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NEW QUESTION 1

When interacting with team members, the Agile project manager should:

- A. Ask team members to do things by phrasing the statement as a request rather than as a demand.
- B. Ignore team member input and emotions when important decisions have to be made.
- C. Proceed cautiously when requesting team members to do something likely to make them unhappy.
- D. Disagree with the team based on the merit of the issue without considering how the team is feeling.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 2

An organization adopts Agile practices and implements an incremental delivery strategy. If implemented correctly, the company should recognize improved:

- A. procurement processes by requiring vendors to ship materials as needed.
- B. project cost management by making incremental payments on contracts.
- C. customer satisfaction by specifying project shipping dates in the contract.
- D. project Return on Investment (ROI) by releasing individual features to market.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 3

What is used to provide a simple medium for gathering basic information about stories, recording high-level requirements, developing work estimates, and defining acceptance tests?

- A. Story card
- B. Burndown chart
- C. Retrospective
- D. Storyboard

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 4

Refactoring, as it applies to the practice of extreme Programming (XP), refers to:

- A. Restructuring the estimate by applying a higher cost performance index during what-if analysis.
- B. Modifying the project due to scope changes, resource availability, and cost and schedule variances.
- C. Modifying the cost baseline due to an increased estimate at completion and a negative cost variance.
- D. Restructuring of code so as to improve the code without changing its external behavior.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 5

For the best results in an Agile project, customers should:

- A. set priorities and identify product features.
- B. interview new team members for fit.
- C. approve development plans and tasks.
- D. set sprint and release schedules.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 6

What is the responsibility of an extreme Programming (XP) customer role?

- A. Testing the daily increments of the software developed
- B. Writing the stories and acceptance tests for each story
- C. Planning and task allocation for the developer and tester
- D. Interacting closely with users and representing the XP team

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 7

A project team estimates that they should complete 30 story points in the current iteration. Partway through the iteration they realize that they will complete 50 story points at their current rate. The team should:

- A. Shorten the iteration to meet the estimated velocity.
- B. Continue to work with the estimated velocity.
- C. Increase their estimated velocity.
- D. Release members to meet the estimated velocity.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 8

In an Agile approach, project values are most effectively implemented when they are determined by the:

- A. sponsor
- B. team
- C. project manager
- D. methodology

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 9

During the daily standup meeting, a team member states that an issue has been encountered. This leads to the team members getting into a problem-solving discussion. How should the ScrumMaster respond?

- A. Ask the team members to table the discussion until after the meeting is over.
- B. If the item is really important, allow the discussion to expedite resolution of the issue.
- C. Abruptly end the daily standup meeting and schedule another meeting to discuss the issue.
- D. Ask the team how they would like to use the daily standup meeting for that day.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 10

What is a high-level representation of the features or themes that are to be delivered in each release?

- A. Release plan
- B. Product roadmap
- C. Iteration plan
- D. Product Backlog

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 10

A ScrumMaster:

- A. prioritizes the work for each iteration.
- B. directs the activities of the team.
- C. provides leadership, guidance, and coaching.
- D. manages the project scope and budget.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 14

Information transmission is greatest amongst team members who are working on:

- A. Individual tasks in the same work area.
- B. The same task through pair programming.
- C. The same group of tasks individually.
- D. Different tasks on the same project.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 19

Applying the Pareto rule when prioritizing the Product Backlog means that:

- A. features that are lower priority are more likely to slip to the next iteration.
- B. the value of a feature is not realized until the feature is complete.
- C. more recent requests are usually more important to the business.
- D. a small percentage of the work will provide a large percentage of the value.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 24

Who is responsible for making sure that each user story is associated with at least one user role or persona?

- A. User
- B. Developer
- C. Customer
- D. Persona

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 25

In Agile risk management, a risk burndown chart is best used to:

- A. Qualitatively analyze the probability of a risk occurring.
- B. Track progress on risk reduction of technical risks.

- C. Document the external risks that could impact the project.
- D. Illustrate the project risk profile and new and changing risks.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 30

A common estimation unit for Agile projects is:

- A. Lines of code.
- B. Function points
- C. Story points.
- D. Use-case points.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 34

Following chart lists stories for a release of an Agile project;

If the team completes Story A, Story B, and 50% of Story C for the first iteration, what is the team's velocity?

- A. 9
- B. 10
- C. 12
- D. 15

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 39

The purpose of the iteration retrospective is to:

- A. Report progress of the work effort, what work will be done next, and review impediments to progress.
- B. Prioritize the Product Backlog, generate development and testing estimates, and plan the next iteration.
- C. Provide a demonstration of the features developed during the iteration, get feedback from users, and begin testing.
- D. Identify what worked well, what did not work well, and what actions should be taken to improve the process.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 43

In the Lean process, the focus is on:

- A. Managing team efficiency.
- B. Optimizing completed work across the process stream.
- C. Using the optimal resources.
- D. Cross training the team to eliminate bottlenecks.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 47

A ScrumMaster consistently holds Daily Scrums and keeps them to 15 minutes or less. The ScrumMaster brings a list of assigned tasks and checks the status of each task with the relevant team members. The ScrumMaster then assigns new tasks for the day and ends the meeting. Is this an appropriate approach to running Daily Scrums?

