

# Penal Code 30-72 Practice Test (Sample)

## Study Guide



**Everything you need from our exam experts!**

**Copyright © 2026 by Examzify - A Kaluba Technologies Inc. product.**

**ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.**

**No part of this book may be reproduced or transferred in any form or by any means, graphic, electronic, or mechanical, including photocopying, recording, web distribution, taping, or by any information storage retrieval system, without the written permission of the author.**

**Notice: Examzify makes every reasonable effort to obtain accurate, complete, and timely information about this product from reliable sources.**

**SAMPLE**

# Table of Contents

<b>Copyright</b> .....	<b>1</b>
<b>Table of Contents</b> .....	<b>2</b>
<b>Introduction</b> .....	<b>3</b>
<b>How to Use This Guide</b> .....	<b>4</b>
<b>Questions</b> .....	<b>5</b>
<b>Answers</b> .....	<b>9</b>
<b>Explanations</b> .....	<b>11</b>
<b>Next Steps</b> .....	<b>17</b>

SAMPLE

# Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

**Remember:** successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

# How to Use This Guide

**This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:**

## **1. Start with a Diagnostic Review**

**Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.**

## **2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions**

**Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.**

## **3. Learn from the Explanations**

**After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.**

## **4. Track Your Progress**

**Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.**

## **5. Simulate the Real Exam**

**Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.**

## **6. Repeat and Review**

**Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.**

**There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!**

## Questions

SAMPLE

- 1. Which term means any communication, language, or material, including a photographic or video image, that relates to or describes sexual conduct?**
  - A. Online Solicitation of a Minor**
  - B. Breach of Computer Security**
  - C. Counterfeit Telecommunications Access Device**
  - D. Sexually Explicit**
  
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ means a device including a dildo or artificial vagina, designed or marketed as useful primarily for the stimulation of human genital organs.**
  - A. Obscene device**
  - B. Obscene**
  - C. Patently Offensive**
  - D. Wholesale promote**
  
- 3. A public servant, with intent to obtain a benefit or to harm or defraud another, intentionally or knowingly violates a law relating to the public servant's office or employment. This offense is called:**
  - A. Abuse of Official Capacity**
  - B. Official Oppression**
  - C. Misuse of Official Information**
  - D. Disorderly Conduct**
  
- 4. In the offense of coercing, inducing, or soliciting membership in a Criminal Street Gang or Foreign Terrorist Organization, a 'child' is defined as someone who is**
  - A. Younger than 17**
  - B. Exactly 17**
  - C. 18 or older**
  - D. 19 or older**

- 5. Which period or parameter defines Funeral Service Disruption?**
- A. Beginning 3 hours before the service and ending 3 hours after, picketing within 1,000 feet of the facility or cemetery being used**
  - B. Beginning 1 hour before the service and ending 1 hour after, picketing within 500 feet**
  - C. Only during the service, within 100 feet**
  - D. Beginning 3 hours before the service and ending 3 hours after, picketing within 2,000 feet**
- 6. Which offense includes making or altering an object so that it appears valuable or authenticating it as genuine?**
- A. Forgery**
  - B. Criminal Simulation**
  - C. Cardholder**
  - D. False Statement to Obtain Property**
- 7. Without the owner's effective consent, which action involves causing bodily injury to an animal?**
- A. Causes bodily injury to an animal without the owner's effective consent**
  - B. Uses a live animal as a lure**
  - C. Abandons an animal**
  - D. Causes bodily injury to an animal with the owner's consent**
- 8. A Telecommunication access device means a card, plate, code, account number, personal identification number, electronic serial number, mobile identification number, or other identifier that may be used to:**
- A. obtain money, goods, services, or other thing of value**
  - B. initiate a transfer of funds other than a transfer originated solely by paper instrument**
  - C. both A and B**
  - D. none of the above**

**9. Which offense prohibits interfering with another individual's ability to place an emergency call, including rendering an electronic device unusable?**

- A. Harassment**
- B. Silent or Abusive Calls to 9-1-1 Service**
- C. False Alarm or Report**
- D. Interference with Emergency Request for Assistance**

