AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #4

1.	In a METAR report, a dry-bulb temperature of 25.5 degrees Celsius below zero is reported as:				
	a. 76	c. M25			
	b. 76	d. M26			
2. The altimeter setting is one of the most important elements in an observation observer estimates the altimeter as 29.926. What is the correct entry in Colui (Altimeter Setting)?					
	a. 29.93	c. 9926			
	b. 2992	d. omitted			
3.	When the wet bulb temperature is at or induced by:	slightly below freezing, freezing may be			
	a. Touching the wet bulb with snow				
	b. Blowing on the wet bulb				
	c. Ventilating the wet bulb				
	d. Remoistening the wet bulb				
4.		ir would become saturated (with respect to without the addition or removal of water			
	a. Wet bulb temperature	c. Dewpoint			
	b. Relative humidity	d. Saturation temperature			

5.	A temperature is ½ degree Celsius below zero is coded as:				
	a. M00	c. M01			
	b. 00	d01			
6.	Temperature is reported in column 11 (Te degree	emperature) to the nearest			
	a. whole, Celsius	c. whole, Fahrenheit			
	b. tenth, Fahrenheit	d. tenth, Celsius			
7.	When using a physchrometer, when is the	official dry-bulb temperature determined?			
	a. after several wet-bulb readings				
	b. before the instrument is ventilated				
	c. at the time of the highest wet-bulb rea	ding			
	d. at the time of the lowest wet bulb read	ling			
8.	The wet-bulb is covered with ice and read	s the same as the dry-bulb. Fog is present.			
	a. The dew-point is the same as the wet-l	bulb			
	b. The dew-point is lower than the wet-b	ulb			
	c. The dew-point is higher than the wet-b	oulb			
	d. The dew-point is missing				
9.	A temperature of 15.5 degrees Celsius and would be encoded:	d a dew-point of 15.5 degrees Celsius			
	a. 15/15	c. 15/16			
	b. 16/15	d. 16/16			
10	The temperature is 10.5 degrees Celsius b encoded:	ut the dewpoint is missing. This is			
	a. 10/	c. 10/			
	b. 11/	d. 11/M			

- 11. Which of the following does not meet SPECI criteria?
 - a. visibility decreases from 3 to 2 miles
 - b. hail changes intensity
 - c. a cloud layer is observed at 800 feet and no clouds were observed below 1,000 feet in the previous observation
 - d. a helicopter accident
- 12. In a SPECI report, the time of the date/time group will be:
 - a. the time of the last METAR report
 - b. the time the pressure was evaluated
 - c. when the criteria for the SPECI is met or observed
 - d. the time the last element was observed or evaluated
- 13. Which of the following requires a SPECI?
 - a. a tornado is reported by the police to have occurred 3 hours ago
 - b. visibility decreases to 3 miles
 - c. volcanic eruption
 - d. the altimeter setting rises at a rate of 0.02 inch per hour
- 14. A SPECI observation is required when you observe:
 - a. wind gust

c. variable wind condition

b. wind shift

d. peak wind of 50 knots or more

15. A SPECI observation will be required whenever:						
a. light rain showers changes to modera	a. light rain showers changes to moderate rain					
b. heavy rain changes to light rain						
c. continuous snow changes to snow sho	owers					
d. rain and ice pellets mixed changes to	rain					
16. Which of the following precipitation ever	nts require a SPECI?					
a. small hail ends	c. freezing rain changes intensity					
b. ice pellets begin	d. all of the above					
17. Which of the following does not require	the issuance of a SPECI?					
a. light snow begins						
b. light freezing drizzle ends						
c. small hail ends						
d. a squall is observed						
18. The sky condition in the previous observation was SCT017. A SPECI is required when this condition changes to:						
a. BKN030	c. SKC					
b. FEW009	d. SCT010					
19. A SPECI is not required when:						
a. a thunderstorm ends	c. a tornado disappears from sight					
b. freezing drizzle changes intensity	d. peak wind of 45 knots is observed					

20. A SPECI is required when:

- a. A scattered layer of clouds at 500 feet dissipates
- b. BKN009 becomes OVC009
- c. BKN0290 decreases to OVC015
- d. BKN030 becomes BKN028

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #2

1.	visibility is considered representative of visibility conditions at the station.				
	a. surface	c. tower			
	b. prevailing	d. sector			
2.	The visibility value at the usual point prevailing visibility?	of observation is 4 ½ miles. What is the			
	a. 4	c. 4 ½			
	b. 4 ½V	d. 5			
3.	Prevailing visibility is considered variable when, during the period of observation, it rapidly increases and decreases by:				
	a. one or more reportable values and the prevailing visibility is less than 7 SM				
	b. one or more reportable values and the prevailing visibility is less than 3 SM				
	c. ½ mile or more and the prevailing visibility is less than 7 SM				
	d. $\frac{1}{2}$ mile or more and the prevailing visibility is less than 3 SM				
4.	Visibility is reported to the nearest n	nile in the range of:			
	a. 1 to 3 SM	c. 3 to 25 SM			
	b. 3 to 15 SM	d. above 15 SM			
5	The following visibility values were $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $-\frac{3}{2}$, W $-\frac{4}{2}$, NW $\frac{2}{4}$. What i	observed: $N - 3$, $NE - 2\frac{1}{2}$, $E - 1$, $SE - \frac{3}{4}$, $S - \frac{3}{4}$ is the prevailing visibility?			
	a. 3 ½	c. 2 ¾			
	b. 3	d. 2 ½			

6.	When visibility rapidly increases and values, the reported prevailing visibility is:	decreases by one or more reportable			
	a. the average of the lowest observed	d values			
	b. the average of all observed values	i			
	c. the highest observed value				
	d. the lowest observed value				
7.	In determining the prevailing visibili divided into?	In determining the prevailing visibility, how many sectors may the horizon be divided into?			
	a. 8	c. 4			
	b. 6	d. 2			
8.	What is the prevailing visibility if comarker at 3 ½ miles can barely be seen and identified?	nditions are uniform and the visibility			
	a. 3 SM	c. 3 ½ SM			
	b. 3 ¼ SM	d. 4 SM			
9.	If the prevailing visibility is exactly halfway between reportable values, the observer shall select:				
	a. the higher value only if the preceding digit is odd				
	b. the lower value				
	c. the higher value				
	d. the even numbered value				
1	0. Visibility is defined as theseen and identified.	distance at which selected objects can be			
	a. least	c. greatest			
	b. average	d. mean			

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	1. Sector visibility must be reported when it differs from the prevailing visibility and:					
a.	is less than the prevailing visibility					
b.	is more than the prevailing visibility					
c.	prevailing visibility is more than 3 SM					
d.	is less than 3 SM					
12. Su	itable nighttime visibilty markers are:					
a.	airway beacons					
b.	high intensity focused lights					
c.	unfocused lights of moderate intensity					
d.	focused lights of moderate intensity					
13. W	13. Which of the following is the correct definition of prevailing visibility?					
a.	a. The lowest distance equaled or exceeded throughout more than half of the horizon circle					
b.	b. The greatest distance exceeded throughout at least half of the horizon circle					
c.	The lowest visibility exceeded throughou	t at least half of the horizon circle				
d.	The greatest visibility equaled or exceede horizon circle	ed throughout at least half of the				
14. W	hich of the following contains a visibility v	ralue that is not a reportable value?				
a.	1 3/8, 2 3/4, 5/16, 13	c. 11, 25, 35, 55				
b.	. 1 7/8, 2 ½, 9, 17	d. 1/4, 5/8, 1 5/8, 3/16				
	he visibility marker at 28 miles can barely nall be:	be seen and identified. The reported				
a.	. 25	c. 30				
b	. 28	d. 20				

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #2 - VISIBILITY

1. Visibility is reported to the nematic miles.	earest mile when it is observed to be in the range of
a. 1 to 3	c. 3 to 25
b. 3 to 15	d. 15 to 25
2. Which of the following would 10C?	not be entered as a visibility value on form MF1M
a. 2 3/4	c. 7/16
b. 0	d. 1 7/8
	es were observed: N-6, NE-2/12, E-1, SE-3/4, what would the prevailing visibility be?
a. 3 ½	c. 2 3/4
b. 3	d. 2 ½
4. When the visibility rapidly in values, the reported prevailing	creases and decreases by one or more reportable g visibility is the:
a. average of all observed	values
b. average of the lowest ol	bserved values
c. highest observed value	
d. lowest observed value	

	a. 8	c. 4			
	b. 6	d. 2			
	o report variable visibility, the average pre iles and fluctuating (increasing and decrea	-			
	a. ½ mile or more				
	b. 1 mile or more				
	c. one or more reportable values within	the past 15 minutes			
	d. one or more reportable values within	the past hour			
	ctor visibility must be reported in remarks when it differs from the prevailing ibility and:				
	a. the prevailing visibility is more than 3	miles			
	b. is more than the prevailing visibility				
	c. is less than the prevailing visibility				
	d. is less than 3 miles				
8. W	hat is the definition of prevailing visibility	?			
	a. the lowest visibility value equaled or e the horizon circle which, need not be	•			
	b. the greatest visibility value exceeded t circle which, need not be continuous	hroughout at least half of the horizon			
	c. the lowest visibility value exceeded the circle which, need not be continuous	roughout half or more of the horizon			
	d. the greatest visibility value equaled or the horizon circle, which need not be c				

