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#### QUESTION 1

Which of the following describes Key Performance Indicators (KPI)?

- A. Specific metrics, usually derived, by which a company measures its progress and success.
- B. Strategic goals, typically specified by executives, which describe the direction and objectives of the organization.
- C. Industry standards by which organizations measure themselves against others in their marketplace.
- D. Core, atomic level data items that provide input into higher level derived items which then appear on scorecards.

Correct Answer: A

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#### QUESTION 2

Why should an application's performance be monitored on an ongoing basis after it goes into production?

- A. Initial performance tests are usually too optimistic.
- B. There is little value in performance tests before a system goes into production.
- C. Usage patterns on applications tend to change over time.
- D. New releases of system and application software usually degrade performance.

Correct Answer: C

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#### QUESTION 3

When comparing two differently grained facts directly against one another, the developer must:

- A. either write a union query or two reports that roll both facts up to a common level
- B. either roll up the lower grained fact to the higher level or allocate the higher grained fact to the lower level
- C. declare determinants at multiple levels in the dimensions of a DMR Framework Manager model
- D. ensure that all conformed dimensions shared by the facts have the same number of levels

Correct Answer: B

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#### QUESTION 4

While Cognos BI will support any data warehouse design, which of the following designs does Cognos recommend for new warehouse development?

- A. Operational Data Store



- B. Dimensionally Modeled Relational
- C. Normalized Enterprise
- D. Dimensional Bus

Correct Answer: D

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#### QUESTION 5

A company has a manufacturing database they wish to interrogate. They know there are issues that have affected production quality over the last year but they are unsure exactly what factors are contributing to the problem. They would like to be able to quickly examine manufactured batches from multiple perspectives and, if there are any anomalies or any unusual trends overtime, they would then like to focus on specific batches to understand the details.

Which of the following Cognos 8 Components would BEST address their needs?

- A. Analysis Studio and Report Studio
- B. Report Studio and Query Studio
- C. Event Studio and Report Studio
- D. Analysis Studio and Metric Studio

Correct Answer: A

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#### QUESTION 6

A user makes the following request: "I need to see the number of flights throughout the year that arrived or departed more than 15 minutes early or late by origin and destination airport, by carrier, and by time of day. I want to see if the number of flights delayed is greater for large carriers or small carriers." This request requires clarification to make the user's intention clear.

Which of the following will NOT further clarify the user's request?

- A. Determine if origin and destination airports should be considered joined pairs (for example, from DFW to ORD) or as separate dimensions.
- B. Determine if 15 minutes is the only significant grouping of late or early departures or arrivals.
- C. Determine the definition of a large and small carrier.
- D. Determine if Date and Time of Day should be split into separate dimensions.

Correct Answer: D

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**QUESTION 7**

When following the Information Focused approach, what should the users bring to the initial interview?

- A. Copies of key reports, structure of database tables, job responsibilities, and objectives
- B. Job responsibilities, objectives, what information they need to get their work done, and copies of key reports
- C. List of reports they desire, what information they need to get their work done, and structure of database tables
- D. Job responsibilities, objectives, and a list of reports they desire

Correct Answer: B

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**QUESTION 8**

Which of the following describes the design goals of a reporting database?

- A. provide fast access to corporate data for analysis and reporting
- B. provide near real time access to summarized corporate data for analysis and reporting
- C. provide fast access to corporate data and act as a system of record
- D. provide near real time access to summarized transactional data

Correct Answer: A

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**QUESTION 9**

Which of the following issues is Iterative Development specifically designed to address?

- A. The very act of developing a system or solution will change the business requirements.
- B. Users understand their business processes but they don't usually understand application development.
- C. No developed solution will satisfy all users equally.
- D. Users often feel that IT does not understand the business.

Correct Answer: A

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**QUESTION 10**

Which of the following describes the benefits of Cognos Application Firewall (CAF)?

- A. It protects the application by monitoring all HTTP requests sent through the Web server to ensure the gateway is receiving valid requests.
- B. It allows Cognos BI to run over the Internet.



- C. It monitors and validates all input requests to prevent parameter manipulation, SQL injection, and buffer overflow.
- D. It encrypts all input requests for validation before they are sent to the dispatcher.

Correct Answer: C

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#### QUESTION 11

Which of the following must be moved manually instead of as part of a Cognos 8 deployment package?

- A. report output versions
- B. run history
- C. schedules
- D. system.xml

Correct Answer: D

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#### QUESTION 12

If anonymous access is disabled, when a user accesses Cognos BI, what is the correct flow of the request?

- A. To Cognos Access Manager which queries the content store for user information and displays the log on page through the dispatcher and the gateway
- B. To the monitoring service which monitors the user authentication request and displays the logon page through the dispatcher and the gateway
- C. To the presentation service which displays the log on page through the dispatcher and the gateway
- D. To Cognos Application Firewall which monitors the user authentication request and displays the log on page through the dispatcher and the gateway

Correct Answer: C

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#### QUESTION 13

Which of the following is true regarding hierarchies and dimensions?

- A. Hierarchies help users understand the data through rollup levels within dimensions.
- B. All dimensions must have hierarchies.
- C. All hierarchies are defined by the inherent nature of their dimensional data.
- D. It is considered poor design to split a hierarchy across multiple dimensions.

Correct Answer: A

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#### QUESTION 14

Which of the following BEST describes the relationship or differences between Iterative Approach and Cognos SIM?

- A. The Iterative Approach is a specific technique used to iterate through the Design phase.
- B. The Iterative Approach is a series of steps defined in the Analysis and Development phases of Cognos SIM.
- C. The Iterative Approach is a philosophy of development while Cognos SIM is a collection of tasks, documents, and techniques to guide development.
- D. Cognos SIM is the current Cognos development standard and is intended to replace the Iterative Approach for development of BI applications.

Correct Answer: C

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#### QUESTION 15

Which of the following statements best describes the Iterative Approach of application development?

- A. A prototype solution is developed after the initial user interviews. This prototype is then used as a basis for refining specific design requirements.
- B. The design step is repeated multiple times before proceeding to the development step. Each pass through the design step further refines the eventual solution.
- C. The solution is developed and delivered to the users. After approximately 2 weeks, the users are interviewed for any missing requirements and any new requirements form the basis for the next iteration.
- D. A prototype is created that addresses 80 to 90% of the business requirements. This is demonstrated to the users and their feedback is used to refine the prototype in subsequent iterations.

Correct Answer: D

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