

CanFitPro Personal Training Specialist Practice Test (Sample)

Study Guide



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 - D. A recovery period**
- 2. What is periodization?**
 - A. A type of cardiovascular exercise**
 - B. A diet plan**
 - C. The systematic organization of training periods to efficiently reach goals**
 - D. A recovery strategy after workouts**
- 3. A benefit of optimal Body composition includes:**
 - A. Decreased risk of cardiorespiratory disease**
 - B. Lowered endurance**
 - C. Decreased basal metabolic rate**
 - D. Reduced muscular capacity**
- 4. What is the first step in canfitpro's steps for screening and assessment?**
 - A. Passive postural assessment**
 - B. Pre-exercise screening**
 - C. Standard health assessment**
 - D. Dynamic postural assessment**
- 5. How should the tempo of dynamic stretches vary?**
 - A. It should be consistent**
 - B. Based on the client's fitness level**
 - C. Depending on the goals of the training session**
 - D. It should always be fast**
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 - B. Improved range of motion**
 - C. Increased risk of injury**
 - D. Higher fat mass in the body**

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 - B. Surprise the client with recognition and fun activities**
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- A. Maintaining the alignment of static knees and hips**
 - B. Maintaining the alignment of actively moving knees and hips**
 - C. Avoiding movement in the knees and hips**
 - D. Focusing on upper body movement only**
- 9. What allows the body to change in response to stretching according to the concept of plasticity?**
- A. Sleep and rest**
 - B. Nutritional supplements**
 - C. Sustained periods of lengthening**
 - D. High temperatures**
- 10. What does Proprioceptive Neuromuscular Facilitation (PNF) involve?**
- A. Rapid, bouncy movements**
 - B. Contracting a muscle before stretching it**
 - C. Only static stretches**
 - D. Dynamic stretching only**

Answers

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1. C
2. C
3. A
4. B
5. C
6. B
7. B
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9. C
10. B

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Explanations

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1. What defines a mesocycle in periodized training?

- A. A cycle lasting several years
- B. The initial phase of training
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Mesocycle is a commonly used term in periodized training to refer to an intermediate phase that typically lasts one to several months. This phase is characterized by a combination of specific goals and training modalities, such as training intensity, volume, and focus. This makes options A, B, and D incorrect as they do not accurately define a mesocycle in the context of periodized training. Option A refers to a much longer time frame than a mesocycle, while option B and D simply refer to general phases or components of training without highlighting the specific characteristics of a mesocycle.

2. What is periodization?

- A. A type of cardiovascular exercise
- B. A diet plan
- C. The systematic organization of training periods to efficiently reach goals**
- D. A recovery strategy after workouts

Periodization is the systematic planning and organization of training periods to help individuals or athletes efficiently reach their goals. This includes dividing the training into different stages or phases, each with a specific focus and level of intensity, in order to enhance athletic performance and reduce the risk of injuries. Option A is incorrect because periodization does not refer to any type of exercise. Option B is incorrect because it refers to a diet plan, which is unrelated to periodization. Option D is incorrect because periodization is not a recovery strategy, but rather a structured approach to training.

3. A benefit of optimal Body composition includes:

- A. Decreased risk of cardiorespiratory disease**
- B. Lowered endurance
- C. Decreased basal metabolic rate
- D. Reduced muscular capacity

Optimal body composition refers to the ratio of lean body mass to fat mass in an individual. Having a higher proportion of lean body mass (such as muscle) to fat mass is associated with various health benefits, including a decreased risk of cardiorespiratory diseases such as heart disease, stroke, and respiratory problems. This is because having more muscle mass can improve cardiovascular health and overall functional capacity. Options B, C, and D are incorrect because they all have potential negative effects on health. Lowered endurance and reduced muscular capacity can lead to decreased physical ability and a decreased basal metabolic rate can slow down metabolism and make weight management more difficult.

4. What is the first step in canfitpro's steps for screening and assessment?

- A. Passive postural assessment**
- B. Pre-exercise screening**
- C. Standard health assessment**
- D. Dynamic postural assessment**

Pre-exercise screening is the first step in canfitpro's steps for screening and assessment because it helps to identify any potential health risks that may impact a person's ability to safely and effectively participate in exercise. Passive postural assessment and dynamic postural assessment are both important components of a complete fitness assessment, but they come after the pre-exercise screening. Standard health assessment is not specific to the fitness industry and may not provide the necessary information for exercise programming and planning.