5. In determining the prevailing visibility, how many sectors can the horizon be divided into?

9. Suitable nighttime visibility markers	are:
a. airway beacons	
b. high intensity focused lights	
c. unfocused lights of moderate i	intensity
d. focused lights of moderate int	tensity
10. What is the prevailing visibility if comiles can barely be seen and identify	onditions are uniform and the marker at 3 ½ fied?
a. 3	c. 3 ½
b. 3 1/4	d. 4
	a miles but from the clarity of the atmosphere miles. The reported prevailing visibility is:
a. 25	c. 6
b. 5	d. 5 ½
12. Which of the following groups contavalue?	ain a visibility value that is not a reportable
a. 2 3/4, 11, 30, 5/16	c. 0, 1 7/8, 14, 35
b. 13, 5/16, 9, 1 1/8	d. 25, 18, 1/4, 2 1/4
13. Visibility is reported in increments	of 1/8 up to:
a. 1	c. 15
b. 2	d. 3
14. The following visibility values were What is the prevailing visibility?	observed: N-2, E-1 7/8, S-2 1/8, W-3 ½.
a. 1 7/8	c. 3
b. 2	d. 2 1/8

15. Visibility is defined as:

- a. the greatest distance at which selected objects can be seen and identified
- b. the lowest distance that selected objects can be seen and identified
- c. the average distance at which selected objects can be seen and identified
- d. the average of all visibility markers observed

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #5

1.	Blowing dust becomes a dust storm when:				
	a. the visibility is reduced to 5/8 SM				
	b. the visibility is reduced to less than 5/8	SM			
	c. the visibility is reduced to less than 7 S	M			
	d. the visibility is reduced to less than 3 S	M			
2.	FRQLTG indicates thatobserved.	lightning strikes per minute were			
	a. less than 1	c. 1 - 6			
	b. more than 6	d. 2 – 6			
3.	Any form of precipitation that reaches the	e ground in solid form is considered:			
	a. Hail	c. Ice pellets			
	b. Freezing precipitation	d. Frozen precipitation			
4.	Which elements on a surface aviation weather observation may not be estimated?				
	a. Temperature, dewpoint, and visibility				
	b. Cloud height, temperature, and dewpoint				
	c. Temperature, dewpoint, and altimeter setting				
	d. Altimeter setting, visibility, and wind direction				
5.	Which of the following will appear first in column 14 (Remarks)?				
	a. TS	c. Virga			
	b. Lightning	d. Cumulonimbus clouds			

6. Light snow and blowing snow are occur reduced visibility, the observer can no less snow is still present. The observer shall:	onger discern whether the light					
a. continue reporting light snow and b	a. continue reporting light snow and blowing snow					
b. discontinue reporting light snow and	l just record blowing snow					
c. discontinue reporting blowing snow	and just record light snow					
d. report the condition as a snow storm	1					
7. The visibility is 2 ½ SM. A SPECI shall be recorded when the visibility increases to:						
a. 3	c. 7					
b. 2 ¾	d. 4					
8. Which types of precipitation may not b	e considered as "showery"?					
a. Hail and ice crystals c. Drizzle and hail						
b. Drizzle and ice crystals	d. Hail and ice pellets					
9. VCSH is recorded in column 9 (Present Weather). Which of the following is a correct entry in column 14 (Remarks)?						
a. RA NW	c. VCSH NW					
b. SHRA NW	d. NW VCSH					
10. A ceiling height of 1170 feet shall be re	corded:					
a. 012	с. 011					
b. 1170	d. 010					

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11. <i>A</i>	A SP	ECI	is	not	req	_l uire	ed	wher	1:
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- a. A layer of clouds covering 3/8 of the sky forms at 800 ft when no layer was previously reported below 1,000 ft.
- b. OVC009 becomes OVC010
- c. BKN002 becomes BKN006
- d. SCT008 becomes SKC
- 12. A layer of smoke covering less than 1/8 of the sky is present at 900 feet. The correct entries for columns 10 (Sky Condition) and column 14 (Remarks) are:
 - a. SKC with no remark
 - b. FEW009 with the remark: FU FEW009
 - c. FEW009 with no remark
 - d. SKC with the remark: FU NW
 - 13. When more than one obscuration is present enter the elements observed in order of:
 - a. intensity

- c. increasing dominance
- b. only one element may be reported
- d. decreasing dominance
- 14. A single element SPECI is not authorized for:
 - a. Volcanic eruptions

c. Tornadoes

b. Funnel clouds

- d. Dust storms/Sand storms
- 15. Which of the following is a correct remark for peak wind?
 - a. PKWND 35025/15

c. PEAKWND 35030/15

b. PKWND 35028/15

d. PKWIND 35025/15

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM # 4 – CEILING/SKY CONDITION

1.	when a cloud layer is below station elevation, record it as:		
	a. ///	c. <	
	b. this condition is not recorded	d. >	
2.	If an observing station is so located that an unobstructed view of the sky cannot be obtained because of manmade structures, then for purposes of determining layer amount, the whole sky will be considered as:		
	a. the whole sky including the obstructed portion		
	b. the portion of the sky visible to the observer		
	c. a mean area considered the percentage of sky hidden		
	d. a mean area considered the percentage of the sky visible to the observer		
3.	When a ceiling height is variable, the height in column 10 (Sky Condition) is the of all observed values.		
	a. minimum	c. average	
	b. maximum	d. sum	
4.	When the base of the clouds is 5,000 feet or less above station elevation, the heights are reported in increments of foot/feet.		
	a. 500	c. 100	
	b. 50	d. 1,000	
5.	Which of the following is a correct entry in column 14 (Remarks)?		
	a. FG OVC000	c. TCU N MOV E	
	b. FU VV005	d. ACC DSNT NW	

6. What is the maximum number of cloud layers that can be reported		ayers that can be reported?	
	a. 3	c. 5	
	b. 4	d. 6	
7.	Sky cover is determined to the nearest:		
	a. 1/10	c. 1/6	
	b. 1/8	d. ¼	
8. The height of an overcast layer of clouds cannot be determined with a:		s cannot be determined with a:	
	a. pilot report	c. ceilometer	
	b. convective cloud height diagram	d. balloon	
9. When using a balloon to determine the height of a cloud layer, use the time between the release of the balloon and the time the balloon:			
	a. begins to fade		
	b. completely disappears		
c. is midway between the time it begins to fade and complete. d. none of the above		s to fade and completely disappears	
10	O. When using a balloon to determine the use the elapsed time between the release	vertical visibility into an obscure sky, e of the balloon and the time the balloon:	
a. begins to fade			
	b. completely disappears		
	c. is midway between the time it begin disappears	s to fade and the time it completely	
	d. balloons are not used to measure inc	definite ceilings	

11. At an estimated 800 feet, smoke covers 8/8 of the sky but hides none of it, and north of the station 1/8 of cumulus is present at an estimated 1,200 feet. This is coded:		
a. OVC008 OVC012	c. OVC008 and in remarks, CU N	
b. OVC008 and in remarks, FU OVC008	d. SKC and in remarks, CU N	
12. Which of the following is a correct entry in	column 10 (Sky Condition)?	
a. SKC FEW001		
b. FEW001CU SCT070ACC		
c. FEW001 VV002		
d. BKN030CB BKN060		
13. To be encoded as sky cover, smoke aloft must be present in any amount from to 8/8.		
a. a trace	c. 1/16	
b. 1/10	d. 1/8	
14. The sky condition "scattered" represents a summation amount of:		
a. 1/8 to 2/8	c. 1/8 to 4/8	
b. 2/8 to 3/8	d. 3/8 to 4/8	
15. If, due to broken equipment at the time of observation, the ceiling cannot be measured, the entry in column 10 (Sky Condition) is:		
a. omitted	c. estimated	
b. ///	d. reported missing	

