

Question: 1

The top three sales representatives for a company consistently include non-allowable charges on their expense reports. Line management is reluctant to deny reimbursement of the charges for fear of losing the sales representatives. This situation has the greatest negative impact on which of the following internal control components?

- A. Monitoring.
- B. Control environment.
- C. Information and communication.
- D. Control activities.

Answer: B

Question: 2

Which of the following factors affects the control risk of a company?

- A. Potential problems like technological obsolescence.
- B. Unusual pressures on management.
- C. Complex accounts that require expert valuations.
- D. Segregation of duties.

Answer: D

Question: 3

Human resources and payroll are separate departments. Which of the following combinations would provide the best segregation of duties?

- A. Human resources personnel add employees, payroll personnel process hours, and human resources personnel deliver paychecks to employees.
- B. Human resources personnel add employees, review and submit payroll hours to the payroll department for processing, and deliver paychecks to employees.
- C. Human resources personnel add employees, and payroll personnel process hours and enter employee bank account numbers. Paychecks are automatically deposited in the employee's bank account.
- D. Payroll personnel add employees and enter employee bank account numbers but process hours only as approved by the human resources department. Paychecks are automatically deposited in the employee's bank account.

Answer: C

Question: 4

Which of the following is an appropriate role for the board in governance?

- A. Preparing written organizational policies that relate to compliance with laws, regulations, ethics, and conflicts of interest.
- B. Ensuring that financial statements are understandable, transparent, and reliable.
- C. Assisting the internal audit activity in performing annual reviews of governance.
- D. Working with the organization's attorneys to develop a strategy regarding current litigation, pending litigation, or regulatory proceedings governance.

Answer: B

Question: 5

According to the International Professional Practices Framework, which of the following is the appropriate division of responsibilities for the coordination of internal and external audit efforts?

- I. Oversight of Work
Coordination of Activities
Chief audit executive
Senior management
- II. Board
Chief audit executive
- III. Chief financial officer
Chief audit executive
- IV. Board
Chief financial officer

- A. I
- B. II.
- C. III.
- D. IV.

Answer: B

Question: 6

According to the Standards, the organizational status of the internal audit activity:

- A. Must be sufficient to permit the accomplishment of its audit responsibilities.
- B. Is best when the reporting relationship is direct to the board of directors.
- C. Requires the board's annual approval of the audit schedules, plans, and budgets.

D. Is guaranteed when the charter specifically defines its independence.

Answer: A

Question: 7

A high-volume retailer of consumer goods has used point-of-sale data to record sales and update inventory records for several years. When price changes are scheduled, corporate headquarters downloads a price change file to a computer server system at each store. Each store's assistant manager is responsible for checking the server for downloads and running the program that updates the store's price file at the authorized price update time. In comparison with having headquarters initiate the price update centrally, this approach to price updating will most likely:

- A. Decrease the risk that customers will be undercharged consistently for sales items.
- B. Decrease the risk that item prices will sometimes be inaccurate.
- C. Increase the risk that customers will be undercharged consistently for sales items.
- D. Increase the risk that item prices will sometimes be inaccurate.

Answer: D

Question: 8

An internal auditor is reviewing a new automated human resources system. The system contains a table of pay rates which are matched to the employee job classifications. The best control to ensure that the table is updated correctly for only valid pay changes would be to:

- A. Limit access to the data table to management and line supervisors who have the authority to determine pay rates.
- B. Require a supervisor in the department, who does not have the ability to change the table, to compare the changes to a signed management authorization.
- C. Ensure that adequate edit and reasonableness checks are built into the automated system.
- D. Require that all pay changes be signed by the employee to verify that the change goes to a bona fide employee.

Answer: B

Question: 9

According to the International Professional Practices Framework, internal auditors should possess which of the following competencies?

- I. Proficiency in applying internal auditing standards, procedures, and techniques.
- II. Proficiency in accounting principles and techniques.

III. An understanding of management principles.

IV. An understanding of the fundamentals of economics, commercial law, taxation, finance, and quantitative methods.

A. I only

B. II only

C. I and III only

D. I, III, and IV only

Answer: D

Question: 10

Which of the following is not an appropriate role for internal auditors after a disaster occurs?

A. Monitor the effectiveness of the recovery and control of operations.

B. Correct deficiencies of the entity's business continuity plan.

C. Recommend future improvements to the entity's business continuity plan.

D. Assist in the identification of lessons learned from the disaster and the recovery operations.

Answer: B