**10. Which offense involves coercing another into suppressing or failing to report information to law enforcement?**

- A. Official Oppression**
- B. Abuse of Official Capacity**
- C. Misuse of Official Information**
- D. Disorderly Conduct**

**SAMPLE**

## Answers

SAMPLE

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

SAMPLE

## **Explanations**

SAMPLE

**1. Which term means any communication, language, or material, including a photographic or video image, that relates to or describes sexual conduct?**

- A. Online Solicitation of a Minor**
- B. Breach of Computer Security**
- C. Counterfeit Telecommunications Access Device**
- D. Sexually Explicit**

Sexually explicit is a broad term used in criminal law to classify material that relates to or describes sexual conduct. It covers any communication, language, or material, including photographs or video images, that depict or describe sexual acts or arousal. This makes it the appropriate category for content that is sexual in nature, regardless of medium or format. The other options refer to distinct crimes—solicitation of a minor, breach of computer security, and counterfeit access devices—not to the nature of sexual content itself, so they don't address how sexual material is defined.

**2. \_\_\_\_\_ means a device including a dildo or artificial vagina, designed or marketed as useful primarily for the stimulation of human genital organs.**

- A. Obscene device**
- B. Obscene**
- C. Patently Offensive**
- D. Wholesale promote**

The test hinges on the exact statutory term used to describe materials or objects intended for sexual stimulation. An obscene device is defined as any device that is designed or marketed as useful primarily for the stimulation of human genital organs. That wording specifically calls out the object itself and its primary purpose, which is the key point in this definition. That's why the phrase "obscene device" fits best here: it names the object (a device) and aligns with the statute's focus on devices used for sexual stimulation. The other options don't match that precise statutory label—one is a general adjective, another is a different obscenity standard, and the last is unrelated.

**3. A public servant, with intent to obtain a benefit or to harm or defraud another, intentionally or knowingly violates a law relating to the public servant's office or employment. This offense is called:**

- A. Abuse of Official Capacity**
- B. Official Oppression**
- C. Misuse of Official Information**
- D. Disorderly Conduct**

The main concept here is offenses that punish improper use of public office. Abuse of Official Capacity covers a situation where a public servant, with the intent to obtain a benefit or to harm or defraud another, intentionally or knowingly violates a law relating to the public servant's office or employment. So the act is tied to the duties of the office and done to gain something or to hurt someone, which fits this offense precisely. Official Oppression concerns depriving someone of rights or imposing a burden through color of office, often focusing on the abuse of official power to harm someone's rights rather than on violating a law tied to the office for personal gain. Misuse of Official Information targets improper use of information gained through official duties. Disorderly Conduct is a general, less specific offense involving disruptive behavior, not tied to abusing official capacity.

**4. In the offense of coercing, inducing, or soliciting membership in a Criminal Street Gang or Foreign Terrorist Organization, a 'child' is defined as someone who is**

- A. Younger than 17**
- B. Exactly 17**
- C. 18 or older**
- D. 19 or older**

This question tests how the statute defines a "child" for the offense of coercing, inducing, or soliciting membership in a gang or foreign terrorist organization. The law specifies that a child is someone younger than 17. That means a person who is 16 qualifies as a child, while a person who is 17 or older does not. The reason for this cutoff is to protect the younger end of the juvenile population who may be more vulnerable to coercion and recruitment, by setting a precise age boundary in this provision. So, the correct interpretation is that a child in this context is someone younger than 17.

**5. Which period or parameter defines Funeral Service Disruption?**

- A. Beginning 3 hours before the service and ending 3 hours after, picketing within 1,000 feet of the facility or cemetery being used**
- B. Beginning 1 hour before the service and ending 1 hour after, picketing within 500 feet**
- C. Only during the service, within 100 feet**
- D. Beginning 3 hours before the service and ending 3 hours after, picketing within 2,000 feet**

The period defined for Funeral Service Disruption is a specific window that the statute uses to protect mourners and the funeral process. The best answer sets the disruption period as starting 3 hours before the service and ending 3 hours after, with a 1,000-foot buffer around the facility or cemetery. This timing balances the right to protest with the need to allow a funeral to proceed without interruptions, while still allowing expressive activity outside that defined zone. The other options don't fit because they either shorten the window (only during the service or only 1 hour before/after) or use a different distance that isn't the defined boundary (such as 2,000 feet), which would not align with the statute's specified protection period.