- 16. A ceiling is measured at 1,600 feet broken, but is variable between 1,300 and 1,900 feet. This is reported as:
 a. BKN016 and in remarks, CIG 013V019
 b. BKN016
 c. BKN016 and in remarks, CIG VRB 013-019
 - d. BKN016V
- 17. Which of the following is not a ceiling?
 - a. a layer of clouds above a layer of fog that hides more than half of the sky a
 - b. the vertical visibility into fog that hides the entire sky
 - c. a layer of mist that hides 6/8 of the sky
 - d. broken layer of clouds
- 18. The vertical visibility into fog that hides the entire sky is measured at 600 feet. This is encoded:

a. OVC006FT

c. VV006FT

b. VV006

d. 006OVC

- 19. Above a layer of mist that hides 4/8 of the sky, a trace, less than 1/8, of altocumulus castellanus is present at 15,000 feet northwest of the station. How this condition be coded?
 - a. SCT000 SCT150 and in remarks, BR SCT000 ACC NW
 - b. SCT000 BKN150 and in remarks, BR BKN150 ACC W-N
 - c. FEW000 SCT150 and in remarks, BR FEW000 ACCAS W-N
 - d. SCT000 SCT150 and in remarks, ACC NW BR SCT000

- 20. The six significant cloud types that must be reported when observed are:
 - a. Cumulonimbus mammatus, altocumulus, cumulonimbus, rotor clouds, towering cumulus, standing lenticular
 - b. Tornados, cumulonimbus mammatus, cumulonimbus, standing lenticular, towering cumulus, altocumulus castellanus
 - c. Cumulonimbus, cumulonimbus mammatus, standing lenticular, towering cumulus, rotor clouds, altocumulus castellanus
 - d. Cumulonimbus, cumulonimbus mammatus, standing lenticular, rotor clouds, towering cumulus, funnel clouds

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #3 – PRESENT WEATHER

1. Horizontal visibility would not be restricted by:		by:	
	a. BLSN	c. FZFG	
	b. BLDU	d. DRSN	
2.	Sand raised by the wind to less than 6 feet is	encoded:	
	a. BLSA	c. SHSA	
	b. MISA	d. DRSA	
3. Squalls are reported in column 9 (Present Weather) only if they have observed in the past minutes.		eather) only if they have been	
	a. a. 10	c. 20	
	b. 15	d. 60	
4.	With which of the following is a minus sign	(-) used to indicate light intensity?	
	a. IC	c. SN	
	b. TS	d. GR	
5.	The intensity of rainfall is determined by:		
	a. rate of fall		
	b. size of the droplets		
	c. total accumulation of water		
	d. degree to which it effects visibility		
6.	Which of the following may be classified as having a heavy intensity?		
	a. large hail	c. thunderstorm	
	b. blowing spray	d. duststorm	

7.	Two or more obscurations are reported in order of:	
	a. decreasing dominance	c. time of beginning
	b. increasing dominance	d. expected duration
8.	Volcanic ash is reported:	
	a. only during daylight hours	
	b. whenever it occurs	
	c. only if accompanied by fog or mist	
	d. when the visibility is less than 7 miles	
9. The observer reports IC in column 9. Given this report is correct?		n this report, which of the following
	b. the sky may be clear	
c. the air is unstable with rapidly changing weather conditions		weather conditions
	nn 9	
10. Blowing snow (BLSN) is reported when the wind raises the snow particle the ground and:		
 a. reduces the prevailing visibility to 6 miles or less b. raises the snow to less than 20 feet c. reduces the prevailing visibility to less than 10 miles d. raises the snow to less than 10 feet 11. Fog covers a substantial part of the station. Which of the following is a entry in column 9? 		les or less
		chan 10 miles
		. Which of the following is a correct
	a. BR	c. MIFG
	b. PRFG	d. BCFG

12. Proximity qualifier(s) is/are:			
a. light, moderate, heavy	c. weak, strong, violent		
b. vicinity	d. light, moderate, strong		
13. By definition, "in the vicinity" of the for precipitation?	e station is how far from the observation site		
a. within 5 statute miles			
b. within 3 statute miles			
c. within 10 statute miles			
d. within any distance that precipi station	tation can be seen that is not occurring at the		
14. Thunder is heard 5 minutes after the hour, again at 23 minutes after the hour and again at 34 minutes past the hour. How many SPECI observations are required?			
a. 1	c. 3		
b. 6	d. 4		
15. The intensity modifiers for snow and drizzle are:			
a. light (-), moderate (), severe (+)			
b. light (-), moderate (), heavy (+)			
c. light (-), medium (), severe (+)			
d. light (-), medium (), heavy (+)			
16. The essential difference between gusts and squalls is:			
a. the duration of the increased wind speedb. the difference between peaks and lullsc. the maximum instantaneous speed reached during the observation period			
		d. squalls are always associated w	ith a wind shift

17. Which of the following is a	correct entry in column 9?	
a. PRFG	c. PRBR	
b. MIBR	d. PCBR	
18. When moderate snow is occurring along with fog, which of the following visibility values cannot be entered in column 7 (Visibility)?		
a. ½	c. ¾	
b. ¾	d. 0	
19. Which of the following can	not be reported with a thunderstorm?	
a. IC	c. PL	
b. GR	d. + RA	
20. A severe duststorm is reported when the visibility reaches:		
a. 5/8	c. 5/16	
b. less than 5/16	d. less than 5/8	
21. The visibility decreased from 1 mile to ½ mile in fog. At the same time, the temperature decreased from 1.5 degree Celsius to 0.0. What is the correct entry for this condition in column 9?		
a. FZFG	c. FG	
b. BR	d. FZBR	
22. The visibility at the station reduces from 12 miles to 7 miles with mist, light snow and smoke. What is the minimum entry that should be made in column 9?		
a. –SN	c. BR	
bSN BR FU	d. BR -SN FU	
23. A complex weather situation, represented by light rain showers (dominant), snow and a thunderstorm is present. Entries are made in the following order:		
a. TS –RA –SN	cTSRASN	
h _TSSNRA	dTSSHRASN	

24. Which of the following phenomena may be classified as heavy intensity?			
a. hail	c. funnel cloud		
b. thunderstorm	d. sandstorm		
25. Moderate snow (SN) is reported when snow is occurring alone and the visibility is less than:			
a. 5/8 of a mile, but not less than 5/16 of a mile			
b. 3/4 of a mile, but not less than 5/16 of a mile			
c. 5/8 of a mile, but not less than 1/8 of a mile			
d. 1 mile, but not less than ½ mile			
26. The descriptor showers (SH) is never used with:			
a. thunderstorms	c. hail		
b. ice pellets	d. snow pellets		
27. The intensity of snow occurring alone is determined according to:			
a. the degree that it effects visibility			
b. the rate of accumulation			
c. whether it is showery or intermitte	c. whether it is showery or intermittent		
d. the dewpoint temperature			
28. When more than one type of weather are occurring at the same time, present weather shall be reported in the following order:			
a. tornadic activity, obscurations, precipitation			
b. tornadic activity, thunderstorms, precipitation, obscurations, other weather			
c. thunderstorms, precipitation, other	r weather, obscurations		
d. tornadic activity, precipitation, thu	ınderstorms, other weather		

29. A large area of fog is observed 6 miles NE-S of the station. What is reported in column 9?		
a. nothing	e. PRFG	
b. VCFG	d. BCFG	
30. The qualifier vicinity (VC) is not used with:		
a. HZ	c. BLSA	
b. FG	d. PO	
31. Heavy rain (+RA) is reported when the rate of fall is:		
a. more than 0.01 inch to 0.03 inch per 6 minutes		
b. more than .11 inch to 0.30 inch per hour		
c. more than 0.30 inch per hour		
d. more than 0.20 inch per hour		
32. When reporting lightning in remarks, which of the following is not required?		
a. Freqency	c. Location	
b. Type	d. Beginning/ending times	
33. When drizzle is occurring along with mist, the intensity of the drizzle is determined by:		
a. rate of fall	c. rate of fall and visibility	
b. measurement	d. visibility	
34. Patches of fog randomly cover the station, but the visibility is 7 miles. This condition is reported as:		
a. nothing	c. BR	
b. BCFG	d. VCFG	

