

## Navigation General

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1	"An electronic or electric device that indicates the rate of turn of a vessel," defines a/an _____.	magnetic compass	gyro-compass	<b>swing meter</b>	odometer	
2	"Proceeding from seaward" for the purpose of the direction of buoying offshore, lateral system buoys would be proceeding _____.	northerly on the Atlantic Coast	easterly on the Gulf Coast	<b>northerly on the Pacific Coast</b>	None of the above	
3	"Revolution" is the _____.	wobbling of the Earth about its axis	motion of bodies in the solar system relative to the stars	<b>motion of a celestial body in its orbit</b>	spinning of a celestial body about its axis	
4	"Rotation" is the _____.	wobbling of the Earth about its axis	motion of bodies in the solar system relative to the stars	motion of a celestial body in its orbit	<b>spinning of a celestial body about its axis</b>	
5	"Space motion" is the _____.	action causing precession of the equinoxes	<b>motion of a body in the solar system relative to the stars</b>	motion of a celestial body in its orbit	irregularity in the motion of the Earth caused by other celestial bodies	
6	"Stand" of the tide is that time when _____.	<b>the vertical rise or fall of the tide has stopped</b>	slack water occurs	tidal current is at a maximum	the actual depth of the water equals the charted depth	
7	"Surface circulation" is another term for _____.	cyclones	air in motion at all levels of the atmosphere	<b>wind in the lower troposphere</b>	ocean currents	
8	15° of latitude is equal to _____.	600 miles	<b>900 miles</b>	1200 miles	1500 miles	
9	17 degrees of latitude is equal to _____.	68 miles	510 miles	<b>1020 miles</b>	4080 miles	
10	90° - Ho = _____.	sextant altitude	co-latitude	LHA	<b>zenith distance</b>	
11	A "Norther" in the Gulf of Mexico is _____.	a wind shift to the north accompanied by a drop in temperature	a forcible northerly wind of at least 20 knots	a strong northerly wind that generally occurs between November and March	<b>All of the above</b>	
12	A backlash below a lock is defined as a _____.	current setting your vessel on the wall	current setting into the lock chamber	<b>an eddy working along the lower guide wall</b>	current setting counterclockwise	
13	A barometer showing falling pressure indicates the approach of a _____.	high pressure system	<b>low pressure system</b>	high dew point	low dew point	
14	A barometric pressure reading of 29.92 inches of mercury is equivalent to _____.	<b>1013.25 millibars</b>	29.92 feet of water	766 millimeters of mercury	76 centimeters of water	
15	A bluff bar is a bar _____.	extending out from a bluff alongside the river	that tends to give a false indication of its position	<b>that has a sharp drop off into deep water</b>	that is perpendicular to the current	

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16	A body can only be observed at lower transit when _____.	the declination is the opposite name to the latitude	the algebraic sum of the colatitudes and declination exceeds 90°	the observer is in high latitudes above either polar circle	<b>the body is circumpolar</b>	
17	A bold reef is a reef _____.	with part of it extending above the water	<b>that can be detected by water turbulence</b>	that drops off sharply	perpendicular to the current	
18	A boundary between two air masses is a(n) _____.	lapse rate	isobar	<b>front</b>	continent	
19	A bridge over a navigable waterway is being repaired. There is a traveler platform under the bridge's deck that significantly reduces the vertical clearance. If required by the CG district commander, how will this be indicated at night?	Illumination by flood lights	<b>A quick flashing red light at each lower corner</b>	A strobe light visible both up and downstream	Fixed amber lights under the extreme outer edges of the traveler	
20	A buoy having red and green horizontal bands would have a light characteristic of _____.	interrupted quick flashing	<b>composite group flashing</b>	Morse (A)	quick flashing	
21	A buoy marking a wreck will show a(n) _____.	<b>white light FL (2) and a topmark of 2 black spheres</b>	occulting green light and may be lettered	yellow light and will be numbered	continuous quick white light and may be numbered	
22	A buoy with a composite group-flashing light indicates a(n) _____.	<b>bifurcation</b>	fish net area	anchorage area	dredging area	
23	A cardinal mark showing an uninterrupted quick-flashing white light indicates the deepest water in the area is on the _____.	<b>north side of the mark</b>	west side of the mark	east side of the mark	south side of the mark	
24	A celestial body will cross the prime vertical circle when the latitude is numerically _____.	<b>greater than the declination and both are of the same name</b>	less than the declination and both are of the same name	greater than the declination and both are of contrary name	less than the declination and both are of contrary name	
25	A celestial body's complete orbit around another body is _____.	a rotation	<b>a revolution</b>	space motion	nutration	
26	A chart has extensive corrections to be made to it. When these are made and the chart is again printed, the chart issue is a _____.	first edition	<b>new edition</b>	revised edition	reprint	
27	A chart position enclosed by a semi-circle is a(n) _____.	fix	estimated position	<b>dead reckoning position</b>	running fix	
28	A chart position enclosed by a square is a(n) _____.	fix	<b>estimated position</b>	dead reckoning position	running fix	
29	A chart with a natural scale of 1:160,000 is classified as a _____.	sailing chart	<b>general chart</b>	coast chart	harbor chart	
30	A chart with a scale of 1:45,000 is a _____.	<b>harbor chart</b>	coast chart	general chart	sailing chart	
31	A chart with a scale of 1:80,000 would fall into the category of a _____.	sailing chart	general chart	<b>coastal chart</b>	harbor chart	

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32	A cloud of marked vertical development (often anvil-shaped) would be classified as _____.	cirrus	cirrocumulus	altocumulus	<b>cumulonimbus</b>	
33	A cloud sequence of cirrus, cirrostratus, and altostratus clouds followed by rain usually signifies the approach of a(n) _____.	occluded front	stationary front	<b>warm front</b>	cold front	
34	A coastal chart could have a scale of _____.	not more than 1:25,000	1:35,000	<b>1:100,000</b>	1:500,000	
35	A coastal current _____.	is generated by waves striking the beach	<b>flows outside the surf zone</b>	flows in a circular pattern	is also known as a longshore current	
36	A cold front moving in from the northwest can produce _____.	<b>thunderstorms, hail, and then rapid clearing</b>	increasing cloud cover lasting for several days	lengthy wet weather	low ceilings with thick cirrus clouds	
37	A compass card without north-seeking capability that is used for relative bearings is a(n) _____.	bearing circle	<b>pelorus</b>	bearing bar	alidade	
38	A correction for augmentation is included in the Nautical Almanac corrections for _____.	the Sun	<b>the Moon</b>	Venus	None of the above	
39	A current moving across a lock entrance toward the river or toward the dam is called a(n) _____.	cutoff	<b>outdraft</b>	lockwash	springpool	
40	A current perpendicular to a vessel's track has the greatest effect on the vessel's course made good _____.	at high vessel speeds	<b>at low vessel speeds</b>	in shallow water	in deep water	
41	A cyclone in its final stage of development is called a(n) _____.	tornado	anticyclone	<b>occluded cyclone or occluded front</b>	polar cyclone	
42	A daymark used as a special mark is indicated by which letter in the diagram?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D045NG</b>
43	A daymark used to indicate the safe water in a channel will have which of the shapes shown?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D045NG</b>
44	A daymark used to indicate the starboard side of the channel when approaching from seaward will have the shape indicated by what letter in illustration D045NG?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D045NG</b>
45	A daymark warning of a danger will have the shape indicated by which letter?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D045NG</b>
46	A dead reckoning (DR) plot _____.	<b>ignores the effect of surface currents</b>	is most useful when in sight of land	must be plotted using magnetic courses	may be started at an assumed position	
47	A dead reckoning (DR) plot _____.	must utilize magnetic courses	must take set and drift into account	should be replotted hourly	<b>should be started each time the vessel's position is fixed</b>	

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48	A deadhead is a(n) _____.	<b>tree or log awash in a nearly vertical position</b>	crew member who refuses to work	upstream end of a land wall	buoy that is adrift	
49	A decrease in barometric pressure is associated with all of the following except _____.	rising warm air	proximity to a low pressure area	inward spiraling circulation	<b>clear dry weather</b>	
50	A Doppler log in the bottom return mode indicates the _____.	velocity of the current	bottom characteristics	depth of the water	<b>speed over the ground</b>	
51	A Doppler log in the volume reverberation mode indicates _____.	speed being made good	<b>speed through the water</b>	the set of the current	the depth of the water	
52	A Doppler speed log indicates speed over ground _____.	at all times	<b>in the bottom return mode</b>	in the volume reverberation mode	only when there is no current	
53	A Doppler speed log indicates speed through the water _____.	at all times	in the bottom return mode	<b>in the volume reverberation mode</b>	only when there is no current	
54	A double star is a star that _____.	has a declination equal to twice that of the Sun	<b>comprises two stars that appear close together</b>	is twice as bright as a single star	suddenly becomes much brighter and then fades	
55	A drawbridge may use visual signals to acknowledge a vessel's request to open the draw. Which signal indicates that the draw will NOT be opened immediately?	A flashing amber light	<b>A fixed red light</b>	A white flag raised and lowered vertically	A flashing white light	
56	A easterly wave is located 200 miles due west of your position, which is north of the equator. Where will the wave be in 24 hours?	<b>Farther away to the west</b>	Farther away to the east	In the same place	Closer and to the west	
57	A facility used for the discharge of a cargo of a particular hazard, such as chlorine, butane or ethane, must have what to warn water traffic of an immediate danger during fire or cargo release?	An emergency boat and crew	<b>A siren or rotating flashing light</b>	Flashing red lights located one-half mile upstream and downstream of the facility	Buoys with flashing lights controlled from shore, located one-half mile upstream and downstream of the facility	
58	A first magnitude star is _____.	<b>2.5 times as bright as a second magnitude star</b>	3 times as bright as a second magnitude star	5 times as bright as a second magnitude star	10 times as bright as a second magnitude star	
59	A flashing green light displayed at a single lock means that the lock is _____.	<b>ready for entrance</b>	ready for entrance, but gates cannot be closed completely	being made ready for entrance	not ready for entrance	
60	A flashing red light displayed at a single lock means that the lock _____.	is ready to use but vessels must stand clear	is ready to use and vessels may approach	<b>cannot be made ready immediately and vessels shall stand clear</b>	cannot be made ready immediately but vessels may approach	
61	A frontal thunderstorm is caused by _____.	pronounced local heating	wind being pushed up a mountain	<b>a warm air mass rising over a cold air mass</b>	an increased lapse rate caused by advection of warm surface air	

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62	A gale is characterized by a wind speed of _____.	10 to 20 knots	<b>34 to 47 knots</b>	48 to 63 knots	64 to 83 knots	
63	A general chart could have a scale of _____.	<b>1:200,000</b>	1:1,000,000	1:50,000	not more than 1:25,000	
64	A generally circular low pressure area is called a(n) _____.	<b>cyclone</b>	anticyclone	cold front	occluded front	
65	A great circle crosses the equator at 127°W. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	127°E	<b>53°E</b>	27°E	27°W	
66	A great circle crosses the equator at 134°E. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	<b>46°W</b>	124°W	134°W	34°E	
67	A great circle crosses the equator at 141°E. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	180°E	41°E	141°W	<b>39°W</b>	
68	A great circle crosses the equator at 157°W. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	157°E	57°E	<b>23°E</b>	57°W	
69	A great circle crosses the equator at 162°E. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	62°E	126°W	162°W	<b>18°W</b>	
70	A great circle crosses the equator at 17°W. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	173°W	117°W	<b>163°E</b>	17°E	
71	A great circle crosses the equator at 173°E. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	<b>7°W</b>	73°E	73°W	173°W	
72	A great circle crosses the equator at 93°W. It will also cross the equator at what other longitude?	13°E	<b>87°E</b>	177°E	177°W	
73	A great circle track provides the maximum saving in distance on _____.	<b>easterly courses in high latitudes</b>	southerly courses in high latitudes	westerly courses in low latitudes	easterly courses in low latitudes that cross the equator	
74	A great circle will intersect the equator at how many degrees of longitude apart?	0°	45°	90°	<b>180°</b>	
75	A green buoy has a yellow triangle on it. This is a(n) _____.	information or regulatory buoy that has lateral significance	buoy that is off-station and is marked to warn mariners of its wrong position	<b>dual purpose marking used where the ICW and other waterways coincide</b>	buoy that was set in error and will be replaced with a red nun buoy	
76	A green-and-red banded daymark, green band uppermost, will have the shape shown at letter _____.	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	<b>D045NG</b>

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77	A group of stars which appear close together and form a striking configuration such as a person or animal is a _____.	cluster	shower	<b>constellation</b>	galaxy	
78	A hand held instrument used to measure distances between objects and the ship is a _____.	vernier	psychrometer	hygrometer	<b>stadimeter</b>	
79	A harbor chart could have a scale of _____.	not more than 1:25,000	<b>1:35,000</b>	1:150,000	not less than 1:500,000	
80	A hurricane is characterized by winds of _____.	up to 33 knots	34 to 47 knots	48 to 63 knots	<b>64 knots or greater</b>	
81	A hurricane moving northeast out of the Gulf passes west of your position. You could expect all of the following EXCEPT _____.	higher than normal swells	high winds	winds veering from south, through west, to northwest	<b>gradual pressure gradient</b>	
82	A HYDROLANT warning would normally be sent for all of the following EXCEPT _____.	<b>extinguishment of Robbins Reef Light in New York City's Upper Bay</b>	unexploded ordinance in ocean waters at a depth of 78 fathoms (143 meters)	the presence of a large unwieldy tow in congested offshore water	a report of an overdue ship	
83	A hygrometer is a device used for determining _____.	the absolute temperature	atmospheric pressure	wind velocity	<b>relative humidity</b>	
84	A katabatic wind blows _____.	up an incline due to surface heating	in a circular pattern	<b>down an incline due to cooling of the air</b>	horizontally between a high and a low pressure area	
85	A large automated navigational buoy, such as those that have replaced some lightships, would be shown on a chart by which symbol?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D015NG</b>
86	A large group of stars revolving around a center is known as a _____.	cluster	shower	constellation	<b>galaxy</b>	
87	A lateral system buoy displaying a quick light _____.	should be passed close aboard on either side	<b>indicates that special caution is required</b>	is used at a channel bifurcation or junction	is painted with red and white vertical stripes	
88	A latitude line will be obtained by observing a body _____.	on the prime vertical	on the celestial horizon	<b>at lower transit</b>	on the Greenwich meridian	
89	A light characteristic of composite group flashing indicates that there is a(n) _____.	sharp turn in the channel	narrowing in the channel at that point	<b>junction in the channel</b>	obstruction that must be left to port	
90	A light having characteristics which include color variations is defined as _____.	switching	<b>alternating</b>	oscillating	fluctuating	
91	A light that has a light period shorter than its dark period is described as _____.	<b>flashing</b>	pulsating	occulting	alternating	
92	A light, feathery deposit of ice caused by the sublimation of water vapor directly into the crystalline form, on objects whose temperatures are below freezing, is called _____.	dew	<b>frost</b>	glaze	snow	

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93	A lighted buoy to be left to starboard, when entering a U.S. port from seaward, shall have a _____.	white light	<b>red light</b>	green light	light characteristic of Morse (A)	
94	A lighted preferred-channel buoy may show a _____.	fixed red light	Morse (A) white light	<b>composite group-flashing light</b>	yellow light	
95	A lighthouse can be identified by its _____.	painted color	light color and phase characteristic	type of structure	<b>All of the above</b>	
96	A lighthouse is 120 feet (36.6 meters) high and the light has a nominal range of 18 miles. Your height of eye is 42 feet (12.8). If the visibility is 11 miles, approximately how far off the light will you be when the light becomes visible?	12.5 miles	16.0 miles	<b>19.0 miles</b>	23.5 miles	
97	A line connecting all possible positions of your vessel at any given time is a _____.	longitude line	latitude line	<b>line of position</b>	fix	
98	A line of clouds, sharp changes in wind direction, and squalls are most frequently associated with a(n) _____.	occluded front	warm front	<b>cold front</b>	warm sector	
99	A line of position derived by radar range from an identified point on a coast will be a(n) _____.	straight line	<b>arc</b>	parabola	line parallel to the coast	
100	A line of position formed by sighting two charted objects in line is called a(n) _____.	relative bearing	<b>range line</b>	track line	estimated position	
101	A line of position from a celestial observation is a segment of a _____.	<b>circle of equal altitude</b>	parallel of declination	parallel of altitude	vertical circle	
102	A line of position is _____.	a line connecting two charted objects	<b>a line on some point of which the vessel may be presumed to be located</b>	the position of your vessel	not used in a running fix	
103	A line on a weather chart connecting places which have the same barometric pressure is called an _____.	isotherm	isallobar	<b>isobar</b>	isotope	
104	A line on the Earth parallel to the equator is a _____.	gnomonic curve	<b>small circle</b>	meridian	great circle	
105	A List of Lights entry (L Fl) is a single flashing light which shows a long flash of not less than _____.	1.0 second duration	1.5 seconds duration	<b>2.0 seconds duration</b>	3.0 seconds duration	
106	A local wind which occurs during the daytime and is caused by the different rates of warming of land and water is a _____.	foehn	chinook	land breeze	<b>sea breeze</b>	
107	A low HDOP (Horizontal Dilution of Precision) number such as 2 indicates a _____.	poor fix	<b>good fix</b>	poor signal quality	good signal quality	
108	A low, uniform layer of cloud resembling fog, but not resting on the ground, is called _____.	cumulus	nimbus	<b>stratus</b>	cirrus	

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109	A magnetic compass card is marked in how many degrees?	90	180	<b>360</b>	400	
110	A major advantage of the NAVTEX system when compared to other systems is that _____.	the information can be received on an ordinary FM radio	<b>warnings are printed out for reading when convenient</b>	broadcasts are at scheduled times	a low frequency band is used for long distance transmission	
111	A marine chronometer should be rewound once every _____.	12 hours	<b>day</b>	3 days	week	
112	A marine sextant has the index arm set at zero and the reflected image of the horizon forms a continuous line with the actual image. When the sextant is rotated about the line of sight the images separate. The sextant has _____.	error of perpendicularity	<b>side error</b>	prismatic error	centering error	
113	A mean sun is used as the reference for solar time for three reasons. Which reason is NOT a cause for use of a mean sun?	The motion of the apparent sun is along the ecliptic.	<b>Measurement of time is along the celestial equator.</b>	The speed of the Earth's revolution is not constant.	There are variations in the Earth's rotational speed.	
114	A Mercator chart is a _____.	<b>cylindrical projection</b>	simple conic projection	polyconic projection	rectangular projection	
115	A mercurial barometer at sea is subject to rapid variations in height ("pumping") due to the pitch and roll of the vessel. To avoid this error, measurements of atmospheric pressure at sea are usually measured with a(n) _____.	syphon barometer	cistern barometer	<b>aneroid barometer</b>	fortin barometer	
116	A microbarograph is a precision instrument that provides a _____.	charted record of atmospheric temperature over time	<b>charted record of atmospheric pressure over time</b>	graphic record of combustible gases measured in an atmosphere	graphic record of vapor pressure from a flammable/combustible liquid	
117	A mid-channel buoy, if lighted, will show a _____.	fixed red light	<b>Morse (A) white light</b>	green light	flashing red light	
118	A millibar is a unit of _____.	humidity	precipitation	<b>pressure</b>	temperature	
119	A mooring buoy, if lighted, shows which color light?	Yellow	<b>White</b>	Blue	Any color except red or green	
120	A mountain peak charted at 700 feet breaks the horizon, and your height of eye is 12 feet. What is your approximate distance off (choose closest answer)?	<b>34.7 nm</b>	40.3 nm	55.3 nm	61.6 nm	
121	A nautical mile is a distance of approximately how much greater than or less than a statute mile?	1/4 less	1/7 less	1/4 greater	<b>1/7 greater</b>	



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122	A NAVAREA warning carries the following number; 1986/87 (11). Which statement is TRUE?	The warning was issued in 1986, the 87th sequentially numbered warning and broadcast 11 times.	<b>This is warning number 1986 issued in 1987, and it affects sub-region 11.</b>	This warning is valid in 1986 and 1987 and is the eleventh two-year warning.	The subject of this warning first appeared in 1986; this warning is in 1987 and is the eleventh on this topic.	
123	A navigator fixing a vessel's position by radar _____.	<b>can use radar information from one object to fix the position</b>	should never use radar bearings	should only use radar bearings when the range exceeds the distance to the horizon	must use information from targets forward of the beam	
124	A nun buoy will _____.	be green in color	<b>have an even number</b>	be left to port when entering from seaward	be cylindrical in shape	
125	A parallax correction is NOT applied to observations of the _____.	<b>stars</b>	Moon	Sun	Planets	
126	A parallel of latitude other than the equator is a _____.	great circle	loxodromic curve	<b>small circle</b>	gnomonic curve	
127	A phase correction is applied to observations of _____.	the Sun	stars	<b>planets</b>	All of the above	
128	A phase correction may be applicable to correct the sextant altitude correction of _____.	any star	the Sun	third magnitude stars only	<b>some planets</b>	
129	A phenomenon where the atmospheric pressure is higher than that of other surrounding regions is called _____.	the "trade winds"	a low front or an occluded front	<b>a high pressure area; an anticyclone; or a "high"</b>	the "doldrums"	
130	A pillar buoy is indicated by which letter shown in the illustration?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D044NG</b>
131	A pilot chart does NOT contain information about _____.	average wind conditions	<b>tidal currents</b>	magnetic variation	average limits of field ice	
132	A plane perpendicular to the polar axis will never form what line on the Earth's surface?	Great circle	Equator	Small circle	<b>Meridian</b>	
133	A plane that cuts the Earth's surface and passes through the poles will always form _____.	the equator	a loxodromic curve	a small circle	<b>a meridian</b>	
134	A plane that cuts the Earth's surface at any angle and passes through the center will always form _____.	the equator	<b>a great circle</b>	a small circle	a meridian	
135	A position obtained by applying only your vessel's course and speed to a known position is a _____.	<b>dead-reckoning position</b>	fix	probable position	running fix	
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138	A position obtained by applying ONLY your vessel's course and speed to a known position is a _____.	running fix	probable position	fix	<b>dead-reckoning position</b>	
139	A position obtained by taking lines of position from one object at different times and advancing them to a common time is a(n) _____.	dead-reckoning position	estimated position	fix	<b>running fix</b>	
140	A position on the Earth has a longitude of 74°10'E. Its celestial counterpart would have a _____.	<b>GHA of 285°50'</b>	SHA of 74°10'	SHA of 285°50'	LHA of 74°10'E	
141	A position that is obtained by applying estimated current and wind to your vessel's course and speed is a(n) _____.	<b>estimated position</b>	dead reckoning position	fix	None of the above	
142	A position that is obtained by using two or more intersecting lines of position taken at nearly the same time, is a(n) _____.	dead-reckoning position	estimated position	<b>fix</b>	running fix	
143	A power-driven vessel operating in a narrow channel with a following current, on the Western Rivers, is meeting an upbound vessel. Which statement is TRUE?	The downbound vessel has the right-of-way.	The downbound vessel must initiate the required maneuvering signals.	The downbound vessel must propose the manner and place of passage.	<b>All of the above</b>	
144	A preferred-channel buoy may be _____.	<b>lettered</b>	spherical	showing a white light	All of the above	
145	A preferred-channel buoy will show a _____.	white light whose characteristic is Morse (A)	group-occluding white light	composite group-flashing (2 + 1) white light	<b>composite group-flashing (2 + 1) red or green light</b>	
146	A psychrometer has two thermometers that provide dry bulb and wet bulb temperatures. By comparing these two temperature readings with a set of tables you can determine the _____.	atmospheric pressure	wind speed	<b>relative humidity and dew point</b>	wind chill factor	
147	A radar contact will remain stationary on a relative motion radar display only when it is _____.	on the same course as your vessel	at the same speed as your vessel	<b>on the same course and speed as your vessel</b>	on a reciprocal course at the same speed as your vessel	
148	A radar display which is oriented, so that north is always at the top of the screen, is called a(n) _____.	relative display	composite display	<b>stabilized display</b>	unstabilized display	
149	A radar range to a small, charted object such as a light will provide a line of position in which form?	Straight line	<b>Arc</b>	Parabola	Hyperbola	
150	A rapid rise or fall of the barometer indicates _____.	heavy rain within six hours	a decrease in wind velocity	<b>a change in the present weather conditions</b>	that fog will soon set in	

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151	A red triangular daymark marks _____.	the centerline of a navigable channel	<b>the starboard side of a channel</b>	a prominent object of navigational interest that has no lateral significance	an area of a channel where passing another vessel is permitted	
152	A relative bearing is always measured from _____.	true north	magnetic north	the vessel's beam	<b>the vessel's head</b>	
153	A revised print of a chart is made _____.	after every major hydrographic survey of the area covered by the chart	when there are numerous corrections to be made or the corrections are extensive	<b>when a low-stock situation occurs and minor corrections are made</b>	every two years to update the magnetic variation information	
154	A rock and sand structure extending from the bank of the river toward the channel is known as a _____.	<b>wingdam</b>	towhead	cutoff	landwall	
155	A rotary current sets through all directions of the compass. The time it takes to complete one of these cycles, in a locale off the East coast of the US, is approximately _____.	2 1/2 hours	3 1/2 hours	6 1/4 hours	<b>12 1/2 hours</b>	
156	A safe water daymark has what shape?	Triangular	Diamond	Circular	<b>Octagonal</b>	
157	A safe water mark may be _____.	vertically striped	spherical	showing a white light	<b>All of the above</b>	
158	A sailing chart could have a scale of _____.	not more than 1:25,000	1:35,000	1:100,000	<b>1:700,000</b>	
159	A sea breeze is a wind _____.	that blows towards the sea at night	<b>that blows towards an island during the day</b>	caused by cold air descending a coastal incline	caused by the distant approach of a hurricane	
160	A section of the river that is narrower than usual and is often navigable from bank to bank is a _____.	<b>chute</b>	stabilized channel	slough	navigable pass	
161	A semidiameter correction is applied to observations of _____.	Mars	<b>the Moon</b>	Jupiter	All of the above	
162	A series of brief showers accompanied by strong, shifting winds may occur along or some distance ahead of a(n) _____.	upper front aloft	cyclone	occluded front	<b>cold front</b>	
163	A sextant having an index error that is "off the arc" has a _____.	<b>positive correction</b>	dip error	negative correction	semidiameter error	
164	A sextant having an index error that is "on the arc" has a _____.	positive correction	dip error	<b>negative correction</b>	semidiameter error	
165	A ship is in longitude 54°00'W on a true course of 090°. The ship's clocks are on the proper time zone. At what longitude should the clocks be changed to maintain the proper zone time?	45°00'W	<b>52°30'W</b>	60°00'W	67°30'W	

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166	A ship is in longitude 54°00'W on a true course of 270°. The ship's clocks are on the proper time zone. At what longitude should the clocks be changed to maintain the proper zone time?	45°00'W	52°30'W	60°00'W	<b>67°30'W</b>	
167	A ship is on course 195° at a speed of 15 knots. The apparent wind is from 40° on the port bow, speed 30 knots. The direction and speed of the true wind are _____.	068°T, 30 knots	<b>127°T, 21 knots</b>	263°T, 42 knots	292°T, 42 knots	
168	A sidereal day is approximately how much shorter than a solar day?	<b>4 minutes</b>	8 minutes	12 minutes	16 minutes	
169	A sidereal day is shorter than a solar day. This difference is due to _____.	irregularities in the daily rotational rate of the Sun	the space motion of the solar system	the precession of the equinoxes	<b>the use of different reference points</b>	
170	A sign of thunderstorm development is a cumulus cloud _____.	darkening, growing in size and forming an anvil top	that shows extensive vertical development	creating cold downdrafts that are felt on the ground	<b>All of the above</b>	
171	A single barometric pressure reading of 28.60 indicates _____.	rapidly improving weather	deteriorating weather	<b>a severe low pressure system</b>	fair weather and calm	
172	A single line of position combined with a dead-reckoning position results in a(n) _____.	running fix	fix	<b>estimated position</b>	assumed position	
173	A single vertical magnet placed underneath the compass in the binnacle is used to compensate for _____.	the horizontal component of the permanent magnetism	<b>deviation caused by the vessel's inclination from the vertical</b>	induced magnetism in the horizontal soft iron	induced magnetism in the vertical soft iron	
174	A sling psychrometer is a(n) _____.	type of cargo gear	instrument used in celestial navigation	<b>instrument used to measure relative humidity</b>	instrument used to measure specific gravity	
175	A sling psychrometer is used to measure _____.	seawater temperature	engine temperature	<b>dry bulb and wet bulb temperatures</b>	barometric pressure	
176	A slow rise in the barometric pressure forecasts _____.	rainy weather for the next 48 hours	high seas	<b>improving weather conditions</b>	deteriorating weather conditions	
177	A slow, gradual fall of the barometer indicates approaching _____.	gale force winds within 12 hours	blizzard conditions	<b>deteriorating or unsettled weather</b>	heavy, wind driven rain	
178	A source of an air mass labeled mTw is _____.	the equator	<b>the Gulf of Mexico</b>	Alaska	Canada	
179	A special daymark is a _____.	red-and-white octagon	daymark with a yellow stripe on it	green square	<b>yellow diamond</b>	
180	A special mark (yellow buoy), if lighted, may exhibit which light rhythm?	<b>Flashing</b>	Morse "A"	Equal interval	Occulting	
181	A special purpose buoy shall be _____.	lighted with a white light	striped black and red	lighted with a red light	<b>yellow</b>	
182	A spherical buoy may be _____.	numbered	<b>lettered</b>	green	red	
183	A star is observed at lower transit. The line of position derived from this sight is _____.	on the prime vertical	<b>a latitude line</b>	a longitude line	of no special significance	

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184	A star that suddenly becomes several magnitudes brighter and then gradually fades is a _____.	double star	variable star	<b>nova</b>	nebula	
185	A steep barometric gradient indicates _____.	calms	light winds	<b>strong winds</b>	precipitation	
186	A storm's track is characterized by all of the following except _____.	the direction the storm has come from	the direction in which the storm is moving	<b>the speed at which the storm is moving</b>	the path taken by the storm	
187	A strong, often violent, northerly wind occurring on the Pacific coast of Mexico, particularly during the colder months, is called _____.	<b>Tehuantepecer</b>	Papagayo	Norther	Pampero	
188	A structure, usually made of stone, or cement pilings, which extends from the bank at approximately right angles to the current is called a _____.	<b>dike</b>	revetment	cutoff	crib	
189	A survey (special purpose mark) buoy _____.	must be lighted	may have a flashing red light	may have a fixed white light	<b>None of the above</b>	
190	A swift current occurring in a narrow passage connecting two large bodies of water, which is produced by the continuously changing difference in height of tide at the two ends of the passage, is called a _____.	<b>hydraulic current</b>	rectilinear current	rotary current	harmonic current	
191	A slyphon cell is a part of a _____.	maximum thermometer	<b>barograph</b>	thermograph	hygrometer	
192	A system of reservoirs and connecting tubes in a gyro compass is called a _____.	spider element	<b>mercury ballistic</b>	gyrotron	rotor	
193	A thin, whitish, high cloud popularly known as "mares' tails" is _____.	altostratus	stratus	cumulus	<b>cirrus</b>	
194	A tide is called diurnal when _____.	<b>only one high and one low water occur during a lunar day</b>	the high tide is higher and the low tide is lower than usual	the high tide and low tide are exactly six hours apart	two high tides occur during a lunar day	
195	A time diagram is a diagram of the celestial sphere as observed from above the _____.	<b>south celestial pole</b>	north celestial pole	observer's meridian	Greenwich meridian	
196	A time diagram is a diagram on the plane of the _____.	celestial meridian	<b>celestial equator</b>	celestial horizon	principal vertical circle	
197	A tow that is properly aligned to pass through a narrow opening between two bridge piers is "_____".	on course	headed fair	holding on	<b>in shape</b>	
198	A towboat has the same draft as the barges it is pushing ahead. If the distance from the stern of the towboat to the head of the tow is 800 feet, where is the approximate location of the pivot point of the unit?	At the head of the tow	<b>250 feet from the head of the tow</b>	400 feet from the head of the tow	600 feet from the head of the tow	

