a reward system
 - B. Develop a flowchart
 - C. Take corrective action
 - D. Identify a root cause
 - E. Decide on a product design
- 11. The team assignment is to *solve a specific problem*. The purpose is to eradicate an undesirable, unpredictable, or unworkable situation.
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 12. Brainstorming should include:
 - A. Striving for quantity of ideas
 - B. Striving for quality of ideas
 - C. Evaluating suggestions
 - D. Rejecting impractical ideas
- 13. Consensus decision-making is best used for:
 - A. Decisions that have a major impact on the project
 - B. Deciding on a course of action when everyone is affected
 - C. Deciding on details like meeting location
 - D. A and B
- 14. A team leader should be a person who:
 - A. Has seniority in the organization
 - B. Likes to make decisions
 - C. Can turn over decision-making to the team
 - D. Is popular with employees

- 15. A responsibility of team members is that they:
 - A. Collect input before meetings
 - B. Contribute their expertise
 - C. Represent the team to coworkers
 - D. Encourage other team members
 - E. All of the above
- 16. In assigning team member responsibilities, it is best to:
 - A. Share the workload
 - B. Have everyone do everything
 - C. Create dedicated roles
 - D. A and B
 - E. A and C

17. Team work is most successful if team members:

- A. Avoid conflict
- B. Solve personality problems
- C. Seek win-win solutions
- D. Seek the leader's opinion first
- E. All of the above

18. Positive reinforcement works best if:

- A. It is given right away.
- B. It exactly explains rather than generalizes.
- C. It is combined with criticism.
- D. All of the above
- E. A and B

19. Conflict resolution principles include:

- A. Ignoring personal differences
- B. Having empathy with others
- C. Using ground rules to negotiate solutions
- D. All of the above
- E. B and C

- 20. Sensible negotiating involves:
 - A. Making use of personal weaknesses
 - B. Bargaining
 - C. Finding your own advantages
 - D. All of the above
 - E. None of the above
- 21. Writing ideas for all to see in a team meeting is:
 - A. Unnecessary
 - B. Needed for common understanding
 - C. Helpful but not essential
 - D. Needed because it provides support
- 22. A group agenda should be provided before any team meeting.
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 23. Decision making by consensus:
 - A. Is essential at all times
 - B. Is always preferable to majority vote
 - C. Usually merges the best thinking of all team members
 - $D. \ B \ and \ C$
- 24. Meeting minutes should include:
 - A. Key conclusions or decisions
 - B. Action items
 - C. All documentation ever generated
 - D. All of the above
 - E. A and B
- 25. Team public relations are most successful if:
 - A. Stakeholders are identified
 - B. Specific members relate to specific stakeholders
 - C. Meeting minutes and updates are distributed
 - D. All of the above

Answer Key for Working in Teams, Revised Edition

Recommended response (Corresponding workbook page)

1. A	(10) 6.	E (25)	11. A (6)	16. E (23)	21. B (50)
2. D	(19) 7.	B (31)	12. A (70)	17. C (46)	22. A (48)
3. C	(56) 8.	D (33)	13. D (68)	18. E (61)	23. C (66)
4. D	(52) 9.	C (6)	14. C (18)	19. E (84-85)	24. E (97)
5. E	(13) 10.	. E (7)	15. E (21)	20. E (88)	25. D (40)