35. By definition, "in the vicinity" indicates that other phenomena (not precipitation) is miles from the observation site.			
a. within 5			
b. between 5 and 10			
c. within 10			
d. between 3 and 10			
36. Which of the following would be e	36. Which of the following would be entered first in column 9 (Present Weather)?		
a. TS	c. +FC		
b. SQ	d. GR		
37. Which of the following does not re	equire a remark in column 14 (Remarks)?		
a. FC	c. GR		
b. GS	d. TS		
38. Which of the following is a correct along with heavy rain showers, la	ct entry when a thunderstorm is occurring arge hail and fog?		
a. +TSRAGR FG	c. +TSSHRA FG		
b. TS +SHRAGR FG	d. TSGR +SHRA FG		
39. Which of the following may be us	ed with the qualifier "VC"?		
a. HZ	c. BR		
b. SN	d. SH		
40. Which of the following is not a correct lightning type?			
a. FRQ LTGIA	c. FRQ LTGIC		
b. FRQ LTGCG	d. FRQ LTGCA		

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41. Which of the following is not a correct remark?		
a. GR ¾	c. TS NE MOV SE	
b. VCFG W	d. OCNL LTGCCCG NE/1453	
42. Precipitation which starts and stops at least one time within the hour is classified as:		
a. showery	c. frequent	
b. continuous	d. intermittent	
43. Which of the following is the designator for blowing spray?		
a, BLPY	c. BLSP	
b. DRSP	d. BLBR	
44. What are the three types of precipitation which have no intensity symbol?		
a. BLSN, GR, GS	c. GR, GS, IC	
b. BR, FG, IC	d. BR, GR, GS	
45. Which of the following is the designator for shallow fog?		
a. MIFG	c. SHFG	
b. PRFG	d. BCFG	
46. Fog is reported when the visibility decreases to:		
a. less than 5/8 SM	c. less than 5/16 SM	
b. less than ½ SM	d. 5/8 SM or less	
47. What is the maximum number of groups that may be reported in column 9 (Present Weather)?		
a. 3	c. 6	
b. 5	d. 4	

48. Light freezing drizzle is occurring along with mist. How is this condition recorded in column 9 (Present Weather)?		
aFZDZBR	cFZDZ BR	
bFRDZ BR	dFZDR BR	
49. The visibility requirement for light ice pellets showers is:		
a. less tha 3 SM	e. 7 SM or less	
b. more than 7 SM	d. 7 SM or more	
50. The descriptor "SH" may be used with:		
a. TS	c. DZ	
b. GR	d. IC	

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #1

1. Wind suitts are normany associated		sociated with an of the following except:	
	a. wind gusts exceeding	25 knots	
	b. rapid drop in temper	rature	
	c. rapid drop in dewpo	int	
	d. rapid rise in pressur	е	
2.	How would you report that an average wind speed of 25 knots was varying rapidly between 20 and 30 knots?		
	a. 25	c. 25 and in remarks: WND 20V30	
	b. 25 G30	d. 20G30	
3. The wind is from 360 degrees at column 4 (Speed) of form MF1N		es at 125 knots. What would be the correct entry in IF1M-10C?	
	a. 25	c. 36025	
	b. 125	d. 36125	
4.	4. Wind direction and speed are averaged over a minute		
	a. 1	c. 5	
	b. 2	d. 10	
5.	A variable wind direction and speed of 4 knots would be coded:		
	a. 00004KT	c. 99904KT	
	b. VRB04KT	d. /04KT	

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	A 40 00 TTM A 4 0 TTA 6 0 TTM
a. 24009KT	c. 24009KT 210V260KT
b. 24009 KT 210V260	d. VRB09KT
12. Which of the following can be u	sed to estimate low level wind velocity?
a. PIREP's	c. a non-moving weather van
b. cloud movement	d. none of the above
	ites past the hour, accompanied by a cold feet entry in column 14 (Remarks)?
a. FROPA 30	c. WSHFT 30 FROPA
b. WSHFT 30	d. COLD FRO 30
14. Carbon copies of form MF1M- period of:	10C are required to be kept on record for
a. 30 days	c. 90 days
b. 45 days	d. 60 days
15. The time of the observation, wl	nich is entered in column 2 is:
a. UTC	c. LTD
b. LST	d. GMT
16. In a SPECI report, the date/tin	ne group will be:
a. the time of the last METAR	report
b. the time that the pressure v	vas evaluated
	r the SPECI was observed or evaluated

17. A wind shift is indicated by a change in _____.

- a. wind direction of 60 degrees or more that takes place in less than 15 minutes with sustained winds of 6 knots or more throughout the shift
- b. wind direction of 45 degrees or more that takes place in less than 10 minutes with sustained winds of 10 knots or more throughout the shift
- c. wind direction of 45 degrees or more in less than 15 minutes with sustained winds of 10 knots or more throughout the shift
- d. wind direction of 60 degrees or more that takes place in less than 15 minutes with sustained wids of 6 knots or more throughout the shift

18. In a METAR report, the date/time group will be:

- a. The time that the last element was observed or evaluated
- b. The time that the first element was observed or evaluated
- c. The time that the last outdoor element is evaluated
- d. The time that the temperature/dewpoint are evaluated

19. Elements on an observation shall have been observed:

- a. within 10 minutes on the actual time of the observation with the exception of gusts and squalls
- b. within 15 minutes of the actual time of the observation with the exception of gusts and squalls
- c. within 30 minutes of the actual time of the observation with the exception of gusts and squalls
- d. within 15 minutes of the actual time of the observation with the exception of the altimeter setting

- 20. When conditions are relatively unchanging, the last element to be evaluated is:
 - a. the altimeter setting
 - b. the outdoor element that has the greatest rate of change
 - c. the wind direction and speed
 - d. the indoor element that has the greatest rate of change

Weather Exam #2

5. Sector visibility must be reported whenever it differs from the prevailing visibility and:				
a. the prevailing visibility is more than 3 miles				
b. is more than the prevailing visibility	b. is more than the prevailing visibility			
c. is less than the prevailing visibility	c. is less than the prevailing visibility			
d. is less than 3 miles				
6. In determining the prevailing visibility, how many sectors is the horizon divided into?				
a. 8	c. 4			
b. 6	d. 2			
7. Which of the following is a correct entry in column 10 (Sky Condition)?				
a. SKC FEW001				
b. FEW001CU SCT070ACC				
c. FEW001 VV002				
d. BKN030CB BKN060				
8. Which of the following is the correct definition of prevailing visibility?				
a. The least visibility equaled or exceeded throughout more than half of the horizon circle				
b. The greatest visibility exceeded throughout at least half of the horizon circle				
c. The least visibility exceeded throughout at least half or more of the horizon circle				
d. The greatest visibility equaled or exceeded throughout at least half of the horizon circle				
9. Ice formed on exposed surfaces by freezing rain or freezing drizzle is known as:				
a. Glaze	c. Rime			
b. Frost	d. Ice Pellets			

10. Which of the following is not a valid type of lightning entry in column 14 (Remarks)?		
a. LTGIA	c. LTGCC	
b. LTGIC	d. LTGCA	
11. Which of the following is a correct entry in column 14 (Remarks)?		
a. FG OVC000	c. GS 1/2	
b. FU VV005	d. ACC DSNT NW	
12. How would you report that an average wind speed of 25 knots was varying rapidly between 20 and 30 knots?		
a. 25	c. 25G30	
b. 25 and the remark, WND 20V30	d. 20G30	
13. A light intensity symbol (-) is never used to report:		
a. Ice Crystals	c. Snow Showers	
b. Ice Pellets	d. Freezing Drizzle	
14. The stations visibility is 1/2 mile. Which of the following would be a correct entry in column 10 (Sky Condition)?		
a. +SN	c. SN	
b. +SN FG	dSN	
15. The prevailing visibility is reported as variable when it rapidly increases and decreases by 1/2 mile or more during the period of observation, and the prevailing visibility is less than 3 miles. The period of the observation is:		
a. since the last METAR	c. during the past 15 minutes	
b. during the past 10 minutes	d. during the past 30 minutes	

16. The time of the observation, which is entered in column 2, is in:			
a. UT	гс	c. LDT	
b. LS	ST	d. GMT	
17. Gusts that are reported in column 5, were observed within minutes of the actual time of the observation.			
a. 10		c. 30	
b. 15	•	d. 60	
18. Precipita	ation is entered in column 9 (Pre	sent Weather), in which	order?
a. de	a. determined by the time the weather began		
b. de	b. determined by the rate of fall		
c. de	etermined by dominance		
d. de	etermined by the effect on visibil	ity	
19. A layer of clouds covers 3/8 of the sky and its base is estimated at 2,000 feet. This is coded as:			
a. FI	EW020	c. SCT020	
b. So	CT20	d. 020SCT	
20. Volcanic ash is reported:			
a. or	nly during daylight hours		
b. w	henever it occurs		
c. or	nly if it is accompanied by fog or	mist	
d. w	henever visibilities are less than	7 miles	