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199	A towboat is pushing barges ahead at a dangerously fast speed when _____.	the towboat vibrates when backing down	the rooster tail exceeds the height of the main deck	a strain is placed on the face wires	<b>water comes over the foredeck of the lead barges</b>	
200	A triangular daymark would be colored _____.	<b>red</b>	red and white	green	green and white	
201	A tropical storm is a tropical cyclone that generates winds of _____.	between 20 and 33 knots	<b>between 34 and 63 knots</b>	over 63 knots	None of the above	
202	A tropical wave is usually preceded by _____.	tropical storms	<b>good weather</b>	heavy rain and cloudiness	heavy seas	
203	A true bearing of a charted object, when plotted on a chart, will establish a _____.	fix	<b>line of position</b>	relative bearing	range	
204	A tsunami is caused by a(n) _____.	tidal wave	storm surge caused by a hurricane or tropical storm	<b>earthquake on the ocean's floor</b>	tornado	
205	A type of precipitation that occurs only in thunderstorms with strong convection currents that convey raindrops above and below the freezing level is known as _____.	sleet	<b>hail</b>	freezing rain	rime	
206	A variable star is one that _____.	<b>exhibits a change in magnitude</b>	has a changing declination	is increasing in SHA	is also known as a red giant	
207	A vertex of the navigational triangle is NOT located at the _____.	elevated pole	celestial body	zenith	<b>coalitude</b>	
208	A vertically-striped buoy may be _____.	striped black and green	striped black and yellow	lighted with a red light	<b>lighted with a white light</b>	
209	A very light breeze that causes ripples on a small area of still water is a _____.	<b>cat's paw</b>	hog's breath	williwaw	chinook	
210	A vessel crossing a river on the Western Rivers has the right of way over _____.	vessels ascending the river	vessels descending the river	all vessels ascending and descending the river	<b>None of the above</b>	
211	A vessel crossing a river on the Western Rivers, must keep out of the way of a power-driven vessel _____.	descending the river with a tow	ascending the river with a tow	ascending the river without a tow	<b>All of the above</b>	
212	A vessel entering the eye of a hurricane should expect _____.	moderating winds and heavy confused seas to strike his vessel from all directions	the winds to increase to hurricane force and strike from a different direction as the eye passes	the barometer to reach the lowest point	<b>All of the above</b>	
213	A vessel heading ENE is on a course of _____.	022.5°	045.0°	<b>067.5°</b>	090.0°	
214	A vessel heading ESE is on a course of _____.	<b>112.5°</b>	135.0°	157.5°	180.0°	
215	A vessel heading NE is on a course of _____.	022.5°	<b>045.0°</b>	067.5°	090.0°	

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216	A vessel heading NNE is on a course of _____.	<b>022.5°</b>	045.0°	067.5°	090.0°	
217	A vessel heading NNW is on a course of _____.	274.5°	292.0°	315.5°	<b>337.5°</b>	
218	A vessel heading NW is on a course of _____.	274.5°	292.5°	<b>315.0°</b>	337.5°	
219	A vessel heading SE is on a course of _____.	112.5°	<b>135.0°</b>	157.5°	180.0°	
220	A vessel heading SSE is on a course of _____.	112.5°	135.0°	<b>157.5°</b>	180.0°	
221	A vessel heading SSW is on a course of _____.	<b>202.5°</b>	225.0°	247.5°	270.0°	
222	A vessel heading SW is on a course of _____.	202.5°	<b>225.0°</b>	247.5°	270.0°	
223	A vessel heading WNW is on a course of _____.	270.0°	<b>292.5°</b>	315.0°	337.5°	
224	A vessel heading WSW is on a course of _____.	202.5°	225.0°	<b>247.5°</b>	271.0°	
225	A vessel is proceeding downstream in a narrow channel on the Western Rivers when another vessel is sighted moving upstream. Which vessel has the right of way?	The vessel moving upstream against the current	<b>The vessel moving downstream with a following current</b>	The vessel located more towards the channel centerline	The vessel with the least amount of maneuverability	
226	A vessel is steaming in east longitude on January 25 and crosses the International Date Line on an eastbound course at 0900 zone time. What is the date and time at Greenwich when the vessel crosses the line?	0900, 24 January	<b>2100, 24 January</b>	2100, 25 January	0900, 26 January	
227	A vessel operating on the Great Lakes, and whose position is southeast of an eastward-moving storm center, would NOT experience _____.	a falling barometer	lowering clouds and drizzle	<b>a northeast wind</b>	rain or snow	
228	A vessel sighting a northern right whale dead ahead should _____.	maintain course and speed	<b>alter course to give a wide clearance</b>	report the whale's position to the Canadian Coast Guard	All of the above	
229	A vessel's position should be plotted using bearings of _____.	buoys close at hand	<b>fixed known objects on shore</b>	fixed objects	All of the above	
230	A warm air mass is characterized by _____.	<b>stability</b>	instability	gusty winds	good visibility	
231	A weather forecast states that the wind will commence backing. In the Northern Hemisphere, this would indicate that it will _____.	shift in a clockwise manner	<b>shift in a counterclockwise manner</b>	continue blowing from the same direction	decrease in velocity	

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232	A weather forecast states that the wind will commence veering. In the Northern Hemisphere this indicates that the wind will _____.	<b>shift in a clockwise manner</b>	shift in a counterclockwise manner	continue blowing from the same direction	increase in velocity	
233	A weather front exists when _____.	air masses of the same temperature meet	<b>air masses of different temperatures meet</b>	many clouds create a differential in air density	two lows are separated by a ridge of higher pressure	
234	A white buoy with a blue band is _____.	an isolated danger mark	a hydrographic data collection buoy	<b>a mooring buoy</b>	marking a restricted area	
235	A white buoy with an open-faced orange diamond on it indicates _____.	<b>danger</b>	vessels are excluded from the area	the buoy is a mooring buoy	operating restrictions are in effect	
236	A white buoy with an orange circle marked on it indicates _____.	danger	vessels are excluded from the area	a mooring buoy	<b>operating restrictions are in effect</b>	
237	A white buoy with an orange cross within a diamond marked on it indicates _____.	danger	<b>vessels are excluded from the area</b>	an anchorage area	operating restrictions are in effect	
238	A white buoy with an orange rectangle on it is used to indicate _____.	danger	a controlled area	an exclusion area	<b>general information</b>	
239	A white diamond daymark with an orange border is a(n) _____.	special mark	<b>information or regulatory mark</b>	lateral aid on the intracoastal waterway	safe water mark	
240	A wind vane on a moving vessel shows _____.	dead reckoning wind direction	true wind direction	<b>apparent wind direction</b>	estimated wind direction	
241	Above-normal tides near the center of a hurricane may be caused by the _____.	high barometric pressure	jet stream	<b>storm surge</b>	torrential rains	
242	According to Buys Ballot's law, when an observer in the Northern Hemisphere experiences a northeast wind the center of low pressure is located to the _____.	northeast	west-southwest	northwest	<b>south-southeast</b>	
243	According to Buys Ballot's law, when an observer in the Northern Hemisphere experiences a northwest wind, the center of low pressure is located to the _____.	<b>northeast</b>	west-southwest	northwest	south-southeast	
244	According to Buys Ballot's Law, when an observer in the Southern Hemisphere experiences a northwest wind, the center of the low pressure is located to the _____.	east-northeast	<b>south-southwest</b>	east-southeast	west-southwest	
245	Advection fog is most commonly caused by _____.	air being warmed above the dew point	saturation of cold air by rain	a rapid cooling of the air near the surface of the Earth at night	<b>warm moist air being blown over a colder surface</b>	
246	After a cold front passes the barometric pressure usually _____.	fluctuates	remains the same	remains the same, with clouds forming rapidly	<b>rises, often quite rapidly, with clearing skies</b>	



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247	After a cold front passes, the barometric pressure _____.	drops, and the temperature drops	drops, and the temperature rises	<b>rises, and the temperature drops</b>	rises, and the temperature rises	
248	After the passage of a cold front the visibility _____.	does not change	<b>improves rapidly</b>	improves only slightly	becomes poor	
249	Aids to navigation marking the intracoastal waterway can be identified by _____.	the letters ICW after the aid's number or letter	<b>yellow stripes, squares, or triangles marked on them</b>	white retro reflective material	the light characteristic and color for lighted aids	
250	Air circulation is caused or affected by _____.	the rotation of the earth on its axis	convection currents caused by differences in radiant heating between equatorial and polar regions	mountain ranges	<b>All of the above</b>	
251	Air masses near the earth's surface _____.	move from areas of high pressure to areas of low pressure	are deflected by the earth's rotation in both hemispheres	are deflected by the "Coriolis effect"	<b>All of the above</b>	
252	Air temperature varies with _____.	the altitude above sea level	the season of the year	the latitude or distance from the equator	<b>All of the above</b>	
253	All aids to navigation listed in the Mississippi River System Light List are shown as miles from a reference point and on the _____.	east or west bank	<b>left or right descending bank</b>	port or starboard side of the vessel	left or right ascending bank	
254	All echo-sounders can measure the _____.	actual depth of water	<b>actual depth of water below keel</b>	average depth from waterline to hard bottom	average depth of water to soft bottom	
255	All of the following are associated with cumulonimbus clouds EXCEPT _____.	<b>steady rainfall</b>	hail storms	thunderstorms	tornadoes or waterspouts	
256	All of the following can be found on a Pilot Chart EXCEPT information concerning the _____.	percentage of frequency of wave heights	percentage of poor visibility conditions	sea surface temperatures	<b>amounts of precipitation</b>	
257	All persons or vessels within the lock area, including the lock approach channels, come under the authority of the _____.	dockmaster	dock captain	<b>lockmaster</b>	lock foreman	
258	All straight lines represent great circle tracks on a chart based on a(n) _____.	Mercator projection	polyconic projection	orthographic projection	<b>gnomonic projection</b>	
259	Altair is found in what constellation?	Hercules	Cygnus	<b>Aquila</b>	Capricorn	
260	Alto cumulus clouds are defined as _____.	high clouds	<b>middle clouds</b>	low clouds	vertical development clouds	
261	An air mass is termed "warm" if _____.	it is above 70°F	<b>the ground over which it moves is cooler than the air</b>	it originated in a high pressure area	it originated in a low pressure area	

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262	An air mass that has moved down from Canada would most likely have the symbols _____.	mPk	<b>cPk</b>	cTk	cTw	
263	An alternating light _____.	shows a light with varying lengths of the lighted period	<b>shows a light that changes color</b>	marks an alternate lesser-used channel	is used as a replacement for another light	
264	An amplitude of the Sun in high latitudes _____.	is most accurate before sunrise	is most accurate after sunset	should only be observed when the Sun's lower limb is above the horizon	<b>is most accurate when the Sun's center is observed on the visible horizon</b>	
265	An anemometer on a moving vessel measures _____.	<b>apparent wind speed only</b>	true wind speed and true wind direction	true wind speed only	apparent wind speed and true wind direction	
266	An aneroid barometer is an instrument _____.	used to measure the speed of wind	<b>in which the pressure of the air is measured</b>	that tells which direction a storm is coming from	used to measure the height of waves	
267	An aneroid barometer on a boat should always be _____.	located in an air-conditioned area	mounted in the passenger compartment	protected by a collision bulkhead	<b>permanently mounted</b>	
268	An aneroid barometer reading should be corrected for differences in _____.	<b>elevation</b>	temperature	wind speed	latitude	
269	An automatic identification system (AIS) transponder transmits and receives information broadcasts on _____?	10 cm, S-band radar	3 cm, X-band radar	UHF L-band	<b>VHF maritime band</b>	
270	An azimuth angle for a body is measured from the _____.	<b>observer's meridian</b>	Greenwich meridian	body's meridian	zenith distance	
271	An ECDIS is required to display which information?	<b>Soundings</b>	Waypoints	Meteorological data	Radar targets	
272	An ECDIS is required to display which information?	Radar targets	ARPA vectors	<b>Hydrographic data</b>	All of the above	
273	An ECDIS is required to display which information?	Water temperature	Climatology data	Speed of advance	<b>Depth contours</b>	
274	An electronic depth finder operates on the principle that _____.	radio signals reflect from a solid surface	<b>sound waves travel at a constant speed through water</b>	radar signals travel at a constant speed through water	pressure increases with depth	
275	An Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) will drop off a target's vector is more than _____ minutes elapse between each manual plot.	<b>10</b>	6	3	2	
276	An important lunar cycle affecting the tidal cycle is called the nodal period. How long is this cycle?	16 days	18 days	6 years	<b>19 years</b>	

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277	An indirect radar echo is caused by a reflection of the main lobe of the radar beam off the observer's vessel. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of indirect echoes?	Their bearing is almost constant, even when the true bearing of the contact changes appreciably.	<b>They always appear on a bearing of 90°From the true bearing of the contact.</b>	The indirect echoes usually appear in shadow sectors.	When plotted, their movements are usually abnormal.	
278	An instrument designed to maintain a continuous record of atmospheric pressure is a(n) _____.	mercurial barometer	aneroid barometer	<b>barograph</b>	thermograph	
279	An instrument that indicates wind direction is known as a(n) _____.	<b>weather vane, wind vane or wind sock</b>	hydrometer	hygrometer	sling psychrometer	
280	An instrument that maintains a continuous record of humidity changes is called a _____.	thermometer	barometer	<b>hygograph</b>	thermograph	
281	An instrument useful in predicting fog is the _____.	<b>sling psychrometer</b>	microbarograph	anemometer	aneroid barometer	
282	An instrument which maintains a continuous record of temperature changes is called a _____.	thermometer	barometer	<b>thermograph</b>	hygograph	
283	An isotherm is _____.	a line on a weather map connecting equal points of both temperature and pressure	an instrument that measures the climatological effects of temperature	a line connecting points of equal barometric pressure on a weather map	<b>a line connecting points of equal temperature on a weather map</b>	
284	An occluded front is caused by a(n) _____.	low pressure area	high pressure area	area of calm air	<b>cold front overtaking a warm front</b>	
285	An occluded front on a weather map is colored _____.	blue line	<b>purple line</b>	dashed blue line	alternate red and blue line	
286	An occulting light is one in which _____.	the period of darkness exceeds the period of light	there is only a partial eclipse of the light	the periods of light and darkness are equal	<b>the period of light exceeds the period of darkness</b>	
287	An orange and white buoy indicating a vessel-exclusion area will be marked with what symbol?	Open-faced diamond	<b>Diamond with a cross</b>	Circle	Square	
288	An orange and white buoy marking a danger area will have what symbol on it?	<b>Open-faced diamond</b>	Diamond with a cross	Circle	Square	
289	An orange and white buoy marking an area where operating restrictions are in effect will be marked with which symbol?	Open-faced diamond	Diamond with a cross	<b>Circle</b>	Rectangle	
290	An orange and white buoy with a rectangle on it displays _____.	directions	distances	locations	<b>All of the above</b>	
291	An urgent marine storm warning message would be broadcast on _____.	2670 KHz	156.80 MHz (VHF-FM Ch. 16)	<b>157.10 MHz (VHF-FM Ch. 22A)</b>	None of the above	

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292	Aneroid barometers are usually calibrated to indicate atmospheric pressure in _____.	inches of mercury and centimeters	feet of mercury and millibars	inches of mercury and millimeters	<b>inches of mercury and millibars</b>	
293	Antares is found in what constellation?	<b>Scorpio</b>	Corvus	Libra	Corona Borealis	
294	Anticyclones are usually characterized by _____.	<b>dry, fair weather</b>	high winds and cloudiness	gustiness and continuous precipitation	overcast skies	
295	Aphelion is the point where the Sun _____.	and Moon and Earth form a right angle	and Moon and Earth are in line	crosses the celestial equator	<b>is farthest from the Earth</b>	
296	Apparent altitude is sextant altitude corrected for _____.	parallax and personal error	<b>inaccuracies in the reading and reference level</b>	visibility and magnitude	All of the above are correct	
297	Apparent wind speed blowing across your vessel while underway can be measured by a(n) _____.	barometer	wind vane	<b>anemometer</b>	thermometer	
298	As a cold front passes an observer, pressure _____.	drops and winds become variable	<b>rises and winds become gusty</b>	drops and winds become gusty	rises and winds become variable	
299	As a high pressure system approaches, the barometer reading _____.	stays the same	falls	<b>rises</b>	falls rapidly	
300	As a licensed Merchant Marine Officer you are expected to _____.	obtain a weather forecast before setting out from port	listen to weather forecasts on the radio while enroute	understand all broadcast weather warning information	<b>All of the above</b>	
301	As a vessel changes course to starboard, the compass card in a magnetic compass _____.	<b>remains aligned with compass north</b>	also turns to starboard	first turns to starboard then counterclockwise to port	turns counterclockwise to port	
302	As it approaches, a typical warm front will bring _____.	<b>rising temperatures and falling barometric pressure</b>	falling temperature and pressure	falling temperatures and rising pressure	rising barometric pressure and temperatures	
303	As shown in the illustration, which wind speeds are reported at position A?	10 knots	<b>15 knots</b>	20 knots	25 knots	<b>D049NG</b>
304	As shown, the position labeled C was plotted because _____.	the vessel's speed changed	the vessel's course changed from due North to due East	<b>running fixes are better estimates of true position than dead-reckoning positions</b>	All of the above are correct	<b>D051NG</b>
305	As the South Equatorial Current approaches the east coast of Africa, it divides with the main part flowing south to form the warm _____.	<b>Agulhas Current</b>	Canary Current	Benguela Current	Madagascar Current	
306	As the temperature for a given mass of air increases, the _____.	dew point increases	dew point decreases	relative humidity increases	<b>relative humidity decreases</b>	
307	As the temperature of an air mass decreases, the _____.	absolute humidity decreases	<b>relative humidity increases</b>	specific humidity decreases	dew point rises	
308	As the temperature of the air reaches the dew point, _____.	rain must develop	<b>fog may form</b>	it begins to snow	water freezes	

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309	As you enter a channel from seaward in a U.S. port, the numbers on the starboard side buoys _____.	decrease and the buoys are black	increase and the buoys are green	decrease and the buoys are red	<b>increase and the buoys are red</b>	
310	As you enter a U.S. channel from seaward the numbers on the buoys _____.	increase with the can buoys being even numbered	<b>increase with the can buoys being odd numbered</b>	decrease with the can buoys being even numbered	increase in channels going to the north or west, and decrease in channels going to the south or east	
311	As your vessel is heading southward along the east coast of the United States, you encounter a buoy showing a red flashing light. How should you pass this buoy?	Pass it about 50 yards off on either side.	<b>Leave it to your starboard.</b>	Leave it to your port.	Pass it well clear on either side.	
312	Ascending and descending air masses with different temperatures is part of an important heat transmitting process in our atmosphere called _____.	conduction	radiation	<b>convection</b>	barometric inversion	
313	Astronomical refraction causes a celestial body to appear _____.	to the left of its position in the Northern Hemisphere and to the right in the Southern Hemisphere	to the right of its position in the Northern Hemisphere and to the left in the Southern Hemisphere	<b>higher than its actual position</b>	lower than its actual position	
314	At 0000 you fix your position and change course to 090°T. At 0030 you again fix your position and it is 0.5 mile east of your DR. Which statement is TRUE?	<b>The current is easterly.</b>	The drift is 0.5 knot.	You should alter course to the right to regain the track line.	The current is perpendicular to your track line.	
315	At 0000 you fix your position and change course to 270°T. At 0030 you again fix your position, and it is 0.5 mile east of your DR. Which statement is TRUE?	The set is 090°, drift 0.5 knot.	<b>The set is 090°, drift 1.0 knot.</b>	The set is 270°, drift 0.5 knot.	The set is 270°, drift 1.0 knot.	
316	At 0000 you fix your position and plot a new DR track line. At 0200 you again fix your position and it is 0.5 mile east of your DR. Which statement is TRUE?	The current is westerly at 0.5 knot.	You must increase speed to compensate for the current.	The current cannot be determined.	<b>The drift is 0.25 knot.</b>	
317	At 0000 you fix your position and plot a new DR track line. At 0200 you again fix your position and it is 0.5 mile west of your DR. Which statement is TRUE?	The set is 090°, drift 0.5 knot.	<b>The set is 270°, drift 0.25 knot.</b>	The set is 270°, drift 0.5 knot.	The set is 270°, drift 1.0 knot.	
318	At 0600 ZT on 31 January, your position is LAT 00°49'S, LONG 84°27'E. You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. How should you encode the first three groups after the call sign if you estimate the wind?	30243, 90008, 30848	31003, 99049, 38427	<b>31003, 99008, 30844</b>	31063, 99049, 58427	<b>D041NG</b>

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319	At 1200 ZT, on 31 August, your position is LAT 43°14'S, LONG 175°44'E. You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. How should you encode the first three groups after the call sign if you estimate the wind?	01003, 94314, 51757	<b>31003, 99432, 31757</b>	31123, 99432, 31754	31243, 94314, 31757	D041NG
320	At 1200 ZT, on 31 July, your position is LAT 24°33'N, LONG 173°05'W. You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form, B-80. How should you encode the first three groups after the call sign if you estimate the wind?	<b>01003, 99245, 71731</b>	01243, 92433, 71731	31243, 99245, 71731	31003, 92433, 71730	D041NG
321	At 1800 ZT on 31 October, your position is LAT 24°50'N, LONG 92°37'W. You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. How should you encode the first three groups after the call sign if you estimate the wind?	31123, 99929, 70249	31183, 99249, 79237	31243, 99249, 70926	<b>01003, 99248, 70926</b>	D041NG
322	At about GMT 1436, on 3 December, the lower limb of the Moon is observed with a sextant having an index error of 2.5' on the arc. The height of eye is 32 feet. The sextant altitude (hs) is 3°38.8'. What is the observed altitude?	Ho 4°18.6'	<b>Ho 4°29.1'</b>	Ho 4°36.3'	Ho 4°42.2'	
323	At evening stars, the first stars that should be observed are those with an azimuth in what quadrant?	Southern	Western	Northern	<b>Eastern</b>	
324	At evening stars, the last stars that should be observed are those with an azimuth in what quadrant?	Southern	<b>Western</b>	Northern	Eastern	
325	At McAlpine L & D, normal upper pool elevation is 420.0 feet (130.8 meters) MSL, equal to 12.0 feet (3.7 meters) on the upper gage. The vertical clearance at the Clark Memorial Highway bridge is 72.6 feet (22.1 meters) above normal pool. What is the clearance if the gage reads 10.6 feet (3.2 meters)?	84.6 feet (25.8 meters)	83.2 feet (25.4 meters)	<b>74.0 feet (22.6 meters)</b>	62.0 feet (18.9 meters)	
326	At McAlpine L & D, normal upper pool elevation is 420.0 feet MSL, equal to 12.0 feet on the upper gage. The vertical clearance at the Clark Memorial Highway bridge is 72.6 feet above normal pool. What is the clearance if the gage reads 27.2 feet?	25.4 feet	<b>57.4 feet</b>	60.6 feet	72.6 feet	
327	At meridian transit, the diagram used by a navigator to illustrate the angles involved is based on the _____.	celestial equator as observed from above the south celestial pole	celestial equator as observed from above the north celestial pole	<b>plane of the observer's meridian</b>	plane of the Greenwich meridian	

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328	At morning stars, the first stars that should be observed are those with an azimuth in which quadrant?	<b>Eastern</b>	Southern	Western	Northern	
329	At morning stars, the last stars that should be observed are those with an azimuth in which quadrant?	Eastern	Southern	<b>Western</b>	Northern	
330	At the approaches to Savannah, GA, with the wind coming out of the west, the wind-driven current will be flowing approximately _____.	<b>080°</b>	100°	260°	280°	
331	At the approaches to Savannah, GA, with the wind coming out of the west, the wind-driven current will be flowing approximately _____.	280°	260°	100°	<b>080°</b>	
332	At the magnetic equator there is no induced magnetism in the vertical soft iron because _____.	the lines of force cross the equator on a 0°-180° alignment	the quadrantal error is 0°	<b>there is no vertical component of the Earth's magnetic field</b>	the intercardinal headings have less than 1° error	
333	At the master gyrocompass, the compass card is attached to the _____.	spider element	<b>sensitive element</b>	link arm	pickup transformer	
334	At upper transit, if the zenith distance is 34°, the geographical distance from the observer to a body's GP is _____.	510 miles	1220 miles	<b>2040 miles</b>	2260 miles	
335	At what angle to the isobars do surface winds blow over the open sea?	About 90°	About 50°	About 25°	<b>About 15°</b>	
336	At what time after 1400 EST (ZD +5), on 4 January 1983, will the height of the tide at Port Wentworth, GA, be 3.0 feet?	1612	1630	<b>1653</b>	1718	
337	Atmospheric pressure at sea level is equal to _____.	14.7 pounds per square inch	29.92 inches of mercury	1013.25 millibars	<b>All of the above</b>	
338	Atmospheric pressure may be measured with a(n) _____.	barograph	aneroid barometer	mercurial barometer	<b>All of the above</b>	
339	Automatic identification systems (AIS) are expected to broadcast all of the following information EXCEPT _____.	navigation status	ship's heading	<b>port of origin</b>	time stamp	
340	Automatic identification systems (AIS) are required to _____.	provide safety-related information automatically to shore stations, other vessels and aircraft	receive safety-related information automatically from similarly equipped vessels	exchange safety-related information with shore-based facilities	<b>All of the above</b>	
341	Barometer readings in weather reports are given in terms of pressure at _____.	<b>sea level</b>	Washington, D.C.	the weather station	the broadcasting station	
342	Barometers are calibrated at a standard temperature of _____.	0°F	<b>32°F</b>	60°F	70°F	



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343	Because of the reflecting properties of a sextant, if the sextant altitude reads 60° on the limb, the actual arc of the limb from 0° to the 60° reading is _____.	20°	<b>30°</b>	40°	60°	
344	Because the actual center of some planets may differ from the observed center, the navigator applies a correction known as the _____.	<b>phase correction</b>	refraction correction	semidiameter correction	augmentation correction	
345	Before a magnetic compass is adjusted certain correctors must be checked to ensure that they are free of permanent magnetism. These correctors are the _____.	fore-and-aft and athwartships magnets	dip needle and heeling magnet	heeling magnet and Flinders bar	<b>Flinders bar and quadrantal spheres</b>	
346	Bellatrix is found in what constellation?	Canis Minor	Gemini	Taurus	<b>Orion</b>	
347	Between the equator and the 46th parallel of latitude, there are 3099 meridional parts. How many degrees of equatorial longitude does 3099 meridional parts represent?	35°52'45"	<b>51°39'00"</b>	74°21'11"	82°36'12"	
348	Black double-cone topmarks are the most important feature, by day, of cardinal marks. Which of the four topmarks shown indicates the best navigable water lies to the west of the buoy?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D030NG</b>
349	Brief, violent showers frequently accompanied by thunder and lightning are usually associated with _____.	passage of a warm front	<b>passage of a cold front</b>	winds shifting counterclockwise in the Northern Hemisphere	stationary high pressure systems	
350	Buoys and day beacons exhibiting a yellow triangle or square painted on them are used _____.	in minor harbors where the controlling depth is 10 feet (3 meters) or less	on isolated stretches of the ICW to mark undredged areas	<b>where the ICW and other waterways coincide</b>	at particularly hazardous turns of the channel	
351	Buoys are marked with reflective material to assist in their detection by searchlight. Which statement is TRUE?	A safe-water buoy will display red and white vertical stripes of reflective material.	All reflective material is white because it is the most visible at night.	A special-purpose mark will display either red or green reflective material to agree with its shape.	<b>A preferred-channel buoy displays either red or green reflective material to agree with the top band of color.</b>	
352	Buoys which mark dredging areas are painted _____.	black	<b>yellow</b>	green	red	
353	Buoys which mark isolated dangers are painted with alternating _____.	<b>red and black bands</b>	green and black bands	red and white stripes	green and white bands	
354	Buoys which only mark the left or right side of the channel will never exhibit a light with which characteristic?	Flashing	Quick flashing	<b>Composite group flashing</b>	Equal interval (isophase)	
355	By convention, the Earth's north magnetic pole is colored _____.	red	white	<b>blue</b>	black	



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356	By convention, the Earth's south magnetic pole is colored _____.	blue	black	white	<b>red</b>	
357	By convention, the north pole of a magnet is painted _____.	<b>red</b>	blue	white	black	
358	By convention, the north seeking ends of a compass' magnets are colored _____.	black	blue	<b>red</b>	white	
359	By convention, the south pole of a magnet is painted _____.	red	<b>blue</b>	white	black	
360	By convention, the south seeking ends of a compass' magnets are colored _____.	<b>blue</b>	red	white	black	
361	Capella is found in what constellation?	Gemini	<b>Auriga</b>	Libra	Crab	
362	Chart correction information is NOT disseminated through the _____.	Summary of Corrections	Local Notice to Mariners	Daily Memorandum	<b>Chart Correction Card</b>	
363	Chart information details to be used in ECDIS should be the latest edition of information originated by a government-authorized hydrographic office and conform to the standards of (the) _____.	International Maritime Organization	<b>International Hydrographic Organization</b>	NASA	US Coast Guard	
364	Chart legends printed in capital letters show that the associated landmark is _____.	<b>conspicuous</b>	inconspicuous	a government facility or station	a radio transmitter	
365	Chart legends which indicate a conspicuous landmark are printed in _____.	underlined letters	boldfaced print	italics	<b>capital letters</b>	
366	Charted depth is the _____.	vertical distance from the chart sounding datum to the ocean bottom, plus the height of tide	<b>vertical distance from the chart sounding datum to the ocean bottom</b>	average height of water over a specified period of time	average height of all low waters at a place	
367	Charts should be corrected by using information published in the _____.	Light List	American Practical Navigator	<b>Notice to Mariners</b>	Coast Pilot	
368	Charts showing the coast of Mexico are produced by the United States _____.	<b>National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency</b>	Coast Guard	Naval Observatory	National Ocean Service	
369	Chronometer error may be found by _____.	radio time signal	comparison with a timepiece of known error	applying the prevailing chronometer rate to previous readings	<b>All of the above</b>	
370	Cirrus clouds are composed primarily of _____.	<b>ice crystals</b>	water droplets	snow crystals	nitrogen	
371	Cirrus clouds are indicated by which number?	<b>1</b>	4	5	7	<b>D039NG</b>
372	Civil twilight begins at 1910 zone time on 20 July. Your DR position at that time is LAT 22°16'N, LONG 150°06'W. Which statement concerning the planets available for evening sights is TRUE?	<b>Venus will have a westerly meridian angle.</b>	Mars will set about one hour after the Sun sets.	Mars, Venus, Jupiter, and Saturn will be above the horizon.	Sights of Saturn, Jupiter, and Venus will yield a good three-line-of-position fix.	