**6. Which offense includes making or altering an object so that it appears valuable or authenticating it as genuine?**

- A. Forgery**
- B. Criminal Simulation**
- C. Cardholder**
- D. False Statement to Obtain Property**

Criminal Simulation is the offense that punishes making or altering an object so that it appears valuable or authentic, and presenting it as genuine to defraud someone. The scenario fits this exactly because it involves creating or modifying an item to look real or valuable and then passing it off as authentic. Forgery focuses on false writings or signatures, which isn't about non-writing objects being misrepresented. A false statement to obtain property involves lying to get something, not presenting a misrepresented object as genuine. A cardholder-related crime targets fraudulent use of credit or debit cards, not the deception of an object's authenticity.

**7. Without the owner's effective consent, which action involves causing bodily injury to an animal?**

**A. Causes bodily injury to an animal without the owner's effective consent**

**B. Uses a live animal as a lure**

**C. Abandons an animal**

**D. Causes bodily injury to an animal with the owner's consent**

The important idea here is that the criminal act hinges on harming an animal without the owner's effective consent. Only the statement that describes causing bodily injury to an animal while there is no effective owner consent fits both elements—injury and lack of consent—making it the correct choice. Using a live animal as a lure is about using an animal in a specific situation and isn't inherently about injuring the animal. Abandoning an animal involves neglecting or leaving it behind, not necessarily causing bodily harm. Causing bodily injury with the owner's consent isn't acting without consent, so it doesn't meet the □□.

**8. A Telecommunication access device means a card, plate, code, account number, personal identification number, electronic serial number, mobile identification number, or other identifier that may be used to:**

**A. obtain money, goods, services, or other thing of value**

**B. initiate a transfer of funds other than a transfer originated solely by paper instrument**

**C. both A and B**

**D. none of the above**

A telecommunication access device is defined by its ability to unlock or authorize access to financial resources or telecom services. Because it can be used to obtain money, goods, or services directly, and it can also be used to initiate electronic transfers of funds (not just transfers by paper), the definition covers both scenarios. That's why the best answer combines both possibilities.

**9. Which offense prohibits interfering with another individual's ability to place an emergency call, including rendering an electronic device unusable?**

**A. Harassment**

**B. Silent or Abusive Calls to 9-1-1 Service**

**C. False Alarm or Report**

**D. Interference with Emergency Request for Assistance**

This offense focuses on blocking someone from getting emergency help. It criminalizes any action that prevents a person from placing an emergency call or otherwise obtaining assistance, including rendering an electronic device unusable for that purpose. That means damming or taking away a phone, disabling service, or otherwise interfering with the means to contact emergency services. It's distinct from harassment (unwanted conduct), silent or abusive 9-1-1 calls (a separate offense for the calls themselves), and false alarms (knowingly causing a false emergency). So this choice best captures the idea of obstructing the ability to request emergency aid.

**10. Which offense involves coercing another into suppressing or failing to report information to law enforcement?**

**A. Official Oppression**

**B. Abuse of Official Capacity**

**C. Misuse of Official Information**

**D. Disorderly Conduct**

The main idea here is that a public official cannot use their position to intimidate or coerce someone into hiding information or not reporting it to law enforcement. Official oppression covers precisely this kind of behavior: using the authority of the office to impede a person's rights or the lawful operation of law enforcement, including pressuring someone to suppress information. This fits because coercing another to refrain from reporting information to police is an abuse of official power aimed at hindering enforcement and the public's access to information. The other offenses describe different wrongs: abuse of official capacity involves improper use of public power for personal gain or to harm others in the course of official duties, misuse of official information focuses on using information obtained through official duties for personal benefit, and disorderly conduct covers public disturbances or disorder. None of those centrally involve coercing someone to suppress information in relation to law enforcement as clearly as official oppression.

## Next Steps

**Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.**

**As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.**

**If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at [hello@examzify.com](mailto:hello@examzify.com).**

**Or visit your dedicated course page for more study tools and resources:**

**<https://penalcode30to72.examzify.com>**

**We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!**

SAMPLE