21. When is lightning reported in column 9 (Present Weather)?		
a. lightning is overhead		
b. lightning is observed and the wind gust ex	ceeds 50 knots	
c. hailstone size exceeds 3/4 inch		
d. lightning is never reported in column 9		
22. Suitable nighttime visibility markers are:		
a. airway beacons		
b. high intensity focused lights		
c. unfocused lights of moderate intensity		
d. focused lights of moderate intensity		
23. When the ceiling height is variable, the height in column 10 (Sky Condition), is the of all observed heights.		
a. lowest	c. average	
b. highest	d. sum	
24. Precipitation is reported in column 9 (Present Weather) whenever:		
a. precipitation has ended in the past 15 minutes		
b. precipitation is occurring at the station at the time of the observation		
c. precipitation has occurred any time in the	previous hour	
d. occasional precipitation is reported in column 14 (Remarks)		

25. Report thunderstorms occurring at your station past 15 minutes.	when is/are observed within the	
a. very dark CB overhead and lightning in all quadrants		
b. heavy rain showers and 55 knot winds		
c. heavy rain showers and 1/2 inch rain		
d. 3/4 inch hail 20 minutes earlier, but not at	the time of the observation	
26. Proximity qualifier(s) is (are):		
a. light, moderate, heavy	c. weak, strong, violent	
b. vicinity	d. light, moderate, strong	
27. Sand raised by the wind to less than 6 feet is coo	ded as:	
a. BLSA	c. SHSA	
b. MISA	d. DRSA	
28. Temperatures are entered in column 7, to the nearest degree		
a. whole, Celsius	c. whole, Fahrenheit	
b. tenth, Fahrenheit	d. tenth, Celsius	
29. Corrected (COR) reports are not transmitted if they:		
a. are more than 15 minutes old	c. are recorded locally	
b. are superseded by a later report	d. have only minor corrections	
30. What remark is appended to the report to indicate the observation was not transmitted long line?		
a. SPECI	c. FIBI	
b. LAST	d. NOSPECI	

31. Regardless of the delay, an observation containing which of the following shall be disseminated long-line, by any means possible?		
a. volcanic eruption	c. thunderstorm	
b. tornado	d. severe thunderstorm	
32. Which of the following does not meet SPECI of	criteria?	
a. visibility decreases from 3 miles to 2 miles	es	
b. hail changes intensity		
c. a cloud layer is observed at 800 feet and the previous observation	 c. a cloud layer is observed at 800 feet and no clouds were observed below 1,000 feet in the previous observation 	
d. helicopter accident		
33. Which of the following does not satisfy the criteria of a wind shift?		
a. a change in wind direction of 45 degrees or more		
b. the change occurs in less than 15 minutes		
c. wind speeds during the change are at lea	ast 10 knots	
d. a change in wind direction of 60 degrees or more		
34. In a SPECI report, the time of the Date/Time group will be:		
a. the time of the last METAR report		
b. the time the pressure was evaluated		
c. when the criteria for the SPECI is met of	c. when the criteria for the SPECI is met or observed	
d. the time the last element is evaluated		
35. Which of the following wind parameters is not included in the body of the METAR/SPECI wind element?		
a. direction	c. squalls	
b. speed	d. variable	

36. What is the reported prevailing visibility if conditions are uniform and the visibility marker at 3 1/2 miles can barely be seen and identified?		
a. 3 SM	c. 3 1/2 SM	
b. 3 1/4 SM	d. 4 SM	
37. Fog that covers a substantial part of the station and the prevailing visibility is 7 miles would be coded in the present weather as:		
a. BR	c. MIFG	
b. PRFG	d. BCFG	
38. The intensity of drizzle is determined according	ng to the:	
a. temperature/dewpoint spread	c. rate of accumulation	
b. degree that it affects visibility	d. size of the drops	
39. The altimeter setting is one of the most important elements of an observation. The observer estimates the altimeter as 29.999. What is the correct entry in column 13 (Altimeter Setting)?		
a. omitted	c. 3000	
b. 2999	d. 9999	
40. The qualifier vicinity (VC) is not used with:		
a. HZ	c. BLSA	
b. FG	d. PO	
41. Which of the following is not a reportable value of sky cover height?		
a. 1,100	c. 11,000	
b. 4900	d. all are reportable values	
42. Using direct reading dials, wind speed and direction are averaged over a period of:		
a. 1/2 minute	c. 2 minutes	
b. 1 minute	d. 5 minutes	

43. If due to broken equipment at the time of the observation, the ceiling cannot be measured, the entry in column 10 (Sky Condition), is:			
a. omitted	c. estimated		
b. ///	d. reported missing		
44. When using a balloon to determine the vertical in an obscured sky, use the elapsed time between the release of the balloon, and the time the balloon:			
a. begins to fade			
b. completely disappears			
c. is midway between the time it begi	c. is midway between the time it begins to fade and the time it completely disappears		
d. balloons are not used in an indefinite ceiling			
45. The time transmitted in an observation is	s the:		
a. Local Standard Time	c. Daylight Savings Time		
b. Coordinated Universal Time	d. Daylight Standard Time		
46. By definition, "in the vicinity" of the station for precipitation means how far from the observation site?			
a. Within 5 statute miles			
b. Within 3 statute miles			
c. Within 10 statute miles			
d. Within any distance a weather element can be observed			
47. Calm wind is coded in the body of the report as:			
a. 0000KT	c. 0000KT		
b. VRB00KT	d. blank (no entry for wind)		

48. A temperature of 1/2 degree Celsius below zero would be coded in the body of the report as:		
a. M00	c. M01	
b. 00	d01	
49. Fog is solely responsible for lowering the visibility to 5/8 of a statute mile. The present weather would be coded as:		
a. FG	c. BCFG	
b. MIFG	d. BR	
50. Blowing dust is reducing the prevailing visibility to 5/8 of a statute mile. What would be recorded in column 9 (Present Weather)?		
a. BLDU	c. DS	
b. DU	d. +DS	

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #7

1. A SPECI observation is required when:

	a. Freezing rain changes to light freezing rain	
	b. A scattered layer of clouds at 700 ft dissipates	
	c. Snow begins	
	d. Light drizzle begins	
2.	. A SPECI is not required when the visibility changes from 1 to:	
	a. 2	c. 1 ½
	b. ¾	d. 0
3.	The critical visibility values are:	
	a. 3, 2, 1, 0	c. 3, 2, 1 ½
	b. 3, 2, 1, ½	d. 10, 3, 1, 1 ½
4.	The critical ceiling values are:	
	a. 3,000, 1,500, 1,000, 500, 200	c. 5,000, 3,000, 1,000, 500, 100
	b. 3,000, 2,000, 1,000, 500, 200	d. 3,000, 2,000, 1,000, 500, 200
5.	A SPECI is not required for:	
	a. A helicopter accident	c. freezing drizzle begins
	b. Ice pellet showers begin	d. Light drizzle begins
6.	A single element SPECI is authorized for:	
	a. Heavy freezing rain	c. Tornadic activity
	b. Well developed dust swirls	d. Frontal passage

7. A SPECI is not required for:

a. Wind shifts

c. Squalls

b. Thunderstorms

d. Peak winds of 50 knots

8. A SPECI is not required when:

a. GR begins

c. GR changes intensity

b. PL changes intensity

d. FZDZ ends

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVER EXAM #2

En	Encode the following in the proper sequence:		
1.	Light snow showers, heavy rain		
2.	Fog and light freezing drizzle		
3.	Heavy rain showers and thunderstorm		
4.	Thunderstorm, light rain showers, tornado		
5.	Smoke, haze, mist, light drizzle		
6.	Fog, snow showers		
7.	Fog in vicinity, ice pellet showers		
8.	Haze, shallow fog		
9.	Funnel cloud, fog, heavy rain		
10	10. Ice pellet showers, mist, light drizzle		
11. Which types of precipitation have no intensity symbols?			
	a. PL, GR, DZ	c. GR, GS, PL	
	b. GR, GS, IC	d. GR, PE, IC	
12	12. Rain occurring 4 miles from the station, but not at the station shall be recorded:		
	a. SHRA	c. VCSHRA	
	b. VCSH	d. RASH	