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373	Civil twilight occurs at 0558 zone time on 30 December. Your DR position at that time is LAT 15°02'N, LONG 46°02'W. Which statement concerning the planets available for morning sights is TRUE?	<b>At 0558, Mars can be used for an ex-meridian observation.</b>	Venus, Jupiter, and Mars sights will yield a good three line fix.	Saturn will be near the prime vertical.	Venus will be visible low in the western sky.	
374	Civil twilight starts at 1812 zone time on 26 August, Your DR position at that time is LAT 21°06'S, LONG 14°56' W. Which statement concerning the planets available for evening sights is TRUE?	Mars will be near the prime vertical in the eastern sky.	<b>Venus may be identified from Saturn and Jupiter because it is the brightest.</b>	Sights of Venus, Jupiter, and Saturn will yield a good three line fix.	A sight of either Jupiter, Saturn, or Venus will give a latitude line.	
375	Class I and II private aids to navigation in or along navigable waters of the United States are listed in the _____.	Sailing Directions	<b>Light List</b>	List of Private Aids	Aids to Navigation Manual	
376	Clearance gauges at bridges indicate _____.	the height of the tide	depth of water under the bridge	charted vertical clearance at mean low water	<b>distance from the water to low steel of the bridge</b>	
377	Cloud formations are minimal when the _____.	<b>surface temperature and temperature aloft are equal</b>	surface temperature and temperature aloft differ greatly	barometric pressure is very low	relative humidity is very high	
378	Clouds are classified according to their _____.	size	moisture content	<b>altitude and how they were formed</b>	location in a front	
379	Clouds form _____.	<b>as a mass of warm, humid air rises into the atmosphere and cools, condensing moisture into small droplets</b>	as winds blow across bodies of water, the sun causes the moisture to be absorbed and move upward forming clouds	dry air compresses moisture from the atmosphere into clouds	when the relative humidity of the atmosphere is low	
380	Clouds with the prefix "nimbo" in their name _____.	are sheet or layer clouds	have undergone great vertical development	are middle or high altitude clouds	<b>are rain clouds</b>	
381	Coast Pilots and navigational charts are kept corrected and up-to-date by using the _____.	pilot charts	<b>Notices to Mariners</b>	Tide Tables	Current Tables	
382	Cold water flowing southward through the western part of the Bering Strait between Alaska and Siberia is joined by water circulating counterclockwise in the Bering Sea to form the _____.	Alaska Current	Subarctic Current	Kuroshio Current	<b>Oyashio Current</b>	
383	Compared to a low pressure system, generally the air in a high is _____.	warmer, less dense, and less stable	<b>cool, more dense, and drier</b>	muggy and cloudy	extremely moist with high relative humidity	
384	Compass deviation is caused by _____.	magnetism from the earth's magnetic field	misalignment of the compass	<b>magnetism within the vessel</b>	a dirty compass housing	

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385	Compass error is equal to the _____.	deviation minus variation	variation plus compass course	<b>combined variation and deviation</b>	difference between true and magnetic heading	
386	Complete information on weather broadcasts throughout the world is contained in _____.	<b>Selected Worldwide Marine Weather Broadcasts</b>	your local newspaper	the Notice to Mariners	the daily weather map	
387	Concerning a celestial observation, the azimuth angle is measured from the principal vertical circle to the _____.	Greenwich celestial meridian	hour circle of the body	local celestial meridian	<b>vertical circle of the body</b>	
388	Considering the general circulation of the atmosphere, the wind system between latitudes 30°N and 60°N is commonly called the _____.	<b>prevailing westerlies</b>	horse latitudes	trade winds	subpolar low pressure belts	
389	Coral atolls, or a chain of islands at right angles to the radar beam, may show as a long line rather than as individual targets due to _____.	<b>the effects of beam width</b>	limitations on range resolution	the pulse length of the radar	the multiple-target resolution factor	
390	Cumulonimbus clouds are formed by _____.	<b>vertical air movements</b>	heavy rainstorms	horizontal air movements	any movement of moist air	
391	Cumulonimbus clouds are most likely to accompany a(n) _____.	high pressure system	<b>cold front</b>	warm front	occluded front	
392	Cumulonimbus clouds can produce _____.	dense fog and high humidity	<b>gusty winds, thunder, rain or hail, and lightning</b>	clear skies with the approach of a cold front	a rapid drop in barometric pressure followed by darkness	
393	Cumulus clouds that have undergone vertical development and have become cumulonimbus in form, indicate _____.	clearing weather	that a warm front has passed	<b>probable thunderstorm activity</b>	an approaching hurricane or typhoon	
394	Current refers to the _____.	vertical movement of the water	<b>horizontal movement of the water</b>	density changes in the water	None of the above	
395	Cyclones tend to move _____.	perpendicular to the isobars in their warm sectors	<b>parallel to the isobars in their warm sectors</b>	parallel to the line of the cold front	perpendicular to the line of the cold front	
396	Data relating to the direction and velocity of rotary tidal currents can be found in the _____.	Mariner's Guide	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	Nautical Almanac	Tide Tables	
397	Daylight savings time is a form of zone time that adopts the time _____.	one zone to the west	<b>one zone to the east</b>	two zones to the west	two zones to the east	
398	Daylight savings time is a form of zone time that adopts the time _____.	two zones to the east	two zones to the west	<b>one zone to the east</b>	one zone to the west	
399	Daymarks marking the starboard side of the channel when going towards the sea are _____.	<b>green squares</b>	green triangles	red squares	red triangles	
400	Deneb is found in what constellation?	<b>Cygnus</b>	Pegasus	Ursa Major	Andromeda	

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401	Denebola is found in what constellation?	Hydrus	<b>Leo</b>	Centaurus	Aquila	
402	Descending boats, while awaiting their turn to enter a lock, shall NOT block traffic from the lock. They shall be above the lock by at LEAST _____.	100 feet	200 feet	300 feet	<b>400 feet</b>	
403	Despite weather predictions for continued good weather, a prudent mariner should be alert for all of the following, EXCEPT a sudden _____.	drop in barometric pressure	<b>drop in temperature</b>	wind shift	squall line	
404	Determine the approximate geographic visibility of an object, with a height above the water of 85 feet (25.9 meters), for an observer with a height of eye of 60 feet (18.3 meters).	18.4 nm	<b>19.9 nm</b>	20.8 nm	21.5 nm	
405	Determine the duration of the first PM slack water on 3 March 1983, east of the Statue of Liberty, when the current is less than 0.1 knot?	10 minutes	<b>13 minutes</b>	16 minutes	19 minutes	
406	Determine the first time after 1200 EST (ZD +5) when the velocity of the current will be 0.5 knot on 18 November 1983, at Marcus Hook, PA.	1221	1226	<b>1239</b>	1312	
407	Determine the height of the tide at 1430 EST (ZD +5) at New Bedford, MA, on 10 April 1983.	1.1 feet	1.2 feet	<b>1.4 feet</b>	1.7 feet	
408	Determine the height of the tide at 2045 EST (ZD +5) at Augusta, ME, on 8 March 1983.	1.4 feet (0.5 meter)	<b>1.9 feet (0.6 meter)</b>	2.3 feet (0.7 meter)	2.6 feet (0.8 meter)	
409	Determine the time after 0300 CST (ZD +6) when the velocity of the tidal current will be 0.5 knot on 16 April 1983, at Port Arthur Canal Entrance, TX.	0436	<b>0507</b>	0538	0554	
410	Determine the time after 0730 EST (ZD +5) when the velocity of the current will be 2.1 knots on 26 March 1983, at Fort Pulaski, GA.	0802	0812	0821	<b>0840</b>	
411	Deviation in a compass is caused by the _____.	vessel's geographic position	vessel's heading	earth's magnetic field	<b>influence of the magnetic materials of the vessel</b>	
412	Deviation is caused by _____.	changes in the earth's magnetic field	nearby magnetic land masses or mineral deposits	<b>magnetic influence inherent to that particular vessel</b>	the magnetic lines of force not coinciding with the lines of longitude	
413	Deviation is the angle between the _____.	true meridian and the axis of the compass card	true meridian and the magnetic meridian	<b>magnetic meridian and the axis of the compass card</b>	axis of the compass card and the degaussing meridian	
414	Deviation which is maximum on intercardinal compass headings may be removed by the _____.	Flinders bar	transverse magnets	fore-and-aft magnets	<b>soft iron spheres on the sides of the compass</b>	

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415	Discounting slip, if your vessel is turning RPM for 10 knots and making good a speed of 10 knots, the current could be _____.	with you at 10 knots	against you at 10 knots	<b>slack</b>	with you at 2 knots	
416	Distance along a track line is measured on a Mercator chart by using the _____.	<b>latitude scale near the middle of the track line</b>	longitude scale near the middle of the track line	latitude scale at the mid-latitude of the chart	latitude or longitude scale at the middle of the scale	
417	Diurnal aberration is due to _____.	motion of the Earth in its orbit	<b>rotation of the Earth on its axis</b>	the body's orbital motion during the time required for its light to reach the Earth	a false horizon	
418	Drawbridges equipped with radiotelephones display a _____.	day signal of a yellow diamond marked with the call sign	white sign with the number 16 and the call sign on it	black and white diamond marked with RT 16	<b>blue and white sign showing the radio's channels</b>	
419	During daylight savings time the meridian used for determining the time is located farther _____.	west	<b>east</b>	east in west longitude and west in east longitude	west in west longitude and east in east longitude	
420	During daylight savings time the meridian used for determining the time is located farther _____.	west in west longitude and east in east longitude	east in west longitude and west in east longitude	west	<b>east</b>	
421	During one synodic rotation, a body makes one complete turn relative to the _____.	Earth	<b>Sun</b>	stars	vernal equinox	
422	During the month of October the Sun's declination is _____.	north and increasing	north and decreasing	<b>south and increasing</b>	south and decreasing	
423	During the winter months, the southeast trade winds are _____.	<b>stronger than during the summer months</b>	weaker than during the summer months	drier than during the summer months	wetter than during the summer months	
424	Early indications of the approach of a hurricane may be all of the following EXCEPT _____.	<b>short confused swells</b>	gradually increasing white clouds (mare's tails)	pumping barometer	continuous fine mist-like rain	
425	ECDIS must be able to perform all of the following EXCEPT _____.	determine true bearing and distance between two geographical points	<b>determine magnetic compass deviation</b>	transform a local datum to the WGS-'84 datum	convert "graphical coordinates" to "display coordinates"	
426	ECDIS must give an alarm for which of the following cases?	<b>If the ship is going to reach a critical point on the planned route</b>	When the speed of a dangerous target exceeds a set limit	If the ship's ETA has changed beyond the set limit	All of the above	
427	ECDIS must give an alarm for which of the following cases?	When the speed of a dangerous target exceeds a set limit	<b>When the specified limit for deviation from the planned route is exceeded</b>	If the ship's ETA has changed beyond the set limit	None of the above	

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428	ECDIS must give an alarm for which of the following cases?	When the specified limit for deviation from the planned route is exceeded	If the ship, within a specified time set by the watch officer, is going to cross a safety contour	If the ship, within a specified time set by the watch officer, is going to cross the boundary of a prohibited area	<b>All of the above</b>	
429	ECDIS must have the capability to preserve the record of the voyage track for the previous _____.	4 hours	6 hours	<b>12 hours</b>	24 hours	
430	ECDIS units incorporate Digital Chart Data Formats, which include _____.	vector only	raster only	<b>vector and raster</b>	imposed viewing	
431	Eight points of a compass are equal to how many degrees?	45	<b>90</b>	180	360	
432	Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) has which built in functions?	Automatic target tracking	Trial maneuvering	<b>Target CPA and time of CPA (TCPA)</b>	Plots at least 20 targets simultaneously	
433	Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) has which built in functions?	Time of closest point of approach (TCPA)	Target trails	Plots at least 10 targets at one time	<b>All of the above</b>	
434	Entering from sea, a daymark on the port side of the channel would be indicated on a chart by a _____.	red triangle with the letter R	white triangle with the letters RG	<b>green square with the letter G</b>	white square with the letters GR	
435	Entering from seaward, triangular-shaped daymarks are used to mark _____.	<b>the starboard side of the channel</b>	the centerline of the channel	an obstruction where the preferred channel is to starboard	special purpose areas	
436	Error may be introduced into a magnetic compass by _____.	making a structural change to the vessel	a short circuit near the compass	belt buckles	<b>All of the above</b>	
437	Except for N-S courses, and E-W courses on the equator, a great circle track between two points, when compared to a rhumb line track between the same two points, will _____.	always be nearer to the equator	<b>always be nearer to the elevated pole</b>	be nearer to the pole in the Northern Hemisphere and nearer to the equator in the Southern Hemisphere	be nearer to the pole or the equator depending on the latitudes of the arrival and departure positions	
438	Fetch is the _____.	distance a wave travels between formation and decay	<b>stretch of water over which a wave-forming wind blows</b>	time in seconds required for two crests to pass a given point	measurement of a wave's steepness	
439	Find the height of the tide at Port Wentworth, GA, on 5 October 1983, at 1840 DST (ZD +4).	3.0 feet	3.5 feet	4.0 feet	<b>4.4 feet</b>	
440	Fog forms when the air _____.	is 50% water saturated	is 90% water saturated	temperature is greater than the dew point temperature	<b>temperature is equal to, or below the dew point temperature</b>	
441	Fog forms when the air temperature is at or below _____.	32° F	the wet bulb temperature	<b>the dew point</b>	the dry bulb temperature	

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442	Fog generally clears when the _____.	wind speed increases	wind direction changes	temperature increases	<b>All of the above</b>	
443	Fog is formed when _____.	the moisture in the air is condensed into small droplets	air is cooled to its dew point	the base of a cloud is on the ground	<b>All of the above</b>	
444	Fog is likely to occur when there is little difference between the dew point and the _____.	relative humidity	<b>air temperature</b>	barometric pressure	absolute humidity	
445	Fog is most commonly associated with a(n) _____.	<b>warm front at night</b>	low pressure area	anticyclone	cold front in the spring	
446	Fomalhaut is found in what constellation?	Leo	Taurus	<b>Pisces</b>	Canis Major	
447	For 3 November 1983, at 0830 EST (ZD +5) at Catskill, NY, what is the predicted height of tide?	+0.1 foot (+0.0 m)	<b>-0.6 foot (-0.2 m)</b>	+0.9 foot (+0.3 m)	-1.3 feet (-0.4 m)	
448	For a well made and well maintained sextant, the maximum value of which correction is usually so small that it can be ignored?	Personal correction	<b>Instrument correction</b>	Phase	Dip correction	
449	For an accurate barometer check, you would _____.	check it with a barometer on another vessel	take readings from several barometers and average them	check it with the barometer at the ship chandlery	<b>check it against radio or National Weather Service reports of the immediate vicinity</b>	
450	For navigational purposes, each great circle on the Earth has a length of _____.	3,600 miles	5,400 miles	12,500 miles	<b>21,600 miles</b>	
451	Freezing salt water spray should be anticipated when the air temperature drops below what temperature?	32°F (0.0°C)	<b>28°F (-2.2°C)</b>	0°F (-17.8°C)	-40°F (-28.9°C)	
452	From LAT 07°12'N, LONG 80°00'W, to LAT 47°12'S, LONG 169°18'E, the initial great circle course angle is 137.25°. How would you name this course?	N 137.25°E	S 137.25°E	<b>N 137.25°W</b>	S 137.25°W	
453	From which type of cloud can a tornado or waterspout develop?	Nimbostratus	Altostratus	<b>Cumulonimbus</b>	Cirrus	
454	General information about the location, characteristics, facilities, and services for U.S. and foreign ports may be obtained from which publication?	<b>World Port Index</b>	Sailing Directions	Distances Between Ports	Coast Pilot	
455	General information on enroute weather and climate is found in _____.	<b>the Sailing Directions and the Coast Pilot</b>	a weather fax	the Local Notice to Mariners	the Light List	
456	Generally speaking, a ship steaming across the North Pacific from Japan to Seattle is likely to experience _____.	adverse currents for practically the entire crossing	<b>favorable currents for practically the entire crossing</b>	favorable currents in the summer months and adverse currents in the winter months	variable currents having no significant effect on the total steaming time	



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457	Generally speaking, in the Northern Hemisphere, when winds are blowing from between SE and SW the barometric reading _____.	makes no change at all	<b>is somewhat lower than it would be for winds from a northern quadrant</b>	is uncertain and may fluctuate by increasing and decreasing	is somewhat higher than it would be for winds from the northern quadrant	
458	Generally speaking, you should expect to find low atmospheric pressure prevailing in the earth's _____.	<b>equatorial area</b>	polar regions	mid-latitudes	All of the above	
459	Geographic range is the maximum distance at which a light may be seen under _____.	existing visibility conditions, limited only by the curvature of the Earth	<b>perfect visibility conditions, limited only by the curvature of the Earth</b>	existing visibility conditions, limited only by the intensity of the light	perfect visibility conditions, limited only by interference from background lighting	
460	Given are the courses and speeds of 4 vessels. The navigator of which vessel would be required to know the actual time of meridian transit in order to take an accurate observation at LAN ?	C 018°T, Sp 6 knots	C 079°T, Sp 24 knots	C 101°T, Sp 7 knots	<b>C 349°T, Sp 25 knots</b>	
461	Given are the courses and speeds of 4 vessels. The navigator of which vessel would be required to know the actual time of meridian transit in order to take an accurate observation at LAN?	C 356°T, Sp 5.5 knots	<b>C 162°T, Sp 27 knots</b>	C 095°T, Sp 30 knots	C 268°T, Sp 22 knots	
462	Given are the courses and speeds of 4 vessels. The navigator of which vessel would be required to know the actual time of meridian transit in order to take an accurate observation at LAN?	C 356°T, Sp 5 knots	C 099°T, Sp 17 knots	<b>C 192°T, Sp 23 knots</b>	C 278°T, Sp 6 knots	
463	Given are the courses and speeds of 4 vessels. The navigator of which vessel would be required to know the actual time of meridian transit in order to take an accurate observation at LAN?	<b>C 166°T, Sp 24 knots</b>	C 013°T, Sp 7 knots	C 291°T, Sp 25 knots	C 112°T, Sp 4 knots	
464	Good weather is usually associated with a region of _____.	low barometric pressure	<b>high barometric pressure</b>	falling barometric pressure	pumping barometric pressure	
465	Green lights may appear on _____.	<b>horizontally banded buoys</b>	vertically striped buoys	yellow buoys	spherical buoys	
466	Gyrocompass repeaters reproduce the indications of the master gyrocompass. They are _____.	accurate only in the Polar regions	<b>accurate electronic servomechanisms</b>	hand operated	accurate only if the vessel is underway	
467	Heeling error is defined as the change of deviation for a heel of _____.	2°While the vessel is on an intercardinal heading	<b>1°While the vessel is on a compass heading of 000°</b>	2° and is constant on all headings	1° while the vessel is on a compass heading of 180°	
468	High clouds, composed of small white flakes or scaly globular masses, and often banded together to form a "mackerel sky", would be classified as _____.	cirrus	<b>cirrocumulus</b>	altostratus	cumulonimbus	
469	Hot air can hold _____.	less moisture than cold air	<b>more moisture than cold air</b>	the same amount of moisture as cold air	moisture independent of air temperature	



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470	How can you estimate the position of a tropical storm's center?	With a radio weather bulletin or weather fax	using shipboard radar	observe the wind direction and apply Buys Ballot's law	<b>All of the above</b>	
471	How is a navigation light identified on an Army Corps of Engineers navigation map?	Name and light characteristic	<b>Name and miles from a reference point</b>	Light characteristic and miles A.H.P.	None of the above	
472	How is a safe water mark, that can be passed close aboard on either side, painted and lighted?	Black and white stripes with an interrupted quick flashing light	Black and red stripes with a Morse (A) light	Black and red stripes with an interrupted quick flashing light	<b>Red and white stripes with a Morse (A) light</b>	
473	How is the annual rate of change for magnetic variation shown on a pilot chart?	<b>Gray lines on the uppermost inset chart</b>	Red lines on the main body of the chart	In parenthesis on the lines of equal magnetic variation	Annual rate of change is not shown.	
474	How is the intensity of a light expressed in the Light Lists?	Luminous range	Geographic range	<b>Nominal range</b>	Meteorological range	
475	How is variation indicated on a small-scale nautical chart?	Magnetic compass table	Magnetic meridians	<b>Isogonic lines</b>	Variation is not indicated on small-scale nautical charts.	
476	How long would a steady wind need to blow in order to create a wind driven current?	2 hours	6 hours	<b>12 hours</b>	18 hours	
477	How many fixed objects are needed to plot a running fix?	None	<b>One</b>	Two	Three	
478	How many high waters usually occur each day on the East Coast of the United States?	One	<b>Two</b>	Three	Four	
479	How many points are there in a compass card?	4	8	24	<b>32</b>	
480	How many slack tidal currents usually occur each day on the east coast of the United States?	One	Two	Three	<b>Four</b>	
481	How many targets can an Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) track at the same time?	<b>20</b>	10	5	2	
482	Hurricanes may move in any direction. However, it is rare and generally of short duration when a hurricane in the Northern Hemisphere moves toward the _____.	west or northwest	northeast	<b>southeast</b>	north	
483	If a chart indicates the depth of water to be 6 fathoms and your draft is 6.0 feet, what is the depth of the water under your keel? (Assume the actual depth and charted depth to be the same)	6.0 feet	26.5 feet	<b>30.0 feet</b>	56.5 feet	
484	If a hurricane several hundred miles away is moving in your general direction your barometer would _____.	start to rise rapidly	<b>start to fall gradually</b>	rise slowly, begin "pumping" and then start a slow, steady fall	remain steady	

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485	If a magnetic compass is not affected by any magnetic field other than the Earth's, which statement is TRUE?	<b>Compass error and variation are equal.</b>	Compass north will be true north.	Variation will equal deviation.	There will be no compass error.	
486	If a ship is proceeding towards the magnetic equator, the uncorrected deviation due to permanent magnetism _____.	increases	remains the same	<b>decreases</b>	is unimportant and may be neglected	
487	If a sound signal is emitted from the oscillator of a fathometer, and two seconds elapse before the returning signal is picked up, what depth of water is indicated?	1648 fathoms	1248 fathoms	1048 fathoms	<b>824 fathoms</b>	
488	If a towboat requires a double lockage it shall give which sound signal at a distance of not more than one mile from the lock?	One short blast followed by two long blasts	One long blast followed by one short blast	Two long blasts followed by one short blast	<b>One long blast followed by two short blasts</b>	
489	If a weather bulletin shows the center of a low pressure system to be 100 miles due east of you, what winds can you expect in the Southern Hemisphere?	<b>South-southwesterly</b>	North-northwesterly	South-southeasterly	North-northeasterly	
490	If an observer in the Northern Hemisphere faces the surface wind, the center of low pressure is to his _____.	left, slightly behind him	<b>right, slightly behind him</b>	left, slightly in front of him	right, slightly in front of him	
491	If an observer is at 35°N latitude, his zenith is _____.	55°S of the celestial equator	at the north celestial pole	<b>35°N of the celestial equator</b>	55°N of the celestial equator	
492	If it is impossible to avoid a hurricane in the Northern Hemisphere, the most favorable place to be when the storm passes is in _____.	the dangerous semicircle	the eye (center) of the storm	that half of the storm lying to the right of the storm's path	<b>that half of the storm lying to the left of the storm's path</b>	
493	If several navigational lights are visible at the same time, each one may be positively identified by checking all of the following EXCEPT what against the Light List?	Rhythm	Period	<b>Intensity</b>	Color	
494	If the compass heading and the magnetic heading are the same then _____.	the deviation has been offset by the variation	there is something wrong with the compass	the compass is being influenced by nearby metals	<b>there is no deviation on that heading</b>	
495	If the current and wind are in opposite directions, the sea surface represents _____.	a greatly reduced wind speed	<b>a higher wind speed than what really exists</b>	a lower wind speed than what really exists	more turbulent winds	
496	If the current and wind are in the same direction, the sea surface represents a wind speed _____.	<b>lower than actually exists</b>	higher than actually exists	that actually exists	that has no proportional relationship	
497	If the electronic chart is part of an ECDIS, it must display the minimum data required by IMO/IHO, to include all of the following EXCEPT _____.	hydrography	aids to navigation	<b>tidal currents</b>	regulatory boundaries	
498	If the GMT is 1500, the time at 75°E longitude is _____.	1000	1500	1700	<b>2000</b>	

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499	If the gyrocompass error is east, what describes the error and the correction to be made to gyrocompass headings to obtain true headings?	<b>The readings are too low (small numerically) and the amount of the error must be added to the compass to obtain true</b>	The readings are too low and the amount of the error must be subtracted from the compass to obtain true	The readings are too high (large numerically) and the amount of the error must be added to the compass to obtain true	The readings are too high and the amount of the error must be subtracted from the compass to obtain true	
500	If the magnetic heading is greater than the compass heading, the deviation is _____.	<b>east</b>	west	north	south	
501	If the main channel under a bridge is marked with lights of the lateral system the adjacent bridge piers should be marked with _____.	occulting white lights	<b>fixed yellow lights</b>	fixed white lights	flashing yellow lights	
502	If the right ascension of a body is 9 hours, it also _____.	<b>is 135°</b>	corresponds to an SHA for the body of 45°	means that the GP of the body is in the western hemisphere	All of the above	
503	If the sky was clear, with the exception of a few cumulus clouds, it would indicate _____.	rain	hurricane weather	<b>fair weather</b>	fog setting in	
504	If the Sun's observed altitude is 27°12', the zenith distance is _____.	<b>62°48'</b>	27°12'	152°48'	43°12'	
505	If the Sun's observed altitude is 47°50', the zenith distance is _____.	<b>42°10'</b>	42°50'	47°50'	132°10'	
506	If the Sun's observed altitude is 54°30', what is the zenith distance?	<b>35°30'</b>	45°30'	12°30'	14°30'	
507	If there is any doubt as to the proper operation of a radar, which statement is TRUE?	Only a radar expert can determine if the radar is operating.	All radars have indicator lights and alarms to signal improper operation.	<b>A radar range compared to the actual range of a known object can be used to check the operation of the radar.</b>	The radar resolution detector must be energized to check the radar.	
508	If within 500 yards (460m) of a Northern Right Whale you are lawfully obligated to _____.	turn away from the whale and leave at full speed	<b>turn away from the whale and leave at slow speed</b>	slow to bare steerageway until the whale swims away	stop the vessel and sound repeated blasts on the ship's whistle to scare the whale away	
509	If you are caught in the left semicircle of a tropical storm, in the Southern Hemisphere, you should bring the wind _____.	on the starboard quarter, hold course and make as much way as possible	2 points on the port quarter, and make as much way as possible	<b>on the port bow, and make as much way as possible</b>	dead ahead and heave to	
510	If you are sailing from the East Coast of the United States to the Caribbean Sea, which publication would contain information on weather, currents, and storms?	Sailing Charts of the Caribbean Sea	<b>Pilot Charts of the North Atlantic</b>	Light Lists, Atlantic and Gulf Coast	Tidal Current Tables	

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511	If you count 20 seconds between seeing lightning and hearing the thunder, how far is the storm away from you?	2 miles	<b>4 miles</b>	6 miles	8 miles	
512	If you observe a buoy off station you should _____.	fill out and mail CG Form 2692 to the nearest Coast Guard office	appear in person at the nearest Coast Guard office	notify Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC	<b>immediately contact the nearest Coast Guard office by radiotelephone</b>	
513	If you observe a rapid fall of barometric pressure you should _____.	call the Coast Guard to verify the change	know the barometer is not working properly	contact the NWS or a local radio station	<b>prepare for the onset of stormy weather with strong winds</b>	
514	If you were sailing in the North Pacific and were interested in the ice and iceberg limits, you could find this information in the _____.	<b>Pilot Chart</b>	Coast Pilot	Notice to Mariners	None of the above	
515	If your mercurial barometer reads 30.50 inches (1033 millibars) and the temperature is 56°F (13°C), what is the correct reading at 55°N, 150°W?	30.42 inches (1030 millibars)	<b>30.45 inches (1031 millibars)</b>	30.50 inches (1032 millibars)	30.53 inches (1033 millibars)	
516	If your vessel must pass through a draw during a scheduled closure period, what signal should you sound to request the opening of the draw?	One prolonged blast followed by one short blast	Three short blasts	One prolonged blast followed by three short blasts	<b>Five short blasts</b>	
517	If your vessel were proceeding down river (descending), a green square marker with a green reflector border on the right bank would be a _____.	mile board	dredging mark	<b>passing daymark</b>	crossing daymark	
518	If your vessel were proceeding up river (ascending), the port side of the channel would be marked according to the U. S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers by _____.	<b>green can buoys</b>	red can buoys	green nun buoys	red nun buoys	
519	If your weather bulletin shows the center of a low pressure area to be 100 miles due east of your position, what winds can you expect in the Northern Hemisphere?	East to northeast	East to southeast	<b>North to northwest</b>	South to southeast	
520	In a cyclone the lowest pressure is found in the _____.	<b>center</b>	outer edge	warm front	cold front	
521	In a microbarograph, the pen should be checked and the inkwell filled _____.	<b>each time the chart is changed</b>	once per month	once per week	daily	
522	In a river subject to tidal currents, the best time to dock a ship without the assistance of tugs is _____.	<b>at slack water</b>	at flood tide	when there is a following current	at high water	
523	In a tropical cyclone in the Northern Hemisphere, a vessel hove to with the wind shifting counterclockwise would be _____.	<b>in the navigable semicircle</b>	in the dangerous semicircle	directly in the path of the center	ahead of the storm	

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524	In a tropical cyclone, in the Northern Hemisphere, a vessel hove to with the wind shifting counterclockwise is _____.	ahead of the storm center	in the dangerous semicircle	<b>in the navigable semicircle</b>	directly in the approach path of the storm	
525	In a weather report, the term "visibility" expresses _____.	how far you can see with the "naked eye"	how far you can see with a telescope or binoculars	how well you can identify an object at night	<b>the distance in miles at which prominent objects are identifiable</b>	
526	In addition to monitoring channel 16, all Corps of Engineer locks may use as working channels _____.	06, 12 and 22A	01A, 05A and 07A	<b>12, 13 and 14</b>	14, 24 and 28	
527	In addition to the National Weather Service, what agency provides plain-language radio weather advisories for the coastal waters of the United States?	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	U.S. Hydrological Survey	<b>U.S. Coast Guard</b>	American Meteorological Service	
528	In both regions of the IALA buoyage system, which topmark is used on a special mark?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D022NG</b>
529	In general, on how many radio channels will an automatic identification system (AIS) operate?	<b>2</b>	4	6	8	
530	In general, the most effective period for observing stars and planets occurs during the darker limit of _____.	sunset	<b>civil twilight</b>	nautical twilight	astronomical twilight	
531	In high latitudes, celestial observations can be made over a horizon covered with pack ice by bringing the sun tangent to the ice and _____.	adding 30° of arc to the sight	<b>using a dip correction based on the height of eye above the ice</b>	doubling the semidiameter correction	using a dip correction from table 22 in Bowditch Vol. II	
532	In low latitudes the range of the diurnal variation of pressure is up to _____.	0.5 millibar	<b>3.0 millibars</b>	6.0 millibars	10.0 millibars	
533	In low latitudes, a first quarter Moon will always rise at about _____.	sunrise	<b>1200 LMT</b>	sunset	2400 LMT	
534	In low latitudes, a last quarter moon will always rise at about _____.	sunrise	1200 LMT	sunset	<b>2400 LMT</b>	
535	In low latitudes, the full Moon will always rise at about _____.	sunrise	1200 LMT	<b>sunset</b>	2400 LMT	
536	In low latitudes, the high(s) of the diurnal variation of pressure occur(s) at _____.	noon	noon and midnight	<b>1000 and 2200</b>	1600	
537	In low latitudes, the low(s) of the diurnal variation of pressure occur(s) at _____.	noon	noon and midnight	1000 and 2200	<b>0400 and 1600</b>	
538	In low latitudes, the new Moon will always rise at about _____.	<b>sunrise</b>	1200 LMT	sunset	2400 LMT	
539	In many areas "atoll" clouds (clouds of vertical development) are produced over small islands. These are the result of _____.	<b>rising air currents produced by the warm islands</b>	warm air from the sea rising over higher land areas	cool land air mixing with warm sea air	descending air over the islands	
540	In mid-ocean, the characteristics of a wave are determined by three factors. What is NOT one of these factors?	<b>Effect of the moon's gravity</b>	Fetch	Wind velocity	Length of time a wind has been blowing	

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541	In modern fathometers the sonic or ultrasonic sound waves are produced electrically by means of a(n) _____.	transmitter	<b>transducer</b>	transceiver	amplifier	
542	In most cases, the direction of the apparent wind lies between the bow and _____.	<b>the direction of the true wind</b>	true north	the beam on the windward side	the beam on the lee side	
543	In North America the majority of the weather systems move from _____.	north to south	south to north	east to west	<b>west to east</b>	
544	In order for a star to be used for a sight at lower transit, the star must _____.	<b>be circumpolar</b>	have a declination equal to or greater than your latitude	have a GHA of 180°	have the SHA equal to or less than the LHA	
545	In order to get the maximum benefit from the Gulf Stream, on a voyage between Houston and Philadelphia, you should navigate _____.	<b>about 75 miles east of Ormond Beach, FL</b>	close inshore between Jupiter Inlet and Fowey Rocks, FL	along the 50-fathom curve while off the east coast of Florida	about 10 miles east of Cape Canaveral, FL	
546	In order to insure that a RACON signal is displayed on the radar, you should _____.	increase the brilliance of the PPI scope	<b>turn off the interference controls on the radar</b>	use the maximum available range setting	increase the radar signal output	
547	In order to insure that the racon signal is visible on your 3 cm radar, the _____.	10 cm radar should be placed on standby or turned off	gain control should be turned to maximum	radar should be stabilized, head up	<b>rain clutter control should be off but, if necessary, may be on low</b>	
548	In order to remove index error from a sextant, you should adjust the _____.	index mirror to make it parallel to the horizon glass with the index set at zero	<b>horizon glass to make it parallel to the index mirror with the index set at zero</b>	horizon glass to make it parallel to the sextant frame	telescope to make it perpendicular to the sextant frame	
549	In order to remove side error from a sextant, you should adjust the _____.	horizon glass to make it parallel to the horizon mirror with the index set at zero	horizon glass to make it perpendicular to the index mirror with the index set at zero	<b>horizon glass to make it perpendicular to the sextant frame</b>	telescope to make it parallel to the sextant frame	
550	In order to utilize the capacity of a lock to its maximum, pleasure craft are locked through with all of the following EXCEPT _____.	coal barges	<b>oil barges</b>	sand barges	cement barges	
551	In reading a weather map, closely spaced pressure gradient lines would indicate _____.	<b>high winds</b>	high overcast clouds	calm or light winds	fog or steady rain	
552	In Region A of the IALA Buoyage System, when entering from seaward, the port side of a channel would be marked by a _____.	black can buoy	<b>red can buoy</b>	black conical buoy	red conical buoy	
553	IN REGION A of the IALA Buoyage System, when entering from seaward, the starboard side of a channel would be marked by a _____.	red can buoy	red conical buoy	green can buoy	<b>green conical buoy</b>	

