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Section 19.1 and 19.2
Comprehension Test 19

Directions: Read each question carefully. Choose the letter of the correct answer and write the number.

1. What does the word "infectious" mean?
a. Spreads from one person to another
b. Spreads through the air
c. Spreads through the water
d. Spreads through the soil
2. What does the word "epidemic" mean?
a. A disease that is common
b. A disease that is rare
c. A disease that is spreading rapidly
d. A disease that is not spreading
3. What does the word "endemic" mean?
a. A disease that is common in a certain area
b. A disease that is rare in a certain area
c. A disease that is spreading rapidly in a certain area
d. A disease that is not spreading in a certain area
4. What does the word "pandemic" mean?
a. A disease that is common in a certain area
b. A disease that is rare in a certain area
c. A disease that is spreading rapidly in a certain area
d. A disease that is not spreading in a certain area
5. What does the word "outbreak" mean?
a. A disease that is common in a certain area
b. A disease that is rare in a certain area
c. A disease that is spreading rapidly in a certain area
d. A disease that is not spreading in a certain area
6. What does the word "reservoir" mean?
a. A place where a disease is stored
b. A place where a disease is spread
c. A place where a disease is not spread
d. A place where a disease is not stored
7. What does the word "vector" mean?
a. A person who carries a disease
b. A person who does not carry a disease
c. A person who is not infected with a disease
d. A person who is infected with a disease
8. What does the word "pathogen" mean?
a. A disease-causing agent
b. A disease-causing organism
c. A disease-causing virus
d. A disease-causing bacterium
9. What does the word "antigen" mean?
a. A substance that causes an immune response
b. A substance that does not cause an immune response
c. A substance that is not recognized by the immune system
d. A substance that is recognized by the immune system
10. What does the word "antibody" mean?
a. A protein that attacks a foreign substance
b. A protein that does not attack a foreign substance
c. A protein that is not recognized by the immune system
d. A protein that is recognized by the immune system