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NEW QUESTION 1

Based on the following figure, during Iteration 5, there was an increase in story point value (shown on the graph); however, the team completed all of the work it promised to deliver in the iteration and existing estimates were not changed. From this information, one can infer that:

- A. Work was removed from the Product Backlog.
- B. Work was added to the Product Backlog.
- C. The team's velocity increased.
- D. The team's velocity decreased.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 2

A company is starting to introduce Agile practices, and the project manager has been asked to identify how to introduce the new process. The project manager's initial plan should be to:

- A. Institute daily standup meetings immediately.
- B. Communicate the Agile Manifesto to the team.
- C. Balance teaching principles with Agile practices.
- D. Rate the team's progress in learning new methods.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 3

Which of the seven principles of software development is best intended to solve the problem of inventories causing hidden errors in the process?

- A. Fast-Flexible-Flow
- B. Optimize the Whole
- C. Deliver Early and Often
- D. Eliminate Waste

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 4

The smallest amount of functionality that delivers customer value is best described as a:

- A. Function point analysis.
- B. Right sized story.
- C. Minimum marketable feature.
- D. Userstory map.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 5

A development team has finished identifying the tasks they will be accountable for during the next sprint. Which of the following tools best provides transparency into the progress throughout the sprint?

- A. Burndown chart
- B. Gantt chart
- C. Hours expended chart
- D. Management baseline chart

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 6

Which are some of the most important benefits of an Agile team sitting together in a co-located, open environment?

- A. Osmotic communication is reduced; space is used more efficiently; groups work together more effectively, and team dynamics are improved.
- B. Costs are reduced as the need for conference rooms decreases, and the team can keep track of where members are more accurately.
- C. Team members can be held more accountable for their time and effort, and pair programming is easier as people have less distance to move to sit with their partner.
- D. Communication is improved; wait-time and rework are reduced; barriers between groups break down, and groups gain respect for each other professionally.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 7

Which of the following is critical for the success of distributed Agile teams?

- A. Cost containment
- B. High volume of communication
- C. Shared knowledge
- D. Culture of collaboration

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 8

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 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

In an Agile approach, at which meeting does a team examine the effectiveness of risk responses by conducting a risk audit?

- A. Release planning
- B. Sprint planning
- C. Sprint Retrospective
- D. Daily Scrum

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 11

The three questions asked at every Daily Scrum should be: “What have you accomplished since the last Daily Scrum?”; “What are you planning to accomplish between now and the next Daily Scrum?”; and:

- A. What is preventing you from completing your work effectively?
- B. What is your current performance velocity?
- C. Are you on track to complete assigned story points?
- D. How many story points will you complete this sprint?

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 15

The best description of the purpose of the daily standup in Agile projects is to:

- A. Resolve the key issues and risks that are likely to hinder project progress.
- B. Provide insight and reassurance to the Product Owner to strengthen that relationship.
- C. Inform the project lead of project status for reporting to stakeholders.
- D. Raise the visibility of each person’s work and to ensure the work is integrated.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 16

Which layer of the product planning structure defines details at the capability or feature level?

- A. Iteration
- B. Roadmap
- C. Release
- D. Wave

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 19

A value stream map is a tool used to identify the:

- A. Waste across the entire process.
- B. Highest value product features.
- C. Most valuable team interactions.
- D. Most likely flow of project risks.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 24

A user story says that a product must be very fast. During the demo, the Product Owner is dissatisfied with the speed of the product. The most likely reason that this occurred is because the user story was:

- A. Too large.
- B. Not estimated correctly.
- C. Not testable.
- D. Not descriptive of the value.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 27

Which of the following would be most likely to assist when a customer has difficulty prioritizing stories?

- A. Split the stories into smaller ones to allow the customer to choose the pieces that they want.
- B. Have the team provide guidance into where their priorities lie to the customer.
- C. Provide additional technical details to give the customer insight into technical challenges.
- D. Have the team rewrite the stories with additional details to clarify requirements.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 29

Who is responsible for determining the business value of each feature?

- A. Product Owner
- B. Steering committee
- C. ScrumMaster
- D. Team

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 33

What are the primary outputs of a release planning session?