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554	In regions near the poles, the winds are generally described as _____.	westerlies	<b>easterlies</b>	northerlies	southerlies	
555	In shallow water, waves that are too steep to be stable, causing the crests to move forward faster than the rest of the wave, are called _____.	rollers	<b>breakers</b>	white caps	surfers	
556	In some parts of the world there is often a slight fall in tide during the middle of the high water period. The effect is to create a longer period of stand at higher water. This special feature is called a(n) _____.	apogean tide	<b>double high water</b>	perigean tide	bore	
557	In some river mouths and estuaries the incoming high tide wave crest overtakes the preceding low-tide trough. This results in a wall of water proceeding upstream, and is called a _____.	seiche	<b>bore</b>	boundary wave	surge	
558	In the Bay of Fundy, during twilight, you take sight of Mars. The sextant altitude (hs) is 03°35.5'. Your height of eye is 32 feet and there is no index error. The air temperature is -10°C and the barometer reads 1010 millibars. What is the observed altitude (Ho)?	03°14.5'	<b>03°15.8'</b>	03°16.2'	03°28.8'	
559	In the celestial equator system of coordinates what is equivalent to the colatitude of the Earth system of coordinates?	Coaltitude	Zenith distance	<b>Polar distance</b>	Declination	
560	In the celestial equator system of coordinates what is equivalent to the longitude of the Earth system of coordinates?	Zenith distance	Azimuth angle	Declination	<b>Greenwich hour angle</b>	
561	In the celestial equator system of coordinates what is NOT equivalent to the longitude of the Earth system of coordinates?	SHA	t	LHA	<b>Zn</b>	
562	In the celestial equator system of coordinates what is the equivalent to the meridians of the Earth system of coordinates?	Horizon	<b>Hour circles</b>	Vertical circles	Parallel of declination	
563	In the celestial equator system of coordinates, what is comparable to latitude on the terrestrial sphere?	Altitude	Right ascension	Celestial meridians	<b>Declination</b>	
564	In the doldrums you can expect _____.	steady, constant winds	<b>frequent rain showers and thunderstorms</b>	steep pressure gradients	low relative humidity	
565	In the doldrums you will NOT have _____.	high relative humidity	frequent showers and thunderstorms	<b>steep pressure gradients</b>	frequent calms	
566	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to latitude on the Earth?	<b>Altitude</b>	Zenith	Declination	Zenith distance	



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567	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to longitude on the Earth?	Altitude	<b>Azimuth angle</b>	Horizon	Zenith distance	
568	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to the declination of the equator system?	Nadir	Azimuth angle	<b>Altitude</b>	Zenith distance	
569	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to the equator on the Earth?	Prime vertical circle	Principal vertical circle	Parallels of altitude	<b>Horizon</b>	
570	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to the Greenwich hour angle of the celestial equator system?	Zenith distance	Coaltitude	Altitude	<b>Azimuth</b>	
571	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to the local hour angle of the celestial equator system?	Altitude	<b>Azimuth</b>	Zenith distance	Colongitude	
572	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to the meridian angle of the celestial equator system?	<b>Azimuth angle</b>	Zenith distance	Colatitude	Altitude	
573	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to the parallels of declination of the celestial equator system?	Vertical circles	<b>Parallels of altitude</b>	Zenith distance	Azimuth angle	
574	In the horizon system of coordinates what is equivalent to the poles on the Earth?	Celestial poles	<b>Zenith, nadir</b>	Ecliptic poles	Nodes	
575	In the horizon system of coordinates what is the equivalent to the celestial equator of the celestial equator system?	<b>Horizon</b>	Prime vertical circle	Prime meridian	Principal vertical circle	
576	In the horizon system of coordinates what is the equivalent to the meridians on the Earth?	Horizon	Hour circle	<b>Vertical circles</b>	Celestial meridians	
577	In the IALA Buoyage System, buoys with alternating red and green horizontal bands are used to indicate _____.	fishing areas	spoil grounds	<b>the preferred channel</b>	isolated dangers	
578	In the IALA Buoyage System, preferred-channel-to-port or preferred-channel-to-starboard buoys, when fitted with lights, will show a _____.	quick flashing light	long flashing light	<b>composite group flashing (2 + 1) light</b>	group flashing	
579	In the IALA Maritime Buoyage System, a red and white vertically-striped buoy is used as a(n) _____.	<b>safe water mark</b>	cardinal mark	isolated danger mark	special mark not primarily used for navigation	
580	In the Nautical Almanac provided, when would Jupiter and Saturn be visible in temperate latitudes for both evening and morning stars?	10 January	<b>27 March</b>	22 June	8 October	
581	In the navigational triangle, the angle at the elevated pole is the _____.	<b>meridian angle</b>	altitude	right ascension	azimuth angle	
582	In the North Sea area, you sight a buoy showing a quick white light showing 6 flashes followed by one long flash at 15 second intervals. Which of the four topmarks illustrated in diagram D031NG would be fitted to this buoy?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D031NG</b>



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583	In the North Sea area, you sight a buoy showing a quick white light with 6 flashes, followed by one long flash at 15 second intervals. Which of the four topmarks shown would be fitted to this buoy?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	D030NG
584	In the North Sea area, you sight a buoy showing a quick white light with 9 flashes every 15 seconds. Which of the four topmarks shown would be fitted to the buoy?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	D030NG
585	In the North Sea area, you sight a buoy showing a quick white light with 9 flashes every 15 seconds. Which of the four topmarks shown would be fitted to the buoy?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	D031NG
586	In the North Sea area, you sight a buoy showing an uninterrupted quick-flashing white light. Which of the four topmarks shown will this buoy be fitted with under the IALA Buoyage system?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	D031NG
587	In the North Sea area, you sight a buoy with a quick light showing 3 flashes every 10 seconds. Which topmark in illustration D030NG would be fitted to this buoy under the IALA Buoyage Systems?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	D030NG
588	In the Northern Hemisphere a wind is said to veer when the wind _____.	<b>changes direction clockwise, as from north to east, etc.</b>	changes direction violently and erratically	remains constant in direction and speed	changes direction counterclockwise, as from south to east, etc.	
589	In the Northern Hemisphere the major ocean currents tend to flow _____.	<b>clockwise around the North Atlantic and North Pacific Oceans</b>	clockwise or counterclockwise depending on whether it is warm or cold current	counterclockwise except in the Gulf Stream	counterclockwise around the North Atlantic and North Pacific Oceans	
590	In the Northern hemisphere which semicircle of a hurricane is the navigable semicircle?	<b>Left</b>	Right	Front	Back	
591	In the Northern Hemisphere you are caught in the dangerous semicircle of a storm with plenty of sea room available. The best course of action is to bring the wind on the _____.	port quarter and make as much headway as possible	starboard quarter and make as much headway as possible	<b>starboard bow and make as much headway as possible</b>	port bow and make as much headway as possible	
592	In the Northern Hemisphere, if your vessel is in a hurricane's navigable semicircle it should be positioned with the wind on the _____.	<b>starboard quarter, hold course and make as much speed as possible</b>	port bow, hold course and make as much speed as possible until the hurricane has passed	port quarter, maintain course and make as much speed as possible	starboard bow and heave to until the hurricane has passed	
593	In the Northern Hemisphere, a wind that shifts counterclockwise is a _____.	veering wind	<b>backing wind</b>	reverse wind	chinook wind	

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594	In the Northern Hemisphere, an area of counterclockwise wind circulation surrounded by higher pressure is a _____.	<b>low</b>	high	warm front	cold front	
595	In the Northern Hemisphere, an observer at point II in the weather system should experience a wind shift from the _____.	<b>southwest, clockwise to northwest</b>	northeast, clockwise to west-southwest	northeast, counterclockwise to northwest	east, counterclockwise to south-southwest	<b>D014NG</b>
596	In the Northern Hemisphere, gusty winds shifting clockwise, a rapid drop in temperature, thunderstorms or rain squalls in summer (frequent rain/snow squalls in winter) then a rise in pressure followed by clearing skies, indicate the passage of a(n) _____.	warm front	tropical cyclone	anticyclone	<b>cold front</b>	
597	In the Northern Hemisphere, the largest waves or swells created by a typhoon or hurricane will be located _____.	in the southeast quadrant of the storm	directly behind the storm center	<b>forward and to the right of its course</b>	behind and to the left of its course	
598	In the Northern Hemisphere, the right half of the storm is known as the dangerous semicircle because _____.	The wind speed is greater here since the wind is traveling in the same general direction as the storm's track	the direction of the wind and seas might carry a vessel into the path of the storm	the seas are higher because of greater wind speed	<b>All of the above</b>	
599	In the Northern Hemisphere, what type of cloud formations would you expect to see to the west of an approaching tropical wave?	<b>Cumulus clouds lined up in rows extending in a northeast to southwest direction</b>	High altostratus clouds in the morning hours	Cirrostratus clouds lined up in rows extending in a northeast to southwest direction	Cirrostratus clouds lined up in rows extending in a north to south direction	
600	In the Northern Hemisphere, when the center of a high pressure system is due east of your position, you can expect winds from the _____.	south to west	<b>south to east</b>	north to west	north to east	
601	In the Northern Hemisphere, winds veering sharply to the west or northwest with increasing speed are indications that a _____.	<b>cold front has passed</b>	low pressure center is approaching	stationary front exists	high pressure center has passed	
602	In the Northern Hemisphere, your vessel is believed to be in the direct path of a hurricane, and plenty of sea room is available. The best course of action is to bring the wind on the _____.	starboard bow, note the course, and head in that direction	<b>starboard quarter, note the course, and head in that direction</b>	port quarter, note the course, and head in that direction	port bow, note the course, and head in that direction	
603	In the relatively calm area near the hurricane center, the seas are _____.	moderate but easily navigated	calm	<b>mountainous and confused</b>	mountainous but fairly regular as far as direction is concerned	
604	In the Sargasso Sea there are large quantities of seaweed and no well defined currents. This area is located in the _____.	<b>Central North Atlantic Ocean</b>	Caribbean Sea	Western North Pacific Ocean	area off the west coast of South America	

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605	In the Southern Hemisphere the wind circulation in a high pressure system rotates _____.	clockwise and inward	clockwise and outward	<b>counterclockwise and outward</b>	counterclockwise and inward	
606	In the Southern Hemisphere winds in a low pressure system rotate in a _____.	<b>clockwise direction</b>	northeasterly direction	northerly direction	counterclockwise direction	
607	In the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers, a preferred channel buoy to be left to port while proceeding downstream will _____.	have the upper band red	show a red light if lighted	have a characteristic of composite group flashing if lighted	<b>All of the above</b>	
608	In the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers, the light characteristic of group flashing (2) is used for lights on _____.	the right descending bank	<b>the left descending bank</b>	preferred channel buoys	daymarks with no lateral significant	
609	In the U.S. Aids to Navigation System, lateral aids as seen entering from seaward will display lights with which characteristic?	Flashing	Occulting	Quick Flashing	<b>All of the above</b>	
610	In the U.S. Aids to Navigation System, red and green horizontally-banded buoys mark _____.	channels for shallow draft vessels	general anchorage areas	fishing grounds	<b>junctions or bifurcations</b>	
611	In the United States, short-range radio navigational warnings are broadcast by the _____.	<b>Coast Guard</b>	Corps of Engineers	NOAA	harbor master of the nearest port	
612	In United States waters, a buoy having red and white vertical stripes has a light characteristic of _____.	group occulting	<b>Morse (A)</b>	interrupted quick flashing	quick flashing	
613	In very high latitudes, the most practical chart projection is the _____.	Mercator	gnomonic	azimuthal	<b>Lambert conformal</b>	
614	In waters where the cardinal system is used you would expect to find danger _____.	lying to the south of an eastern quadrant buoy	<b>lying to the south of a northern quadrant buoy</b>	lying to the east of an eastern quadrant buoy	beneath or directly adjacent to the buoy	
615	In what order should the following sextant adjustments be made? I. Make telescope parallel to frame of sextant. II. Set horizon glass perpendicular to frame of sextant. III. Make index mirror and horizon glass parallel when index arm is set at zero. IV. Set index mirror perpendicular to frame of sextant.	I, II, III, IV	I, IV, II, III	III, II, IV, I	<b>IV, II, III, I</b>	
616	In which country would you expect the channels to be marked with the IALA-B Buoyage System?	<b>Brazil</b>	Tanzania	New Zealand	Norway	
617	In which country would you expect the channels to be marked with the IALA-B Buoyage System?	Poland	Morocco	<b>Peru</b>	Saudi Arabia	
618	In which month will the equatorial counter current be strongest?	January	April	<b>August</b>	October	
619	In which publication could you find information concerning the minimum lighting required for bridges on U.S. waters?	Chart No. 1.	<b>Code of Federal Regulations</b>	Mississippi River Systems Light List	Notice to Mariners	

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620	In which source could you find the number of a chart for a certain geographic area?	Chart No. 1	<b>Catalog of Charts</b>	American Practical Navigator	U.S. Coast Guard Light List	
621	In which source could you find the vertical clearance of a bridge on the Ohio River?	Notice to Mariners	<b>Light List of the Mississippi River System</b>	Great Lakes Pilot	Coast Pilot of the Gulf of Mexico	
622	In which voyage, between two points, is the rhumb line distance NOT approximately the same as the great circle distance?	The two points are in low latitudes in the same hemisphere.	<b>The two points are in high latitudes in the same hemisphere.</b>	The two points are near the equator, but in different hemispheres.	One point is near the equator, one point is in a high latitude, and both are near the 180th meridian.	
623	In working out a local apparent noon sight for your latitude, you subtract the Ho from 90°. The 90° represents the angular distance from _____.	the equator to the elevated pole	<b>your horizon to your zenith</b>	your zenith to the elevated pole	the geographical position of the Sun to the elevated pole	
624	Index error of a sextant is primarily caused by _____.	improperly correcting the other errors in a sextant	the horizon glass not being parallel to the horizon mirror	<b>the horizon glass not being parallel to the index mirror</b>	human error in taking a celestial observation	
625	Indications of the master gyrocompass are sent to remote repeaters by the _____.	follow-up system	<b>transmitter</b>	phantom element	azimuth motor	
626	Induced magnetism is found in _____.	hard iron	<b>soft iron</b>	vertical iron only	horizontal iron only	
627	Inferior conjunction is possible for _____.	Mars	<b>Venus</b>	Saturn	Jupiter	
628	Information about currents around Pacific Coast ports of the U.S. is found in the _____.	Nautical Almanac	Tide Tables	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	Ocean Current Tables	
629	Information about currents on the Pacific Coast of the U. S. are found in the _____.	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	Nautical Almanac	Tide Tables	Ocean Current Tables	
630	Information about currents on the Pacific Coast of the U. S. is found in the _____.	Nautical Almanac	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	Ocean Current Tables	Tide Tables	
631	Information about direction and velocity of rotary tidal currents is found in the _____.	Tide Tables	Nautical Almanac	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	Mariner's Guide	
632	Information about major breakdowns, repairs, or other emergency operations with regard to weirs and (or) wicket dams, on the western rivers, may be obtained by consulting the _____.	U.S. Coast Pilot	<b>Broadcast Notice to Mariners</b>	Sailing Directions	Light List Vol. V	
633	Information about temporary, short term changes affecting the safety of navigation in U.S. waters is distributed to navigational interests by the _____.	Daily Memorandum	HYDROLANT or HYDROPAC broadcasts	<b>Local Notice to Mariners</b>	Summary of Corrections	
634	Information about the currents for the Pacific Coast of the U. S. are found in the _____.	Ocean Current Tables	Nautical Almanac	Tide Tables	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	
635	Information about the direction and velocity of rotary tidal currents is found in the _____.	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	Mariner's Guide	Tide Tables	Nautical Almanac	
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638	Information about the pilotage available at Miami harbor may best be obtained from which publication?	World Port Index	Sailing Directions	Pilot Chart	<b>United States Coast Pilot</b>	
639	Information for updating nautical charts is primarily found in the _____.	<b>Notice to Mariners</b>	Coast Pilots	nautical chart catalogs	Sailing Directions	
640	Information markers, when lighted, will display _____.	yellow lights	green lights	<b>white lights</b>	red lights	
641	Information on northern right whales can be found in _____.	<b>the Coast Pilot</b>	HO 229	the Nautical Almanac	Ship's Medicine Chest and Medical Aid at Sea	
642	Information on search and rescue procedures and special, local communications used in Mexican waters will be found in the _____.	World Port Index	International Code of Signals (Pub 102)	<b>Sailing Directions (Planning Guides)</b>	International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue Manual	
643	Isobars on a weather map are useful in predicting _____.	temperature	dew point	<b>wind velocity</b>	relative humidity	
644	Isogonic lines are lines on a chart indicating _____.	<b>points of equal variation</b>	points of zero variation	the magnetic latitude	magnetic dip	
645	It is 1200 local time for an observer at 54°E longitude. Which statement is TRUE?	It is afternoon at Greenwich.	It is midnight at 126°E longitude.	<b>The observer is in time zone -4.</b>	All of the above are true.	
646	It is desirable that a vessel encountering hurricane or typhoon conditions sends weather reports to the closest meteorological service at least every _____.	hour	<b>3 hours</b>	6 hours	8 hours	
647	It is unlawful to approach within how many yards of a northern right whale?	200	300	400	<b>500</b>	
648	Light Lists for coastal waters are _____.	published every year and require no corrections	published every second year and must be corrected	published every five years and require no correction	<b>accurate thru NM number on title page and must be corrected</b>	
649	Lighted information markers show _____.	<b>white lights</b>	green lights	yellow lights	red lights	
650	Lighted white and orange buoys must show which color light?	Orange	<b>White</b>	Red	Alternating yellow and white	
651	Lines drawn through points on the Earth having the same atmospheric pressure are known as _____.	isothermal	millibars	<b>isobars</b>	seismics	
652	Lines of position may be _____.	hyperbolas	straight lines	arcs	<b>All of the above</b>	
653	Lines on a chart which connect points of equal magnetic variation are called _____.	magnetic latitudes	magnetic declinations	dip	<b>isogonic lines</b>	
654	Little or no change in the barometric reading over a twelve hour period indicates _____.	stormy weather is imminent	<b>that present weather conditions will continue</b>	a defect in the barometer	increasing wind strength	
655	Local sidereal time is equal to the _____.	GHA of Aries minus 180°	SHA of Aries	<b>LHA of Aries</b>	right ascension of Aries plus 180°	

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656	Low pressure disturbances, which travel along the intertropical convergence zone, are called _____.	permanent waves	tidal waves	<b>tropical waves</b>	tropical storms	
657	Luminous range is the _____.	maximum distance at which a light may be seen in clear weather	<b>maximum distance at which a light may be seen under existing visibility conditions</b>	maximum distance at which a light may be seen considering the height of the light and the height of the observer	average distance of visibility of the light	
658	Magnetic compass deviation _____.	varies depending upon the bearing used	<b>is the angular difference between magnetic north and compass north</b>	is published on the compass rose on most nautical charts	is the angular difference between geographic and magnetic meridians	
659	Magnetic dip is a measurement of the angle between the _____.	geographic pole and the magnetic pole	lubber's line and true north	<b>horizontal and the magnetic line of force</b>	compass heading and the magnetic heading	
660	Magnetic information on a chart may be _____.	found in the center(s) of the compass rose(s)	indicated by isogonic lines	found in a note on the chart	<b>All of the above</b>	
661	Magnetic variation changes with a change in _____.	the vessel's heading	sea conditions	seasons	<b>the vessel's position</b>	
662	Magnetism which is present only when the material is under the influence of an external field is called _____.	permanent magnetism	<b>induced magnetism</b>	residual magnetism	terrestrial magnetism	
663	Magnets are placed in horizontal trays in the compass binnacle to compensate for the _____.	induced magnetism in the vessel's horizontal soft iron	change in the magnetic field when the vessel inclines from vertical	<b>permanent magnetism of the vessel</b>	magnetic fields caused by electrical currents in the vicinity	
664	Magnets in the binnacles of magnetic compasses are used to reduce the effect of _____.	<b>deviation</b>	variation	local attraction	All of the above	
665	Mariners are FIRST warned of serious defects or important changes to aids to navigation by means of _____.	<b>marine broadcast Notice to Mariners</b>	Weekly Notices to Mariners	corrected editions of charts	Light Lists	
666	Mars is only seen at two phases, one of which _____.	<b>is the full phase</b>	is conjunction	occurs only at sunset or sunrise	occurs at or near 0° elongation	
667	Mars will not be visible _____.	at elongation angles near 180°	from quadrature to opposition	<b>at conjunction</b>	at opposition	
668	Mean high water is the average height of _____.	the higher high waters	the lower high waters	the lower of the two daily tides	<b>all high waters</b>	
669	Mean high water is the reference datum used to measure _____.	soundings on the east coast of the United States	soundings in European waters	<b>heights of topographical features in the United States</b>	both heights and soundings worldwide	

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670	Mean high water is the reference plane used for _____.	all vertical measurements	<b>heights above water of land features such as lights</b>	soundings on the East and West Coasts	water depths on the East Coast only	
671	Mean high water is used _____.	as the reference for soundings on the Gulf coast of the U.S.	<b>to indicate the shoreline where there is a large tidal fluctuation</b>	as the reference plane for bottom contour lines	as the sounding datum for rivers, lakes, etc. regulated by locks	
672	Mean low water is the average height of _____.	the surface of the sea	high waters and low waters	<b>all low waters</b>	the lower of the two daily low tides	
673	Mean lower low water is the reference plane used for _____.	all vertical measurements	heights above water for lights, mountains, etc.	<b>soundings on the U.S. east and west coasts</b>	water depths on the U.S. east coast only	
674	Mechanical lifting of air by the upslope slant of the terrain is called _____.	vertical lifting	convective lifting	advective lifting	<b>topographic lifting</b>	
675	Miaplacidus is found in what constellation?	Puppis	Hydrus	Centaurus	<b>Carina</b>	
676	Monsoons are characterized by _____.	light, variable winds with little or no humidity	strong, gusty winds that blow from the same general direction all year	<b>steady winds that reverse direction semiannually</b>	strong, cyclonic winds that change direction to conform to the passage of an extreme low pressure system	
677	Most GPS receivers use the Doppler shift of the carrier phase to compute _____.	Latitude	Longitude	<b>Speed</b>	Time	
678	Most high pressure areas in the United States are accompanied by _____.	precipitation	<b>clear, cool weather</b>	humid, sticky weather	cool fogs	
679	Navigation charts of the Upper Mississippi River are published by _____.	National Ocean Service	Lake Survey	<b>Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army</b>	U.S. Coast Guard	
680	Navigational marks used for informational or regulatory purposes are _____.	solid yellow	<b>white with orange geometric shapes</b>	red and white vertically-striped	green and red horizontally-banded	
681	Neap tides occur _____.	at the start of spring, when the Sun is nearly over the equator	only when the Sun and Moon are on the same sides of the Earth and are nearly in line	<b>when the Sun and Moon are at approximately 90° to each other, as seen from the Earth</b>	when the Sun, Moon, and Earth are nearly in line, regardless of alignment order	
682	Neap tides occur only _____.	at a new or full Moon	when the Sun, Moon, and Earth are in line	at approximately 28-day intervals	<b>when the Moon is at quadrature</b>	
683	Neap tides occur when the _____.	<b>Moon is in its first quarter and third quarter phases</b>	Sun and Moon are on opposite sides of the Earth	Moon's declination is maximum and opposite to that of the Sun	Sun and Moon are in conjunction	
684	NGA (NIMA) charts are adopting the metric system. In order to change a charted depth in meters to feet you may use the conversion table found _____.	in the Light List	in Bowditch	on the chart	<b>All of the above</b>	



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685	NOAA VHF weather reports are continuously broadcast on VHF channels WX-1, WX-2 and WX-3 on a frequency of _____.	156.8, 157.1, 162.55 MHz	162.55, 162.00, 171.5 KHz	<b>162.55, 162.40, 162.475 MHz</b>	2182, 2638, 2670 KHz	
686	Normal pool elevation is the height in feet of the section of river above a dam. This height is measured from _____.	low steel on the Huey P. Long Bridge	<b>mean sea level</b>	the local water table	the minimum dam control level	
687	Northern right whales can be identified by _____.	whitish patches of skin on top of the head	"V" shaped blow easily visible from ahead or behind	no dorsal fin on the back	<b>All of the above</b>	
688	Ocean currents are well defined and _____.	create large waves in the direction of the current	change direction 360° during a 24 hour period	<b>remain fairly constant in direction and velocity throughout the year</b>	are characterized by a light green color	
689	Ocean swells originating from a typhoon can move ahead of it at speeds near _____.	10 knots	20 knots	30 knots	<b>50 knots</b>	
690	Of the four light characteristics shown which one does NOT represent a safe water mark of the IALA Buoyage System?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	<b>D019NG</b>
691	Off Barnegat, NJ, with the wind coming out of the east, the wind-driven current will be flowing approximately _____.	286°	<b>254°</b>	106°	016°	
692	Off Barnegat, NJ, with the wind coming out of the east, the wind-driven current will be flowing approximately _____.	016°	106°	<b>254°</b>	286°	
693	Off Fire Island, NY with winds from the southwest, the average wind-driven current flows in a direction of _____.	014°	<b>076°</b>	170°	256°	
694	Off Fire Island, NY, with winds from the southwest, the average wind-driven current flows in a direction of _____.	256°	170°	<b>076°</b>	014°	
695	On 10 August 1983 you will dock near Days Point, Weehawken, on the Hudson River, at 1800 DST (ZD +4). The charted depth alongside the pier is 24 feet (7.3 meters). What will be the depth of water when you dock?	23.5 feet (7.1 m)	<b>23.9 feet (7.2 m)</b>	24.9 feet (7.5 m)	26.3 feet (8.0 m)	
696	On 16 January, you take a sight of a star. The sextant altitude (hs) is 4°33.0'. The temperature is -10°C, and the barometer reads 992 millibars. The height of eye is 42 feet. The index error is 1.9' off the arc. What is the observed altitude (Ho)?	4°10.2'	4°14.3'	<b>4°17.0'</b>	4°24.1'	
697	On 2 November 1983, at 1630 EST (ZD +5), what will be the predicted height of tide at Fulton, FL?	<b>2.8 feet (0.8 meters)</b>	3.4 feet (1.0 meters)	4.2 feet (1.3 meters)	5.6 feet (1.7 meters)	

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698	On 23 March 1983, at Kingston Point, NY, what is the earliest time after 1700 EST (ZD +5) that the predicted tide will be +2.0 feet?	1730	1800	<b>1854</b>	2030	
699	On 25 December you observe the Sun's lower limb. The sextant altitude (hs) is 4°06.9'. The height of eye is 47 feet and the index error is 1.6' on the arc. The temperature is 19°F and the barometer reads 1030.8 millibars. What is the observed altitude (Ho)?	3°57.4'	<b>4°01.9'</b>	4°02.5'	4°03.4'	
700	On 26 February 1983, at 1750 EST (ZD +5) what will be the predicted height of tide at New Haven (city dock), CT?	-3 foot (-0.1 meter)	<b>-6 foot (-0.2 meter)</b>	1.3 feet (0.4 meter)	1.6 feet (0.5 meter)	
701	On 27 April 1983, at 1105 DST (ZD +4), what will be the predicted height of tide at Falkner Island, CT?	<b>5.3 feet (1.6 m)</b>	5.6 feet (1.7 m)	6.2 feet (1.9 m)	6.8 feet (2.7 m)	
702	On 5 July, at 1200 zone time, you cross the 180th meridian steaming westward. What is your local time?	It is 1200, 4 July.	It is 1200, 5 July.	<b>It is 1200, 6 July.</b>	It is 2400, 6 July.	
703	On 5 March 1983, at 0630 EST (ZD +5), what will be the predicted height of tide at Ocracoke, Ocracoke Inlet, NC?	<b>0.1 foot</b>	1.2 feet	1.9 feet	2.3 feet	
704	On 6 July 1983, at 1520 DST (ZD +4) what will be the predicted height of tide at Newburgh, NY?	2.1 feet	1.7 feet	1.2 feet	<b>0.6 foot</b>	
705	On 6 July 1983, at 1830 DST (ZD +4), what will be the predicted height of tide at Newburgh, NY?	3.3 feet	2.6 feet	2.4 feet	<b>2.0 feet</b>	
706	On 6 July, at 1000 zone time, you cross the 180th meridian steaming westward. What is your local time?	It is 1000, 5 July.	It is 1000, 6 July.	It is 2200, 7 July.	<b>It is 1000, 7 July.</b>	
707	On 6 June 1983, at 1719 EST (ZD +5), what will be the predicted height of tide at Chester, PA?	0.8 feet( 0.2 meters)	<b>1.1 feet (0.3 meters)</b>	3.5 feet (1.1 meters)	4.7 feet (1.4 meters)	
708	On a chart, the characteristic of the light on a lighthouse is shown as flashing white with a red sector. The red sector _____.	indicates the limits of the navigable channel	<b>indicates a danger area</b>	is used to identify the characteristics of the light	serves no significant purpose	
709	On a clear, warm day, you notice the approach of a tall cumulus cloud. The cloud top has hard well defined edges and rain is falling from the dark lower edge. Should this cloud pass directly overhead _____.	<b>it will be preceded by a sudden increase in wind speed</b>	it will be preceded by a sudden decrease in wind speed	the wind speed will not change as it passes	the wind will back rapidly to left in a counterclockwise direction as it passes	
710	On a gnomonic chart, a great circle track between Los Angeles and Brisbane will appear as a _____.	loxodromic curve	curved line concave to the equator	<b>straight line</b>	spiral approaching the poles as a limit	
711	On a Mercator chart, 1 nautical mile is equal to _____.	1 minute of longitude	1 degree of longitude	<b>1 minute of latitude</b>	1 degree of latitude	
712	On a nautical chart, the inner ring of a compass rose indicates _____.	true directions	compass error	deviation	<b>magnetic directions</b>	

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713	On a voyage along the coast of France, you sight a buoy with the top marks as shown. You are required to steer _____.	west of the buoy	east of the buoy	<b>south of the buoy</b>	north of the buoy	<b>D026NG</b>
714	On a voyage from Cape Town to London, the favorable ocean current off the coast of Africa is the _____.	Canary Current	<b>Benguela Current</b>	Agulhas Current	South Atlantic Current	
715	On a voyage from Halifax, N.S., to Dakar, West Africa, the Canary Current will _____.	set the vessel to the left	<b>set the vessel to the right</b>	offer resistance in the form of a head current	furnish additional thrust in the form of a fair or following current	
716	On a weather map, a large letter "H" means _____.	<b>a high pressure area with cool, dry air, and fair weather</b>	a high pressure area with warm, moist air, and inclement weather	horse latitudes, with rough seas and strong winds	a heavy squall line near the "H"	
717	On a working copy of a weather map, a cold front is represented by what color line?	Red	<b>Blue</b>	Alternating red and blue	Purple	
718	On a working copy of a weather map, a stationary front is represented by which color line?	Red	Blue	<b>Alternating red and blue</b>	Purple	
719	On a working copy of a weather map, a warm front is represented by what color line?	<b>Red</b>	Blue	Alternating red and blue	Purple	
720	On an Army Corps of Engineers navigation map, each mile A.H.P. on the Lower Mississippi River is marked by a _____.	dashed red line	number showing mileage	navigation light	<b>black dot</b>	
721	On an Atlantic Ocean voyage from New York to Durban, South Africa, you should expect the Agulhas Current to present a strong _____.	offshore set	onshore set	<b>head current</b>	fair or following current	
722	On an isomagnetic chart, the line of zero variation is the _____.	zero variation line	isogonic line	variation line	<b>agonic line</b>	
723	On approaching the English Channel on course 080°T, you note the symbol YBY near a charted buoy. You must pass _____.	northward of the buoy	southward of the buoy	eastward of the buoy	<b>westward of the buoy</b>	
724	On charts of U.S. waters, a magenta marking is NOT used for marking a _____.	radio beacon	lighted buoy	prohibited area	<b>5-fathom curve</b>	
725	On entering from seaward, a starboard side daymark will _____.	show a fixed red light if lighted	show a Morse (A) white light	be square in shape	<b>have an even number if numbered</b>	
726	On March 17, at 0500 zone time, you cross the 180th meridian steaming eastward to west longitude. What is your local time?	You are in -12 time zone.	It is 1700, March 18.	<b>It is 0500, March 16.</b>	It is 0500, March 18.	
727	On mid-ocean waters, the height of a wind-generated wave is not affected by the _____.	<b>water depth exceeding 100 feet</b>	fetch	wind's velocity	duration of the wind	

