



INTRO TO SAR Open Book Quiz

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1. Search is an Emergency (circle one): True / False
2. Who is responsible for SAR operations in the State of Idaho? _____
3. PLSAR accepts missions without the authorization of the Sheriff's Office. (circle one): True / False
4. What does LKP mean? _____
5. What does IPP mean? _____
6. Dressing in layers allows you to regulate your body temperature. (circle one): True / False
7. What are the four phases of SAR? _____
8. Why is it important to record your vehicle mileage when responding to a mission? _____

9. A "Contour Search" is always started from the lowest elevation point. (circle one): True / False
10. You should carry Forest Service maps in your vehicle. (circle one): True / False
11. Determining key navigational points before you leave CP is important. (circle one): True / False
12. If you cannot establish communication with the CP during a mission, you should stop your mission and return to the CP. (circle one): True / False
13. What is the optimal number of search team members? _____
14. What are the different categories of clues? _____

15. What is a PIO? _____
16. Describe the "Searcher Cube": _____

17. How do we typically mark a possible clue? _____

18. What color of flagging does PLSAR use? _____
19. It is not important to debrief with the CP after a mission. (circle one): True / False
20. If you have required medical items, it is a good idea to let your team know their location and purpose. (circle one): True / False
21. You should conduct radio check-ins with CP when starting and ending missions. (circle one): True / False
22. Tracking and K9 teams are common "Initial Response" resources. (circle one): True / False





23. While responding to a SAR mission, you are authorized to drive faster than the posted speed limit.
(circle one): True / False
24. Clearing a 300 meter hub around the PLS is a good “Hasty Search” technique. (circle one): True / False
25. Once your mission is completed, what do the three “R’s” mean? _____

26. A team and individual critique after a mission is important. (circle one): True / False
27. You need to go through your pack regularly and check items for expiration dates. (circle one): True / False
28. Physical fitness is important to SAR field operations. (circle one): True / False
29. Describe the three-layer system for proper SAR clothing. _____

30. If you are sick, injured, or do not have the physical capability necessary to do the assigned job, it is your responsibility to notify search management that you cannot do the job. (circle one): True / False
31. Clothing is your first layer of defense and is essentially your shelter close to the body. (circle one): True / False
32. The Incident Commander is not responsible for managing all the functions of the search. (circle one): True / False
33. List the five ways your body loses heat: _____

34. During official missions and trainings, SAR responders are under their own insurance. (circle one): True / False
35. It is always best to use the subjects gear and supplies before using your own. (circle one): True / False
36. Before you leave the CP you should always do a radio check. (circle one): True / False
37. Searchers require fewer calories to maintain peak performance during a search. (circle one): True / False
38. When investigating a clue, it is best to walk in and out along one path. (circle one): True / False
39. You are responsible for acting as a reasonable and prudent searcher at all times. (circle one): True / False
40. Many support positions can be successfully and efficiently performed by persons who are disabled or have a reduced level of fitness. (circle one): True / False
41. Wool and cotton are the best choices for clothing from October to May. (circle one): True / False
42. “Type 3” searches are typically used first on a mission. (circle one): True / False
43. What are the two types of search tactics? _____
44. It is important to let CP know if equipment was damaged or not working properly during a mission.
(circle one): True / False
45. Trespass laws do not apply to searchers. (circle one): True / False
46. Preventing overheating and perspiration is important especially during summer months. (circle one): True / False
47. Searchers should continually call out the subject’s name during a mission. (circle one): True / False
48. You don’t need to worry about checking in with CP during a mission. (circle one): True / False
49. Night search missions are not allowed. (circle one): True / False
50. ATV operators have to be very aware because they may miss or destroy small clues. (circle one): True / False

