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1. Why does using a methodology increase the chances of a project being successful?

A. Requirements do not have to be documented before a project is started.

B. Requirements can be changed throughout the project lifespan.

C. Development follows predetermined phases based on proven practice.

D. Development must be completed within predetermined timescales.

Answer: C

2. What is the benefit of using a methodology when developing an IBM Cognos 8 Planning solution?

A. Allows accurate and complete development.

B. Allows development to be started before users are consulted.

C. Development can be done by less qualified consultants.

D. An iterative methodology can be used instead of waterfall.

Answer: A

3. Which aspect of the Waterfall approach makes it less appropriate to use for developing planning applications?

A. There is no Analyze phase; the steps go from Plan directly to Design.

B. Steps are followed sequentially without returning to previous steps.

C. Technical constraints tend to overrule user requirements.

D. This approach can only be implemented using large teams.

Answer: B

4. When developing an IBM Cognos 8 Planning solution, when is prototyping most useful?

A. When the user requirements are unclear.

B. When the development team is very large.

C. When the client can afford the extra time and cost required.

D. When the solution is being implemented for a department other than Finance.

Answer: A

5. What is the purpose of providing an initial delivery to end-users which addresses only 80 to 90% of their

needs?

A. The users will be content with a solution that addresses most of their requirements.

B. The requirements can be completely changed and still finished in time.

C. The solution can more easily be fine-tuned through iterative development.

D. The solution can be completed through sequential steps and in time.

Answer: C

6. During the design phase of an IBM Cognos 8 Planning solution, the Planning and BI teams meet to discuss the reporting requirements. Which proposed change must be discussed by the whole implementation team?

A. The number of users who will consume reports based on Planning information.

B. The D-Lists that will be used to represent the measures in reports.

C. The D-Lists that will represent time in the planning application.

D. The number of users who will perform data entry into the planning application.

Answer: B

7. You identify that last year's actuals will be used as a basis for this year's plan. This data resides in a database and will be loaded into Contributor. The data is very sensitive and security is important to the customer. What are two solutions? (Choose two.)

A. Load from a Cognos package using the database as a source.

B. Use an ETL tool to load directly from the database avoiding the Copy and Load process.

C. Use the standard Copy, Load, and Prepare process in the Contributor administration console.

D. Load into Analyst and then export to a flat file and Copy, Load, and Prepare into Contributor.

Answer: AB

8. You implement an IBM Cognos 8 Planning solution which fulfills the users' needs. Two years later the performance of the Go To Production and Reconciliation processes take an unacceptable time to run. What may have been overlooked in the original design phase?

A. the frequency that the planning process is run

B. the number of BI reports based on planning data

C. the increase in the number of e.List items with time

D. the volume of assumption data in the Analyst model

Answer: C

9. You are designing a production planning solution with IBM Cognos 8 Planning. Units will be input by the regional production managers. Production rates for each factory are set centrally and do not change. What is the primary consideration for the designer?

A. How easy will it be to update production rates.

B. How easy will it be to input units.

C. How quickly can assumption data be input.

D. How quickly can the list of factories be updated.

Answer: B

10. Which statement describes how Proven Practices are created?

A. Proven Practice is driven by product management to provide strict guidelines for modelers.

B. Proven Practice is developed by a specialist team who understand how the products work.

C. A variety of teams input ideas based on how customers are effectively using the products.

D. Support personnel provide tips and techniques to customers to help them create effective models.

Answer: C