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728	On navigational aids, what does the light characteristic "Fl(2+1)" mean?	A flashing light combined with a fixed light of greater brightness	<b>Light flashes combined in groups, with a different number of flashes in each group</b>	A light showing groups of two or more flashes at regular intervals	A fixed light varied at regular intervals by groups of two or more flashes of greater brightness	
729	On November 1st the zone time is 1700 EST (ZD +5) in LONG 75°W. What is the corresponding zone time and date in LONG 135°E?	<b>0700, November 2nd</b>	0700, November 1st	2200, November 1st	2200, October 31st	
730	On the approach of a warm front, barometric pressure usually _____.	<b>falls</b>	is steady	is uncertain	rises	
731	On the Corps of Engineer's Navigation Maps, the channel is _____.	midway between the banks	indicated by depths (in feet)	<b>indicated by a broken line</b>	not indicated	
732	On the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers, there is a special type of fog known as steam fog. It is caused by _____.	warm air passing over much colder water	<b>cold air passing over much warmer water</b>	a rapid cooling of the ground on a clear night	rain coming out of a warm air mass aloft	
733	On the Mississippi River, gage zero is the gage reading measured from the _____.	<b>National Geodetic Vertical Datum</b>	low water reference plane	the lowest recorded river depth	the highest recorded river depth	
734	On the pole side of the high pressure belt in each hemisphere, the pressure diminishes. The winds along these gradients are diverted by the Earth's rotation toward the east and are known as the _____.	geostrophic winds	doldrums	horse latitudes	<b>prevailing westerlies</b>	
735	On the pole side of the trade wind belt, there is an area of high pressure with weak pressure gradients and light, variable winds. This area is called the _____.	prevailing westerlies	geostrophic winds	doldrums	<b>horse latitudes</b>	
736	On the Western Rivers, a vessel crossing a river must _____.	only keep out of the way of a power-driven vessel descending the river	keep out of the way of any vessel descending the river	<b>keep out of the way of a power-driven vessel ascending or descending the river</b>	keep out of the way of any vessel ascending or descending the river	
737	On U.S. charts, you can tell if a named feature such as a rock (i.e. Great Eastern Rock in Block Island Sound) is submerged by the _____.	color of ink used to print the name	<b>style of type used to print the name</b>	dashed circle around the feature	magenta circle around the feature	
738	On what does the operation of an aneroid barometer depend?	<b>Thin, metal, air tight cell</b>	Curved tube containing alcohol	Column of mercury supported by atmospheric pressure	Expansion of mercury in a closed tube	
739	One point of a compass is equal to how many degrees?	7.5	<b>11.25</b>	17.5	22.5	

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740	Opposition occurs when _____.	the Sun, Earth, and Moon are at right angles	the Sun's declination is 0° and is moving south	an inferior planet is at the maximum angle to the line of sight to the Sun	<b>the Earth is between a planet and the Sun</b>	
741	Other than the Sun and Moon, the brightest object in the sky is _____.	Sirius	Canopus	<b>Venus</b>	Jupiter	
742	Perihelion is the point where the Sun _____.	<b>is nearest to the Earth</b>	is farthest from the Earth	is on the opposite side of the Earth from the Moon	and Moon and Earth are in line	
743	Permanent magnetism is caused by _____.	operation of electrical equipment and generators on board ship	<b>the earth's magnetic field affecting the ship's hard iron during construction</b>	the horizontal component of the earth's magnetic field acting on the horizontal soft iron	the vertical component of the earth's magnetic field acting on the vertical soft iron	
744	Permission to enter the riverward chamber of twin locks is given by the lockmaster and consists of which sound signal?	One short blast	Two short blasts	One long blast	<b>Two long blasts</b>	
745	Permission to leave the riverward chamber of twin locks is given by the lockmaster and consists of which sound signal?	One short blast	<b>Two short blasts</b>	One long blast	Two long blasts	
746	Plain language is usually used on marine weather _____.	<b>forecasts</b>	observations	analyses	synoptic chart	
747	Planetary aberration is due, in part, to _____.	refraction of light as it enters the Earth's atmosphere	rotation of the Earth on its axis	<b>the body's orbital motion during the time required for its light to reach Earth</b>	a false horizon	
748	Port side daymarks may be _____.	<b>numbered</b>	octagonal	black and white	of any shape	
749	Preferred channel buoys indicate the preferred channel to transit by _____.	odd or even numbers	<b>the color of their top band</b>	the location of the buoy in the channel junction	the buoy's light rhythms	
750	Pressure gradient is a measure of _____.	a high-pressure area	<b>pressure difference over horizontal distance</b>	pressure difference over time	vertical pressure variation	
751	Prevailing winds between 30°N and 60°N latitude are from the _____.	north	south	east	<b>west</b>	
752	Priming of the tides occurs _____.	at times of new and full Moon	when the Earth, Moon, and Sun are lying approximately on the same line	when the Moon is between first quarter and full and between third quarter and new	<b>when the Moon is between new and first quarter and between full and third quarter</b>	
753	Prior to reading an aneroid barometer, you should tap the face lightly with your finger to _____.	expose any loose connections	demagnetize the metal elements	<b>bring the pointer to its true position</b>	contract and expand the glass face	

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754	Privately maintained aids to navigation included in the Light List _____.	are painted white and must use a white light if lighted	must be conspicuously marked by a signboard with the words "PRIVATE AID"	<b>must conform to the standards of the U.S. Aids to Navigation System</b>	are not permitted in or along first-class waterways and may be authorized for second- and third-class waterways	
755	Quadrantal error in a gyrocompass has its GREATEST effect _____.	in high latitudes	near the equator	on north or south headings	<b>on intercardinal headings</b>	
756	Radar makes the most accurate determination of the _____.	direction of a target	<b>distance to a target</b>	size of a target	shape of a target	
757	Radiation fog _____.	always forms over water	<b>is formed by a temperature inversion</b>	is thinnest at the surface	dissipates during the evening	
758	Raster-scan chart data is _____.	the only format recognized by IMO/IHO	organized into many separate files	composed of files that are smaller than vector files	<b>a digitized "picture" of a chart in one format and one layer</b>	
759	Recurvature of a hurricane's track usually results in the forward speed _____.	<b>increasing</b>	decreasing	remaining the same	varying during the day	
760	Red lights may appear on _____.	<b>horizontally banded buoys</b>	vertically striped buoys	yellow buoys	spherical buoys	
761	Red sectors of navigation lights warn mariners of _____.	floating debris	heavily trafficked areas	recently sunken vessels	<b>shoals or nearby land</b>	
762	Referring to the illustration, which wind speed is reported in position C?	3 knots	10 knots	20 knots	<b>30 knots</b>	<b>D049NG</b>
763	Relative humidity is defined as _____.	the maximum vapor content the air is capable of holding	the minimum vapor content the air is capable of holding	<b>the ratio of the actual vapor content at the current temperature to the air's vapor holding capability</b>	the relation of the moisture content of the air to barometric pressure	
764	Relative humidity is the percentage of water vapor that is in the air as compared to the maximum amount it can hold at _____.	a specific barometric pressure	<b>a specific temperature</b>	a specific wind speed	any time	
765	Restricted areas at locks and dams are indicated by _____.	flashing red lights upstream and fixed red lights downstream	yellow unlighted buoys	<b>signs and/or flashing red lights</b>	red daymarks upstream and green daymarks downstream	
766	Retrograde motion is the _____.	movement of the points of intersection of the planes of the ecliptic and the equator	<b>apparent westerly motion of a planet with respect to stars</b>	movement of a superior planet in its orbit about the Sun	movement of the celestial north pole in an elliptical pattern in space	

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767	Right ascension is primarily used by the navigator for _____.	calculating amplitudes	calculating great circle sailings by the Ageton method	entering the Air Navigation Tables (Selected Stars) Pub 249	<b>plotting on star finders</b>	
768	Safe water buoys may show ONLY _____.	flashing red lights	flashing green lights	<b>white lights</b>	yellow lights	
769	Scales on aneroid barometers are usually graduated in inches of mercury in the general range of _____.	26 to 29 inches	<b>28 to 31 inches</b>	30 to 33 inches	32 to 35 inches	
770	Set of the current is _____.	its velocity in knots	direction from which it flows	estimated current	<b>direction towards which it flows</b>	
771	Severe tropical cyclones (hurricanes, typhoons) occur in all warm-water oceans except the _____.	Indian Ocean	North Pacific Ocean	South Pacific Ocean	<b>South Atlantic Ocean</b>	
772	Sextant A reads _____.	<b>29°42.7'</b>	29°45.7'	29°51.8'	30°47.2'	<b>D043NG</b>
773	Sextant B in illustration D043NG reads _____.	30°51.0'	<b>30°42.5'</b>	30°47.5'	31°00.0'	<b>D043NG</b>
774	Sextant C in illustration D043NG reads _____.	30°45.9'	29°56.0'	29°52.0'	<b>29°47.5'</b>	<b>D043NG</b>
775	Sextant D reads _____.	30°47.5'	29°47.5'	<b>29°42.5'</b>	29°41.6'	<b>D043NG</b>
776	Shown are the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "I" represents _____.	rain showers	<b>thunderstorms</b>	snow storms	sand storms	<b>D042NG</b>
777	Sidereal hour angle is always _____.	measured westward from the hour circle containing the first point of Aries	measured from the point on the celestial sphere occupied by the Sun at the vernal equinox	subtracted from the LHA of the star to obtain the LHA of Aries	<b>All of the above</b>	
778	Sidereal time is NOT used _____.	as the basis for star charts	to enter a star finder	in sight reduction using Pub 249	<b>in sight reductions of planet observations</b>	
779	Sidereal time is used by navigators when _____.	used with the equation of time	<b>used in the form of LHA Aries</b>	calculating the time of moonrise	determining local apparent time	
780	Small, visible mound-like protuberances on the bottom of cumulonimbus clouds, that are potential breeding grounds for waterspouts and tornadoes, are called _____.	thunderheads	<b>mamma</b>	rime	ice prisms	
781	Solid green arrows on the main body of a pilot chart indicate _____.	prevailing wind directions	<b>prevailing ocean current directions</b>	probable surface current flow	shortest great circle routes	
782	Some lights used as aids to marine navigation have a red sector to indicate a danger area. How are the limits of a colored sector of light listed in the Light List?	Geographical positions outlining the area of the sector	True bearings as observed from the light toward a vessel	<b>True bearings as observed from a vessel toward the light</b>	Bearings given in the Light List are always magnetic	



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783	Some lights used as aids to marine navigation have a red sector to indicate a danger area. The limits of a colored sector of a light are listed in the Light List in which of the following manners?	Geographical positions outlining the area of the sector	<b>True bearings as observed from the ship toward the light</b>	An outline of the area of the sector	True bearings as observed from the light toward the ship	
784	Some locations maintain a zone time of -13. What are the Greenwich time and date if the zone time and date are 0152, 10 January?	<b>1252, 9 January</b>	1452, 9 January	0052, 11 January	1452, 11 January	
785	Some locations maintain a zone time of -13. What are the zone time and date if the Greenwich time and date are 0152, 10 January?	0052, 9 January	0258, 9 January	<b>1452, 10 January</b>	0052, 11 January	
786	Some locations maintain a zone time of -13. What are the zone time and date if the Greenwich time and date are 2152, 10 January?	1052, 9 January	0852, 10 January	1052, 10 January	<b>1052, 11 January</b>	
787	Some places maintain a zone time of -13. What are the time and date at Greenwich if the zone time and date are 2152, 10 January?	1052, 9 January	<b>0852, 10 January</b>	1052, 10 January	1052, 11 January	
788	Sometimes foreign charts are reproduced by NGA (NIMA). On such a chart a wire dragged (swept) area may be shown in purple or _____.	<b>green</b>	red	magenta	yellow	
789	Sometimes foreign charts are reproduced by NGA (NIMA). On such a chart, a wire-dragged, swept area may be shown in green or _____.	red	black	<b>purple</b>	yellow	
790	Spoil grounds, anchorage areas, cable areas, and military exercise areas are all marked by yellow buoys. Which special mark on the buoy will indicate the specific area you are in?	A topmark triangular in shape	A topmark spherical in shape	<b>Lettering on the buoy</b>	A topmark consisting of two cones with the points up	
791	Spring tides are tides that _____.	<b>have lows lower than normal and highs higher than normal</b>	have lows higher than normal and highs lower than normal	are unpredictable	occur in the spring of the year	
792	Spring tides occur _____.	<b>when the moon is new or full</b>	when the moon and sun have declination of the same name	only when the moon and sun are on the same sides of the earth	at the beginning of spring when the sun is over the equator	
793	Spring tides occur _____.	at the start of spring, when the Sun is nearly over the equator	only when the Sun and Moon are on the same side of the Earth and nearly in line	when the Sun and Moon are at approximately 90° to each other as seen from the Earth	<b>when the Sun, Moon, and Earth are nearly in line, in any order</b>	

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794	Spring tides occur when the _____.	Moon is in its first quarter or third quarter phase	Sun and Moon are in quadrature	Moon's declination is maximum and opposite to that of the Sun	<b>Moon is new or full</b>	
795	Squall lines with an almost unbroken line of threatening dark clouds and sharp changes in wind direction, generally precede a(n) _____.	slow-moving warm front	<b>fast-moving cold front</b>	stationary front	occluded front	
796	Static on your AM radio may be _____.	<b>an indication of nearby thunderstorm activity</b>	an indication of "clearing" weather	of no meteorological significance	a sign of strong winds	
797	Steady precipitation is typical of _____.	coming cold weather conditions	<b>a warm front weather condition</b>	high pressure conditions	scattered cumulus clouds	
798	Steam fog is most likely to occur on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers in _____.	spring, around late evening	spring, around early evening	<b>fall, around early morning</b>	fall, around midday	
799	Steam smoke will occur when _____.	<b>extremely cold air from shore passes over warmer water</b>	warm dry air from shore passes over cooler water	cold ocean water evaporates into warm air	cool rain passes through a warm air mass	
800	Stormy weather is usually associated with regions of _____.	high barometric pressure	<b>low barometric pressure</b>	steady barometric pressure	changing barometric pressure	
801	Superior conjunction occurs when _____.	the Sun is at maximum declination north or south	a planet crosses the external plane of the ecliptic	<b>the Sun is between the Earth and a planet</b>	two planets are in line	
802	Swell is the rise and fall of the ocean's surface due to _____.	fetch	<b>distant winds</b>	local storms	the pull of the moon	
803	Swells that have outrun the storm are produced in the _____.	left front quadrant	<b>right front quadrant</b>	rear	directly ahead on the storms projected track	
804	Temperature and moisture characteristics are modified in a warm or cold air mass due to _____.	pressure changes in the air mass	<b>movement of the air mass</b>	the heterogeneous nature of the air mass	upper level atmospheric changes	
805	That half of the hurricane to the right hand side of its track (as you face the same direction that the storm is moving) in the Northern Hemisphere is called the _____.	windward side	leeward side	safe semicircle	<b>dangerous semicircle</b>	
806	The "head of the bend" is the _____.	<b>top or upstream beginning of a bend</b>	bottom or downstream beginning of a bend	midpoint or center radius of a bend	center line or apex of a bend	
807	The "horse latitudes" are regions of _____.	brisk prevailing winds	<b>light airs and calms</b>	abundant blue sea grass vegetation	None of the above	

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808	The 10-cm radar as compared to a 3-cm radar of similar specifications will _____.	be more suitable for river and harbor navigation	provide better range performance on low lying targets during good weather and calm seas	<b>have a wider horizontal beam width</b>	have more sea return during rough sea conditions	
809	The 3-cm radar as compared to a 10-cm radar with similar specifications will _____.	give better range performance in rain, hail, etc.	display small targets in a mass of dense sea clutter at a greater range	have less sea return in choppy rough seas	<b>display a more maplike presentation for inshore navigation</b>	
810	The abbreviation L.W.R.P. on the navigation maps means _____.	<b>low water reference plane</b>	low winter runoff point	least water river plane	land wall reference point	
811	The accuracy of an azimuth circle can be checked by _____.	sighting a terrestrial range in line and comparing the observed bearing against the charted bearing	aligning the relative bearing markings so that 000° is on the lubber's line and the line of sight passes over the center of the compass	ensuring that the alignment marks on the inner face of the circle are in line with those on the repeater on relative bearings of 000° and 090°	<b>comparing observed azimuths at different altitudes with computed values at the times of observation to see if the difference is constant</b>	
812	The agonic line on an isomagnetic chart indicates the _____.	magnetic equator	magnetic longitude reference line	<b>points where there is no variation</b>	points where there is no annual change in variation	
813	The altitude at LAN may be observed by starting several minutes in advance and continuing until a maximum altitude occurs. This procedure should not be used _____.	when the declination and latitude are of different names	when the declination is greater than and the same name as the latitude	if the vessel is stopped or making bare steerageway	<b>on a fast vessel on northerly or southerly headings</b>	
814	The angle at the pole measured through 180° from the prime meridian to the meridian of a point is known as _____.	the departure	the polar arc	<b>longitude</b>	Greenwich hour angle	
815	The angle measured eastward from the vernal equinox along the celestial equator often expressed in time units is the _____.	Greenwich sidereal time	<b>right ascension</b>	local sidereal time	sidereal hour angle	
816	The angle measured from the observer's meridian, clockwise or counterclockwise up to 180°, to the vertical circle of the body is the _____.	local hour angle	<b>azimuth angle</b>	meridian angle	observer's longitude	
817	The angle that is measured westward from the first point of Aries to the hour circle of the body along the celestial equator is the _____.	Greenwich sidereal angle	local sidereal time	<b>sidereal hour angle</b>	azimuth angle	
818	The annual change in variation for an area can be found in _____.	the handbook for Magnetic Compass Adjustment, Pub 226	<b>the center of the compass rose on a chart of the area</b>	the compass deviation table	Variation does not change.	
819	The apparent wind is zero when the true wind is _____.	zero	from ahead and equal to the ship's speed	<b>from astern and equal to the ship's speed</b>	from astern and is twice the ship's speed	

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820	The apparent wind's speed can be zero, but only when two conditions are present. One condition is that the true _____.	wind must be on the beam	wind's speed must be zero	wind must be from dead ahead	wind's speed equals the ship's speed	
821	The appearance of nimbostratus clouds in the immediate vicinity of a ship at sea would be accompanied by which of the following conditions?	Rain and poor visibility	Dropping barometric pressure and backing wind in the Northern Hemisphere	High winds and rising sea	Severe thunderstorms	
822	The approximate distance to a storm center can be determined by noting the hourly rate of fall of the barometer. If the rate of fall is 0.08 - 0.12 inches, what is the approximate distance to the storm center?	50 to 80 miles	80 to 100 miles	100 to 150 miles	150 to 250 miles	
823	The approximate mean position of the axis of the Gulf Stream east of Palm Beach, FL, is _____.	35 nautical miles	25 nautical miles	15 nautical miles	5 nautical miles	
824	The approximate positions of the stars are based on sidereal time, which is based upon rotation of the Earth relative to _____.	winter solstice	autumnal equinox	summer solstice	vernal equinox	
825	The arc of a great circle which passes through the body and celestial poles is part of the _____.	hour circle	diurnal circle	observer's meridian	altitude circle	D007NG
826	The arc of an hour circle between the celestial equator and a point on the celestial sphere, measured northward or southward through 90°, is the _____.	altitude	declination	latitude	azimuth angle	
827	The area of strong westerly winds occurring between 40°S and 60°S latitude is called the _____.	polar easterlies	prevailing westerlies	roaring forties	jet streams	
828	The ARPA may swap targets when automatically tracking if two targets _____.	are tracked on reciprocal bearings	are tracked at the same range	are tracked on the same bearing	pass close together	
829	The atmosphere in the vicinity of a high pressure area is called a(n) _____.	anticyclone	cold front	occluded front	cyclone	
830	The autumnal equinox is the point where the Sun is at _____.	maximum declination north	maximum declination south	0° declination going to northerly declinations	0° declination going to southerly declinations	
831	The average height of the surface of the sea for all stages of the tide over a 19 year period is called _____.	mean high water	mean low water	half-tide level	mean sea level	
832	The azimuth angle of a sun sight is always measured from the _____.	Greenwich meridian	prime vertical circle	principal vertical circle	first point of Aries	
833	The barometer is an instrument for measuring the _____.	temperature	relative humidity	dew point	atmospheric pressure	

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834	The bases of middle clouds are located at altitudes of between _____.	3,000 to 6,500 feet (914 to 1981 meters)	<b>6,500 to 20,000 feet (1981 to 6096 meters)</b>	10,000 to 35,000 feet (3048 to 10,668 meters)	20,000 to 60,000 feet (6096 to 18,288 meters)	
835	The beam width of your radar is 2°. The left tangent bearing of a small island, as observed on the PPI scope, is 056°pgc. If the gyro error is 2°E, what bearing would you plot on the chart?	052°	056°	<b>059°</b>	060°	
836	The Beaufort scale is used to estimate the _____.	wind direction	percentage of cloud cover	<b>wind speed</b>	barometric pressure	
837	The belt of light and variable winds between the westerly wind belt and the northeast trade winds is called the _____.	<b>subtropical high pressure belt</b>	intertropical convergence zone	doldrum belt	polar frontal zone	
838	The Benguela Current flows in a _____.	SW'ly direction along the NW coast of Africa	S'ly direction off the East Coast of Australia	<b>NW'ly direction along the SW coast of Africa</b>	SW'ly direction along the SE coast of Greenland	
839	The best estimate of the wind direction at sea level can be obtained from observing the direction of the _____.	cloud movement	vessel heading	<b>waves</b>	swells	
840	The Brazil Current flows in which general direction?	Northwesterly	<b>Southwesterly</b>	Southeasterly	Northerly	
841	The buoy indicated by the letter A is a _____.	nun	<b>can</b>	spar	pillar	D044NG
842	The buoy indicated by the letter D as shown is a _____.	<b>nun</b>	can	spar	pillar	D044NG
843	The buoy symbol printed on your chart is leaning to the northeast. This indicates _____.	you should stay to the north or east of the buoy	you should stay to the west or south of the buoy	the buoy is a major lighted buoy	<b>nothing special for navigational purposes</b>	
844	The cardinal mark topmark shown in illustration D024NG represents which quadrant?	Northern	Eastern	Southern	<b>Western</b>	D024NG
845	The celestial coordinate of a star that is relatively constant in value is the _____.	Greenwich hour angle	local hour angle	<b>sidereal hour angle</b>	meridian angle	
846	The center of a circle of equal altitude, plotted on the surface of the Earth, is the _____.	dead reckoning position of the observer	assumed position of the observer	<b>geographical position of the body</b>	assumed position of the body	
847	The change in the length of day becomes greater as latitude increases because of the _____.	inclination of the diurnal circle to the equator	decreasing distance between the terrestrial meridians	<b>increased obliquity of the celestial sphere</b>	changing distance between the earth and the sun	
848	The change in the length of the day becomes greater as latitude increases because of the _____.	path of the ecliptic relative to the equator	decreasing distance between meridians	changing distance between the Earth and the Sun	<b>increased obliquity of the Sun's diurnal circle</b>	
849	The channel under a bridge is marked with aids from the lateral system. The centerline of the channel is marked on the bridge with _____.	a yellow triangle	three white lights	a black-and-white diamond	<b>a red-and-white octagon</b>	

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850	The channel under a bridge is marked with lights of the lateral system. The centerline of the channel shall be marked on the bridge by _____.	<b>an occulting white light</b>	a yellow light	three fixed white lights	a flashing blue light	
851	The characteristic of a lighted cardinal mark may be _____.	<b>very quick flashing</b>	flashing	fixed	occulting	
852	The chart indicates the variation was 3°45'E in 1988, and the annual change is increasing 6'. If you use the chart in 1991 how much variation should you apply?	3°27'E	3°27'W	3°45'E	<b>4°03'E</b>	
853	The chart indicates the variation was 3°45'W in 1988, and the annual change is decreasing 6'. If you use the chart in 1991 how much variation should you apply?	<b>3°27'W</b>	3°27'E	4°03'W	4°03'E	
854	The chart indicates the variation was 3°45'W in 1988, and the annual change is increasing 6'. If you use the chart in 1991 how much variation should you apply?	3°27'W	3°27'E	<b>4°03'W</b>	4°03'E	
855	The chart of a beach area shows a very flat slope to the underwater beach bottom. What type of breakers can be expected when trying to land a boat on this beach?	Surging	<b>Spilling</b>	Plunging	Converging	
856	The chart of a beach area shows a very steep slope to the underwater beach bottom. Which type of breakers can be expected when trying to land a boat on this beach?	<b>Surging</b>	Converging	Spilling	Plunging	
857	The charted channel depth at Eastport, ME, is 28 feet. You are drawing 31.5 feet and wish 2 feet clearance under the keel. What is the earliest time after 1700 (ZD +4) on 6 September 1983 that you can enter the channel?	1825	1903	<b>1915</b>	2003	
858	The charted depth alongside the south face of Mystic Pier, Charlestown, MA, is 35 feet. Your maximum draft is 38 feet. You wish to have 2 feet under the bottom, on a rising tide, when you go alongside to discharge a heavy lift. What is the earliest time after 0900 EST (ZD +5), on 2 February 1983, that you can dock?	1020	1050	1127	<b>1137</b>	
859	The class of tide that prevails in the greatest number of important harbors on the Atlantic Coast is _____.	interval	mixed	diurnal	<b>semidiurnal</b>	
860	The climate of the eastern Gulf coast _____.	is humid and subtropical throughout the year	has an east coast marine type of climate	has a Mediterranean type of climate	<b>varies from warm to subtropical</b>	

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861	The climate of the northern Gulf coast _____.	is humid and subtropical throughout the year	has an east coast marine type of climate	<b>is a warm marine type of climate</b>	varies from warm to subtropical	
862	The Coast Guard Captain of the Port has excluded all traffic from a section of a port, while a regatta is taking place. The buoys marking this exclusion area will be _____.	nun- or can-shaped to conform to the overall direction of navigation	yellow	<b>orange and white</b>	marked with a spherical topmark	
863	The cold ocean current which meets the warm Gulf Stream between latitudes 40° and 43°N to form the "cold wall" is called the _____.	North Cape Current	<b>Labrador Current</b>	Greenland Current	North Atlantic Current	
864	The compass deviation changes as the vessel changes _____.	geographical position	speed	<b>heading</b>	longitude	
865	The compass error of a magnetic compass that has no deviation is _____.	zero	<b>equal to variation</b>	eliminated by adjusting the compass	constant at any geographical location	
866	The compass rose on a nautical chart indicates both variation and _____.	deviation	<b>annual rate of variation change</b>	precession	compass error	
867	The consistent winds blowing from the horse latitudes to the doldrums are called the _____.	prevailing westerlies	polar easterlies	<b>trade winds</b>	roaring forties	
868	The constellation that contains Polaris is _____.	Orion	Cassiopeia	<b>Ursa Minor</b>	Corona Borealis	
869	The constellation that contains the pointer stars is _____.	Orion	<b>Ursa Major</b>	the Southern Cross	Pegasus	
870	The controlling depth of the river is _____.	the minimum depth of the river prescribed in the channel maintenance program	the edge of a dredged channel	the highest level to which the river may rise without flooding	<b>the least available water in a channel which limits the draft of boats and tows</b>	
871	The correction tables in the front of the Nautical Almanac for use with sun sights do NOT include the effects of _____.	mean refraction	parallax	semidiameter	<b>irradiation</b>	
872	The correction tables in the Nautical Almanac for use with Moon sights do NOT include the effects of _____.	<b>instrument error</b>	augmentation	semidiameter	parallax	
873	The correction(s) which must be applied to an aneroid barometer reading include(s) _____.	<b>height error</b>	gravity error	temperature error	All of the above	
874	The current that, in many respects, is similar to the Gulf Stream is the _____.	<b>Kuroshio</b>	California Current	Oyashio	Benguela Current	
875	The Daily Memorandum contains information on _____.	active weather disturbances such as hurricanes or tropical storms	<b>the latest navigational warnings</b>	scheduled vessel arrivals and departures for a 24-hour period	water levels at river ports where run-off affects tidal heights	



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876	The daily path of a celestial body that is parallel to the celestial equator is the _____.	altitude circle	vertical circle	<b>diurnal circle</b>	hour circle	
877	The daily recurring pattern of pressure changes most noticeable in low latitudes is the _____.	daily lapse reading	<b>diurnal variation of pressure</b>	pressure tendency	synoptic pressure	
878	The dangerous semicircle of a hurricane in the Northern Hemisphere is that area of the storm _____.	<b>to the right of the storm's track</b>	measured from true north clockwise to 180°T	measured from true north counterclockwise to 180°T	between the ship's heading and the bearing to the eye	
879	The dangerous semicircle of a typhoon in the Southern Hemisphere is that area _____.	measured from due south clockwise 180°	measured from due south counterclockwise 180°	<b>to the left of the storm's track</b>	ahead of the typhoon measured from the storm's track to 90° on each side	
880	The database information that should be shown when a chart is first displayed on ECDIS is the _____.	display base information	<b>standard display information</b>	system electronic nautical chart	chart display information	
881	The database resulting from (1) the transformation of the electronic navigational chart (ENC) by ECDIS for appropriate use, (2) the updates to the ENC by appropriate means, and (3) the additional data added by the mariner, is called the _____.	display base information	standard display information	<b>system electronic navigational chart</b>	chart display information	
882	The date is the same all over the world at _____.	0000 GMT	<b>1200 GMT</b>	0000 LMT for an observer at 90°E longitude	no time	
883	The datum from which the predicted heights of tides are reckoned in the tide tables is _____.	mean low water	<b>the same as that used for the charts of the locality</b>	the highest possible level	given in table three of the tide tables	
884	The datum from which the predicted heights of tides are reckoned in the tide tables is the same as that used for the charts of the locality. The depression of the datum below mean sea level for Hampton Roads, Virginia is _____.	between -.7 and +.5 feet	between 1.9 and 3.2 feet	4.1 feet	<b>1.2 feet</b>	
885	The datum used for soundings on charts of the East Coast of the United States is _____.	mean low water springs	mean low water	<b>mean lower low water</b>	half tide level	
886	The dense black cumulonimbus clouds surrounding the eye of a hurricane are called _____.	spiral rainbands	<b>cloud walls</b>	funnel clouds	cyclonic spirals	
887	The depth of the water is indicated on a chart as 32 meters. This is equal to _____.	11.50 fathoms	12.62 fathoms	<b>17.50 fathoms</b>	104.99 fathoms	
888	The depth of water on a chart is indicated as 23 meters. This is equal to _____.	11.5 fathoms	<b>12.6 fathoms</b>	69.0 feet	78.6 feet	
889	The description "Racon" beside an illustration on a chart would mean a _____.	radar conspicuous beacon	circular radio beacon	<b>radar transponder beacon</b>	radar calibration beacon	

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890	The dew point is reached when the _____.	temperature of the air equals the temperature of the seawater	atmospheric pressure is 14.7 lbs. per square inch	relative humidity reaches 50%	<b>air becomes saturated with water vapor</b>	
891	The dew point temperature is _____.	always higher than the air temperature	always lower than the air temperature	equal to the difference between the wet and dry bulb temperatures	<b>the temperature at which the air is saturated with water vapor</b>	
892	The diagram represents a movable dam. If there is high water and the wickets are down so that there is an unobstructed navigable pass through the dam, what light(s) will be shown at D if the lock walls and piers are not awash?	No lights	Three red lights	Two red lights	<b>One red light</b>	<b>D037NG</b>
893	The diameter of the Sun and Moon as seen from the Earth varies slightly but averages about _____.	1'	52'	<b>32'</b>	15.5'	
894	The difference (measured in degrees) between the GHA of the body and the longitude of the observer is the _____.	right ascension	<b>meridian angle</b>	SHA of the observer	zenith distance	
895	The difference between local apparent time (LAT) and local mean time (LMT) is indicated by the _____.	<b>equation of time</b>	difference of longitude between the local and central meridian in time units	longitude in time units	zone description	
896	The difference between magnetic heading and compass heading is called _____.	variation	<b>deviation</b>	compass error	drift	
897	The difference between the DR position and a fix, both of which have the same time, is caused by _____.	variation	deviation	<b>current</b>	leeway	
898	The difference between the heights of low and high tide is the _____.	<b>range</b>	period	depth	distance	
899	The difference between the heights of low and high tide is the _____.	depth	distance	<b>range</b>	period	
900	The difference between the heights of low and high tide is the _____.	period	distance	depth	<b>range</b>	
901	The difference between the heights of low and high tide is the _____.	period	<b>range</b>	distance	depth	
902	The difference in degrees between true north and magnetic north is called _____.	<b>variation</b>	deviation	drift	compass error	
903	The difference in local time between an observer on 114°W and one on 119°W is _____.	1.25 minutes	5 minutes	<b>20 minutes</b>	75 minutes	