- A. Yes, the ScrumMaster should get status updates and distribute new tasks to the team.
- B. Yes, the ScrumMaster should hold Scrums daily and keep the time to 15 minutes or less.
- C. No, the ScrumMaster should act in the role of facilitator to foster team self-organization.
- D. No, the ScrumMaster should allow the Scrum to run as long as is required by the team.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 48

A high-performance Agile team:

- A. is fully committed to team success yet respects the prescribed roles and titles of team members.
- B. owns its decisions and commitments and is motivated to succeed at any cost.
- C. is self-organizing, empowered to make decisions, and consensus-driven, with constructive disagreement.
- D. produces a high volume of business value through intensive collaboration and avoidance of conflict.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 52

An Agile team expects a velocity of 8. During sprint planning, the stories were estimated and prioritized in the following order:

Story A_4Story Points Story B_2Story Points Story C_3 Story Points Story D_2Story Points

Which stories should the team include in Sprint 1, without splitting the stories?

- A. Stories A, C, and D

- B. Stories A, B, and C
- C. Stories A, B, and D
- D. Stories B, C, and D

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 57

What is the best description of the relationship between Scrum and extremeProgramming(XP)?

- A. XP is a component of Scrum.
- B. The principles of each are often complementary.
- C. Scrum is a component of XP.
- D. The principles of each are often contradictory.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 58

Risk exposure is the:

- A. Funds set aside to contain the risk.
- B. Probability a risk will occur.
- C. Amount of money the risk will cost if it occurs.
- D. Amount of damage to the project if the risk occurs.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 61

After three iterations, the problems impeding an Agile team appear to be similar in nature to problems faced in earlier iterations. Inspection of the retrospectives for past iterations reveals information organized into columns entitled "What worked for us" and "What did not work for us. " Based on this information, one can infer that the team did not capture:

- A. user stories
- B. milestones
- C. action items
- D. requirements

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 64

When an Agile project team receives an "emergency request" during an iteration, which is the best first step that the Agile project manager should take?

- A. Stop work on unfinished user stories and work on the urgent request.
- B. Call a team meeting and change the iteration scope to include the request.
- C. Provide the customer with options provided by the project team.
- D. Explain that the team cannot do the added work until the next iteration.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 65

When using Agile Earned Value Management (EVM), progress should be measured at which level?

- A. Task
- B. Iteration
- C. Product
- D. Release

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 67

The purpose of "setting the stage" in a project retrospective is to:

- A. Restate the goal of the meeting and create an open atmosphere.
- B. Review the scope statement and summarize project results.
- C. Elevate the team's morale and ensure that everyone participates.
- D. Describe the next iteration and discuss lessons learned.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 72

On a particular project, product quality is being measured at regular intervals and is consistently below the acceptable level. In a Lean environment, how should this problem be addressed?

- A. The team should implement more rigorous testing at the end of each development cycle.
- B. Management should direct the team on specific actions that they should take to improve quality.
- C. Management should guide the team as it seeks to improve itself and reduce errors in the system.

D. The Project Champion should review the acceptable quality threshold to ensure that it is realistic.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 73

In a vision meeting, the vision for the project is defined and presented by the:

- A. management
- B. project manager
- C. customer
- D. project team

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 74

Scrum practices are facilitated by the:

- A. ScrumMaster.
- B. Product Owner.
- C. Project Sponsor.
- D. Scrum team.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 79

Which of the following is a list of capabilities, features, and stories that the Product Owner has identified?

- A. Burndown chart
- B. Story card
- C. Vision document
- D. Backlog

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 84

According to the fundamental principles of Lean Management, errors result from:

- A. Inadequate user requirements and documentation.
- B. Misjudgment made by project teams and operations staff.
- C. Flaws in development and production systems.
- D. Insufficient management oversight of projects and operations.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 86

A common reason that a story may not be estimable is that the:

- A. team lacks domain knowledge.
- B. business needs are prioritized over the system design.
- C. developers do not understand the tasks related to the story.
- D. team has no experience in estimating.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 88

User stories are temporary artifacts. They are considered relevant until the:

- A. Team completes them.
- B. End of the project.
- C. Release is complete.
- D. End of the sprint.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 89

The primary purpose of a Sprint Review is for the team to:

- A. Demonstrate what was accomplished during the sprint.
- B. Discuss what went well, what didn't, and ways to improve.
- C. Prioritize and estimate stories planned for the next sprint.
- D. Individually provide status updates on user stories in progress.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 91

Collaboration can be defined as working together to jointly produce a deliverable or make a decision, whereas coordination is:

- A. Agreeing on a due date.
- B. Sharing information.
- C. Agreeing on the design.
- D. Pair programming.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 96

Which of the following best represents both a principle of the Agile manifesto and a Lean method of simplicity?

