

Test — Commander

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Electronic files of this test and the answer key are also found online at awana.org. After completing the test, ask your pastor or one of your Awana directors to grade it. Achieving a score of 85 percent or greater contributes towards becoming a Certified commander! Be sure to record this achievement on the Certification Record in your role book.

Each question is worth three points.

1. Which of the following is not a primary responsibility in your role as commander?
 - a. Advocating for the gospel
 - b. Speaking at Large Group Time
 - c. Shepherding directors
 - d. Communicating to church leadership and parents
2. True or False. The Prayer Statement of Awana is the following: That all children and youth throughout the world will come to know, love and serve the Lord Jesus Christ.
3. Which of these is not a segment of a Sparks and T&T club meeting?
 - a. Game Time
 - b. Large Group Time
 - c. Play Time
 - d. Handbook Time
4. Which of the following are you responsible for as an advocate?
 - a. Ensuring that the gospel is presented regularly and accurately.
 - b. Communicating burden, passion and vision for the Awana ministry.
 - c. Working with staff to help achieve a church's evangelism and discipleship goals.
 - d. All of the above
5. What are the five major areas of responsibility for commanders?
 - a. Advocate, shepherd, administrator, leader and communicator
 - b. Communicator, advocate, record keeper, shepherd and leader
 - c. Shepherd, communicator, emcee, leader, administrator
 - d. Leader, advocate, AwanaGames coach, communicator, vision caster
 - e. None of the above are correct
6. Which of the following is not a qualification for an Awana commander?
 - a. Trust in Jesus Christ as his or her personal Savior.
 - b. Experience teaching children.
 - c. Godly character.
 - d. Leadership abilities.
 - e. Effective communication skills.
7. What is a commander's main responsibility on club night?
 - a. Emceeding Large Group Time.
 - b. Shepherding children.
 - c. Helping with check-in.
 - d. Filling in for absent leaders.
 - e. None of the above.
8. Which of the following is not part of Getting Started Certification?
 - a. Gospel Wheel Verses
 - b. Practice
 - c. Role-specific training
 - d. Visit North Side Gospel Center
9. What was Jesus' reaction to children in Mark 10:1-16?
 - a. He was angry with them.
 - b. He welcomed and blessed them.
 - c. He suggested they come back later.
 - d. He ignored them.
 - e. None of the above.
10. The probability of trusting in Jesus is greatest before what age?
 - a. 22
 - b. 18
 - c. 14
 - d. 10
 - e. None of the above.
11. True or False. Awana was created to **nurture** and **encourage** children.

12. What were Moses' final directions to the Israelites?

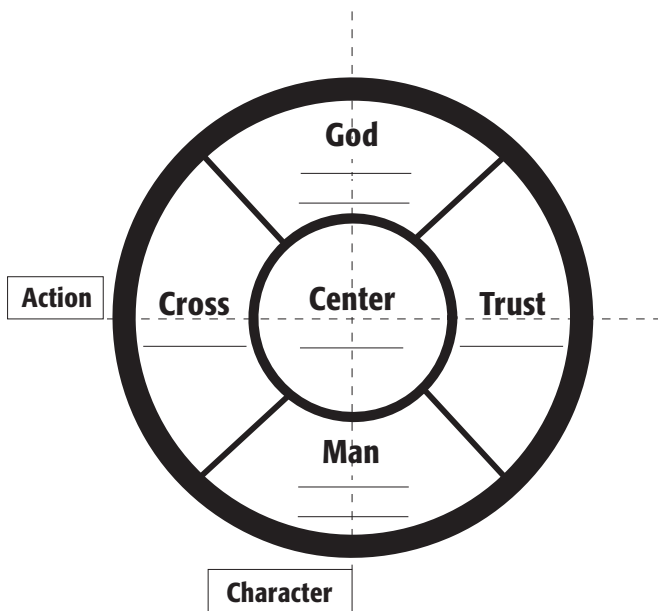
- a. Be good role models.
- b. Teach your children to obey God.
- c. Meet all your children's needs.
- d. Make sure your children become good citizens.
- e. None of the above.

