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Circle or fill in the correct answer:

- **1. A steam treatment will not kill bed bug eggs.** TRUE or FALSE?
- 2. Which one of the following statements is true about the Khapra beetle?
 - a) the U.S. is currently free of Khapra beetles
 - b) it's easily killed with insecticide dust
 - c) it's in the flour beetle family-Tenebrionidae
 - d) it feeds on fungus on wood
- 3. Diatomaceous earth kills insects by abrading their outer cuticle so that they dehydrate. TRUE or FALSE?
- 4. Which one of these is a proper placement for an insect light trap for fly control in a commercial food operation?
 - a) above food preparation areas
 - b) directly in front of doors
 - c) at ceiling height in a kitchen
 - d) along hallways leading into food areas
- 5. When trapping rats, it's best to set traps directly on rat runs or right in front of rat holes. TRUE or FALSE?
- 6. Good practice when controlling rodents in and around restaurants is to:
 - a) bait outside burrows with block baits
 - b) change baits every 6 months
 - c) use tracking powder around food prep areas
 - d) use trapping as the main control indoors

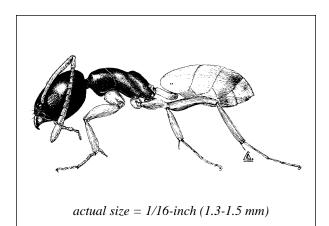
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7. Which one statement is true about German cockoaches?

- a) they prefer temperatures below 75 F.
- b) they avoid contact with each other
- c) they rarely disperse into new areas
- d) the female carries and protects her egg case

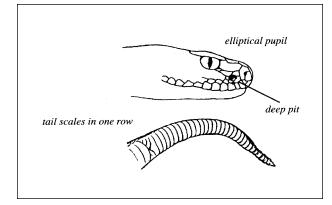
8. The illustration below shows a:

- a) carpenter ant
- b) ghost ant
- c) velvet ant
- d) paper wasp



9. A potential source of phorid flies is a sewer line break. TRUE or FALSE?

- 10. Which one of these snakes is a poisonous pit viper?
 - a) black rat snake
 - b) copperhead
 - c) king snake
 - d) brown water snake



- **11. The characteristics of the snake shown above identify a poisonous pit viper.** TRUE or FALSE?
- **12. Formosan termites can attack and live in live trees.** TRUE or FALSE?
- 13. When working in a crawlspace where there is a risk of mold, you should wear a respirator. TRUE or FALSE?

14. If you must enter an elevator pit to bait for pests, OSHA rules require that you:

- a) get a special confined spaces permit
- b) stay in the pit for no more than 5 minutes
- c) use special bait stations
- d) wear an air-supplied respirator
- **15. Pyrotechnics (explosive devices) should never be used for bird control.** TRUE or FALSE?

- **16. Current gel baits are the best choice for wet, greasy or dusty areas in restaurants.** TRUE or FALSE?
- **17. Mice are wary and tend to avoid new items in their territory.** TRUE or FALSE?
- 18. The size and habits of the ghost ant are most similar to which other pest ant?
 - a) carpenter ant
 - b) pavement ant
 - c) fire ant
 - d) pharaoh ant
- **19. Delusions of parasitosis is the concern that a person is being bitten or infested by pests when there are no pests present.** TRUE or FALSE?
- 20. Which one of these is <u>not</u> likely to be a pest in new construction where moisture levels are high?
 - a) foreign grain beetle
 - b) psocid (booklouse)
 - c) Indianmeal moth
 - d) plaster beetle

Bonus Question (10 extra points)

What is the genus name for the Khapra beetle?

ANSWER: _

Answers will appear in the next issue