13. Weather phenomena (other than precipitation) not occurring at the station, shall be recorded as "in the vicinity" when it occurs:		
a. between $5 - 10$ statute miles from the static	on	
b. within 10 statute miles of the station		
c. between $10-20$ statute miles from the stat	ion	
d. between $5 - 10$ nautical miles from the stat	ion	
14. Which of the following is true of ice crystals?		
a. They may fall from a clear sky		
b. They are normally associated with a thunde	erstorm	
c. They are always accompanied with cumulo	onimbus clouds	
d. They are always accompanied by nimbostr	atus type clouds	
15. Blowing dust becomes a dust storm when the visibility decreases to:		
a. 5/16	c. 5/8	
b. less than 5/8	d. 1/4	
16. An obstruction to vision is required in col. 9 (F	Present Weather) when the visibility is:	
a. less than 7 SM	c. less than 5 SM	
b. 6 SM or more	d. less than 3 SM	
17. The visibility has decreased from 1 SM to ½ SM while the temperature has decreased from 1 degree Celsius to 0. The correct entry in col. 9 (Present Weather) is:		
a. FZFG	c. FZBR	
b. BR	d. FG	

18. Fairly uniform precipitation that is composed of fine drops with diameters of less than 0.02 inch that are very close together when they fall to the ground is the definition of:		
a. Fog	c. Drizzle	
b. Mist	d. Ice crystals	
19. A squall is the sudden onset of strong winds sustained at knots or more for	s increasing by knots, at least minutes.	
a. 10, 45, 15	c. 15, 20, 1	
b. 16, 22, 2	d. 16, 22, 1	
20. The four types of lightning that may be repo	orted are:	
a. CC, IC, CA, CG	c. CC, CA, GC, IC	
b. CG, IC, AC, CC	d. CG, CC, CA, GA	
21. When more than one type of present weather are occurring at the same time, report the phenomena in the following order:		
a. Thunderstorms, tornadic activity, precipitation, obscurations to vision		
b. Tornadic activity, thunderstorms, obstructions of vision, present weather		
c. Tornadic activity, thunderstorms, lightning, precipitation, obstructions to vision		
d. Tornadic activity, thunderstorms, precipitation, obstructions to vision		
22. Phenomena not occurring at the station and beyond 10 SM from the station shall be reported as:		
a. Distant from the station	c. In the vicinity	
b. It shall not be reported	d. Outside of the vicinity	
23. Snow is occurring along with fog. Which of the following visibility values may not be reported?		
a. 0.	c. 5/8.	
b. ½.	d. ¼	

24. Precipitation that changes intensity or starts and stops abruptly, is the definition		nd stops abruptly, is the definition of:
	a. Continuous	c. Intermittent
	b. Showery	d. Broken
	25. The descriptor "DR" may be used with:	
	a. RA	c. FG
	b. SG	d. SN
	26. Which of the following may be used with a th	aunderstorm?
	a. DZ	c. IC
	b. SG	d. PL
	27. Which of the following may be classified as h	neavy?
	a. Hail	c. Thunderstorms
	b. Funnel clouds	d. Sand storms
28. Which of the following cannot be assigned an intensity qualifier?		intensity qualifier?
	a. BLSN	c. DZ
	b. PL	d. RA
29. A tornado with blowing dust and a thunderstorm with heavy rain are occurring at the station. Which of the following is a correct entry in column 9 (Present Weather) of form MF1M-10C?		
	a. +FC +TSRA BLDU	c. TORNADO +TSRA BLDU
	b. +FC +BLDU +TSRA	d. TORNADO
	30. Particles of sand sometimes accompanied by the form of a whirling column of varying heigapproximate axis defines:	
	a. SQ	c. PO
	b. +FC	d. SS

AVIATION WEATHER OBSERVATIONS – FINAL EXAM

1.	I HC A	ctual time of a SPECI observation is when:
	a.	the last element is observed
	b.	the first element is evaluated
	c.	the event is observed to occur
	d.	the pressure is evaluated
2.	Regar be dis	dless of the delay, an observation containing which of the following shall seminated long-line, by any means possible?
	a.	volcanic eruption
	b.	tornado
	c.	thunderstorm
	d.	severe thunderstorm
3.	Entrie	es on form MF1M-10C may be erased:
	a.	at any time
	b.	within one hour after filing time
	c.	before the report is filed
	d.	never
4.	SPEC	I observations at designated stations are not required to include:
	a.	thunderstorm location
	b.	virga
	c.	lightning type and location

d. beginning/ending times of precipitation

- 5. A SPECI observation will be required whenever:
 - a. light rain showers changes to moderate rain
 - b. heavy rain showers changes to light rain
 - c. continuous snow changes to snow showers
 - d. rain and ice pellets mixed changes to rain
- 6. Surface wind direction is reported in column 3 in reference to:
 - a. true north and the nearest whole degree
 - b. true north and the nearest 10 degrees
 - c. magnetic north and the nearest 10 degrees
 - d. magnetic north and the nearest whole degree
- 7. Wind shifts are normally associated with one or more of the following except:
 - a. wind gusts exceeding 25 knots
 - b. rapid drop in dewpoint
 - c. rapid drop in temperature
 - d. rapid rise in pressure
- 8. Which of the following does not satisfy wind shift criteria?
 - a. a change in wind direction of 45 degrees or more
 - b. the change occurs in less than 15 minutes
 - c. wind speeds during the change are at least 10 knots
 - d. a change in the wind direction of 25 degrees or more

9. Gusts that are reported in column 5 w of the actual time of the observation.	Gusts that are reported in column 5 were observed within minutes of the actual time of the observation.	
a. 10	c. 30	
b. 15	d. 60	
10. A strong wind suddenly increases from 270 degrees at 15 knots to 32 kno Gusts to 44 knots and persists for 3 minutes before subsiding. This is repeas:		
a. 27032G44 KT		
b. 27044 KT SQ (in present weat	her)	
c. 27015G44 KT SQ (in present weather)		
d. 27032G44 KT SQ (in present v	weather)	
11. Calm wind is encoded in the body of t	he report as:	
a. 00000 KT	c. 0000 KT	
b. VRB000 KT	d. Blank (no entry for the wind)	
12. The wind is from 240 degrees at 9 knots and the direction is varying from 210 to 260. How would this be formatted for transmission?		
a. 24009 KT	c. 24009 KT 210 V 260 KT	
b. 24009 KT 210 V 260	d. VRB09 KT	
13. If due to broken equipment at the time of observation, the wind direction and speed cannot be measured, the entries in columns 3 and 4 are:		
a. omitted	c. left blank	
b. reported missing	d. estimated	
14. Visibility is reported to the nearest mile when it is observed in the range of miles.		
a. 1 to 3	c. 3 to 25	
b. 3 to 15	d. 15 to 25	

15. Horizontal visibility would not be restricted by:		
a. BLSN	c. FZFG	
b. BLDU	d. DRSN	
16. Which of the following would not be entered as a visibility value?		
a. 2 3/4	c. 1 7/8	
b. 3/4	d. 7/16	
17. What is the prevailing visibility if the following values were observed in equa sectors: N 3, NE 2 ½, E ¾, SE ¾, S 2, SW 3 1/2, W 4, NW 2 ¾.		
a. 3 ½	c. 2 ¾	
b. 3	d. 2 ½	
18. When visibility rapidly increases and decreases by one or more reportable values, the reported prevailing visibility is the:		
a. average of all observed values	c. highest observed value	
b. average of the lowest observed values	d. the lowest observed value	
19. In determining the prevailing visibility, how many sectors can the horizon be divided into?		
a. 8	c. 4	
b. 6	d. 2	
20. To report variable visibility, the average prevailing visibility must be less than miles and fluctuationg (increasing and decreasing) by at least:		
a. ½ mile or more		
b. 1 mile or more		
c. one or more reportable values in the pa	st 15 minutes	
d. one or more reportable values in the pa	st hour	

marker at 3 ½ miles can barely be seen and identified?		
a. 3 SM	c. 3 ¼ SM	
b. 3 ½ SM	d. 4 SM	
22. Sand raised by the wind to less than 6 feet is coded as:		
a. BLSA	c. SHSA	
b. MISA	d. DRSA	
23. Squalls are reported in column 9 (Present Weather) only if they have been observed in the past minutes.		
a. 10	c. 20	
b. 15	d. 60	
24. When drizzle is occurring along with mist, the intensity of the drizzle will be determined by:		
a. rate of fall	c. rate of fall and visibility	
b. measurement	d. visibility	
25. With which of the following is a minus sign (-) used to show light intensity?		
a. IC	c. SN	
b. TS	d. GR	
26. The intensity of rainfall is determined by the:		
a. rate of accumulation of fall	•	
b. size of the droplets		
c. total accumulation of water		
d. degree to which the rainfall a	ffects visibility	