13. What are the five principles of Awana?

- a. Awana is centered on the gospel, Scripture memory is key, it's fun and exciting, children and youth are trained to serve and it's built on strong leadership.
- b. Awana is centered on the gospel, Scripture memory is key, it's fun and exciting, children should honor their parents and it's built on leadership.
- c. Always bring your Bible, Scripture memory is key, it's fun and exciting, children and youth are trained to serve, and it's built on leadership.
- d. Awana is centered on the gospel, Scripture memory is key, it's fun and exciting, children and youth are trained to serve and it's built on entertainment.
- e. None of the above

14. True or False. A formal church child protection policy is not necessary as long as you personally know all of your club leaders.

15. Fill in the spaces on this Gospel Wheel and write, in your own words, how you might share the gospel with a child or youth.



16. Why does Awana emphasize Scripture memorization?

- a. To pass sections.
- b. To motivate adults to learn Scripture.
- c. So children hide God's Word in their hearts.
- d. To win at Bible Quizzing events.
- e. None of the above.

17. What is the purpose of awards?

- a. To recognize achievement.
- b. To motivate.
- c. To shame others into passing sections.
- d. Both a & b.

18. Which of the following is an Awana award?

- a. Alpha Award
- b. Excellence Award
- c. Timothy Award
- d. Meritorious Award
- e. All of the above.

19. Who are your local resources?

- a. Awana missionary
- b. Awana ministry team
- c. Pastor
- d. Church leadership
- e. All of the above.

20. True or False. Awana missionaries rely on churches and individuals for financial and prayer support.

21. What do you want to communicate to church leadership?

- a. Your passion, burden and vision
- b. Ministry needs
- c. Ministry results and stories
- d. All of the above
- e. None of the above

22. How often should you communicate with leadership?

- a. As often as possible
- b. Once a year
- c. At board meetings
- d. When they ask you
- e. None of the above.

- 23.** Which of the following is a good communication tip for working with church leadership?
- Don't tackle every need every time .
 - Provide numbers and stories.
 - Try to catch the pastor when he seems free.
 - Be thankful.
 - a, b and d
- 24.** What is shepherding?
- Encouraging others to be in the Word.
 - Helping leaders grow in obedience.
 - Creating community.
 - Holding people accountable.
 - All of the above.
- 25.** Which of the following is not a way to motivate leaders?
- Vision casting
 - Team building
 - Recognition
 - Thanking
 - None of the above
- 26.** True or False. Public praise is the best way to motivate leaders.
- 27.** What is an ideal clubber-to-leader ratio for Sparks and T&T?
- 10:2
 - 5:1
 - 10:1
 - 5:2
 - Any of the above.
- 28.** Which of the following would disqualify a potential volunteer?
- Being a new believer
 - Being a convicted child molester
 - Not having experience with children
 - None of the above
- 29.** True or False. Coordinating ministry calendars is an administrative responsibility of a commander.
- 30.** Which of the following is a training resource that Awana offers?
- Annual Awana Ministry Conference
 - Commander College
 - Club Clinic: Free online training modules
 - ART (Awana Resources and Tools) website
 - All of the above
- 31.** If punishment inflicts a penalty for an offense, what does discipline do?
- Teaches kids the authority of the church.
 - Inflicts a penalty even when there is no offense.
 - Trains for correction and maturity.
 - Creates hostility among clubbers.
- 32.** True or False. The five-count is used to get a group's attention and the three-count is used for individual discipline.
- 33.** What are reasons for making an effort to communicate with parents?
- Parents are responsible for their children's spiritual development.
 - To evangelize them.
 - To recruit them as leaders.
 - To let them know details their kids likely will forget to tell them.
 - All of the above.