

HS161 MIDTERM 3/24/04

Instructions. Select the best response in each instance. For T/F questions, answer “a” for true and “b” for false. On Part A, please use a TE2000 scantron to record your answers. Use a blue book for Part B answers.

Chap 1 (§1.1, §1.2, §1.3)

Match each term with its definition.

Terms:

1. morbidity
2. mortality
3. endemic
4. epidemic

Definitions:

- a. occurrence at an increased or excess level
 - b. related to death
 - c. related to disease or disability
 - d. occurrence at a constant or expected level
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List the causes of death in correct rank order.

Rank:

5. Highest
6. Second highest
7. Third highest
8. Lowest

Causes:

- a. Cancer
 - b. Cardiovascular
 - c. External cause
 - d. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
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9. T/F: Prostate cancer increased in the second half of the twentieth century. [Remember to answer “a” for true and “b” for false on all T/F questions.]

Match the uses of epidemiology with its description.

Uses:

10. historical study
11. evaluate health services
12. complete clinical picture
13. community diagnosis

Descriptions:

- a. appraise efficacy of interventions and treatments
 - b. identify presence, nature, and incidence or prevalence of health problems
 - c. track rise and fall of disease in the population for useful projections
 - d. assess all types of cases and their proportion of occurrence
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14. T/F: Definitions of health vary between cultures and individuals.

15. Select the best definition of “epidemiology.”

- a. Organized community effort to prevent disease and promote health.
- b. The study of disease.
- c. The study of health.
- d. The study of disease and health-related conditions in populations.

16. Select the definition of *pandemic*.

- a. endemic in the population
- b. endemic on several continents
- c. epidemic in the population
- d. epidemic on several continents

Chap 2 (§2.1, §2.2)

Place in correct chronological order the events leading to a myocardial infarction.

Order:

17. first
18. second
19. third
20. fourth

Event:

- a. death of heart muscle
 - b. dietary factors leading to atherosclerosis
 - c. genetic susceptibility
 - d. blood clot blocking coronary artery
21. This term is used to refer to the spectrum of an infectious disease.
- a. latent period
 - b. incubation period
 - c. iceberg
 - d. gradient of infection
22. Why would you want to identify and treat HIV infections before symptoms arise?
- a. delay onset of symptoms
 - b. cure infection
 - c. prevent transmission
 - d. "a" and "c"
 - e. "a," "b," and "c"
23. This is the term used to denote a health problem that is largely undetected on population basis.
- a. iceberg phenomenon
 - b. spectrum of disease
 - c. primary prevention
 - d. initiation
24. This marks the *beginning* of the subclinical stage of disease.
- a. exposure to the ultimate causal factor
 - b. first symptoms
 - c. diagnosis
 - d. resolution of symptoms

Match each term with its description.

Terms:

25. induction period
26. latent period
27. empirical induction period
28. causal action

Descriptions:

- a. time between disease initiation and detection
 - b. biological effect of a pathogenic event
 - c. time between causal action and disease initiation
 - d. time between causal action and disease detection
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29. This marks the *end* of the subclinical stage of disease.
- a. exposure to the ultimate causal factor
 - b. first symptoms
 - c. diagnosis
 - d. resolution of symptoms
30. What does it mean when an epidemiologist says there is an *interdependence* between factors?
- a. there is a spectrum of effects
 - b. factors work together to cause the disease
 - c. there is a long induction period
 - d. the disease often goes undetected
31. Is the laser treatment of diabetic retinopathy to prevent blindness a form of primary, secondary, or tertiary prevention in the treatment of diabetes?
- a. primary
 - b. secondary
 - c. tertiary

Chap 3 (§3.1)

Match the type of prevention with its goal.

Types of Prevention:

- 32. primary
- 33. secondary
- 34. tertiary

Goal:

- a. to prevent new occurrences
- b. to minimize progression of disease and its effects
- c. delay onset or reduce severity after emergence

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- 35. T/F: During the acute phases of HIV infection, a person may have no detectable antibody but may still be infectious.
 - 36. Is treatment of symptom-free HIV+ people with anti-retroviral drugs a form of primary, secondary, or tertiary prevention?
 - a. primary
 - b. secondary
 - c. tertiary

Match each term with its description.

Terms:

- 37. innate immunity
- 38. acquired immunity
- 39. immunocyte
- 40. humoral immunity

Descriptions:

- a. an immune cell
- b. immunity you are born with
- c. non-cellular components of acquired immunity
- d. immunity developed after birth

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- 41. T/F: Infectious diseases remain a leading cause of morbidity and mortality worldwide.
 - 42. Select the disease with a known prion cause.
 - a. AIDS
 - b. typhus fever
 - c. rocky mountain spotted fever
 - d. mad cow disease
 - 43. What type of transmission occurs when HIV is transmitted via a syringe?
 - a. mechanical
 - b. developmental
 - c. propagative
 - d. cyclopropagative
 - 44. T/F: Fever and inflammation can help fend off infection.
 - 45. Transfer of antibodies from mother to baby through colostrum is a form of:
 - a. innate immunity
 - b. therapeutic immunity
 - c. actively acquired immunity
 - d. passively acquired immunity
 - 46. These are proteins on the surface of agents that elicit an immune response.
 - a. pathogens
 - b. immunocytes
 - c. antigens
 - d. antibodies

Match each term with its definition.

