

Test — Sparks Director

Version: 2012

Name: _____

Achieving a grade of 85 percent or better is required to pass this test. After completing this test, have your commander score it for you. This contributes to becoming a certified Sparks® director. Be sure to record your achievement on the Certification Completion Record.

Each of the 50 questions is worth two points for a total of 100 points.

1. Awana® comes from the first letters of the phrase "Approved workmen are not ashamed." What is the verse that corresponds with this phrase?

- a. 2 Timothy 2:2
- b. 2 Timothy 2:15
- c. 2 Timothy 3:16
- d. none of the above

2. Which of the following is **NOT** one of the five principles of Awana?

- a. Awana is centered on the gospel.
- b. Scripture memory is key.
- c. Awana raises up pastors to lead the church in the future.
- d. Children and youth are trained to serve.

3. True or False. The three main segments of club are Game Time, Handbook Time and Large Group Time.

4. True or False. Sparks is a club for kindergarten through third-grade kids.

5-7. Our prayer is that all children and youth throughout the world will

come to _____,
and _____ the Lord Jesus Christ.

8. How did Jesus respond in Mark 10 when the disciples tried to send the children away?

- a. He resumed His conversation.
- b. He told the children He would talk with them later.
- c. He was upset but didn't say anything.
- d. He rebuked the disciples.

9. Before what age, according to Barna research, are people most likely to accept Jesus Christ as Savior?

- a. 8
- b. 14
- c. 20
- d. 26

10. More than _____ percent of abusers are people children know, love or trust.

- a. 50
- b. 20
- c. 90
- d. 70

11. True or False. Your church leadership should consult with an attorney to develop child protection policies.

12. Which of the following is part of the club director role?

- a. Leader
- b. Shepherd
- c. Administrator
- d. Communicator
- e. All of the above

13. Which of the following is **NOT** a qualification for being a director?

- a. Trust in Christ as Savior
- b. Growing relationship with Christ
- c. Church leadership approval
- d. Previous experience working with children

14. What is the main focus of being a director?

- a. The gospel
- b. The Ten Standards of Excellence
- c. Worship
- d. Awards

15-18. Match the verses with the components of the Gospel Wheel.

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| (15.) God | Romans 3:23 and 6:23 |
| (16.) Trust | John 3:16 and Revelation 4:8b |
| (17.) Cross | Romans 5:8 |
| (18.) Man | Acts 16:31 |

19. What must a Sparkie do to be saved?

- a. Go to church regularly.
- b. Believe that Jesus died to pay for his (the Sparkie's) sins and that He rose on the third day.
- c. Memorize John 3:16.
- d. Both a and b

20. What are the keys to Scripture memory?

- a. Receiving awards
- b. Review
- c. Self-discipline
- d. Both b and c

21. True or False. Sparkies can work in any handbook they like, as long as they're engaged.

22. True or False. Awards help to motivate children to learn Scripture.

23. Which of the following is not one of the reasons uniforms are part of Awana?

- a. Discipline
- b. Unity
- c. Identification between leaders and clubbers
- d. So kids don't get lost in the church

24. Why enforce discipline?

- a. Maintain group order
- b. Set boundaries for kids
- c. Help determine when a child is troubled
- d. All of the above

25. What is the primary method for keeping order in the group?

- a. The five-count
- b. The three-count
- c. Whistling
- d. Yelling

26. What is the primary method for addressing individual rebellion?

- a. The five-count
- b. The three-count
- c. Whistling
- d. Yelling

27. At what point of the three-count will you, as the director, usually get involved in the discipline of an individual Sparkie?

- a. One
- b. Two
- c. Three
- d. You don't typically play a role in the discipline process.

28-32. Fill in the blanks about your role in a club night

A – _____ the effectiveness of club (leader role)

E – _____ leaders, clubbers and parents (shepherd role)

I – _____ leaders, clubbers and parents (communicator role)

O – _____ the club activities (administrator role)

U – _____ resources (administrator role)

33. True or False. You are responsible for making sure all Large Group Time roles are filled.

34-37. Match the activities with the club segment.

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| (34.) Bible lesson | Game Time |
| (35.) Pledge to the flag. | Handbook Time |
| (36.) Play active games. | Opening ceremony |
| (37.) Listen to verses and sign off on sections. | Large Group Time |

38. True or False. Directors should lead their own small group in Handbook Time.

39. What activities are appropriate for Large Group Time?

- a. Singing
- b. Award presentations
- c. Testimonies
- d. All of the above are appropriate.

40. How many helps may Sparkies receive when they are reciting Scripture?

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 0

41. True or False. All games must be played on the Awana Game Square.

42. True or False. It's best to hand out all awards once a month.

43. True or False. By the time Sparkies are in second grade you don't need to worry about whether they leave with a parent or not.

- 44.** When should you share your vision and passion with leaders?
- a. At the beginning of the year
 - b. Once a month at leader meetings
 - c. Whenever you address the church body
 - d. Every chance you get
- 45.** Why set club goals?
- a. To satisfy the budget committee
 - b. To establish priorities and plans of action
 - c. To feel corporate
 - d. To justify the ministry
- 46.** Which of the following is not a good reason for leader meetings?
- a. Team building
 - b. Prayer
 - c. To communicate information
 - d. Because a parent complained about the ministry
- 47.** When you have a problem in club, who's the first person you should talk to?
- a. Your spouse
 - b. The commander
 - c. The pastor
 - d. Your neighbors
- 48.** Whom should you work with to establish record keeping and administrative systems?
- a. The Awana secretary
 - b. Leaders
 - c. Pastor
 - d. Game director
- 49.** What is the best way to recruit new leaders?
- a. Post regular announcements in the church bulletin.
 - b. Ask the pastor to make an announcement from the pulpit.
 - c. Personally share stories and invite people.
 - d. Both a and b
- 50.** True or False. All leaders appreciate public praise for their efforts.