- A. Maximizing the amount of work not done
- B. Delivering early and continuously
- C. Welcoming changing requirements
- D. Deciding at the last responsible moment

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 101

Which technique is used by a project team to estimate the amount of work that can be done per iteration?

- A. Velocity measurement
- B. Relative prioritization
- C. Planning Poker
- D. Release planning

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 103

Which tool allows the Product Owner to focus on providing the greatest value and Return on Investment (ROI) to the organization?

- A. Burn up chart
- B. Product Backlog
- C. Affinity estimate
- D. Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA)

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 104

The purpose of a project burndown chart is to:

- A. Identify and communicate upcoming milestones.
- B. Display the level of effort and resources utilized.
- C. Identify dependencies between sprints or iterations.
- D. Display the remaining work across time.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 107

On what should Agile estimates be based?

- A. A Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) from each iteration aligned with the project management plan
- B. A disciplined iteration schedule, which improves predictability, combined with reaction to changes
- C. Ball park figures collected from past Agile projects with scopes similar to the current project
- D. Initial resource breakdown based on the available person days in the full project duration

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 110

How is the participatory design process characterized?

- A. A well-planned and well-documented process is documented for each of the iterations in the project.
- B. Users including project team members participate in the planning process for the project plan.
- C. End users participate and assist in the design process from the beginning of the project.
- D. A high level brainstorming process is conducted for the project team and the project sponsor.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 115

The process of reviewing, testing, and accepting implemented features is called:

- A. Retrospective.
- B. Stakeholder review.

- C. Scope verification.
- D. Iteration planning.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 119

Which type of story would be used when an estimate is not available due to lack of knowledge of the technology required to implement the story?

- A. Defect
- B. Slack
- C. Spike
- D. Nonfunctional

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 120

The most appropriate model for a geographically distributed project team is one in which the team is distributed across:

- A. relatively few locations, with each location team comprised of a complete development group developing decoupled subsystems.
- B. locations in the same time zone, working on the same systems while leveraging rich communication channels.
- C. relatively few locations, and tasks are divided along functional lines with design in one location, coding in another, and testing in another.
- D. many locations, with relatively few people at each location developing and testing decoupled subsystems.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 125

Estimating costs for an Agile project starts with which of the following types of meetings?

- A. Project Retrospective
- B. Steering Committee
- C. Release Planning
- D. Sprint Planning

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 129

In reference to Scrum, each sprint should produce:

- A. An increment of potentially shippable product functionality.
- B. A set of documented product requirements and specifications.
- C. A release with testable and measurable functionality.
- D. An increment of potentially testable product functionality.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 134

Agile communication is effective because:

- A. release and iteration planning keep team members aligned, daily synchronization eliminates confusion, and iteration demonstrations keep the team focused on deliverables.
- B. Agile communication methods focus on detailed, written requirements and specifications that are more complete and allow the team to manage change more effectively.
- C. the use of charts and diagrams over written reports creates clear, targeted communication, and customer involvement in monthly reviews eliminates changes in requirements.
- D. daily iteration planning allows change to be managed, and weekly standup meetings ensure that impediments are quickly identified and effectively managed or removed.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 137

eXtreme Programming (XP) teams strive to avoid:

- A. Incremental design and architecture.
- B. Pair programming.
- C. Manual regression testing.
- D. Test-Driven Development (TDD).

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 141

What are three processes used to begin an Agile project?

- A. Iterations, Product Road map Planning, and Number of Sprint Iterations
- B. Visioning, Product Roadmap Planning, and Product Backlog Definition
- C. Visioning, Product Backlog Definition, and Project Charter Creation

D. Burndown chart, Product Roadmap, and sprints'length

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 144

For a "caves and commonroom arrangement, the most appropriate prerequisite is that the people in the room must be working on:

- A. Whatever they choose.
- B. Individual projects.
- C. The same set of multiple projects,
- D. The same project.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 146

Which of the following is a list of valid Agile project planning practices?

- A. Release planning, Iteration planning, and Estimation
- B. Estimation, Spike Solutions, and Iteration planning
- C. Iteration planning, Continuous Integration, and Estimation
- D. Vision, Release planning, and Performance Optimization

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 151

When facilitated and managed well, the primary benefits of a project retrospective should be to:

- A. Increase empowerment and enjoyment for the team.
- B. Identify the most important issues for the sponsors.
- C. Provide an open forum for team member complaints.
- D. Allow the team to get ahead on release planning.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 154

The Kaizen philosophy is change:

- A. For the better.
- B. Driven by process improvement.
- C. Driven by teams.
- D. For small groups.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 158

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