ECE 102 Chapter 2
Test Questions

True/False
Indicate whether the sentence or statement is true or false.

____ 1. Early childhood programs reflect the needs of society.
____ 2. Full-day child care is a modern phenomenon.
____ 3. Good affordable, accessible child care is readily available for all of today's families.
____ 4. DAP refers to an academically rigorous early childhood program.
____ 5. "Cultural appropriateness" is the ability to integrate a child's ethnic background into the mainstream of American life.
____ 6. Most family child-care homes are licensed.
____ 7. Hospitals have the most employer-sponsored child-care centers.
____ 8. National licensing standards exist for all early childhood programs.
____ 9. Parent cooperatives no longer exist.
____ 10. Most church-based programs serve only the church members.
____ 11. One out of every four programs accredited by NAEYC's National Academy of Early Childhood Programs is church-housed.
____ 13. High/Scope curriculum is based on Piaget's theories.
____ 14. All schools with the name of Montessori are the same.
____ 15. Researchers cite a need to integrate teaching practices for children from birth through the primary grades.
____ 16. Nearly 95% of all children in the United States attend kindergarten.

Multiple Choice
Identify the letter of the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

____ 17. Developmentally appropriate practice (DAP) is based on ____.
    a. what a teacher knows about child development
    b. what a teacher knows about an individual child
    c. what a teacher knows about the child's social and cultural background
    d. all of the above

____ 18. The most important determinant of a good program is ____.
    a. quality and compensation of staff
    b. the curriculum
    c. indoor and outdoor environment
    d. health and safety of children

____ 19. A core principle of the traditional nursery school is ____.
    a. social competence
    b. free play for long periods of time
c. few restraints  
d. balance of active/quiet play  
e. all of the above

____ 20. Child care always differs from other programs in ____.
   a. length of day  
b. curriculum  
c. training of staff  
d. philosophy

____ 21. One issue of quality child care focuses on ____.
   a. curriculum  
b. wages  
c. size of playground  
d. parent involvement

____ 22. The most widely chosen option for child care is ____.
   a. nursery school  
b. laboratory school  
c. family child care  
d. Grandparents  
e. Nanny

____ 23. Laboratory schools ____.
   a. were among the first preschools in the United States  
b. were part of the child study movement  
c. focused on research  
d. provided educational models  
e. all of the above

____ 24. The largest single provider of child care in the United States is ____.
   a. the government  
b. churches  
c. public school districts  
d. colleges and universities

____ 25. Head Start has been a leader in ____.
   a. diversity/multi-cultural/mutiracial education  
b. Research  
c. Curriculum  
d. Religion

____ 26. Montessori materials are noted because ____.
   a. they are self-correcting  
b. they are sequential  
c. they are related to real life  
d. they have a tactile appeal  
e. all of the above

____ 27. The "birthdate effect" ____.
   a. is a type of behavior found at preschool children's parties  
b. helps children succeed in kindergarten  
c. is a chart depicting all the children's birthdates  
d. relates to kindergarten entry age

Completion

Complete each sentence or statement.

28. Three important needs that early childhood programs meet are ____________________,  
__________________, and ____________________.

29. The quality of any early childhood program is based on ____________________,  
__________________, and ____________________.
30. The three criteria which define developmentally appropriate practice (DAP) are _________________, _________________, and _________________.

31. The Perry Preschool Project is noteworthy because it was _________________ and _________________.

32. Four limitations of the Montessori Method cited in the text are _________________, _________________, _________________, and _________________.

33. A good infant/toddler program will differ from preschool education in these three ways: (1) _________________, (2) _________________, and (3) _________________.

34. Three reasons why employer-sponsored child care is cost-effective are: _________________, _________________, and _________________.

**Short Answer**

35. Choose five of the ten indicators of quality for programs for young children and describe briefly.

36. Why and how has the distinction between child care and early education been eliminated?

37. Describe at least five of the guiding principles that make Head Start a success.

38. Describe three features of the Montessori program that are unique to that philosophy.

39. What are the components of a successful out-of-school-time program?

40. What are the three criteria on which developmentally appropriate practices (DAP) are based?

41. Define what is meant by "developmentally and culturally appropriate practice."