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1. When developing a Cognos Planning system, when is prototyping most useful?

- A. When the user requirements are unclear.
- B. When the development team is very large.
- C. When the client can afford the extra time and cost required.
- D. When the solution is being implemented for a department other than Finance.

Answer: A

2. Which of the following is a best practice when designing an Analyst model for ease of maintenance?

- A. Use local allocations in D-Links when D-List items do not match.

- B. Ensure the D-List items are all less than 30 characters in length.
- C. Set up import links and use in the automation of the update of D-Lists.
- D. Design many smaller D-Cubes instead of few large ones.

Answer: C

3. What is a major flaw of the Waterfall approach to system development?

- A. There is no Analyze phase; the steps go from Plan directly to Design.
- B. Steps are followed sequentially without returning to previous steps.
- C. Technical constraints tend to overrule user requirements.
- D. This approach can only be implemented using large teams.

Answer: B

4. What issue is Iterative Development specifically designed to address?

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

Answer: C

5. If a customer is planning to create many Contributor Applications, which objects should be stored in the common library?

- A. Saved Formats, Assumption D-Cubes, all D-Lists
- B. All D-Cubes, e.List, D-Links
- C. Saved A-Tables, shared D-Lists, Reports
- D. e.List, Saved Formats, Reports

Answer: C

6. Two D-Lists must be allocated in a D-Link. The allocation changes regularly, is maintained by the administrator, and should be available for several different Contributor applications. What is the most appropriate allocation type to use?

- A. Local allocation within the D-Link.
- B. A-Table saved to the common library.
- C. A-Table saved to the contributor application library.
- D. D-Cube allocation saved to the common library.

Answer: B

7. When designing a model, which groups of people should be given greatest consideration?

- A. Those entering or reviewing data.
- B. Those administering the model.
- C. Those developing and supporting the model.
- D. Those importing the data from external sources.

Answer: A

8. A company wants to use Contributor to plan several business processes. Salary planning is done every six months, revenue and expense planning is done on a rolling monthly basis, and capital expenditure is done annually.

To aid the planning process, which suggestion is considered best practice for this company?

- A. One application to cover all of the business processes with D-Links to transfer data between D-Cubes.
- B. An application for each business process with flat files to transfer data between them.
- C. An application for each business process with system links and D-Links to transfer data between them.
- D. An application for each business process with system links and administration links to transfer data between them.

Answer: D

9. Which of the following is a best practice when designing to limit complexity in an Analyst model?

- A. Design different D-Cubes for different purposes.
- B. Use only simple calculations in the D-Lists.
- C. Have one or two very large D-Cubes in the model.
- D. Use D-Cubes with only short D-Lists.

Answer: A

10. How could the following D-Cube be improved so that it is easier for end users to understand what they need to input?

- A. Remove the calculation D-List from the D-Cube.
- B. Rename D-List items to use more familiar wording.
- C. Rename the calculation D-List to reflect the calculations being performed.

D. Replace the Built in Function on the calculation D-List with simple calculations.

Answer: B

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