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904	The difference of latitude (l) between the geographic position (GP) of a celestial body and your position, at the time of upper transit, is represented by _____.	colatitude	codistance	<b>zenith distance</b>	altitude	
905	The direction a vessel is pointed at any given time is the _____.	course	track	<b>heading</b>	course over the ground	
906	The direction in which a vessel is steered is the course. The path actually followed is the _____.	route	track	heading	<b>course over the ground</b>	
907	The direction in which a vessel should be steered between two points is the _____.	<b>course</b>	heading	bearing	course over the ground	
908	The direction of prevailing winds in the Northern hemisphere is caused by the _____.	magnetic field at the North Pole	Gulf Stream	<b>Earth's rotation</b>	Arctic cold fronts	
909	The direction of the southeast trade winds is a result of the _____.	equatorial current	humidity	<b>rotation of the earth</b>	change of seasons	
910	The direction of the surface wind is _____.	directly from high pressure toward low pressure	directly from low pressure toward high pressure	<b>from high pressure toward low pressure deflected by the earth's rotation</b>	from low pressure toward high pressure deflected by the earth's rotation	
911	The directive force of a gyrocompass _____.	increases with latitude, being maximum at the geographic poles	<b>decreases with latitude, being maximum at the geographic equator</b>	is greatest when a vessel is near the Earth's magnetic equator	remains the same at all latitudes	
912	The distance between any two meridians measured along a parallel of latitude _____.	increases in north latitude and decreases in south latitude	decreases as DLO increases	increases with increased latitude	<b>decreases with increased latitude</b>	
913	The distance between any two meridians measured along a parallel of latitude and expressed in miles is the _____.	difference in longitude	mid-longitude	<b>departure</b>	meridian angle	
914	The distance between the surface of the water and the tidal datum is the _____.	<b>height of tide</b>	charted depth	actual water depth	range of tide	
915	The distance between the surface of the water and the tidal datum is the _____.	range of tide	<b>height of tide</b>	charted depth	actual water depth	
916	The distance between the surface of the water and the tidal datum is the _____.	range of tide	charted depth	<b>height of tide</b>	actual water depth	
917	The distance between the surface of the water and the tidal datum is the _____.	actual water depth	range of tide	charted depth	<b>height of tide</b>	
918	The distance in longitude from the intersection of a great circle and the equator to the lower vertex is how many degrees of longitude?	45°	<b>90°</b>	135°	180°	

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919	The distance in miles between the circle of equal altitude for the observed altitude (Ho) and the circle of equal altitude for the computed altitude (Hc) is the _____.	equation of time	zenith distance	<b>intercept</b>	zenith angle	
920	The distance to the nearest vertex from any point on a great circle track cannot exceed _____.	<b>5400 nautical miles</b>	5840 nautical miles	6080 nautical miles	10,800 nautical miles	
921	The diurnal inequality of the tides is caused by _____.	<b>the declination of the Moon</b>	changing weather conditions	the Moon being at apogee	the Moon being at perigee	
922	The diurnal pressure variation is most noticeable in the _____.	polar regions	horse latitudes	roaring forties	<b>doldrums</b>	
923	The diurnal variation of pressure is most noticeable _____.	above the polar circles	in a low pressure area	during periods of low temperatures	<b>in the doldrums</b>	
924	The diurnal variation of pressure is not visible in the middle latitudes in winter because _____.	<b>it is masked by the pressure changes of moving weather systems</b>	the decreased gravitational effect from the sun causes the variation to fade	the decreased average temperature is less than the critical temperature	the increased Coriolis force disperses the pressure variation	
925	The dividing meridian between zone descriptions +4 and +5 is _____.	<b>67°30'W</b>	90°00'W	67°30'E	75°00'E	
926	The dividing meridian between zone descriptions +7 and +8 is _____.	105°00'W	<b>112°30'W</b>	117°00'W	120°30'W	
927	The dividing meridian between zone descriptions -10 and -11 is _____.	135°30'E	145°00'E	150°00'E	<b>157°30'E</b>	
928	The dividing meridian between zone descriptions -2 and -3 is _____.	15°30'E	30°00'E	<b>37°30'E</b>	45°00'E	
929	The dividing meridian between zone descriptions -4 and -5 is _____.	60°00'E	<b>67°30'E</b>	75°00'E	60°00'W	
930	The dividing meridian between zone descriptions -7 and -8 is _____.	<b>112°30'E</b>	118°30'E	120°00'E	116°30'W	
931	The draw span of a floating drawbridge may be marked with _____.	<b>a yellow light showing Morse Code (B)</b>	a yellow and white diamond	flashing blue lights	three red lights on each side of the draw	
932	The draw span of a floating drawbridge may be marked with _____.	two white lights	<b>a yellow diamond</b>	flashing blue lights	three red lights on each side of the draw	
933	The drift and set of tidal, river, and ocean currents refer to the _____.	position and area of the current	<b>speed and direction toward which the current flows</b>	type and characteristic of the current's flow	None of the above	
934	The dry-bulb temperature is 78°F (26°C) and the wet-bulb temperature is 68°F (20°C). What is the relative humidity?	10%	24%	56%	<b>60%</b>	
935	The dry-bulb temperature is 78°F and the wet-bulb temperature is 62°F. What is the relative humidity?	16%	24%	<b>39%</b>	79%	

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936	The dumping of refuse in a lock is permitted _____.	when approved by the lockmaster	when locking downbound	<b>at no time</b>	during high water only	
937	The Earth has the shape of a(n) _____.	sphere	<b>oblate spheroid</b>	spheroid of revolution	oblate eggoid	
938	The Earth's irregular heating is caused by _____.	the time of day	the seasons	geography	<b>All of the above</b>	
939	The ecliptic is _____.	<b>the path the Sun appears to take among the stars</b>	the path the Earth appears to take among the stars	a diagram of the zodiac	a great circle on a gnomonic chart	
940	The edge of a hurricane has overtaken your vessel in the Gulf of Mexico, and the northwest wind of a few hours ago has shifted to the west. This is an indication that you are located in the _____.	<b>navigable semicircle</b>	dangerous semicircle	low pressure area	eye of the storm	
941	The equation of time is 12m 00s and the mean Sun is ahead of the apparent Sun. If you are on the central meridian of your time zone, at what zone time will the apparent Sun cross the meridian?	1148	1200	<b>1212</b>	It cannot be determined from the information given.	
942	The equation of time is 8m 00s. The mean Sun is ahead of the apparent Sun. If you are 2°W of the central meridian of your time zone, when will the apparent Sun cross your meridian?	<b>1216</b>	1208	1200	1152	
943	The equation of time is 8m 40s. The apparent Sun is ahead of the mean Sun. If you are on the central meridian of your time zone, the apparent Sun will cross your meridian at _____.	<b>11-51-20 ZT</b>	12-00-00 ZT	12-04-20 ZT	12-08-40 ZT	
944	The equation of time measures the _____.	difference between local apparent time and Greenwich apparent time	longitude in time units	difference between sidereal time and local time at the Greenwich meridian	<b>time between the passage of the mean sun and the apparent sun over a meridian</b>	
945	The equator is _____.	<b>the primary great circle of the Earth perpendicular to the axis</b>	the line to which all celestial observations are reduced	the line from which a celestial body's altitude is measured	All of the above	
946	The error in a sextant altitude caused by refraction is greatest when the celestial body is _____.	high in the sky	<b>near the horizon</b>	rising	at or near transit	
947	The expression "first magnitude" is usually used to refer only to bodies of magnitude _____.	<b>1.5 and greater</b>	1.25 and greater	1.0 and greater	0.5 and greater	

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948	The expression "the air is saturated" means _____.	<b>the relative humidity is 100%</b>	the vapor pressure is at its minimum for the prevailing temperature	precipitation has commenced	cloud cover is 100%	
949	The eye of a hurricane is surrounded by dense black cumulonimbus clouds which are called the _____.	<b>wall cloud</b>	nimbostratus cloud	bar	funnel	
950	The first cloud formations you can use to indicate the bearing of the center of a hurricane or tropical storm are _____.	<b>the point of convergence of the cirrus clouds</b>	the direction of movement of thunderstorms on radar	the darkest point of the clouds in the "bar" of the storm	the point of origin of the altostratus clouds	
951	The first indications a mariner will have of the approach of a warm front will be _____.	large cumulonimbus (thunderclouds) building up	<b>high cirrus clouds gradually changing to cirrostratus and then to altostratus</b>	fog caused by the warm air passing over the cooler water	low dark clouds accompanied by intermittent rain	
952	The FIRST indications a mariner will have of the approach of a warm front will be _____.	large cumulonimbus clouds building up	low dark clouds with intermittent rain	fog caused by the warm air passing over the cooler water	<b>high clouds gradually followed by lower thicker clouds</b>	
953	The first point of Aries is the point where the Sun is at _____.	maximum declination north	maximum declination south	<b>0° declination going to northerly declinations</b>	0° declination going to southerly declinations	
954	The First Point of Aries is the position of the Sun on the celestial sphere on or about _____.	<b>March 21</b>	June 21	September 21	December 21	
955	The Flinders bar and the quadrantal spheres should be tested for permanent magnetism at what interval?	They are not subject to permanent magnetism; no check is necessary.	Semiannually	<b>Annually</b>	Every five years	
956	The Flinders bar on a magnetic compass compensates for the _____.	<b>induced magnetism in vertical soft iron</b>	induced magnetism in horizontal soft iron	permanent magnetism in ship's steel	vessel's inclination from the vertical	
957	The flow of air around an anticyclone in the Southern Hemisphere is _____.	clockwise and outward	<b>counterclockwise and outward</b>	clockwise and inward	counterclockwise and inward	
958	The fog most commonly encountered at sea is called _____.	conduction fog	radiation fog	frontal fog	<b>advection fog</b>	
959	The fog produced by warm moist air passing over a cold surface is called _____.	conduction fog	radiation fog	frontal fog	<b>advection fog</b>	
960	The following boats are approaching a lock. Which has priority for locking?	An pleasure yacht	<b>Corps of Engineer towboat running empty-headed</b>	passenger vessel	An integrated chemical tow	
961	The following types of vessels are awaiting lockage on the upper Mississippi. Which type of vessel is normally passed through the lock first?	Pleasure craft	Commercial towboats	<b>Commercial passenger vessels</b>	Commercial fishing vessels	

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962	The force resulting from the earth's rotation that causes winds to deflect to the right in the Northern Hemisphere and to the left in the Southern Hemisphere is called _____.	pressure gradient	<b>Coriolis effect</b>	aurora borealis	ballistic deflection	
963	The form of cloud often known as "mackerel sky" which is generally associated with fair weather is _____.	nimbostratus	stratus	<b>cirrocumulus</b>	cumulonimbus	
964	The four standard light colors used for lighted aids to navigation are red, green, white, and _____.	purple	orange	blue	<b>yellow</b>	
965	The GHA of a star _____.	<b>increases at a rate of approximately 15° per hour</b>	increases at a rate of approximately 4° per hour	decreases at a rate of approximately 15° per hour	decreases at a rate of approximately 4° per hour	
966	The GHA of the first point of Aries is 315° and the GHA of a planet is 150°. What is the right ascension of the planet?	7 hours	<b>11 hours</b>	19 hours	23 hours	
967	The GMT is 0445 and your zone description is +1. Your zone time is _____.	0445	<b>0345</b>	0545	1545	
968	The GP of a body for a high altitude sight is determined from the declination and the _____.	<b>Greenwich hour angle</b>	azimuth	zenith distance	right ascension	
969	The GP of a body for a high altitude sight is determined from the declination and the _____.	right ascension	sidereal hour angle	<b>Greenwich hour angle</b>	observed altitude	
970	The GP of a body for a high altitude sight is determined from the Greenwich hour angle and the _____.	circle of equal altitude	zenith distance	azimuth angle	<b>declination</b>	
971	The great circle of the celestial sphere that passes through the zenith, nadir, and the eastern point of the horizon is the _____.	principal vertical	hour circle	celestial meridian	<b>prime vertical</b>	
972	The great circle on the celestial sphere that passes through the zenith and the north and south poles is the _____.	hour circle	prime vertical	<b>principal vertical</b>	ecliptic	
973	The greater the pressure difference between a high and a low pressure center, the _____.	drier the air mass will be	cooler the temperature will be	<b>greater the force of the wind will be</b>	warmer the temperature will be	
974	The greatest directive force is exerted on the magnetic compass when the _____.	needles are nearly in line with the meridian	vessel is near the magnetic poles	variation is near zero	<b>vessel is near the magnetic equator</b>	
975	The gyrocompass error resulting from your vessel's movement in OTHER than an east-west direction is called _____.	damping error	ballistic deflection	quadrantal error	<b>speed error</b>	
976	The heading of a vessel is indicated by what part of the compass?	Card	Needle	<b>Lubber's line</b>	Gimbals	



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977	The height of a light is measured from which reference plane?	Mean low water	<b>Mean high water</b>	Average water level	Geographical sea level	
978	The height of a wave is the vertical distance _____.	from the still water plane to the crest	from the still water plane to the trough	<b>from crest to trough</b>	between water levels at one-quarter of the wave's length	
979	The height of the tide at low water is 0.0 feet. The range is 9.0 feet. The duration is 06h 00m. The height of the tide 02h 12m before high water will be _____.	8.3 feet	<b>6.3 feet</b>	4.7 feet	2.7 feet	
980	The height of tide is the _____.	<b>difference between the depth of the water and the area's tidal datum</b>	depth of water at a specific time due to tidal effect	difference between the depth of the water and the high water tidal level	difference between the depth of the water at high tide and the depth of the water at low tide	
981	The height of tide is the _____.	depth of water at a specific time due to tidal effect	<b>difference between the depth of the water and the area's tidal datum</b>	difference between the depth of the water and the high water tidal level	difference between the depth of the water at high tide and the depth of the water at low tide	
982	The height of tide is the _____.	difference between the depth of the water at high tide and the depth of the water at low tide	depth of water at a specific time due to tidal effect	<b>difference between the depth of the water and the area's tidal datum</b>	difference between the depth of the water and the high water tidal level	
983	The height of tide is the _____.	depth of water at a specific time due to tidal effect	difference between the depth of the water at high tide and the depth of the water at low tide	difference between the depth of the water and the high water tidal level	<b>difference between the depth of the water and the area's tidal datum</b>	
984	The highest frequency of tropical cyclones in the North Atlantic Ocean occurs during _____.	January, February and March	April, May and June	<b>August, September and October</b>	July, November and December	
985	The highest level of commercial navigational accuracy is provided by _____.	<b>DGPS, within a coverage area</b>	SPS, without selective availability	PPS, without selective availability	NAVSAT, using the Doppler-shift	
986	The horizon glass of a sextant is _____.	<b>silvered on its half nearer the frame</b>	mounted on the index arm	between the horizon and the shade glasses	All of the above	
987	The horizontal angle between the magnetic meridian and the north-south line of the magnetic compass is _____.	<b>deviation</b>	variation	compass error	dip	
988	The horse latitudes are characterized by _____.	<b>weak pressure gradients and light, variable winds</b>	the formation of typhoons or hurricanes in certain seasons	steady winds in one direction for six months followed by wind reversal for the next six months	steady winds generally from the southeast in the Southern Hemisphere	

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989	The Humboldt Current flows in which direction?	<b>North</b>	South	East	West	
990	The hurricane season in the North Atlantic Ocean reaches its peak during the month of _____.	June	<b>September</b>	November	July	
991	The IALA Buoyage Systems do NOT apply to _____.	the sides and centerlines of navigable channels	natural dangers and other obstructions, such as wrecks	<b>lighthouses and lightships</b>	areas in which navigation may be subject to regulation	
992	The illustration represents a fixed C of E lock and dam. What navigational light(s) is(are) exhibited at the position indicated by the letter D in the illustration?	One red light	<b>Two green lights</b>	Three green lights	No light	<b>D036NG</b>
993	The illustration represents a movable dam. If there is high water and the wickets are down so that there is an unobstructed navigable pass through the dam, what light(s) will be shown at B if the lock walls and piers are not awash?	<b>Three red lights</b>	Two red lights	One red light	One amber light	<b>D037NG</b>
994	The illustration represents a movable dam. If there is high water and the wickets are down so that there is an unobstructed navigable pass through the dam, what light(s) will be shown at D if the lock walls and piers are not awash?	<b>One red light</b>	Two red lights	Three red lights	One amber light	<b>D037NG</b>
995	The illustration represents a movable dam. If there is high water and the wickets are down so that there is an unobstructed navigable pass through the dam, what light(s) will be shown at D if the lock walls and piers are not awash?	Three red lights	Two red lights	<b>One red light</b>	One amber light	<b>D037NG</b>
996	The Illustration shows the symbols used by radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "F" represents a _____.	maritime air mass	<b>weather boundary</b>	convergence zone	squall line	<b>D042NG</b>
997	The Illustration shows the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "H" represents _____.	ice	snow	rain	<b>hail</b>	<b>D042NG</b>
998	The Illustration shows the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "K" represents a _____.	<b>hurricane</b>	thunderstorm	convergence zone	convergence line	<b>D042NG</b>
999	The illustration shows the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "L" represents a _____.	convergence line	maritime air mass	warm front	<b>convergence zone</b>	<b>D042NG</b>
1000	The Illustration shows the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "M" represents _____.	rain	<b>snow</b>	hail	ice	<b>D042NG</b>
1001	The illustration shows the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "N" represents _____.	hail	freezing rain	<b>rain</b>	snow	<b>D042NG</b>

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1002	The Illustration shows the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "P" represents _____.	snow	hail	<b>freezing rain</b>	sleet	D042NG
1003	The Illustration shows the symbols used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "Q" represents a _____.	convergence zone	squall line	<b>convergence line</b>	weather boundary	D042NG
1004	The immediate surroundings of what constellation contain the most first magnitude stars?	Libra	Cassiopeia	Pegasus	<b>Orion</b>	
1005	The index error is determined by adjusting the _____.	sextant frame	horizon glass	index mirror	<b>micrometer drum</b>	
1006	The initial great circle course angle between LAT 23°00'S, LONG 42°00'W and LAT 34°00'S, LONG 18°00'E is 063.8°. What is the true course?	063.8°T	<b>116.2°T</b>	243.8°T	296.2°T	
1007	The instrument most commonly used to gather the data for determining the relative humidity is the _____.	hydrometer	<b>psychrometer</b>	barometer	anemometer	
1008	The intensity of a hurricane as it reaches higher latitudes and cooler waters _____.	Increases	remains the same	<b>decreases</b>	None of the above	
1009	The largest of the navigational planets is _____.	Mars	Venus	<b>Jupiter</b>	Saturn	
1010	The largest waves (heaviest chop) will usually develop where the wind blows _____.	at right angles to the flow of the current	<b>against the flow of the current</b>	in the same direction as the flow of the current	over slack water	
1011	The latitude of the upper vertex of a great circle is 36°N. What is the latitude of the lower vertex?	36°N	0°	<b>36°S</b>	Cannot be determined from the information given	
1012	The left half of the storm is called the navigable semicircle because _____.	the wind speed is decreased by the storm's forward motion	the wind tends to blow vessels away from the storm's track	<b>Both A and B</b>	Neither A nor B	
1013	The length of a wave is the length _____.	of the wave's crest	of the wave's trough	measured from crest to trough	<b>measured from crest to crest</b>	
1014	The length of the year with respect to the vernal equinox is the _____.	<b>tropical year</b>	sidereal year	anomalistic year	All of the above	
1015	The level of database information which cannot be removed from the ECDIS display and consists of information which is required at all times in all geographic areas and under all circumstances is the _____.	<b>display base information</b>	standard display information	system electronic nautical chart	chart display information	
1016	The light characteristic of composite group flashing (2 + 1) is used in the Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers for lights on _____.	the right descending bank	the left descending bank	<b>preferred-channel buoys</b>	daymarks with no lateral significance	

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1017	The light characteristic of flashing is used in the Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers for lights on _____.	<b>the right descending bank</b>	the left descending bank	preferred channel buoys	daymarks with no lateral significance	
1018	The Light List Does NOT contain information on _____.	the Global Positioning System (GPS)	<b>aeronautical lights useful for marine navigation</b>	radio beacon systems	radio direction finder calibration stations	
1019	The Light List indicates that a dayboard is a type KGW. You should _____.	see a green and white diamond	leave it to port when southbound on the Atlantic Coast ICW	pass it close aboard on either side	<b>look for another daymark to form the range</b>	
1020	The Light List indicates that a dayboard is a type MR. You should _____.	<b>leave it on either side</b>	look for the other dayboard forming the range	look for an all red daymark	check to enter the correct channel at this junction daymark	
1021	The Light List indicates that a dayboard is a type NB. You should _____.	see a black triangle	look for another daymark forming a range	<b>expect a daymark of no lateral significance</b>	check to enter the correct channel at the junction daymark	
1022	The Light List indicates that a dayboard is a type TR-SY. You should _____.	look for a dayboard of type TR-TY to form a range	<b>leave it to port when southbound on the Atlantic portions of the ICW</b>	pass it close aboard on either side	expect a daymark with no lateral significance	
1023	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 10 miles and is 11 feet high. If the visibility is 15 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet, at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	12.0 miles	11.0 miles	10.0 miles	<b>9.0 miles</b>	
1024	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 10 miles and is 11 feet high. If the visibility is 5 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet, at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	<b>6.3 miles</b>	7.4 miles	8.4 miles	9.0 miles	
1025	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 13 miles and is 36 feet high (11.0 meters). If the visibility is 7.0 miles and your height of eye is 25 feet (7.6 meters), at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	<b>10.0 miles</b>	12.9 miles	14.2 miles	17.0 miles	
1026	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 13 miles and is 36 feet high. If the visibility is 17 miles and your height of eye is 25 feet, at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	10.0 miles	<b>12.9 miles</b>	14.2 miles	17.0 miles	
1027	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 14 miles and is 26 feet high. If the visibility is 14 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet, at which approximate distance will you sight the light?	7.5 miles	<b>11.2 miles</b>	14.0 miles	18.1 miles	

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1028	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 14 miles and is 26 feet high. If the visibility is 4 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet, at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	<b>7.5 miles</b>	9.6 miles	11.2 miles	14.0 miles	
1029	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 14 miles and is 42 feet (12.7 m) high. If the visibility is 16 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet (6.1 m), at which approximate distance will you sight the light?	20.1 miles	16.0 miles	<b>12.8 miles</b>	7.6 miles	
1030	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 14 miles and is 42 feet high (12.8 meters). If the visibility is 6 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet (6.1 meters), at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	20.1 miles	<b>10.0 miles</b>	7.6 miles	6.0 miles	
1031	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 18 miles and is 38 feet high. If the visibility is 6 miles and your height of eye is 15 feet, at which distance will you sight the light?	18.0 nm	14.8 nm	<b>11.7 nm</b>	6.0 nm	
1032	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 20 miles and is 52 feet (16 meters) high. If the visibility is 20 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet (6 meters), at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	33.0 nm	20.0 nm	<b>13.5 nm</b>	8.5 nm	
1033	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 20 miles and is 52 feet high. If the visibility is 12.0 miles and your height of eye is 20 feet, at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	21.5 miles	20.0 miles	<b>13.7 miles</b>	12.0 miles	
1034	The Light List indicates that a light has a nominal range of 8 miles and is 48 feet(14.6 meters) high. If the visibility is 6 miles and your height of eye is 35 feet(10.7 meters), at what approximate distance will you sight the light?	15.0 nm	12.4 nm	8.0 nm	<b>5.9 nm</b>	
1035	The Light List shows a lighted aid to navigation on the left bank. This means that the light can be seen on the port side of a vessel _____.	ascending the river	<b>descending the river</b>	crossing the river	proceeding from seaward	
1036	The Light List shows a lighted aid to navigation on the left bank. This means that the light can be seen on the starboard side of a vessel _____.	<b>ascending the river</b>	descending the river	crossing the river	proceeding towards sea	

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1037	The Light List shows a lighted aid to navigation on the right bank. This means that the light can be seen on the port side of a vessel _____.	crossing the river	descending the river	<b>ascending the river</b>	proceeding towards sea	
1038	The Light List shows a lighted aid to navigation on the right bank. This means that the light can be seen on the starboard side of a vessel _____.	proceeding from seaward	crossing the river	ascending the river	<b>descending the river</b>	
1039	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 10 miles and a height above water of 38 feet (11.6 meters). Your height of eye is 52 feet (15.8 meters) and the visibility is 11.0 miles. At which approximate range will you first sight the light?	<b>10.5 miles</b>	13.9 miles	15.6 miles	18.0 miles	
1040	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 12 miles and a height above water of 25 feet (7.6 meters). Your height of eye is 30 feet (9.1 meters) and the visibility is 0.5 mile. At what approximate range will you first sight the light?	0.5 mile	<b>1.4 miles</b>	5.2 miles	12.0 miles	
1041	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 12 miles and a height above water of 25 feet (7.6 meters). Your height of eye is 38 feet (11.6 meters) and the visibility is 5.5 miles. At what approximate range will you FIRST sight the light?	5.5 miles	6.3 miles	<b>8.0 miles</b>	12.0 miles	
1042	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 15 miles and a height above water of 29 feet (8.8 meters). Your height of eye is 52 feet (15.8 meters) and visibility is 6.0 miles. At which approximate range will you first sight the light?	8.0 miles	<b>11.0 miles</b>	14.5 miles	16.0 miles	
1043	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 15 miles and a height above water of 40 feet (12.2 meters). Your height of eye is 25 feet (7.6 meters) and the visibility is 5 miles. At about what range will you FIRST sight the light?	6.2 miles	<b>9.5 miles</b>	12.9 miles	14.2 miles	
1044	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 17 miles and a height above water of 28 feet (8.5 meters). Your height of eye is 32 feet (9.8 meters) and the visibility is 11.0 miles. At what approximate range will you first sight the light?	11.0 miles	<b>12.8 miles</b>	15.7 miles	18.0 miles	

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1045	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 18 miles and a height above water of 22 feet (6.7 meters). Your height of eye is 16 feet (4.9 meters) and the visibility is 2.0 miles. At which approximate range will you first sight the light?	2.0 miles	2.7 miles	4.2 miles	<b>5.8 miles</b>	
1046	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 19 miles and a height above water of 52 feet (15.8 meters). Your height of eye is 42 feet (12.8 meters) and the visibility is 10.0 miles. At what approximate range will you first sight the light?	10.0 miles	<b>16.0 miles</b>	17.3 miles	19.0 miles	
1047	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 22 miles and a height above water of 48 feet (14.6 meters). Your height of eye is 35 feet (10.7 meters) and the visibility is 20.0 miles. At what approximate range will you first sight the light?	10.5 nm	13.2 nm	<b>14.7 nm</b>	32.0 nm	
1048	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 5 miles and a height above water of 21 feet (6.4 meters). Your height of eye is 32 feet (9.8 meters) and the visibility is 1.0 mile. At what approximate range will you first sight the light?	1.0 mile	<b>1.5 miles</b>	5.0 miles	11.7 miles	
1049	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 6 miles and a height above water of 18 feet (5.5 meters). Your height of eye is 40 feet (12.2 meters) and the visibility is 27.0 miles. At which approximate range will you first sight the light?	5.6 miles	6.4 miles	<b>9.8 miles</b>	12.1 miles	
1050	The Light List shows that a navigational light has a nominal range of 6 miles and a height above water of 18 feet (5.5 meters). Your height of eye is 47 feet (14.3 meters) and the visibility is 1.5 miles. At what approximate range will you first sight the light?	1.5 miles	<b>2.0 miles</b>	6.0 miles	12.7 miles	
1051	The light rhythm of Morse (A) is shown on _____.	preferred-channel buoys	starboard- or port-side buoys	special marks	<b>safe water buoys</b>	
1052	The line connecting the points of the earth's surface where there is no dip is the _____.	agonic line	<b>magnetic equator</b>	isodynamic	isopor	
1053	The line of position determined from a sight with an observed altitude (Ho) of 88°45.0' should be _____.	reduced to the meridian and plotted as a latitude line	calculated as a longitude line	plotted by using an intercept from an assumed position	<b>plotted as an arc around the GP of the body</b>	



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1054	The line of position should be plotted as a circle around the GP of the body when the Ho exceeds what minimum value?	80°	83°	85°	<b>87°</b>	
1055	The line which connects the points of zero magnetic dip is _____.	an agonic line	<b>the magnetic equator</b>	a magnetic meridian	All of the above	
1056	The LMT of LAN is 1210. Your longitude is 70°30'E. Which time would you use to enter the Nautical Almanac to determine the declination of the Sun at LAN?	1842	1652	<b>0728</b>	0652	
1057	The LMT of sunrise on the standard meridian is 0552. Your longitude is 99°15'E. What is your ZT of sunrise?	0512	0529	0552	<b>0615</b>	
1058	The Local mean time of LAN is 1152. Your longitude is 73°15'E. What time would you use to enter the Nautical Almanac to determine the declination of the Sun at LAN?	<b>0659</b>	0652	1859	1852	
1059	The Local Notice to Mariners is usually published _____.	daily	<b>weekly</b>	monthly	semiannually	
1060	The lock chamber is 600 feet X 110 feet. Your towboat is 150 feet X 35 feet. Which of these tows will require a double lockage?	A set-over single	4 standard barges abreast next to your boat's head and 3 jumbo abreast in the lead	6 jumbo (3 abreast and 2 long) with a standard on each side of your boat	<b>9 jumbo barges</b>	
1061	The lockmaster has given you permission to tie off on the lower guide wall to wait your turn to lock through. What should you be most concerned with?	A downbound vessel	An upbound vessel	<b>Current reaction when the lock chamber is being emptied</b>	Current reaction when the lock chamber is being filled	
1062	The longitude of the upper vertex of a great circle track is 169°E. What is the longitude of the lower vertex?	076°E	169°W	101°W	<b>011°W</b>	
1063	The low, dark, sheet-like cloud which is associated with continuous precipitation for many hours is a _____.	cirrus cloud	cumulus cloud	cumulonimbus cloud	<b>nimbostratus cloud</b>	
1064	The lubber's line on a magnetic compass indicates _____.	compass north	<b>the direction of the vessel's head</b>	magnetic north	a relative bearing taken with an azimuth circle	
1065	The luminous range of a light takes into account the _____.	glare from background lighting	<b>existing visibility conditions</b>	elevation of the light	observer's height of eye	
1066	The lunar day is _____.	<b>longer than a solar day</b>	shorter than a solar day	the same length as the solar day	longer than a solar day during the summer months and shorter in winter months	
1067	The lunar day is also known as the _____.	lunitidal interval	vulgar establishment of the port	nodal day	<b>tidal day</b>	

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1068	The lunar or tidal day is _____.	about 50 minutes shorter than the solar day	<b>about 50 minutes longer than the solar day</b>	about 10 minutes longer than the solar day	the same length as the solar day	
1069	The magnetic compass magnets are acted on by the horizontal component of the Earth's total magnetic force. This magnetic force is GREATEST at the _____.	north magnetic pole	south magnetic pole	magnetic prime vertical meridian	<b>magnetic equator</b>	
1070	The magnetic compass operates on the principle that _____.	like magnetic poles attract	unlike magnetic poles repel	<b>unlike poles attract</b>	the poles of the compass line up with the geographic poles of the earth	
1071	The magnitude of three stars is indicated. Which star is the brightest?	<b>Canopus - 0.9</b>	Vega + 0.1	Antares + 1.2	Cannot be determined; magnitude indicates size not brightness	
1072	The magnitude of three stars is indicated. Which star is the brightest?	Antares + 1.2	Altair + 0.9	<b>Vega + 0.1</b>	Cannot be determined; magnitude indicates size not brightness	
1073	The major problem with Moon sights is the _____.	rapid changes in GHA and declination introduce errors into the calculations	<b>lack of a well defined limb during certain phases and positions in the sky</b>	approximations used in the solution caused by the variable horizontal parallax	augmentation effect caused by the relatively short distance to the Moon	
1074	The marine sextant is subject to seven different types of errors, four of which may be corrected by the navigator. An error NOT correctable by the navigator is _____.	index error	<b>prismatic error</b>	perpendicularity of the horizon glass	perpendicularity of the index mirror	
1075	The maritime radio system consisting of a series of coast stations transmitting coastal warnings is called _____.	<b>NAVTEX</b>	HYDROLANT/HYDRO PAC	NAVAREA	SAFESEA	
1076	The maximum difference between mean time and apparent time is _____.	equal to the longitude expressed in time units	<b>about 16 minutes</b>	the difference between the GHA of mean sun and the first point of Aries	15° of arc	
1077	The maximum distance at which a light may be seen under existing visibility conditions is called _____.	nominal range	<b>luminous range</b>	charted range	geographic range	
1078	The mean sun used to measure time moves _____.	along the ecliptic at 15° per hour	along the celestial equator at 15° per day	along the ecliptic at 15° per day	<b>along the celestial equator at 15° per hour</b>	
1079	The mean tide level at Peaks Island, ME, is _____.	1.8 feet (0.5 meters)	2.5 feet (0.8 meters)	3.2 feet (1.0 meters)	<b>4.5 feet (1.4 meters)</b>	
1080	The measurement of local time is based on the passage of the Sun over the _____.	upper branch of the observer's meridian	<b>lower branch of the observer's meridian</b>	upper branch of the Greenwich meridian	lower branch of the Greenwich meridian	