- A. Release vision, assumptions, action items, and iteration goals
- B. Prioritized Product Backlog, risks, action items, and release goals
- C. Estimated iteration velocities, risks, action items, and Release Backlog
- D. Risks, action items, dependencies, and Release Backlog

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 38

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 42

The velocity chart, storyboard, burndown chart, and impediment list are often communicated using:

- A. Status reports.
- B. Information radiators.
- C. Portfolio presentations.
- D. Project data packages.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 45

The ScrumMaster notices repeated friction between two team members in the Daily Scrum meetings. The next step should be to:

- A. Attempt to resolve the problem directly and immediately during a Daily Scrum meeting.
- B. Schedule a meeting with them after a Daily Scrum meeting to explore and resolve the issue.
- C. Ignore the friction because a self-organizing team must sort out team conflict issues.
- D. Ask for new resources to replace them before the friction undermines the team's productivity.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 50

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 51

On a project using eXtreme Programming (XP), a customer test is a:

- A. Technique to determine if the software is easy for customer use.
- B. Tool for a customer to verify the business requirements.
- C. Technique to determine if a customer will use a software feature.
- D. Test for determining if a customer will purchase the product.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 52

What is the common communication bridge between the team and the Product Owner?

- A. Burndown chart
- B. Product Backlog
- C. Scrum team meeting
- D. Sprint release plan

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 54

Which of the following statements is an accurate value statement of the Agile Manifesto?

- A. People and places over processes and guidelines
- B. Customer collaboration over contract negotiation
- C. Working software over complete specifications

D. Managing change over managing a plan

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 58

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 61

Which answer best describes Wide Band Delphi (e. g. Planning Poker) estimating?

- A. Team members provide story estimates individually and discuss their reasoning until a consensus on the estimate is reached.
- B. Team performance on prior projects is analyzed, and actual hours and durations are used to determine estimates for similar user stories.
- C. Team members apply relative sizing to each task, and story points are triangulated based on the other stories in the Sprint Backlog.
- D. Team members assign a realistic and a pessimistic estimate to each story, and points are assigned based on the calculated average.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 63

The team estimation game method mainly consists of a:

- A. Pile of cards with user, capability, and value to be prioritized by the project team.
- B. Spreadsheet with backlog issues to be prioritized and each to be given a prioritization number.
- C. White board session where iterations are estimated and related to the project road map.
- D. Brainstorm session where resources are related to prioritized work packages.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 65

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 68

What is one of the main benefits that Lean portfolio management provides to a business?

- A. Maximizing work-in-progress
- B. Quality and thoughtfulness
- C. Line of sight to business needs
- D. Maximizing multitasking

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 72

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 76

How does Empirical Process Control support Agile methodologies?

- A. Testing, requirements, and adaptation
- B. Testing, requirements, and change
- C. Visibility, review, and testing
- D. Visibility, inspection, and adaptation

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 81

When estimating initial velocity, the team should most likely:

- A. Discuss among the team their expectations of how many story points they can address.
- B. Use a Kanban workflow to identify steps and calculate velocity.
- C. Use velocity of past iterations or make a calculated guess.
- D. Discuss with the customer their expectation for the velocity of producing the product.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 83

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 84

For a critical project, a new team has been formed from various departments. The project manager should start team building by:

- A. Creating a project charter, documenting roles and responsibilities of each member, and sending it to the team members.
- B. Taking the team offsite for icebreaker sessions and other activities to ensure team members get to know each other.
- C. Assembling the team and discussing roles and responsibilities of each member on the team.
- D. Assembling the team and asking the members to achieve a milestone in a small iteration.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 88

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 93

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 97

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 102

Which three criteria should be looked at when setting iteration length?