5. How should the tempo of dynamic stretches vary?

- A. It should be consistent**
- B. Based on the client's fitness level**
- C. Depending on the goals of the training session**
- D. It should always be fast**

Dynamic stretches involve controlled movements and aim to increase range of motion and body awareness before physical activity. The tempo of dynamic stretches should vary based on the goals of the training session. A consistent tempo may not be suitable if the goal is to prepare the body for explosive or high-intensity activities. Additionally, the client's fitness level may also play a role in determining the tempo, as someone with a higher fitness level may be able to perform stretches at a faster pace. Choosing a consistent or always fast tempo can lead to ineffective or potential injury. Instead, the tempo should be adjusted to best suit the specific goals and needs of the individual and their training session.

6. A benefit of improved Flexibility is:

- A. Decreased basal metabolic rate**
- B. Improved range of motion**
- C. Increased risk of injury**
- D. Higher fat mass in the body**

Improved flexibility can bring about several benefits for the body, such as better posture, reduced muscle soreness, and increased performance in sports or exercise. Out of the given options, only option B mentions a positive impact on the body. Decreased basal metabolic rate, as described in option A, can lead to a slower metabolism and difficulty in maintaining a healthy weight. Option C mentions an increased risk of injury, which is actually a negative effect of poor flexibility. Similarly, higher fat mass in the body, as mentioned in option D, can lead to various health issues. Therefore, improved range of motion, as mentioned in option B, is the correct answer as it promotes overall physical well-being and improves the body's ability to move without causing harm.

7. How can you best keep perceivers engaged?

- A. Follow a strict and unbending routine
- B. Surprise the client with recognition and fun activities**
- C. Stick to a limited set of exercises
- D. Avoid providing options

Engaging clients or perceivers by sticking to a limited set of exercises or avoiding providing options can become monotonous and may lead to lack of interest. Following a strict and unbending routine can also make the clients feel restricted and may decrease their motivation. Surprising clients with recognition and fun activities, on the other hand, keeps them engaged and motivated because it adds an element of excitement and enjoyment. This promotes a positive relationship between the client and the service provider and can lead to better results.

8. What is dynamic postural stability needed for?

- A. Maintaining the alignment of static knees and hips
- B. Maintaining the alignment of actively moving knees and hips**
- C. Avoiding movement in the knees and hips
- D. Focusing on upper body movement only

Dynamic postural stability is the ability to maintain balance and proper posture while in motion. This is necessary for activities such as walking, running, and playing sports. Option A is incorrect because it refers to maintaining the alignment of static, or still, knees and hips which does not require dynamic postural stability. Option C is incorrect because it suggests avoiding movement in the knees and hips, which is not something that is necessary or desirable for most physical activities. Option D is incorrect because it focuses only on upper body movement, ignoring the importance of maintaining stability in the lower body.

9. What allows the body to change in response to stretching according to the concept of plasticity?

- A. Sleep and rest
- B. Nutritional supplements
- C. Sustained periods of lengthening**
- D. High temperatures

Plasticity is the concept that the body is able to change and adapt in response to certain stimuli. In this case, the stimuli is stretching. Option A, sleep and rest, may help with muscle recovery but it does not directly contribute to the concept of plasticity. Option B, nutritional supplements, may provide extra nutrients for muscle growth but again, it does not directly promote plasticity. Option D, high temperatures, may cause dehydration and fatigue but does not contribute to plasticity. Only sustained periods of lengthening, as seen in option C, directly correspond to the concept of plasticity as it involves stretching the muscles over a period of time in order to see changes in flexibility and range of motion.

10. What does Proprioceptive Neuromuscular Facilitation (PNF) involve?

- A. Rapid, bouncy movements
- B. Contracting a muscle before stretching it**
- C. Only static stretches
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Proprioceptive Neuromuscular Facilitation (PNF) is a stretching technique that enhances both active and passive range of motion with the goal of improving flexibility and muscular strength. The key aspect of PNF involves the contraction of a muscle before stretching it. This technique typically includes a pattern of contraction followed by a static stretch, allowing for a deeper stretch due to the reflexes that occur in response to the muscle contraction. When a muscle is contracted isometrically (without changing length), it stimulates the muscle spindle and Golgi tendon organs, which then promote increased relaxation and elongation of the muscle during the subsequent stretch phase. This method is especially effective for improving flexibility because it incorporates both the neurological and muscular systems to facilitate deeper stretching. In contrast to rapid, bouncy movements or dynamic stretching, which focus on athleticism and movement through a range, PNF emphasizes controlled contraction followed by relaxation, optimizing the stretching process. Therefore, while static stretches are a component of PNF, the defining factor is the contraction that precedes the stretch, distinguishing it from other forms of stretching techniques.