Terms:

- 47. infection
- 48. infectious disease
- 49. reservoir
- 50. contamination

Definitions:

- a. habitat where agent multiplies
 - b. presence of living agent within the body
 - c. presence of living agent within body accompanied by symptoms
 - d. presence of living agent on exterior surface
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- 51. Which of the following is an innate form of cellular immunity?
 - a. intact skin
 - b. stomach acidity
 - c. phagocytic cells
 - d. ear wax
- 52. Propagative transmission occurs when there is
 - a. no multiplication of the agent in the vector
 - b. multiplication of the agent in the vector
 - c. maturation of the agent in the vector
 - d. multiplication and maturation of the agent in the vector
- 53. Which of the following can *not* serve as a portal for infection?
 - a. skin
 - b. urogenital tract
 - c. respiratory tract
 - d. cardiovascular system
- 54. This type of immune cell up-regulates and down-regulates the immune response.
 - a. macrophage
 - b. bone marrow cell
 - c. B lymphocyte
 - d. T lymphocyte

Match the class of agent with its description.

Agents

- 55. virus
- 56. bacteria
- 57. fungi
- 58. helminth

Descriptions:

- a. unicellular creatures capable of independent replication
 - b. sub-microscopic agents incapable of replication outside of the host
 - c. parasitic worms
 - d. parasitic lower plants lacking chlorophyll
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- 59. Stomach acidity is a _____ barrier to infection.
 - a. physical
 - b. chemical
 - c. cellular
 - d. none of the above
- 60. Which of the following can serve as a portal of entry for HIV?
 - a. the skin
 - b. urogenital tract
 - c. gastrointestinal tract
 - d. all of the above
- 61. This type of vaccine contains antigens from an agent that can no longer replicate.
 - a. killed vaccine
 - b. modified live vaccine
 - c. toxoid
 - d. immunoglobulin

Chap 5

62. How many major categories of disease are in ICD-9?
- 14
 - 15
 - 16
 - 17
63. What types of criteria may be used to construct a case definition?
- clinical
 - personal characteristics
 - region and time of occurrence
 - all of the above
64. Which factors are used in structuring ICD codes?
- similarities in cause
 - similarities in pathogenesis
 - similarities in anatomical location
 - “a” and “c”
 - “a,” “b,” and “c”
65. What organization created the ICD?
- FDA
 - CDC
 - WHO
 - SJSU ☞
66. What does the CM stand for in the ICD-9-CM?
- Chronic Major
 - Chronic Modification
 - Clinical Major
 - Clinical Modification
67. T/F: A person must have an AIDS indicator condition (e.g., Kaposi’s Sarcoma) in order to qualify as an AIDS case under the current CDC AIDS surveillance case definition.
68. T/F: Studies of treatments and interventions need a uniform case definition to objectively study response to therapy.
69. T/F: Case definitions may evolve over time as we learn about the pathology of the disease.
70. What is the *most current* version of the ICD?
- 8
 - 9
 - 10
 - 11
71. T/F: A change in the completeness of reporting can create an artifactual increase or decrease in the reported rate of a disease.
72. When you put an age restriction on a case definition, you are using this type of criteria:
- clinical
 - “person”
 - “place”
 - “time”
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- Match the term with its brief description.
- Terms:
- case definition
 - “Chinese menu”
 - probable case
 - possible case
 - confirmed case
- Descriptions:
- a case with all clinical features plus supporting laboratory or pathological evidence
 - criteria by which to decide whether an individual should be classified as having a condition
 - a case with all of the typical clinical features but no supporting lab or path evidence
 - to combine criteria in an “either/or” fashion
 - a case with some but not all of the typical clinical features and no supporting lab or path evidence

Part B: Open-Ended Questions

Answer in your blue books, please. Remember to number each problem.

TEXARKANA CASE STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What is the difference between a *sensitive* case definition and a *specific* case definition? [4 pts]
2. Fill in the table below by calculating the rates and summing number of cases and population sizes when necessary. [10 pts]

Formula: Rate (per 1000) = (no. of cases) ÷ (population size) × 1000

Vaccine status	Age group (yrs)	Cases	Population	Rate (per 1000)
Unvaccinated	1–9	42	2552	_____
	10–19	173	3342	_____
	1–19	_____	_____	_____
Vaccinated	1–9	3	3671	_____
	10–19	14	4345	_____
	1–19	_____	_____	_____

3. Compare the rates for 1–9 and 10–19 year-olds. [1 pt]
4. Compare the rates for the unvaccinated and vaccinated groups. [1 pt]
5. Using the above information, calculate vaccine effectiveness. The formula is $VE = \frac{R_1 - R_0}{R_1}$, where VE represent vaccine effectiveness, R_1 represent the rate of disease in the unvaccinated population, and R_0 represent the rate of disease in the vaccinated population. Show all work. [2 pts]
6. In your opinion, was the vaccine effective? Justify your response. [2 pts]