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_	27. Which of the foliatensity?	llowing phenomena may b	e classified as having a heavy
	a. Large hail		c. Thunderstorm
	b. Spray		d. Duststorm
	28. Two or more ob	scurations are reported in	order of:
	a. decreasing do	minance	c. time of beginning
	b. increasing do	minance	d. expected duration
	29. Volcanic ash is	reported:	
	a. only during d	aylight hours	
	b. whenever it o	ccurs	
	c. only if accom	panied by fog or mist	
	d. when the visi	bility is less than 7 miles	
_	30. The observer re which of the following the second results and the second results are second results.	ports IC in column 9 (Presowing is correct?	sent Weather). Given this report,
	a. the visibility i	s less than 1 mile	
	b. the sky may b	e clear	
	c. the air is unst	able with rapidly changing	g weather conditions
	d. the observer l	nas made an error in colum	nn 9
		BLSN) as reported in coluic rom the ground and:	mn 9 (Present Weather) raises the
	a. reduces the pr	revailing visibility to 6 mil	es or less
	b. the sky may b	e clear	
	c. reduces the pi	evailing visibility to less th	han 10 miles
	d. the snow raise	ed to less than 10 feet	

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32. A substantial part of the station is cover by fog. Which of the following is a correct entry in column 9 (Present Weather)?		
	a. BR	c. MIFG
	b. PRFG	d. BCFG
33	33. Patches of fog randomly cover the station, but the prevailing visibility 7 miles. What is reported in column 9 (Present Weather)?	
	a. nothing	c. BR
	b. BCFG	d. VCFG
34. The sky is totally obscured by snow showers with an indefinite ceiling of 200 and ¼ visibility. Thunder is heard. The proper entries in columns 9 (Present Weather) and column 10 (Sky Condition) are:		per entries in columns 9 (Present
	a. TS +SN OVC002CB	
	b. +TSSN VV002	
	c. +TSSN VV002CB	
	d. TSSN OVC002	
35	. Proximity qualifier/s is/are:	
	a. light, moderate, heavy	c. weak, strong, violent
	b. vicinity	d. light, moderate, heavy
36	36. By definition, "in the vicinity" of the station indicates that precipitation is how far from the observation site?	
	a. within 5 statute miles	
	b. within 3 statute miles	
	c. within 10 statute miles	
	d. within any distance that precipitation can station	be seen that is not occurring at the

37. Sky cover is determined to the ne	earest:
a. 1/10	c. 1/6
b. 1/8	d. 1/4
38. The height of an overcast layer o	f stratus clouds cannot be determined with:
a. a pilot report	c. ceilometer
b. a convective cloud height diag	ram d. a balloon
39. When using a balloon to determine time between the release of the balloon.	ne the height of a cloud layer, use the elapsed alloon and the time the balloon:
a. begins to fade	
b. completely disappears	
c. is midway between the time the disappears	at it begins to fade and the time that it
d. none of the above applies	
40. Which of the following is not con-	sidered a ceiling?
a. a broken layer of clouds	
b. a layer of mist hiding a 6/8 of t	he sky
c. the vertical visibility into fog th	nat hides the entire sky
d. a layer of clouds above a layer	of mist that hides more that half the sky
41. If due to broken equipment at the measured, the entry in column 10	time of the observation the ceiling cannot be (Sky Condition) is:
a. omitted	c. estimated

42. A ceiling is measured at 1,600 feet broke 1,900 feet. This is coded:	en, but is variable between 1,300 and
a. BKN016 and in remarks, CIG VRB01	13 V 019
b. BKN016	
c. BKN016 and in remarks, CIG 013 V	019
d. BKN016V	
43. How would you code a vertical visibility entire sky?	of 600 feet into fog that hides the
a. OVC006	c. VV006
b. 006VV	d. 006OVC
44. What is the maximum number of cloud	layers that can be reported?
a. 3	c. 5
b. 4	d. 6
45. At an estimated 800 feet, smoke covers 8 the station, 1/8 of cumulus is present at	
a. OVC008 OVC012	c. OVC008 and in remarks, CU N
b. OVC008 and in remarks, FU OVC00	8 d. SKC and in remarks, CU N
46. Which of the following is a correct entry	y in column 10 (Sky Condition)?
a. SKC FEW001	c. FEW001 VV002
b. FEW020CU SCT070ACC	d. BKN030CB BKN060

47. The temperature at which the air become cooled at a constant pressure and without as:	he air becomes saturated (with respect to water) if e and without the addition of water vapor, is known		
a. wet-bulb temperature	c. dewpoint		
b. relative humidity	d. saturation temperature		
48. When the wet bulb temperature is at or by:	3. When the wet bulb temperature is at or below freezing, freezing may be induced by:		
a. touching the wet bulb with snow	c. ventilating the wet bulb		
b. blowing on the wet bulb	d. remoistening the wet bulb		
49. In a METAR observation, a dry bulb ter zero is reported as:	mperature of 25.5 degrees Celsius below		
a. M25	c. M26		
b. 25	d. 26		
50. The altimeter setting is one of the most in The observer estimates the altimeter at a column 13 (Altimeter Setting)?			
a. 29.93	с. 9926		
b. 2992	d. omitted		
51. Which of the following can be used to es	timate low level wind velocity?		
a. PIREP's	c. non-moving weather vanes		
b. cloud movement	d. none of the above		
52. There is a wind shift at 30 minutes past a cold front. Which of the following is the (Remarks)?			
a. FROPA 30	c. WSHFT 30 FROPA		
b. WSHFT 30	d. COLD FRO 30		

53. Which of the following would be the first entry in column 14 (Remarks)?		
a. GR ½	c. FRQ LTGCCCG NW	
b. VIRGA NW	d. WSHFT 05 FROPA	
54. Thunder is heard at 5 minutes past the hour, again at 23 minutes past the ho and again at 34 minutes past the hour. How many SPECI observations are required?		
a. 1	c. 3	
b. 6	d. 4	
55. In which column of form MF1M-10C is the contraction "COR" recorded on a corrected report?		
a. 1	c. 3	
c. 2	d. 4	
56. The intensity modifiers for snow and drizzle are:		
a. light (-), moderate (), severe (+)		
b. light (-), moderate (), heavy (+)		
c. light (-), medium (), severe (+)		
d. light (-), medium (), heavy (+)		
57. The essential difference between gusts and squalls is:		
a. the duration of the increased wind speed		
b. the difference between peak	s and lulls	
c. squalls must have occurred	within the past 2 minutes, gusts 10 minutes	
d. gusts must have occurred within the past 10 minutes, squalls 2 minutes		

58. Which of the following is not a signif observations?	icant visibility value concerning SPECI
a. 3	c. 1 ½
b. 2	d. 1
59. Which of the following is a correct en	ntry for column 9 (Present Weather)?
a. PRFG	c. PRBR
b. MIBR	d. BCBR
60. When moderate snow is occurring al visibility values cannot be entered in	
a. ½	c. ¾
b. 1⁄4	d. 0
61. By definition, prevailing visibility is:	
a. the greatest distance equaled over one half of the horizon, which nee continuous	
b. the greatest distance exceeded thro need not be continuous	oughout at least half the horizon, which
c. the greatest distance equaled or ex which need not be continuous	ceeded throughout at least half the horizon,
d. the greatest distance at which sele	cted objects can be seen and identified
62. When conditions are relatively stable	e, the first element to be evaluated is:
a. the altimeter setting	c. elements evaluated outdoors
b. elements evaluated indoors	d. the temperature/dewpoint
63. Which of the following cannot be rep	oorted with a thunderstorm?
a. IC	c. PL
b. GR	d. +RA

64. With which of the following is a remark always required?											
a. BKN000	c. VCSH										
b. GR	d. GS										
65. A severe duststorm is reported when the visibility is:											
a. 5/8	c. 5/16										
b. less than 5/16	d. less than 5/8										
66. Station pressure in measured in:											
a. inches of mercury	c. degrees Celsius										
b. degrees Fahrenheit	d. Hecto Pascals										
67. It is necessary to ventilate the wet-bulb:											
a. every observation when using a sling psychrometer											
b. only when fog is present											
c. only when the temperature is above f	reezing										
d. only when fog is not present											
68. The remark "FIBI" in column 14 indicate	ates:										
a. the observation was filed, but not pra	actical to transmit										
b. the observation must be transmitted	long-line, by any means possible										
c. an aircraft mishap has occurred											
d. the observation was transmitted but	is no longer valid										
69. Three precipitation type which have no	intensity qualifiers are:										
a. GR, GS, PL	c. GR, GS, IC										
b. GR, FG, BR	d. GR, GS, VIRGA										