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1081	The Milky Way is an example of a _____.	cluster	<b>galaxy</b>	nova	nebula	
1082	The Moon and Sun are in line over your meridian. Tomorrow when the Sun is over your meridian, the Moon will be _____.	over the meridian too	<b>about 12° East of the meridian</b>	about 6° West of the meridian	about 11° west of the meridian	
1083	The Moon is farthest from the Earth at _____.	the full Moon	<b>apogee</b>	the lunar solstice	quadrature	
1084	The moon is full and at perigee on 20 January 1983. What is the maximum current you could expect at 2350 (ZD +5) at Nantucket Shoals?	0.5 knot	0.7 knot	0.8 knot	<b>1.0 knot</b>	
1085	The Moon is nearest to the Earth at _____.	<b>perigee</b>	the vernal equinox	the new Moon	the full Moon	
1086	The Moon is subject to four types of libration. Which of the following is NOT one of these types of libration?	Libration in longitude	Diurnal libration	<b>Vertical libration</b>	Libration in latitude	
1087	The Moon is subject to four types of libration. Which of the following is NOT one of these types of libration?	Libration in latitude	Diurnal libration	Physical libration	<b>Horizontal libration</b>	
1088	The most accurate method of determining gyrocompass error while underway is by _____.	<b>comparing the gyro azimuth of a celestial body with the computed azimuth of the body</b>	comparing the gyro heading with the magnetic compass heading	determining from the chart the course made good between celestial fixes	It cannot be determined accurately at sea due to drift of unknown currents.	
1089	The MOST important feature of the material used for making the binnacle of a standard magnetic compass is that it is _____.	<b>nonmagnetic</b>	weatherproof	corrosion resistant	capable of being permanently affixed to the vessel	
1090	The most important information to be obtained from a barometer is the _____.	difference between the reading of the two pointers, which shows wind direction	last two figures of the reading of the pointer, such as .87, .76, or .92	<b>present reading of the pressure, combined with the changes in pressure observed in the recent past</b>	weather indications printed on the dial (such as "cold, wet, etc.") under the pointer	
1091	The motion of celestial bodies relative to other celestial bodies is known as _____.	<b>space motion</b>	apparent motion	diurnal motion	actual motion	
1092	The movement of water away from the shore or downstream is called a(n) _____.	reversing current	<b>ebb current</b>	flood current	slack current	
1093	The nadir is the point on the celestial sphere that is _____.	90° away from the zenith	over Greenwich	on the western horizon	<b>directly below the observer</b>	
1094	The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (formerly the National Imagery and Mapping Agency) would produce a chart of the coast of _____.	Alaska	<b>Canada</b>	Puerto Rico	Hawaii	
1095	The National Ocean Service publishes the _____.	Light Lists	<b>Coast Pilots</b>	pilot charts	Sailing Directions	

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1096	The navigable semicircle of a hurricane in the Northern Hemisphere is that area of the storm measured _____.	from true north clockwise to 180°T	from true north counterclockwise to 180°T	from the bow counterclockwise to 180° relative	<b>from the direction of the storm's movement counterclockwise 180°</b>	
1097	The navigable semicircle of a tropical storm in the South Indian Ocean is located on which side of the storm's track?	Rear	Front	Left	<b>Right</b>	
1098	The navigable semicircle of a typhoon in the Southern Hemisphere is the area _____.	behind the typhoon, measured from 90° to 180°From each side of the storm's track	<b>to the right of the storm's track</b>	ahead of the typhoon, measured from the storm's track to 90° on each side	measured from due south, counterclockwise 180°	
1099	The navigation regulations applicable to a U.S. inland waterway can be found in the _____.	Notices to Mariners	Channel Reports	Sailing Directions	<b>Coast Pilots</b>	
1100	The navigational triangle uses parts of two systems of coordinates, one of which is the celestial equator system, the other system is the _____.	terrestrial system	<b>horizon system</b>	astronomical system	ecliptic system	
1101	The navigational triangle uses parts of two systems of coordinates, one of which is the horizon system and the other is the _____.	terrestrial system	astronomical system	<b>celestial equator system</b>	ecliptic system	
1102	The navigator aboard a ship at approximately 165°E longitude observes the Sun at ZT 14-25-04 on 21 September. What is the GMT and Greenwich date of the observation?	<b>03-25-04, 21 September</b>	02-25-04, 21 September	01-25-04, 21 September	01-25-04, 20 September	
1103	The navigator is concerned with three systems of coordinates. Which system is not of major concern?	Terrestrial	<b>Ecliptic</b>	Celestial horizon	Celestial equator	
1104	The needle of an aneroid barometer points to 30.05 on the dial. This indicates that the barometric pressure is _____.	<b>30.05 inches of mercury</b>	30.05 millimeters of mercury	30.05 millibars	falling	
1105	The new Moon cannot be seen because the Moon is _____.	in the opposite direction of the Sun	below the horizon	<b>between the Earth and the Sun</b>	at quadrature	
1106	The nominal range of a light may be accurately defined as the maximum distance at which a light may be seen _____.	under existing visibility conditions	under perfect visibility	<b>with ten miles visibility</b>	with fifteen miles visibility	
1107	The north equatorial current flows to the _____.	east	northeast	southwest	<b>west</b>	
1108	The numeral in the center of a wind rose circle on a pilot chart indicates the _____.	total number of observations	average wind force on the Beaufort scale	average wind force in knots	<b>percentage of calms</b>	

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1109	The ocean bottom that extends from the shoreline out to an area where there is a marked change in slope to a greater depth is the _____.	abyssal plain	<b>continental shelf</b>	borderland	offshore terrace	
1110	The only cylindrical chart projection widely used for navigation is the _____.	Lambert conformal	<b>Mercator</b>	azimuthal	gnomonic	
1111	The parallel of latitude at 23°27'N is the _____.	<b>Tropic of Cancer</b>	Tropic of Capricorn	Arctic Circle	ecliptic	
1112	The parallel of latitude at 23°27'S is the _____.	Tropic of Cancer	<b>Tropic of Capricorn</b>	Arctic Circle	ecliptic	
1113	The parallel of latitude at 66°33'N is the _____.	Tropic of Cancer	Tropic of Capricorn	<b>Arctic Circle</b>	ecliptic	
1114	The part of a sextant mounted directly over the pivot of the index arm is the _____.	<b>index mirror</b>	horizon glass	micrometer drum	telescope	
1115	The passing of a low pressure system can be determined by periodically checking the _____.	thermometer	hygrometer	<b>barometer</b>	anemometer	
1116	The path of a celestial body during its daily apparent revolution around the Earth is called its _____.	ecliptic	<b>diurnal circle</b>	altitude circle	circle of position	
1117	The path that a vessel is expected to follow, represented on a chart by a line drawn from the point of departure to the point of arrival, is the _____.	DR plot	<b>track line</b>	heading	estimated course	
1118	The path that the Sun appears to take among the stars is the _____.	zodiac	Tropic of Cancer in the Northern Hemisphere	<b>ecliptic</b>	line of apsides	
1119	The paths of intended travel between three or more points is the _____.	course	<b>track</b>	bearing	course over the ground	
1120	The period at high or low tide during which there is no change in the height of the water is called the _____.	range of the tide	plane of the tide	<b>stand of the tide</b>	reversing of the tide	
1121	The period of a lighted aid to navigation refers to the _____.	date of construction or establishment	length of time between flashes of the light	time required for the longest flash of each cycle	<b>time required for the light to complete each cycle</b>	
1122	The period of revolution of the Moon is _____.	24 hours	<b>about 27.3 days</b>	365 days	about 19 years	
1123	The period of rotation of the Moon on its axis is _____.	about 19 years	365 days	<b>about 27.3 days</b>	24 hours	
1124	The period of the Earth's revolution from perihelion to perihelion is the _____.	astronomical year	<b>anomalous year</b>	solar year	sidereal year	

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1125	The permanent magnetism of a vessel may change in polarity due to _____.	being moored for a long time on one heading	<b>being struck by lightning</b>	steaming from the north magnetic hemisphere to the south magnetic hemisphere	loading a homogenous magnetic cargo such as steel plate, iron bars, etc.	
1126	The permanent magnetism of a vessel may change in strength due to _____.	the nature of the cargo being carried	changes in heading	<b>major structural repair</b>	All of the above	
1127	The permanent magnetism of a vessel may change in strength due to _____.	a collision with another vessel	being moored on a constant heading for a long period of time	being struck by lightning	<b>All of the above</b>	
1128	The phase correction should be applied to sights of Venus and Mars _____.	during day time observations only	<b>during twilight observations only</b>	at all times	when observed at altitudes of less than 25°	
1129	The picture shown represents the geographic location of a vessel and the radar presentation at the same time. Which statement is TRUE?	Ship No. 1 is not detected due to the shadow effect of the headland.	The small island is not detected due to the effect of beam width.	<b>A tangent bearing of the headland to the south-southeast should be corrected by adding one-half of the beam width.</b>	Ship No. 2 is not detected due to the reflective mass of the background mountain overpowering the ship's reflective signals.	<b>D011NG</b>
1130	The pictures shown represent the geographic location of a vessel and the radar presentation at the same time. Which statement is TRUE?	<b>Ship No. 1 does not appear as an individual target due to the effect of beam width.</b>	Small island is not detected due to the multiple echo effect from the mountain.	A tangent bearing of the headland to the south-southeast is corrected by subtracting one-half of the beam width.	Ship No. 2 is not detected due to the side lobe effect of radar reflecting from the mountain.	<b>D011NG</b>
1131	The place where a channel moves from along one bank of the river over to the other bank of the river is called a _____.	draft	cutoff	draw	<b>crossing</b>	
1132	The planet Venus can be observed in the morning before sunrise if it is well to the _____.	<b>west of and higher than the Sun</b>	west of and lower than the Sun	east of and higher than the Sun	east of and lower than the Sun	
1133	The point on the celestial sphere that is directly below an observer is the _____.	pole	<b>nadir</b>	node	zenith	
1134	The point on the celestial sphere that is directly over the observer is the _____.	node	pole	<b>zenith</b>	nadir	
1135	The point where the Sun is at maximum declination north or south is _____.	aphelion	perihelion	an equinox	<b>a solstice</b>	
1136	The point where the vertical rise or fall of tide has stopped is referred to as _____.	slack water	the rip tide	<b>the stand of the tide</b>	the reverse of the tide	
1137	The points on the earth's surface where the magnetic dip is 90° are _____.	along the magnetic equator	connected by the isoclinal line	the isopors	<b>the magnetic poles</b>	
1138	The points where the Sun is at 0° declination are known as _____.	solstices	<b>equinoxes</b>	perigee	apogee	

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1139	The population of northern right whales, an endangered species, numbers approximately _____.	<b>300</b>	5000	100,000	1,000,000	
1140	The position labeled "D" was plotted because _____.	the vessel's speed changed at 1125	a dead reckoning position is plotted within 30 minutes of a running fix	<b>a dead reckoning position is plotted for each course change</b>	All of the above	<b>D051NG</b>
1141	the position labeled "E" was plotted because _____.	the vessel's position was fixed at 1145	a dead reckoning position is plotted within a half-hour of each course change	the position is a running fix	<b>a dead reckoning position is plotted for each speed change</b>	<b>D051NG</b>
1142	The position labeled C is a(n) _____.	fix	<b>running fix</b>	estimated position	dead reckoning position	<b>D051NG</b>
1143	The precession of the equinoxes occurs in a(n) _____.	easterly direction	<b>westerly direction</b>	northerly direction	southerly direction	
1144	The precession of the equinoxes of the Earth is _____.	the gradual increase in the period of rotation caused by the effects of the Moon	the irregularity of the Earth's orbit caused by influences of the Sun and Moon	caused by the elliptical shape of the Earth's orbit	<b>similar to a top spinning with its axis tilted</b>	
1145	The predicted time that the ebb begins at the entrance to Delaware Bay is 1526. You are anchored off Chestnut St. in Philadelphia. If you get underway bound for sea at 1630 and turn for 12 knots, at what point will you lose the flood current?	<b>New Castle</b>	Reedy Island	Mile 44	Ship John Shoal Lt.	
1146	The predicted time that the flood begins at the entrance to Delaware Bay is 1526. You are anchored off Chestnut St. in Philadelphia. If you get underway bound for sea at 1300 and turn for 13 knots, at what point will you lose the flood current?	Mile 52	New Castle	Marcus Hook	<b>Billingsport</b>	
1147	The predicted time that the flood begins at the entrance to Delaware Bay is 1526. You are anchored off Chestnut St. in Philadelphia. If you get underway bound for sea at 1430 and turn for 11 knots, at what point will you lose the ebb current?	New Castle	<b>Liston Pt.</b>	Arnold Pt.	Ship John Shoal Lt.	
1148	The predicted time that the flood begins at the entrance to Delaware Bay is 1526. You are anchored off Chestnut St. in Philadelphia. If you get underway bound for sea at 1600 and turn for 8 knots, at what point will you lose the ebb current?	Billingsport	Marcus Hook	<b>Mile 63</b>	Mile 52	



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1149	The presence of stratus clouds and a dying wind will usually result in _____.	heavy rain	heavy snow	<b>thick fog</b>	clearing skies	
1150	The pressure gradient between the horse latitudes and doldrums runs _____.	east to west	<b>north to south</b>	northeast to southwest	northwest to southeast	
1151	The pressure-sensitive element of an aneroid barometer is called a _____.	pressure bellows	<b>syphon cell</b>	column of mercury	constant pressure capsule	
1152	The prevailing westerlies of the Southern Hemisphere blow 18 - 30 knots _____.	<b>all year long</b>	during the summer months only	during the winter only	during spring only	
1153	The prevailing winds in the band of latitude from approximately 5°N to 30°N are the _____.	prevailing westerlies	<b>northeast trade winds</b>	southeast trade winds	doldrums	
1154	The primary use of apparent time in marine navigation is to _____.	calculate sunrise or sunset	determine zone time	enter an almanac	<b>determine the time of meridian transit</b>	
1155	The prime vertical is the great circle on the celestial sphere that passes through the _____.	celestial poles and the zenith	<b>zenith, nadir and the east point of the horizon</b>	celestial poles and the celestial body	zenith, nadir and celestial body	
1156	The prime vertical is the reference point from which the angle of which type of observation is measured?	Sextant angle	Azimuth	<b>Amplitude</b>	Local apparent noon	
1157	The principal advantage of NAVTEX radio warnings is that _____.	<b>they can be used by mariners who do not know Morse code</b>	only an ordinary FM radio is necessary to receive these warnings	information on a given topic is only broadcast at specified times	they cover a broad spectrum of the radio band allowing reception on almost any type of receiver	
1158	The principal purpose of magnetic compass adjustment is to _____.	reduce the variation as much as possible	<b>reduce the deviation as much as possible</b>	reduce the magnetic dip as much as possible	allow the compass bowl to swing freely on its gimbals	
1159	The principal vertical circle is that great circle on the celestial sphere that passes through the _____.	zenith and the celestial body	<b>zenith and the north and south poles</b>	poles and Greenwich	zenith and is parallel to the horizon	
1160	The probability of a sudden wind may be foretold by _____.	a partly cloudy sky	an overcast sky	<b>a fast approaching line of dark clouds</b>	the formation of cumulus clouds in the sky	
1161	The process by which the temperature and/or moisture characteristics of an air mass changes is called _____.	sublimation or condensation	<b>modification</b>	consolidation	association	
1162	The proper way to approach a downstream lock where there is an outdraft is to be _____.	wide out from the land wall, keeping the stern in at all times	wide out from the land wall, keeping the stern out at all times	<b>close in to the land wall, keeping the stern in at all times</b>	close in to the land wall, keeping the stern out at all times	
1163	The purpose of the "set" hand on an aneroid barometer is to _____.	adjust the barometer	<b>indicate any change in the reading of the barometer</b>	provide a correction for height above sea level	provide a correction for temperature changes	

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1164	The purpose of the soft iron spheres mounted on arms on the binnacle is to compensate for _____.	the vertical component of the permanent magnetism of the vessel	the residual deviation	magnetic fields caused by electrical currents in the vicinity	<b>induced magnetism in the horizontal soft iron</b>	
1165	The quadrantal spheres are used to _____.	<b>remove deviation on the intercardinal headings</b>	remove deviation on the cardinal compass headings	remove heeling error	compensate for induced magnetism in vertical soft iron	
1166	The radar control that reduces weak echoes out to a limited distance from the ship is the _____.	<b>sensitivity time control (sea-clutter control)</b>	receiver gain control	brilliance control	fast time constant (differentiator)	
1167	The radar control that shortens all echoes on the display and reduces clutter caused by rain or snow is the _____.	sensitivity time control (sea clutter control)	receiver gain control	brilliance control	<b>fast time constant (differentiator)</b>	
1168	The radar control used to reduce sea return at close ranges is the _____.	gain control	<b>sensitivity time control</b>	fast time constant	pulse length control	
1169	The radius of a circle of equal altitude for a body equals the body's _____.	declination	polar distance	altitude	<b>zenith distance</b>	
1170	The radius of a circle of equal altitude of a body is equal to the _____.	<b>coaltitude of the body</b>	altitude of the body	codeclination of the body	polar distance	
1171	The range of tide is the _____.	<b>difference between the heights of high and low tide</b>	distance the tide moves out from the shore	duration of time between high and low tide	maximum depth of the water at high tide	
1172	The range of tide is the _____.	distance the tide moves out from the shore	<b>difference between the heights of high and low tide</b>	duration of time between the high and low tide	maximum depth of the water at high tide	
1173	The range of tide is the _____.	distance the tide moves out from the shore	duration of time between high and low tide	<b>difference between the heights of high and low tide</b>	maximum depth of the water at high tide	
1174	The range of tide is the _____.	maximum depth of the water at high tide	duration of time between high and low tide	distance the tide moves out from the shore	<b>difference between the heights of high and low tide</b>	
1175	The reaction of a gyrocompass to an applied force is known as _____.	<b>precession</b>	earth rate	gyroscopic inertia	gravity effect	
1176	The recording fathometer produces a graphic record of the _____.	bottom contour only up to depths of 100 fathoms	<b>depth underneath the keel against a time base</b>	contour of the bottom against a distance base	depth of water against a distance base	
1177	The reference datum used in determining the heights of land features on most charts is _____.	mean sea level	<b>mean high water</b>	mean low water	half-tide level	
1178	The reference point for determination of GMT is the passage of the mean sun over what line?	First point of Aries	Observer's meridian	0° longitude	<b>180° longitude</b>	

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1179	The refraction correction table given in the Nautical Almanac is based on a standard or average atmospheric density with a temperature of 50°F (10°C) and atmospheric pressure of _____.	29.72 inches (1006 millibars)	<b>29.83 inches (1010 millibars)</b>	29.89 inches (1012 millibars)	29.93 inches (1014 millibars)	
1180	The region containing 3/4 of the mass of the atmosphere and the region to which are confined such phenomena as clouds, storms, precipitation and changing weather conditions is called _____.	stratosphere	<b>troposphere</b>	stratopause	tropopause	
1181	The region of high pressure extending around the Earth at about 35°N latitude is called the _____.	prevailing westerlies	<b>horse latitudes</b>	troposphere	doldrums	
1182	The revision date of a chart is printed on which area of the chart?	Top center	<b>Lower-left corner</b>	Part of the chart title	Any clear area around the neat line	
1183	The rise and fall of the ocean's surface due to a distant storm is known as _____.	sea	waves	fetch	<b>swell</b>	
1184	The safest and most prudent procedure to follow while navigating in the vicinity of a tropical cyclone is to _____.	<b>take positive steps to avoid it if possible</b>	batten down and prepare to ride out the storm	continue to navigate farther from the coast	always navigate towards the coast by the most direct route	
1185	The Sailing Directions (Enroute) contain information on _____.	well-charted inner dangers	port facilities	<b>coastal anchorages</b>	offshore traffic separation schemes	
1186	The Sailing Directions (Enroute) contain information on all of the following EXCEPT _____.	<b>ocean currents</b>	outer dangers to navigation	tidal currents	major port anchorages	
1187	The Sailing Directions (Planning Guide) contain information on all of the following EXCEPT _____.	<b>coastal features</b>	ocean basin environment	ocean routes	military operating areas	
1188	The Sailing Directions are published in the Enroute format and the _____.	Coastal editions	World Port Index	Pilot format	<b>Planning Guide</b>	
1189	The Sailing Directions contain information on _____.	required navigation lights	lifesaving equipment standards	casualty reporting procedures	<b>currents in various locations</b>	
1190	The scale on a chart is given as 1:5,000,000. This means that _____.	1 inch is equal to 5,000 inches on the Earth's surface	1 nautical mile on the chart is equal to 5,000 inches on the Earth's surface	<b>1 inch is equal to 5,000,000 inches on the Earth's surface</b>	1 nautical mile on the chart is equal to 5,000,000 inches on the Earth's surface	
1191	The set of the current is the _____.	speed of the current at a particular time	maximum speed of the current	direction from which the current flows	<b>direction in which the current flows</b>	
1192	The set of the equatorial countercurrent is generally to the _____.	north	<b>east</b>	southwest	northwest	
1193	The shoreline on charts generally represents the mean _____.	<b>high water line</b>	low water line	low water spring line	tide level	
1194	The shoreline shown on nautical charts of areas affected by large tidal fluctuations is usually the line of mean _____.	lower low water	low water	tide level	<b>high water</b>	

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1195	The short text messaging feature of the automatic identification system (AIS) allows for messages of up to _____.	56 characters	64 characters	128 characters	<b>158 characters</b>	
1196	The shortest distance between any two points on earth defines a _____.	small circle	<b>great circle</b>	rhumb line	hyperbola	
1197	The sidereal day begins _____.	when the sun is over the first point of Aries	when the first point of Aries is over 180° longitude	<b>when the first point of Aries is over the upper branch of the reference meridian</b>	at 0000 on 1 January (Sidereal Date)	
1198	The sidereal day begins when the _____.	<b>first point of Aries is over the upper branch of the reference meridian</b>	Sun is over the lower branch of the reference meridian	Sun is over the upper branch of the reference meridian	first point of Aries is over the lower branch of the reference meridian	
1199	The sidereal day begins when the _____.	Sun is over the lower branch of the reference meridian	Sun is over the upper branch of the reference meridian	first point of Aries is over the lower branch of the reference meridian	<b>first point of Aries is over the upper branch of the reference meridian</b>	
1200	The signal from a ramark will show on the PPI as a _____.	coded signal on the same bearing and at a greater range than the transponder	circle surrounding the transponder	<b>radial line from the transponder to the center of the PPI</b>	dashed circle at the same range as the transponder	
1201	The slope of a warm front is about _____.	1 mile vertically to 10 miles horizontally	1 mile vertically to 50 miles horizontally	<b>1 mile vertically to 150 miles horizontally</b>	1 mile vertically to 500 miles horizontally	
1202	The small circle of the celestial sphere parallel to the celestial equator, and transcribed by the daily motion of the body, is called the _____.	hour circle of the body	<b>parallel of declination</b>	vertical circle of the body	parallel of altitude	
1203	The southeast trade winds actually blow toward the _____.	southeast	south	east	<b>northwest</b>	
1204	The speed at which an ocean wave system advances is called _____.	wave length	ripple length	<b>group velocity</b>	wave velocity	
1205	The speed of an ocean current is dependent on _____.	<b>the density of the water</b>	the air temperature	the presence of a high pressure area near it	underwater soil conditions	
1206	The speed of sound in water is approximately _____.	1.5 times its speed in air	2.5 times its speed in air	3.5 times its speed in air	<b>4.5 times its speed in air</b>	
1207	The speed of sound through ocean water is nearly always _____.	<b>faster than the speed of calibration for the fathometer</b>	the same speed as the speed of calibration for the fathometer	slower than the speed of calibration for the fathometer	faster than the speed of calibration for the fathometer, unless the water is very warm	

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1208	The spin axis of a gyroscope tends to remain fixed in space in the direction in which it is started. How does this gyroscope become north seeking so that it can be used as a compass?	<b>By mechanically or electrically applying forces to precess the gyroscope</b>	By starting the compass with the spin axis in a north/south position	By taking advantage of the property of gyroscopic inertia	The rotation of the Earth (Earth rate) automatically aligns the gyroscope with north, except for speed errors	
1209	The spinning motion of a planet around its axis is called _____.	revolution	<b>rotation</b>	orbit	space motion	
1210	The spinning of a celestial body about its axis is known as _____.	<b>rotation</b>	revolution	space motion	nutation	
1211	The standard atmospheric pressure in millibars is _____.	760.0	938.9	1000.0	<b>1013.2</b>	
1212	The standard atmospheric pressure measured in inches of mercury is _____.	<b>29.92</b>	500.0	760.0	1013.2	
1213	The standard magnetic compass heading differs from the true heading by _____.	<b>compass error</b>	latitude	variation	deviation	
1214	The standard meridian for the time zone +1 is _____.	0°	7 1/2°W	<b>15°W</b>	7 1/2°E	
1215	The standard time meridian for description +12 is _____.	172.5°E	<b>180.0°</b>	172.5°W	165.0°W	
1216	The standard time meridian for zone description -1 is _____.	0°	7 1/2°W	7 1/2°E	<b>15°E</b>	
1217	The standard time meridian for zone description -12 is _____.	165.0°E	172.5°E	<b>180.0°</b>	172.5°W	
1218	The star lists in the Nautical Almanac are based on which of the following magnitudes?	First	<b>Third</b>	Sixth	Tenth	
1219	The steady current circling the globe at about 60°S is the _____.	Prevailing Westerly	Sub-Polar Flow	<b>West Wind Drift</b>	Humboldt Current	
1220	The steepness of a cold front depends on _____.	the direction of wind around the front	<b>its velocity</b>	the temperature of the air behind the front	the precipitation generated by the front	
1221	The strongest winds and heaviest rains in a hurricane are found in the _____.	outer bands	eye	<b>cloud walls</b>	spiral rainbands	
1222	The summer solstice is the point where the Sun is at _____.	<b>maximum declination north</b>	maximum declination south	0° declination going to northerly declinations	0° declination going to southerly declinations	
1223	The Sun at a maximum declination north would be approximately at _____.	<b>aphelion</b>	perihelion	autumnal equinox	first point of Aries	
1224	The Sun is closest to the Earth in what month?	October	July	April	<b>January</b>	
1225	The Sun's center is coincident with the principal vertical circle when _____.	<b>in lower transit</b>	the hour circle and prime vertical are coincident	the declination is zero degrees and the azimuth is exactly N 135°E	the declination is zero degrees and the azimuth is exactly N 135°W	

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1226	The Sun's center may be coincident with both the celestial equator and the observer's prime vertical circle when _____.	it crosses the December solstitial point	it crosses the June solstitial point	it is in upper transit	<b>its declination is zero</b>	
1227	The survey information upon which a chart is based is found _____.	at the top center of the next line	<b>near the chart title</b>	at the lower left corner	at any convenient location	
1228	The symbol which appears beside a light on a chart reads "Gp FI R (2) 10 sec 160 ft 19M". Which characteristic does the light possess?	It is visible two nautical miles.	Its distinguishing number is "19M".	<b>It has a red light.</b>	It flashes once every ten seconds.	
1229	The symbol which appears beside a light on a chart reads "Gp FI R (2) 10 sec 160 ft 19M". Which characteristic describes the light?	It is visible 10 miles.	Its distinguishing number is "19M".	It has a radar reflector.	<b>None of the above</b>	
1230	The symbols shown are used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "G" represents a _____.	weather boundary	thunderstorm	wide spread sandstorm	<b>severe, line squall</b>	<b>D042NG</b>
1231	The symbols shown are used on radio facsimile weather charts. The symbol indicated at letter "O" represents _____.	<b>sandstorms</b>	thunderstorms	snow	rain showers	<b>D042NG</b>
1232	The temperature at which the air is saturated with water vapor and below which condensation of water vapor will occur is referred to as the _____.	precipitation point	vapor point	<b>dew point</b>	absolute humidity	
1233	The term "flood current" refers to that time when the water _____.	<b>is flowing towards the land</b>	is moving towards the ocean	level is not changing	level is rising because of heavy rains	
1234	The term "Western Rivers," when it refers to regulations requiring towing vessels to carry navigational-safety equipment, charts or maps, and publications, includes the _____.	Mississippi River and its tributaries	Port Allen - Morgan City Alternate Route	Red River and the Old River	<b>All of the above</b>	
1235	The tides in Boston Harbor generally _____.	are diurnal in nature	have their variations caused by the changing declination of the Moon	<b>have a greater range than the tides in Gulf Coast ports</b>	All of the above	
1236	The time interval between successive wave crests is called the _____.	trough	<b>period</b>	frequency	epoch	
1237	The time meridian that is used when computing the currents for Pensacola Bay, Florida, is _____.	60°W	75°W	<b>90°W</b>	105°W	
1238	The time meridian used for tide computations in New York Harbor is _____.	52°30'W	60°00'W	<b>75°00'W</b>	82°30'W	
1239	The time meridian used when computing the height of tide or the velocity of the current for Pensacola Bay, FL, is _____.	75°00'W	82°30'W	<b>90°00'W</b>	97°30'W	
1240	The time required for a lighted aid to complete a full cycle of light changes is listed in the Light List as the _____.	set	frequency	<b>period</b>	function	

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1241	The total magnetic effects which cause deviation of a vessel's compass can be broken down into a series of components which are referred to as _____.	divisional parts	<b>coefficients</b>	fractional parts	equations	
1242	The tropical year differs from which year by 20 minutes?	Astronomical year	Natural year	Equinoctial year	<b>Sidereal year</b>	
1243	The two most effective generating forces of surface ocean currents are _____.	temperature and salinity differences in the water	<b>wind and density differences in the water</b>	water depth and underwater topography	rotation of the Earth and continental interference	
1244	The type of current which will have the greatest effect on the course made good for your vessel is _____.	one flowing in the same direction as your course steered	one flowing in the opposite direction as your course steered	<b>one that flows at nearly right angles to your course steered</b>	a rotary current in which the direction of current flow constantly changes	
1245	The type of fog that occurs on clear nights with very light breezes and forms when the earth cools rapidly by radiation is known as _____.	<b>radiation fog</b>	frontal fog	convection fog	advection fog	
1246	The typical operating range of automatic identification systems (AIS) at sea is nominally _____.	50-75 nm	<b>20-25 nm</b>	6-8 nm	3-4 nm	
1247	The U.S. Coast Guard publishes _____.	<b>Light Lists</b>	U.S. Coast Pilots	Radio Navigational Aids	All of the above	
1248	The upper vertex of a great circle track is in LONG 156°00'E. Sailing eastward, the great circle track will cross the equator in LONG _____.	<b>114°00'W</b>	110°00'W	66°00'W	66°00'E	
1249	The usual sequence of directions in which a tropical cyclone moves in the Southern Hemisphere is _____.	northwest, west, and south	<b>southwest, south, and southeast</b>	north, northwest, and east	west, northwest, and north	
1250	The value of sixty nautical miles per degree of geodetic latitude is most correct at _____.	the equator	<b>latitude 45°</b>	the poles	all latitudes	
1251	The values of the Greenwich hour angle and declination, tabulated in all almanacs, are for the _____.	upper limb of a celestial body	lower limb of a celestial body	<b>centers of the various celestial bodies</b>	lower limb of the Sun and Moon; center of the stars and planets	
1252	The velocity and direction of the tidal current at Port Morris, NY, at 1135 DST (ZD +4) on 13 May 1983 will be _____.	<b>negligible at 220°T</b>	3.1 knots at 045°T	1.2 knots at 220°T	1.0 knot at 045°T	
1253	The velocity of a rotary tidal current will be decreased when the Moon is _____.	<b>at apogee</b>	new	full	All of the above	
1254	The velocity of a rotary tidal current will increase when the Moon is _____.	new	full	at perigee	<b>All of the above</b>	



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1255	The velocity of the apparent wind can be less than the true wind and from the same direction, if certain conditions are present. One condition is that the _____.	ship's speed is more than the true wind velocity	<b>true wind is from dead astern</b>	true wind is on the beam	true wind is from dead ahead	
1256	The velocity of the apparent wind can be more than the true wind, and come from the same direction, if certain conditions are present. One condition is that the _____.	ship's speed must be less than the true wind velocity	true wind must be from dead astern	true wind velocity must be faster than the ship's speed	<b>true wind must be from dead ahead</b>	
1257	The velocity of the current in large coastal harbors is _____.	unpredictable	<b>predicted in Tidal Current Tables</b>	generally constant	generally too weak to be of concern	
1258	The velocity of the wind, its steady direction, and the amount of time it has blown determines a wind driven current's _____.	temperature	density	deflection	<b>speed</b>	
1259	The vertex of a great circle track is in LONG 109°E. An eastbound vessel would cross the equator in LONG _____.	<b>161°W</b>	161°E	19°E	19°W	
1260	The vertical angle between the horizontal and the magnetic line of force is the _____.	elevation	magnetic angle	vertical angle	<b>dip</b>	
1261	The vertical component of the Earth's magnetic field causes induced magnetism in vertical soft iron. This changes with latitude. What corrects for this coefficient of the deviation?	<b>The Flinders bar</b>	The heeling magnet	Quadrantal soft iron spheres	Bar magnets in the binnacle	
1262	The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water is the _____.	<b>height of tide</b>	range of tide	actual water depth	charted depth	
1263	The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water is the _____.	range of tide	<b>height of tide</b>	actual water depth	charted depth	
1264	The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water is the _____.	range of tide	charted depth	<b>height of tide</b>	actual water depth	
1265	The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water is the _____.	actual water depth	range of tide	charted depth	<b>height of tide</b>	
1266	The visible range marked on charts for lights is the _____.	minimum distance at which the light may be seen with infinite visibility	minimum distance at which the light may be seen based on a 12 mile distance to visible horizon	maximum distance the light may be seen restricted by the height of the light and the curvature of the earth	<b>maximum distance at which a light may be seen in clear weather with 10 miles visibility</b>	
1267	The West Wind Drift is located _____.	<b>near 60°S</b>	on each side of the Equatorial Current	in the North Atlantic between Greenland and Europe	in the South Pacific near 5°S	
1268	The white lights in a vertical line on a multiple-span bridge indicate _____.	<b>the main channel</b>	the draw span is inoperable	the river is obstructed under that span	scaffolding under the span is reducing the vertical clearance	

