

4.1 Pick quantified goals from those given below

- (i) payment should be made promptly
- (ii) payment should be made before 5th of every month
- (iii) the age of the persons should be below 35
- (iv) the person to be recruited should be middle age

- a. i and ii
- b. i and iii
- c. ii and ii
- d. ii and iv

4.2 Quantification of goals is required because

- a. without quantification no work can be done
- b. When goals are quantified it is possible to verify unambiguously whether they have been fulfilled
- c. Goals have to be quantified for a good system
- d. it facilitates designing a good system

4.3 Quantification of goals is done by

- a. converting subjective goal statements to ones with numbers
- b. converting subjective goal statements to objective goal statements
- c. converting objective goal statements to subjective goal statements
- d. removing all adjectives in a goal statement

4.4 Quantified version of the statement: “The inventory should be reduced substantially“ is

- a. the inventory should be reduced effectively
- b. the inventory should be reduced significantly
- c. the inventory should be reduced very much
- d. the inventory should be reduced by 25%

4.5 Goals are identified by

- a. finding the deficiencies in the current system
- b. observing the current system
- c. analyzing competitor’s system
- d. finding the advantages in the current system

4.6 Deficiencies in a system are pinpointed by identifying

- (i)missing function
 - (ii)excessive cost of operation
 - (iii)poor management
 - (iv)poor operation
- a. i and iii
 - b. i and ii
 - c. i and iv
 - d. ii and iii

4.7 Goals are identified by

- a. discussion with all concerned
- b. pinpointing unsatisfactory performance
- c. finding poor management
- d. examining a variety of documents

4.8 Characteristics of good goals are that they

- (i)are quantified
 - (ii)improve quality
 - (iii)are realizable within the constraints of the organization
 - (iv)aim at an ideal system
- a. i and ii
 - b. ii and iv
 - c. ii and iii
 - d. i and iii

4.9 Goals should be agreeable to

- a. top management
- b. project leader
- c. all concerned, both management and operational staff
- d. programmers

4.10 Goals should be broken down to sub-goals as it

- a. expedites system design
- b. provides a convenient target to aim at during system design

- c. is recommended by experienced analysts
- d. is good idea to use

4.11 During feasibility analysis it is necessary to examine several alternative solutions because

- (i) a comparison of alternatives will lead to a cost-effective solution
 - (ii) a pre-conceived single solution may turn out to be unimplementable
 - (iii) it is always good to examine alternatives
 - (iv) management normally looks at alternatives
- a. i and iii
 - b. i and iv
 - c. i and ii
 - d. ii and iv

4.12 A computer-based information system

- a. may require some tasks to be done manually
- b. should not have any manual tasks
- c. is always fully automated
- d. may use only computers

4.13 Among alternative solutions for an information system one may consider

- a. PC based solutions only
- b. an improved manual system
- c. only client-server based solutions as they are popular now-a-days
- d. whatever management decides

4.14 By technical feasibility of a solution we mean that

- a. technology is available to implement it
- b. persons are available to implement it
- c. persons have technical ability to implement it
- d. funds are available to implement it

4.15 By operational feasibility we mean

- a. the system can be operated nicely

- b. the system is unusable by operators
- c. the system can be adapted by an organization without major disruptions
- d. the system can be implemented

4.16 By economic feasibility of a system we mean that

- a. it is economical to operate
- b. it is expensive to operate
- c. it will be cost-effective if implemented
- d. finances are available to implement the system and it will be cost-

4.17 A solution is said to be feasible for implementation if

- (i)it is cost-effective and finance is available to implement it
- (ii)technology is available to implement it
- (iii)it can be adapted to work in an organization's environment
- (iv)it has been implemented in another organization

- a. ii and iii
- b. i, ii and iii
- c. i and iv
- d. i, ii and iv

4.18 A cost-benefit analysis is performed to assess

- a. economic feasibility
- b. operational feasibility
- c. technical feasibility
- d. all of the above

4.19 The primary objective of cost-benefit analysis is

- a. to find out direct and indirect cost of developing the information system
- b. to determine the tangible benefits of the information system
- c. to determine if it is economically worthwhile to invest in developing the information system
- d. to determine the intangible benefits of the information system

4.20 A cost-benefit analysis is performed as a part of

- a. system design
- b. system specification
- c. system performance assessment
- d. feasibility analysis

4.21 A cost benefit analysis consists of

- (i)finding the direct and indirect cost of developing, implementing and running the system
- (ii)finding out the tangible and intangible benefit of the system
- (iii)finding the investment to be made in the system
- (iv)finding the profit which will accrue from the system

- a. iii and iv
- b. i and iv
- c. ii and iii
- d. i and ii

4.22 The tangible benefits in the following list are

- (i)savings due to reducing investment
- (ii)savings due to sending bills faster and consequent early collection
- (iii)providing better service to the customers
- (iv)improving quality of company's products

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- b. ii and iii
- c. iii and iv
- d. i and iii

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4.24 Intangible benefits are

- a. not very important
- b. as important as tangible benefits
- c. the most important benefits
- d. irrelevant in feasibility study

4.25 Pick the indirect cost from the following

- a. cost of new forms
- b. cost of training analysts and users
- c. cost of software to be brought
- d. cost of fact gathering

4.26 In payback method one finds out

- a. the period necessary to invest the cost of the system
- b. the time required for the full benefits to accrue
- c. the time at which benefits exceed cost
- d. whether the system is able to payback amount invested

4.27 In simple payback method one

- a. accounts for interest payments on benefits
- b. ignores interest payments
- c. only accounts for interest on capital investments
- d. only accounts for interest on recurring expenses

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- d. 20 months

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- 14 months
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 - 20 months
- 4.30 In present value method one has to account for**
- interest rate prevalent at a given time
 - exchange rate prevalent at a given time
 - sales tax rate prevalent at a given time
 - both income and sales tax rates prevalent at a given time
- 4.31 At the end of the feasibility study the systems analyst**
- meets the users for a discussion
 - gives a summary feasibility report to the management
 - gives a systems proposal to management
 - tells the top management if the system is not feasible
- 4.32 The most important parts of a feasibility report are**
- cost-benefit analysis
 - statement of the objective of the proposed system
 - who will supply equipment for implementing the system
 - organizational changes needed to successfully implement the system
- i and ii
 - i, ii and iii
 - i and iv
 - i, ii and iv
- 4.33 A detailed system proposal is prepared by a systems anal**
- management is not clear about what the system will do
 - the analysts feels it is necessary to convince the management
 - management approves the feasibility report

d. the analyst feels it will be a challenging system to implement

4.34 The main objectives of a detailed system proposal are to

- (i)convince management about the benefits of the proposed system
- (ii)explain in detail to the management what to expect from the system and at what cost
- (iii)have a detailed plan on what the system will do and how it will be implemented
- (iv)make sure that it is possible to implement the system

- a. i and ii
- b. ii and iii
- c. i and iv
- d. ii and iv

4.35 The following are the most important points of a detailed system proposal

- (i)who will supply and install the required equipment
- (ii)cost-benefit analysis
- (iii)comparison of alternative solutions
- (iv)implementation plan

- a. i, ii and iii
- b. i, iii and iv
- c. ii, iii and iv
- d. ii and iii

Key to Objective Questions

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4.25 d	4.26 c	4.27 b	4.28 c	4.29 b	4.30 a
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