- 1. What is the best description of a fissure?
 - A) Scratch
 - B) Crack
 - C) Rip
 - D) Blister
- 2. What is the best description of an ulcer?
 - A) Blister filled with pus
 - B) Sore with dead tissue that doesn't heal normally
 - C) Scrape that damages the dermis
 - D) Fissure close to an orifice
- 3. What functions are best accomplished by the skin?
 - A) Maintain proper pH balance in the body
 - B) Oxygen-carbon dioxide exchange
 - C) Protection and sensation
 - D) Excretion and absorption
- 4. What is the best description of the skin?
 - A) A single-layered sheet of tissue highly invested with glands and nerves
 - B) A semipermeable barrier that protects the body from outside forces
 - C) A large gland that secretes sweat, sebum, and other substances
 - D) A three-layered membrane separating the interior from the exterior of the body
- 5. Which is the correct list of skin layers from superficial to deep?
 - A) Stratum corneum, stratum basalis, superficial fascia
 - B) Epidermis, dermis, subdermis
 - C) Squamous, basal, fascial
 - D) Epidermis, superficial fascia, dermis
- 6. Which statement best describes why damaged skin contraindicates massage?
 - A) Many skin conditions might be contagious or spread further on the body
 - B) Massage lotion or oil could be irritating to open sores
 - C) If the skin is not intact, the client is a walking invitation to infection
 - D) The skin tells us the most about our environment

- 7. Which is the list of animal parasites?
 - A) Acne, eczema, jock itch
 - B) Herpes, warts, ringworm
 - C) Keloids, St. Anthony's fire, body lice
 - D) Crabs, head lice, mites
- 8. What is the best description of head lice?
 - A) Microscopic animals that burrow under the skin
 - B) Arthropods that infest any coarse body hair except on the scalp
 - C) Wingless insects that infest scalp hair
 - D) Hopping blood-sucking insects that jump from one host to another
- 9. What is the best description of pubic lice?
 - A) Microscopic animals that burrow under the skin
 - B) Arthropods that infest any coarse body hair except on the scalp
 - C) Wingless insects that infest scalp hair
 - D) Blood-sucking insects that live in clothing
- 10. What is a synonym for pubic lice?
 - A) Herpes
 - B) The clap
 - C) Crabs
 - D) Scabies
- 11. Pubic lice may infest...
 - A) Pubic hair of women only
 - B) Pubic hair of men only
 - C) Scalp hair and pubic hair of either gender
 - D) Any body hair *except* the scalp of either gender
- 12. What is the best description of body lice?
 - A) Wingless insects that infest scalp hair
 - B) Microscopic animals that burrow under the skin
 - C) Arthropods that infest any coarse body hair except on the scalp
 - D) Hopping blood-sucking insects that live in clothing

- 13. What is true about body lice?
 - A) They are resistant to most pesticides
 - B) They burrow under the skin
 - C) They are eradicated by laundering
 - D) They live for 2 weeks or more off of a host
- 14. What is the best description of scabies mites?
 - A) Wingless insects that infest scalp hair
 - B) Arthropods that infest any coarse body hair except on the scalp
 - C) Tiny animals that build tunnel in the epidermis
 - D) Hopping blood-sucking insects that live in clothing
- 15. The causative agent for scabies lesions is...
 - A) A parasitic worm that burrows under the skin
 - B) The same virus that causes genital herpes
 - C) Microscopic mites that burrow under the skin
 - D) Easily visible insects that inhabit the scalp
- 16. The itching associated with scabies is distinguishable from most other sources of irritation because...
 - A) It rises to a peak and then subsides with no further symptoms
 - B) It comes and goes in periods of flare and remission
 - C) It is unrelenting and gets progressively worse instead of better
 - D) It is accompanied by fever and inflamed lymph nodes
- 17. The symptoms caused by head lice are from...
 - A) The lice burrowing under the skin of the scalp
 - B) The lice crawling on the scalp
 - C) The lice's saliva, which creates an inflammatory reaction
 - D) The lice depositing irritating waste that creates an allergic reaction on the scalp
- 18. If a client has very recently been infested with head lice, where will nits tend to be found?
 - A) At the tips of the hair
 - B) At the root of the hair close to the forehead
 - C) Directly on the scalp
 - D) At the root of the hair close at the back of the head

- 19. Your client was recently exposed to scabies. How soon are they communicable to you?
 - A) Twelve hours after exposure
 - B) Anytime after exposure
 - C) Mites that cause scabies are not communicable
 - D) After lesions have appeared
- 20. What is the most efficient way for the animals that cause scabies to spread from a client to a massage therapist?
 - A) Sharing hats and helmets
 - B) Skin-to-skin contact
 - C) Through shared towels or clothing
 - D) Contaminated toilet seats
- 21. If a client has recently completed treatment for scabies, what massage therapy–related risks are present?
 - A) No risks are present; treatment for scabies does not affect the skin
 - B) Treated areas may be extremely itchy; massage may exacerbate this symptom
 - C) The client is still highly contagious; the massage therapist is at risk
 - D) The massage therapist could spread the scabies to other parts of the body
- 22. What is the best description of a fungal infection of the skin?
 - A) A colony of microscopic plants begins on the skin and invades the bloodstream
 - B) Tiny circular worms burrow under the skin, resembling the growth pattern of fungi
 - C) Tiny mites carry microscopic deposits of fungus with them in the creation of lesions
 - D) Dermatophytes find a rich growth medium on the skin
- 23. What is a synonym for fungal infection of the skin?
 - A) St. Anthony's fire
 - B) Wart
 - C) Candida
 - D) Ringworm
- 24. The causative agent for ringworm is...
 - A) A parasitic worm
 - B) A dermatophyte
 - C) A bacterium
 - D) A virus

Answer Key

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