- A. Time needed to complete a user story, time needed to build and test the stories, and product team acceptance of the stories
- B. Timeframe in which the stories must be released, the cost to deliver the features to market, and product team acceptance of the stories
- C. Delivering chunks of user-valued functionality, time needed to build and test the stories, and product team acceptance of the stories
- D. Features that categorize the product, the time needed to complete the features, and the cost to deliver the features to market

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 105

The term j° last responsible moment $_{i\pm}$ refers to the moment at which:

- A. the iteration testing deadline arrives and code testing must stop.
- B. failing to make a decision eliminates an important alternative.
- C. release planning is complete and the first iteration planning starts.
- D. the implementation date is set and sponsor approval has been received.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 110

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 111

Spike solutions are appropriate when:

- A. the business requirements are vague or inadequate for an iteration.
- B. a technology is understood well and has been used for a while, but needs a problem to be debugged.
- C. there is insufficient time to refactor, but there is a need to resolve a specific problem.
- D. a specific technicalQUESTION NO:needs to be answered, stopping work on the spike as soon as it answers that question.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 112

Project managers use velocity to determine:

- A. If the team is committing to an appropriate amount of work for the iteration.
- B. How much work each team member is capable of completing during an iteration.
- C. How much work teams that are similar in size are capable of completing during an iteration.
- D. If the Product Owner is prioritizing work appropriately in preparation for iteration planning.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 117

Which management style does Agile advocate?

- A. Task
- B. Team
- C. Product
- D. Performance

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 118

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 120

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 125

Test-Driven Development (TDD) is a rapid cycle of:

- A. Requirements, coding, and testing.
- B. Testing, coding, and refactoring.
- C. Testing, refactoring, and validation.
- D. Requirements, coding, and refactoring.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 126

Which term best describes an Agile project's approach to risk analysis?

- A. Regression
- B. Pareto
- C. Qualitative
- D. Monte Carlo

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 128

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 131

When are acceptance tests typically written for a user story?

- A. After coding the story, but before user acceptance testing begins
- B. After writing the story, but before coding begins
- C. At the start of Product Backlog prioritization planning
- D. After estimating the Product Backlog, but before Sprint planning begins

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 133

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 138

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 143

The ScrumMaster and the Product Owner disagree on the value of a Product Backlog item. In order to resolve the disagreement, the first step the ScrumMaster should take is to ask:

- A. The Product Owner to clarify the requirement.
- B. The business owner to resolve the problem.
- C. The business analyst to research the product value.
- D. Another project manager how to resolve the problem.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 144

What is the ideal approach for an Agile project manager to take when considering fractional assignments?

- A. Do nothing, as fractional assignments will not impact project performance.
- B. Allow resources to be assigned to no more than two projects at a time.
- C. Only allow nonessential resources to be fractionally assigned.
- D. Avoid them and have resources assigned to only one project at a time.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 149

The key elements of a user story in Agile development are:

- A. a written description, the story points estimate, and the planned release.
- B. conversations about the story, a written description, and success criteria about the story.
- C. the story points estimate, conversations about the story, and an agreed priority.
- D. tests to determine when the story is done, a written description, and the planned release.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 152

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 156

In Agile projects, how are planning outputs shared with stakeholders?

- A. Using the most highly visible method possible
- B. On a need-to-know basis depending on role
- C. According to the project communications plan
- D. Through a series of stakeholder meetings

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 159

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 164

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 169

Agile project development processes typically:

- A. Encapsulate analysis, design, code, and test within an iteration.
- B. Document each business process individually and in detail.
- C. Use a Gantt chart with well-defined activities, responsibilities, and time frames.
- D. Map the iteration backlog to a Work Breakdown Structure (WBS).

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 170

What do project reports show during the Sprint review meeting?

- A. Estimates compared to the baseline
- B. Actual results to the plan
- C. Return on investment (ROI)
- D. Earned value measurement (EVM)

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 173

A technique showing Kanban work stages by comparing counted features over a time interval is called a/an:

- A. Earned value system.
- B. Fully integrated backlog.
- C. Cumulative flow diagram.
- D. Progressive elaboration.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 174

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 178

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 179

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 182

What key benefits might stakeholders realize from an Agile approach?

- A. The ability to bypass the change-management process, inserting new requirements and changes directly into the team as they meet daily
- B. The early and continuous delivery of valuable software, providing increased visibility and the opportunity for more frequent adjustments
- C. Increased access to the project and less reliance on formal reports and status meetings to better understand the current work and the risks the team is accepting
- D. The team's flexibility to make changes mid-iteration as business needs or priorities change, increasing the ability of the team to meet project commitments

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 186

Which of the following is an example of a visual aid used in Lean-Agile software development?

- A. Business value delivered chart
- B. Product technical specifications
- C. Automated code coverage report
- D. Scrum-of-Scrum report

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 188

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