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70. Unless otherwise directed by NWS 10C must be retained for	headquarters, carbon copies of formMF1M										
a. one year	c. 30 days										
b. 90 days	d. 60 days										
71. When using a sling psychrometer, we determined?	when is the official dry-bulb temperature										
a. before the instrument is ventilated											
b. at the time of the highest wet-bulb reading											
c. at the time of the lowest wet-bulb reading											
d. when the average of the wet-bulb readings is determined											
72. When the wet-bulb is covered with	ice and fog is present:										
a. the dewpoint is the same as the d	ry-bulb										
b. the dewpoint is lower than the we	et-bulb										
c. the dewpoint is higher than the w	vet-bulb										
e. the dewpoint is missing											
73. In remarks, time entries will use ho	urs and minutes if the time reported occurs:										
a. during the same hour that the ob	servation										
b. anytime within two hours of obser	rvation time										
c. during an hour that is different fre	om the observation hour										
d. anytime in the observer's opinion	that it is necessary										
74. When reporting lightning in remarl unnecessary?	ks, which of the following items is										
a. Frequency	c. Location										
b. Type	d. beginning/ending times										

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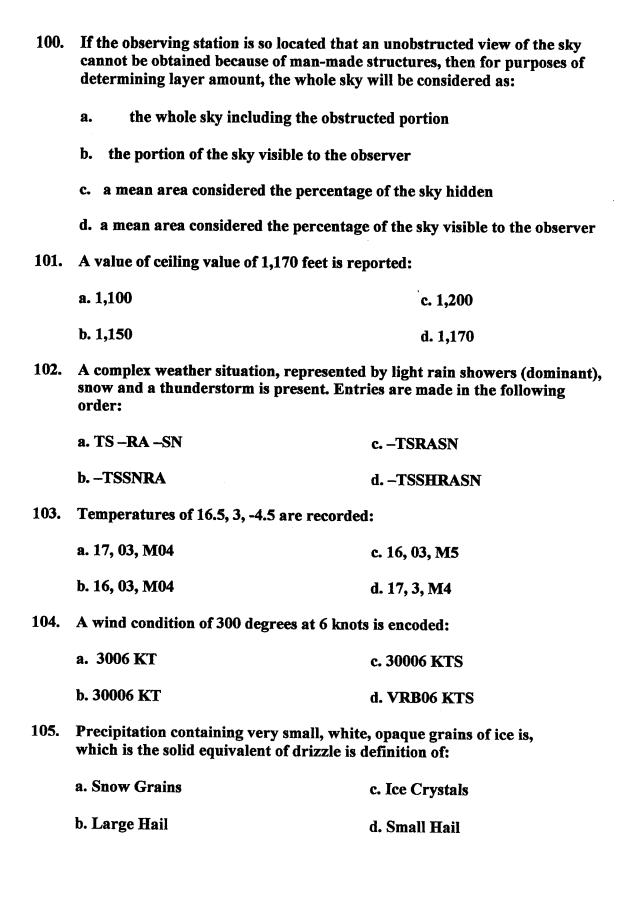
	The remark FRQ LTGCCCG NW in column lightning flashes per minute were observed.	14 indicates that												
	a. more than 10	c. 6 – 10												
	b. 1 – 10	d. 1 - 6												
76.	The six significant cloud types are:													
;	a. Funnel cloud, altocumulus castellanus, cumulonimbus, cumulonimbus mammatus, rotor clouds, towering cumulus													
]	b. Towering cumulus, cumulonimbus, cumulonimbus mammatus, standing lenticular, altocumulus castellanus, rotor clouds													
•	e. Cumulus, Cumulonimbus mammatus, altocumulus castellanus, Cumulonimbus, rotor clouds, towering cumulus													
(d. Altocumulus castellanus, funnel clouds, towering cumulus, cumulonimbus mammatus, standing lenticular, cumulonimbus													
77.]	ice formed on exposed surfaces by freezing r	ain or freezing drizzle is known as:												
8	a. Glaze	c. Rime												
ł	o. Frost	d. Ice Pellets												
78. I	Lightning is reported in column 9 (Present W	/eather) when:												
8	a. lightning is observed overhead													
t	o. lightning is observed and the wind gusts ex	sceed 50 knots												
c	. whenever a thunderstorm is reported													
d	l. lightning is never reported in column 9													

79. Precipitation is reported in column 9	(Present Weather) whenever:												
a. it has occurred within the past 15 n	a. it has occurred within the past 15 minutes												
b. precipitation is occurring at the sta	b. precipitation is occurring at the station at the time of the observation												
c. precipitation has occurred any time within the previous hour													
d. occasional precipitation is reported in column 14 (Remarks)													
D. What remark is appended to the observation to indicate the observation was n transmitted long-line?													
a. SPECI	c. FIBI												
b. LAST	d. NOSPECI												
81. Which of the following wind paramete METAR/SPECI wind element?	ers is not included in the body of the												
a. direction	c. squalls												
b. speed	d. variable wind direction												
82. The qualifier vicinity (VC) is not used	with:												
a. HZ	c. BLSA												
b. FG	d. PO												
83. Using direct reading dials, wind speed of:	and direction are averaged over a period												
a. ½ minute	c. 2 minutes												
b. 1 minute	d. 5 minutes												
84. Which of the following is a correct ent	ry in column 10 (Sky Condition)?												
a. BKN 012 BKN 100ACC	c. OVC012 OVC 030												
b. BKN/// SCT012	d. SCT035 TCU BKN058CB												

85. A temperature of ½ degree Celsius be report as:	elow zero would be coded in the body of the
a. M00	c. M01
b. 00	d. –01
86. When conditions that would normall that a METAR observation is being t	y require a SPECI are met during the time aken, it shall be recorded as:
a. METAR	c. SPECI
b. SPECI/METAR	d. FIBI
87. Which of the following is a correct en	ntry in column 9 (Present Weather)?
a. –SHFZRA	c. SHDZ
b. SHGR	d. VCHZ
88. The useable variance between two an precision approach location is:	eroid altimeter setting indicators at a non-
a02	c04
b5	d05
89. When a layer of clouds consists of bot the observer shall report	h cumulonimbus and towering cumulus in column 10 (Sky Condition).
a. CB	c. TCU
b. CB/TCU	d. TCU/CB
90. The maximum number of groupings to Weather) is:	hat may be reported in column 9 (Present
a. 4	с. б
b. there is no maximum	d. 3

- 91. The acronym UTC, when decoded, means:
 - a. Universal Coordinated Time
- c. Coordinated Universal Time
- b. Universal Temps Coordinated
- d. Universal Time Coordinated
- 92. A SPECI observation is required when:
 - a. SN begins
 - b. VIRGA is observed
 - c. IC begins
 - d. a scattered layer of clouds forms below 1,000 feet when no layer was reported below 1,000 feet on the previous observation
- 93. VRB may be used in column 3 (Wind Direction) when:
 - a. the wind is direction is varying by 60 degrees or more and the wind speed is 7 knots less
 - b. the wind is direction is varying by 45 degrees or more and the wind speed is 6 knots or greater than knots
 - c. the wind direction varies by 60 degrees or more and the wind speed is greater than 7 knots
 - d. the wind speed is 6 knots or less
- 94. Tower visibility shall be incorporated into the observation when:
 - a. either the tower or the surface visibility is less than 4 miles
 - b. either the tower or the surface visibility is 4 miles or less
 - c. either the tower or the surface visibility is 3 miles or less
 - d. either the tower or the surface visibility is less than 3 miles

95. A tornado is observed to the northwest of correct entry in column 14 (Remarks) is:	the station and is moving east. The
a. TOR NW MOV E	c. +FC NW MOV E
b. FC NW MOV E	d. TORNADO NW MOV E
96. What are the two cloud types that must be are associated with in column 10 (Sky Con	e appended to the cloud layer that they adition)?
a. TCU and ACC	c. CB and CU
b. CB and TCU	d. CBMAM and TCU
97. Two cloud types require a remark on the p (Remarks). They are:	position and movement in column 14
a. CB and CBMAM	c. TCU and CB
b. TCU and FC	d. CBMAM and rotor clouds
98. When there are no instrument approach m what are the critical ceiling values concer	ninimums published for an airport, ning SPECI observations?
a. 3,000, 1,500, 1,000, 500, 200	c. 3,000, 2,000, 1,000, 500, 200
b. 2,500, 1,500, 1,000, 500, 200	d. 3,000, 1,500, 1,000, 500, 100
99. The visibility has gone from 1 mile to ½ mi temperature went 1.5 degree Celsius to 0.0 entry for column 9 (Present Weather)?	le with fog. At the same time, the degree Celsius, what is the correct
a. FZFG	c. FG
b. BR	d. FZBR



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