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1269	The wind at Frying Pan shoals has been north-northeasterly at an average velocity of 30 knots. The predicted set and drift of the rotary current are 355° at 0.8 knot. What current should you expect?	010° at 1.1 knots	047° at 0.3 knot	<b>325° at 0.7 knot</b>	279° at 1.0 knot	
1270	The wind at Frying Pan shoals has been northwesterly at an average velocity of 22 knots. The predicted set and drift of the rotary current are 125° at 0.6 knot. What current should you expect?	<b>119° at 0.9 knot</b>	172° at 1.1 knots	225° at 0.6 knot	340° at 0.4 knot	
1271	The wind at Frying Pan shoals has been south-southwesterly at an average velocity of 30 knots. The predicted set and drift of the rotary current are 232° at 0.8 knot. What current should you expect?	065° at 1.2 knots	092° at 1.3 knots	139° at 0.6 knot	<b>224° at 0.4 knot</b>	
1272	The wind at Frying Pan shoals has been west-northwesterly at an average velocity of 40 knots. The predicted set and drift of the rotary current are 323° at 0.6 knot. What current should you expect?	001° at 0.7 knot	<b>018° at 0.4 knot</b>	052° at 0.6 knot	089° at 0.9 knot	
1273	The wind circulation around a high pressure center in the Northern Hemisphere is _____.	counterclockwise and moving towards the high	counterclockwise and moving outward from the high	clockwise and moving towards the high	<b>clockwise and moving outward from the high</b>	
1274	The wind direction around a low pressure area in the Northern Hemisphere is _____.	clockwise and inward	clockwise and outward	<b>counterclockwise and inward</b>	counterclockwise and outward	
1275	The wind flow from the horse latitudes to the doldrums is deflected due to _____.	<b>Coriolis force</b>	the mid-latitude, semi-permanent high	differing atmospheric pressures	the prevailing westerlies	
1276	The wind in the vicinity of Nantucket Shoals Light has been southerly at an average speed of 23 knots. The predicted set and drift of the rotary tidal current are 225° at 0.8 knot. What are the set and drift of the current you can expect at Nantucket Shoals Light?	025° at 1.8 knots	218° at 1.1 knots	<b>235° at 0.5 knot</b>	247° at 0.7 knot	
1277	The wind speed and direction observed from a moving vessel is known as _____.	coordinate wind	true wind	<b>apparent wind</b>	anemometer wind	
1278	The wind velocity is higher in the dangerous semicircle of a tropical cyclone because of the _____.	<b>wind circulation and forward motion of the storm</b>	extension of the low pressure ridge	recurvature effect	direction of circulation and pressure gradient	
1279	The winds of the "roaring forties" are strongest near _____.	40°N	50°N	40°S	<b>50°S</b>	
1280	The winds with the greatest effect on the set, drift, and depth of the equatorial currents are the _____.	doldrums	horse latitudes	<b>trade winds</b>	prevailing westerlies	

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1281	The winter solstice is the point where the Sun is at _____.	maximum declination north	<b>maximum declination south</b>	0° declination going to northerly declinations	0° declination going to southerly declinations	
1282	The world is divided into NAVAREAS for the dissemination of important marine information. Which NAVAREAS include the U.S. coasts?	I and II	<b>IV and XII</b>	V and X	VI and VII	
1283	The zenith is the point on the celestial sphere that is _____.	90° away from the poles	<b>directly over the observer</b>	on the eastern horizon	over Greenwich	
1284	There are seven sources of error in the marine sextant. Of the four errors listed, which one is adjustable?	<b>Error of collimation</b>	Prismatic error	Graduation error	Centering error	
1285	This diagram represents a movable dam. If there is high water and the wickets are down so that there is an unobstructed navigable pass through the dam, what light(s) will be shown at D if the lock walls and piers are not awash?	One amber light	Three red lights	Two red lights	<b>One red light</b>	<b>D037NG</b>
1286	Three or four feet of the total height of a storm surge in a hurricane can be attributed to _____.	an increase in temperature	an increase in the wave period	the wind velocity	<b>the decrease in atmospheric pressure</b>	
1287	Time signals broadcast by WWV and WWVH are transmitted _____.	every 15 minutes	every 30 minutes	every hour	<b>continuously throughout day</b>	
1288	To avoid error you should read the scale of an aneroid barometer with your eye placed _____.	to the right of the pointer	to the left of the pointer	<b>directly in front of the pointer</b>	slightly above the meniscus	
1289	To find a magnetic compass course from a true course you must apply _____.	deviation	<b>deviation and variation</b>	variation	magnetic anomalies (local disturbances)	
1290	To find the specific phase characteristic of a lighthouse on a sound of the United States you would use the _____.	American Practical Navigator	<b>Light List</b>	Nautical Chart Catalog	U.S. Coast Pilot	
1291	To make sure of getting the full advantage of a favorable current, you should reach an entrance or strait at which time in relation to the predicted time of the favorable current?	One hour after	At the predicted time	<b>30 minutes before</b>	30 minutes before flood, one hour after an ebb	
1292	To measure distance on a Mercator chart between the parallels of LAT 34°30'N and LAT 31°30'N, which 30 mile scale should be used?	33°00'N to 33°30'N	32°30'N to 33°00'N	<b>32°45'N to 33°15'N</b>	32°15'N to 32°45'N	
1293	To predict the actual depth of water using the Tide Tables, the number obtained from the Tide Tables is _____.	the actual depth	<b>added to or subtracted from the charted depth</b>	multiplied by the charted depth	divided by the charted depth	
1294	Tropic tides are caused by the _____.	<b>Moon being at its maximum declination</b>	Moon crossing the equator	Sun and Moon both being near 0° declination	Moon being at perigee	
1295	Tropical cyclones are classified by form and intensity. Which system does not have closed isobars?	Hurricane	<b>Tropical disturbance</b>	Tropical depression	Cyclone	

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1296	Tropical cyclones do not form within 5° of the Equator because _____.	there are no fronts in that area	it is too hot	it is too humid	<b>of negligible Coriolis force</b>	
1297	Tropical cyclones normally form within which of the following belts of latitude?	<b>5° to 15°</b>	15° to 30°	30° to 45°	45° to 60°	
1298	Tropical storms and hurricanes are most likely to form in the Southern hemisphere during _____.	<b>January through March</b>	April through May	June through August	September through November	
1299	True heading differs from magnetic heading by _____.	deviation	<b>variation</b>	compass error	northerly error	
1300	Two navigational hazards are located near to each other, but each is marked by an individual cardinal buoyage system. The buoys of one cardinal system may be identified from the other system by _____.	the differing light colors	one system having odd numbers while the other system has even numbers	one system using horizontal bands while the other system uses vertical stripes	<b>the difference in the periods of the light</b>	
1301	Two well-developed high pressure areas may be separated by a _____.	hill of low pressure	<b>trough of low pressure</b>	valley of low pressure	ridge of low pressure	
1302	Two well-developed low pressure areas may be separated by a _____.	trough of higher pressure	hill of higher pressure	<b>ridge of higher pressure</b>	valley of higher pressure	
1303	Under ideal viewing conditions, the dimmest star that can be seen with the unaided eye is of what magnitude?	First	Third	Fourth	<b>Sixth</b>	
1304	Under the IALA - A Buoyage System, a buoy used as a port hand mark would not show which light characteristic?	Isophase	Quick flashing	Long flashing	<b>Group Flashing (2 + 1)</b>	
1305	Under the IALA Buoyage System, which topmark shown will be displayed on a safe water mark?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	<b>D023NG</b>
1306	Under the IALA Buoyage Systems, a cardinal mark may NOT be used to _____.	indicate that the deepest water in an area is on the named side of the mark	indicate the safe side on which to pass a danger	draw attention to a feature in the channel such as a bend, junction, bifurcation, or end of a shoal	<b>indicate the port and starboard sides of well-defined channels</b>	
1307	Under the IALA Buoyage Systems, a safe water mark may NOT _____.	be spherical	display a white light	be lettered	<b>show a quick flashing light</b>	
1308	Under the IALA Buoyage Systems, a spherical buoy will mark the _____.	<b>safe water</b>	port side of the channel	a hazard to navigation	the position of an underwater cable	
1309	Under the IALA Buoyage Systems, a yellow buoy may mark _____.	fish net areas	spoil areas	military exercise zones	<b>All of the above</b>	
1310	Under the IALA Buoyage Systems, safe water marks may show a _____.	composite group-flashing, FI(2 + 1), red light	composite group-flashing, FI(2 + 1), green light	quick-flashing, Q(9)15s, white light	<b>white Morse (A) light</b>	
1311	Under the IALA Buoyage Systems, the topmark of a red and white vertically-striped buoy shall be _____.	X-shaped	two black spheres	<b>a single red sphere</b>	a single red cone	

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1312	Under the IALA cardinal system, a mark with a quick light showing 9 flashes every 15 seconds indicates that the safest water is on the _____.	north side of the mark	<b>west side of the mark</b>	east side of the mark	south side of the mark	
1313	Under the IALA cardinal system, a mark with a quick white light showing 6 flashes followed by one long flash indicates that the safest water is on the _____.	north side of the mark	west side of the mark	east side of the mark	<b>south side of the mark</b>	
1314	Under the IALA cardinal system, a mark with quick white light showing 3 flashes every 10 seconds indicates that the safest water in the area is on the _____.	north side of the mark	west side of the mark	<b>east side of the mark</b>	south side of the mark	
1315	Under the IALA-A and B Buoyage Systems, a buoy with alternating red and white vertical stripes indicates _____.	<b>that there is navigable water all around</b>	an isolated danger exists	that the preferred channel is to port	that the preferred channel is to starboard	
1316	Under the IALA-A Buoyage System, a buoy indicating that the preferred channel is to port when entering from seaward, can have a _____.	can shape	group-flashing (2) light	red-and-green vertical stripes	<b>green light</b>	
1317	Under the IALA-A Buoyage System, a buoy indicating the preferred channel is to port would have _____.	an even number	an odd number	a pillar shape	<b>horizontal bands</b>	
1318	Under the IALA-A Buoyage system, a buoy marking the port hand of the channel when approaching from seaward may NOT have a _____.	red light	<b>conical shape</b>	group-flashing light	square topmark	
1319	Under the IALA-A Buoyage system, a buoy marking the starboard side of the channel when approaching from seaward may have a _____.	<b>triangular topmark</b>	red light	can shape	isophase light	
1320	Under the IALA-A Buoyage System, a green spar buoy with a triangular topmark would indicate that the buoy _____.	<b>should be left to port when heading out to sea</b>	may be left close aboard on either side	is on the north side of a point of interest	is marking the preferred channel	
1321	Under the IALA-A Buoyage System, when entering from seaward, a buoy indicating the preferred channel is to starboard may have a _____.	green light	long-flashing light characteristic	<b>square topmark</b>	conical shape	
1322	Under the IALA-A Buoyage System, when entering from seaward a lateral system buoy to be left to port may display which topmark shown?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D046NG</b>
1323	Under the IALA-A Buoyage System, when entering from seaward a lateral system buoy to be left to starboard may display which topmark shown?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D046NG</b>

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1324	Under the IALA-B Buoyage System, a buoy displaying a red light will _____.	<b>be left to starboard when entering from seaward</b>	show a light characteristic of Morse Code "A"	be lettered	have a radar reflector	
1325	Under the IALA-B Buoyage System, a conical buoy will be _____.	<b>red in color</b>	numbered with an odd number	left to port when entering from seaward	All of the above	
1326	Under the IALA-B Buoyage System, when entering from seaward a lateral system buoy to be left to port may display which of the topmarks shown?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D046NG</b>
1327	Under the IALA-B Buoyage System, when entering from seaward a lateral system buoy to be left to starboard may display which of the topmarks shown?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	<b>D046NG</b>
1328	Under the IALA-B Buoyage System, when entering from seaward, a buoy that should be left to port will be _____.	black	red	<b>green</b>	yellow	
1329	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers, a daymark on the right descending bank will _____.	<b>be green</b>	have an odd number	indicate the gage reading	have yellow retro reflective markings	
1330	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers, a preferred-channel buoy is _____.	<b>horizontally-banded red and green</b>	vertically-striped red and white	solid red	solid green	
1331	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers, passing daymarks on the left descending bank are _____.	green squares	green diamonds	red diamonds	<b>red triangles</b>	
1332	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers, passing daymarks on the right descending bank are _____.	red diamond-shaped panels with red reflector borders	red triangular-shaped panels with red reflector borders	<b>green square-shaped panels with green reflector borders</b>	green triangular-shaped panels with green reflector borders	
1333	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers, the buoys marking the starboard side of the channel when going upstream will be _____.	black	<b>red</b>	green	yellow	
1334	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System used on the Western Rivers, aids to navigation lights on the right descending bank show _____.	<b>white or green lights</b>	white or red lights	green lights only	white lights only	
1335	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System, a lighted buoy with a spherical topmark marks _____.	the port side of the channel	<b>safe water</b>	a hazard to navigation	the position of underwater cables	
1336	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System, a special mark possesses which of the following characteristics?	<b>May show a yellow light with a flashing rhythm</b>	Must be lighted with a fixed or flashing white light	May show a light with the Morse code "A" rhythm	Must be lighted with a yellow isophase light	

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1337	Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System, a yellow buoy is a _____.	safe water buoy	junction buoy	cardinal mark	<b>special purpose mark</b>	
1338	Under the Uniform State Waterway Marking System a mooring buoy is painted _____.	<b>white with a blue band</b>	yellow	any color that does not conflict with the lateral system	white with a green top	
1339	Uniform, grayish-white cloud sheets that cover large portions of the sky, and are responsible for a large percentage of the precipitation in the temperate latitudes, are called _____.	<b>altostratus</b>	altocumulus	cirrostratus	cirrocumulus	
1340	Universal time (UTI) is another name for _____.	sidereal time	<b>Greenwich mean time</b>	ephemeris time	atomic time	
1341	Unlighted, red and green, horizontally-banded buoys with the topmost band red _____.	are cylindrical in shape and called can buoys	<b>are conical in shape and called nun buoys</b>	may either be cylindrical or conical since the shape has no significance	are triangular in shape to indicate that it may not be possible to pass on either side of the buoy	
1342	Upper limb observations of the Moon are used more frequently than those of the Sun because of the location of the Moon in the sky and the _____.	lesser distance between the Earth and the Moon	<b>phase of the Moon</b>	rapid change in declination of the Moon	effects of augmentation and horizontal parallax	
1343	Variation in a compass is caused by _____.	worn gears in the compass housing	<b>magnetism from the earth's magnetic field</b>	magnetism within the vessel	lack of oil in the compass bearings	
1344	Variation is a compass error that you _____.	can correct by adjusting the compass card	can correct by adjusting the compensating magnets	can correct by changing the vessel's heading	<b>cannot correct</b>	
1345	Variation is not constant; it is different with every change in _____.	speed	vessel heading	<b>geographical location</b>	cargo	
1346	Variation is the angular measurement between _____.	compass north and magnetic north	compass north and true north	<b>magnetic meridian and the geographic meridian</b>	your vessel's heading and the magnetic meridian	
1347	Vessel required to have an Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) must have a device to indicate the _____.	<b>speed of the vessel over the ground or through the water</b>	depth of the water	vessel's position	relative heading	
1348	Vessels regularly navigating Ohio and Mississippi rivers above Cairo, Illinois, and their tributaries, shall at all times have on board a copy of _____.	Tide Tables	U.S. Coast Pilot	<b>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Navigation Regulations (Blue Book)</b>	Sailing Directions	
1349	Vessels required to have an Automatic Radar Plotting Aid must have a device to indicate the _____.	<b>speed of the vessel over the ground or through the water</b>	vessel's position	ECDIS generated trackline	AIS information of vessels in the vicinity	



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1350	Vessels required to have an Automatic Radar Plotting Aid must have a device to indicate the _____.	distance to the next port	<b>speed of the vessel over the ground or through the water</b>	time of the next navigational satellite pass	None of the above	
1351	Vessels should maintain a sharp lookout, especially during December through March, when navigating the right whale's only known calving grounds which lie off the coasts of _____.	Nova Scotia	Maine and Massachusetts	<b>Georgia and NE Florida</b>	California and Mexico	
1352	Warm air masses will generally have _____.	turbulence within the mass	<b>stratiform clouds</b>	heavy precipitation	good visibility	
1353	Weather conditions in the middle latitudes generally move _____.	<b>eastward</b>	westward	northward	southward	
1354	Weather forecast messages are usually _____.	given only to TV stations	transmitted only by commercial broadcast stations	<b>broadcast in plain language</b>	broadcast immediately on VHF Channel 16 and 2182 kHz	
1355	Weather information is available from _____.	commercial radio broadcasts	the Coast Guard on scheduled marine information broadcasts	VHF-FM continuous marine weather broadcasts provided by the National Weather Service	<b>All of the above</b>	
1356	Weather information provided by the National Weather Service (NWS) advisories should be used along with _____.	the Tide Tables and Tidal Current Tables	the local Notice to Mariners	<b>weather maps and local knowledge</b>	any U.S. Coast Pilot	
1357	Weather observations provided by each weather station include all of the following except _____.	temperature	visibility	<b>predicted weather for the next twelve hours</b>	barometric pressure and change in the last three hours	
1358	Weather patterns in the Gulf Coast area of the United States are _____.	<b>those of a transition zone between tropical and a temperate area</b>	those of a tropical region	extremely hot in summer	tropical over Florida and subtropical over the rest of the Gulf Coast area	
1359	Weather systems in the middle latitudes generally travel from _____.	east to west	north to south	<b>west to east</b>	None of the above	
1360	What agency of the U.S. Government issues charts of U.S. waters and Coast Pilots?	<b>National Ocean Service</b>	National Imagery and Mapping Agency	U.S. Coast Guard	U.S. Naval Observatory	
1361	What are the colors of a mid-channel daymark?	Black and red	<b>Red and white</b>	Green and red	Green and white	
1362	What are the doldrums characterized by?	steady, light to moderate winds	<b>frequent calms</b>	clear skies	low humidity	
1363	What are the only magnetic compass correctors that correct for both permanent and induced effects of magnetism?	Quadrantal spheres	<b>Heeling magnets</b>	Athwartships magnets	Fore-and-aft magnets	
1364	What area of the earth cannot be shown on a standard Mercator chart?	Equator	Areas including both North and South latitudes	<b>North and South Poles</b>	A narrow band along the central meridian.	

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1365	What benefit is a weather bulletin to a mariner?	It provides a legal reason to cancel a projected voyage.	It allows the mariner to make long term weather forecasts.	It is of little benefit since the weather changes frequently and rapidly.	<b>It gives the mariner time to prepare for weather changes.</b>	
1366	What causes the error of collimation with regards to the four adjustments to a sextant?	<b>Telescope not parallel to the frame</b>	Personal error	The frame and index mirror not perpendicular	The frame and horizon glass not perpendicular	
1367	What celestial body may sometimes be observed in daylight?	New Moon	Saturn	Sirius	<b>Venus</b>	
1368	What change in the wind direction could be expected at position "D" if the low were moving northeasterly?	<b>Veering to the west</b>	Backing to the north	Veering to the north	Backing to the east	<b>D049NG</b>
1369	What classification of tropical cyclone would have closed isobars, counter clockwise rotary circulation, and sustained winds between 34 and 63 knots?	A tropical disturbance	A tropical depression	<b>A tropical storm</b>	A hurricane	
1370	What condition exists at apogee?	The Earth is closest to the Sun.	The Moon is farthest from the Sun.	<b>The Earth is farthest from the Moon.</b>	The Moon is between the Earth and the Sun.	
1371	What condition exists at perigee?	The Earth is farthest from the Sun.	The Earth, Sun, and Moon are in line.	The Earth, Sun, and Moon are at right angles.	<b>The Moon is closest to the Earth.</b>	
1372	What current flows southward along the west coast of the United States and causes extensive fog in that area?	Davidson Current	North Pacific Current	Alaska Current	<b>California Current</b>	
1373	What daymark has NO lateral significance?	Red triangle	Red triangle with a green horizontal stripe	<b>Green and white diamond</b>	Green square	
1374	What daymark shape is used in the lateral system?	Semicircle	<b>Triangle</b>	Pentagon	Diamond	
1375	What defines a great circle?	A curved line drawn on a Mercator Chart	A course line that inscribes a loxodromic curve	<b>The shortest distance between any two points on the earth</b>	The smallest circle that can be drawn on the face of a sphere	
1376	What describes a flood current?	Horizontal movement of the water toward the land after high tide	<b>Horizontal movement of the water toward the land after low tide</b>	Horizontal movement of the water away from the land following high tide	Horizontal movement of the water away from the land following low tide	
1377	What describes an accurate position that is NOT based on any prior position?	Dead-reckoning position	Estimated position	<b>Fix</b>	Running fix	

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1378	What describes an ebb current?	Horizontal movement of the water away from the land following low tide	Horizontal movement of the water toward the land following low tide	<b>Horizontal movement of the water away from the land following high tide</b>	Horizontal movement of the water toward the land following high tide	
1379	What do the numbers on isobars indicate?	<b>barometric pressure</b>	temperature	rain in inches	wind speed	
1380	What does an automatic identification system (AIS) transponder use to transmit and receive information broadcasts?	3000 Mhz and 9200 Mhz	2182 Khz and 2187.5 Khz	<b>161.975 Mhz and 162.025 Mhz</b>	1575.42 Mhz and 1227.6 Mhz	
1381	What does not contribute to the commercial GPS receiver position error?	Satellite clock	<b>Ship's speed</b>	Atmospheric/ionospheric propagation	Satellites' orbits	
1382	What does the symbol shown indicate on a chart?	A sunken vessel marked by a buoy	<b>A safe water beacon</b>	A red and white can buoy	A can buoy with a rotating white light	<b>D033NG</b>
1383	What does the term "tide" refer to?	Horizontal movement of the water	<b>Vertical movement of the water</b>	Mixing tendency of the water	Salinity content of the water	
1384	What enables you to estimate the bearing of a storm's center?	<b>Buys Ballot's Law</b>	An educated guess	Pascal's Law	The left-hand rule	
1385	What feature(s) of a daymark is (are) used to identify the beacon upon which it is mounted?	<b>Color and shape</b>	Size	Method of construction	Signal characteristics	
1386	What generally occurs when the land is cooler than the nearby water?	<b>A land breeze</b>	A sea breeze	A norther	A prevailing westerly	
1387	What great circle is always needed to form the astronomical triangle?	Celestial Equator	Prime Meridian	<b>Celestial Meridian</b>	Prime Vertical Circle	
1388	What happens because of augmentation?	<b>The Moon appears larger as the elevation increases.</b>	The Sun appears larger when viewed against the darker background of the horizon.	The horizon appears elevated when observing a bright Sun or Moon at low altitudes.	The Moon appears larger at the full Moon.	
1389	What indicates a buoy that should be left to port when entering from seaward? (U.S. Aids to Navigation System)	White light	Group flashing characteristic	Nun shape	<b>Odd number</b>	
1390	What indicates a dual purpose buoy?	Red buoy with a horizontal yellow band	Red and white vertically-striped buoy with a vertical yellow stripe	Red and white vertically-striped buoy with a red spherical topmark	<b>Green buoy with a yellow square</b>	
1391	What indicates that a tropical cyclone may be within 500 to 1,000 miles of your position?	<b>A pumping of the barometer up and down a few millibars</b>	A sudden wind shift from southwest to northwest followed by steadily increasing winds	The normal swell pattern becoming confused, with the length of the swell increasing	An overcast sky with steadily increasing rain from nimbostratus clouds	

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1392	What indicates the arrival of a hurricane within 24 to 36 hours?	The normal swell becoming lower and from a steady direction	Long bands of nimbostratus clouds radiating from a point over the horizon	The barometer drops 2 millibars between 1000 and 1600	<b>Unusually good weather with above average pressures followed by a slow fall of 4 millibars in six hours</b>	
1393	What information is found in the chart title?	Date of the first edition	Date of the edition and, if applicable, the revision	<b>Information on the sounding datum</b>	Information on which IALA buoyage system applies	
1394	What information is NOT found in the chart title?	Survey information	Scale	<b>Date of first edition</b>	Projection	
1395	What instrument measures wind velocity?	Hydrometer	Barometer	Psychrometer	<b>Anemometer</b>	
1396	What is a "Special Warning"?	An urgent message concerning a vessel in distress	A weather advisory about unusual meteorological or oceanographic phenomena hazardous to vessels	<b>A broadcast disseminating an official government proclamation affecting shipping</b>	A radio navigational warning concerning a particularly hazardous condition affecting navigation	
1397	What is a characteristic of a rhumb line?	It is the shortest distance between two points on the Earth.	It plots as a straight line on a Lambert conformal chart.	<b>It cuts each meridian at the same angle.</b>	The course angle constantly changes to form the loxodromic curve.	
1398	What is a characteristic of cardinal marks?	<b>Light rhythms indicating directional orientation</b>	Vertical stripes	Square or triangular topmarks	Number-letter combinations for identification	
1399	What is a common unit of measure for atmospheric pressure?	centimeters	<b>Inches</b>	Degrees	Feet	
1400	What is a lighted safe water mark fitted with to aid in its identification?	Red and white retro reflective material	<b>A spherical topmark</b>	A sequential number	A red and white octagon	
1401	What is a lighted safe water mark fitted with to aid in its identification?	Red and white retro reflective material	A sequential number	<b>A spherical topmark</b>	A red and white octagon	
1402	What is a nonadjustable error of the sextant?	<b>Prismatic error</b>	Index error	Side error	Error of collimation	
1403	What is an advantage of the magnetic compass aboard vessels?	Compass error is negligible at or near the earth's magnetic poles.	It does not have to be checked as often.	<b>It is reliable due to its essential simplicity.</b>	All points on the compass rose are readily visible.	
1404	What is an ebb current?	A current at minimum flow	A current coming in	<b>A current going out</b>	A current at maximum flow	
1405	What is apparent time is based on?	a fictitious sun moving along the celestial equator	<b>the visible sun moving along the ecliptic</b>	the Moon's motion in relation to the Sun	the movement of the first point of Aries	
1406	What is characteristic of an isophase light?	4 sec. flash, 2 sec. eclipse, 3 sec. flash, 2 sec. eclipse	2 sec. flash, 5 sec. eclipse	<b>1 sec. flash, 1 sec. eclipse</b>	6 sec. flash, 3 sec. eclipse	

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1407	What is characteristic of an occulting light?	1 sec. flash, 2 sec. eclipse, 1 sec. flash, 5 sec. eclipse	5 sec. flash, 5 sec. eclipse	<b>4 sec. flash, 2 sec. eclipse, 3 sec. flash, 2 sec. eclipse</b>	6 sec. flash, 6 sec. eclipse	
1408	What is most likely to happen when you push a multiple tow into a countercurrent?	Going upstream you will make better speed with no danger involved.	Going downstream you will be slowed down but will keep control of the tow.	<b>There is a risk you may lose control.</b>	No danger exists as long as you steer a straight course through the eddy.	
1409	What is NOT a characteristic of cardinal marks?	Yellow and black bands	White lights	<b>Square or triangular topmarks</b>	Directional orientation to a hazard	
1410	What is NOT a side of the navigational triangle used in sight reduction?	<b>Altitude</b>	Zenith distance	Colatitude	Polar distance	
1411	What is NOT an advantage of the rhumb line track over a great circle track?	Easily plotted on a Mercator chart	Negligible increase in distance on east-west courses near the equator	Does not require constant course changes	<b>Plots as a straight line on Lambert conformal charts</b>	
1412	What is NOT found in the Mississippi River System Light List?	<b>Distance that a lighted aid to navigation can be seen at night</b>	Distance between major points on the Mississippi River	A color plate showing the details of the aids to navigation used on the Mississippi River	Times of Coast Guard broadcasts concerning river stages	
1413	What is NOT true concerning color sectors of lights?	<b>Color sectors are expressed in degrees from the light toward the vessel.</b>	Color sectors may indicate dangerous waters.	Color sectors may indicate the best water across a shoal.	Color sectors may indicate a turning point in a channel.	
1414	What is published by the U.S. Coast Guard?	<b>Light List</b>	Nautical Charts	Tide Tables	U.S. Coast Pilot	
1415	What is the approximate geographic range of Assateague Light, VA, if your height of eye is 52 feet (15.8 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	14.1 nm	21.8 nm	<b>23.0 nm</b>	50.2 nm	
1416	What is the approximate geographic range of Fenwick Island Light, Delaware, if your height of eye is 37 feet (11.6 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	24.8 nm	<b>17.8 nm</b>	15.9 nm	10.3 nm	
1417	What is the approximate geographic range of Fenwick Island Light, Delaware, if your height of eye is 42 feet (12.8 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	<b>18.3 nm</b>	15.4 nm	13.1 nm	10.3 nm	
1418	What is the approximate geographic range of Horton Point Light, NY, if your height of eye is 40 feet (12.2 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	18.8 nm	<b>19.3 nm</b>	20.3 nm	24.8 nm	

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1419	What is the approximate geographic range of Point Judith Light, Rhode Island, if your height of eye is 62 feet (18.9 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS". (use charted range of 20 miles as nominal range)	9.6 nm	16.5 nm	<b>18.6 nm</b>	20.7 nm	
1420	What is the approximate geographic range of Race Rock Light, NY, if your height of eye is 27 feet (8.2 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	9.9 nm	14.3 nm	<b>15.7 nm</b>	17.4 nm	
1421	What is the approximate geographic range of Shinnecock Light, NY, if your height of eye is 24 feet (7.3 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	8.7 nm	9.9 nm	14.4 nm	<b>15.9 nm</b>	
1422	What is the approximate geographic range of Southwest Ledge Light, Connecticut, if your height of eye is 32 feet (9.8 meters)? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	<b>15.5 nm</b>	13.4 nm	8.7 nm	6.9 nm	
1423	What is the approximate geographic visibility of an object with a height above the water of 70 feet, for an observer with a height of eye of 65 feet?	16.8 nm	<b>19.0 nm</b>	20.6 nm	22.4 nm	
1424	What is the approximate wave length of an X Band Radar operating on a frequency of approximately 9500 MHz?	<b>3 cm</b>	10 cm	30 cm	100 cm	
1425	What is the average speed of movement of a hurricane prior to recurvature?	4 to 6 knots	6 to 8 knots	<b>10 to 12 knots</b>	15 to 20 knots	
1426	What is the average speed of the movement of a hurricane following the recurvature of its track?	5 to 10 knots	<b>20 to 30 knots</b>	40 to 50 knots	Over 60 knots	
1427	What is the basic principle of the magnetic compass?	<b>Magnetic materials of the same polarity repel each other and those of opposite polarity attract.</b>	The Earth's magnetic lines of force are parallel to the surface of the Earth.	Magnetic meridians connect points of equal magnetic variation.	The compass needle(s) will, when properly compensated, lie parallel to the isogonic lines of the Earth.	
1428	What is the brightest navigational planet?	Saturn	Jupiter	Mars	<b>Venus</b>	
1429	What is the characteristic of a quick light?	Shows groups of 2 or more flashes at regular intervals	Durations of light and darkness are equal	<b>Shows not less than 60 flashes per minute</b>	Shows quick flashes for about 5 seconds followed by a 1 second dark period	

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1430	What is the definition of height of tide?	<b>The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water at any time</b>	The vertical difference between the heights of low and high water	The vertical difference between a datum plane and the ocean bottom	The vertical distance from the surface of the water to the ocean floor	
1431	What is the definition of height of tide?	The vertical distance from the surface of the water to the ocean floor	<b>The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water at any time</b>	The vertical difference between a datum plane and the ocean bottom	The vertical difference between the heights of low and high water	
1432	What is the definition of height of tide?	The vertical difference between the heights of low and high water	The vertical difference between a datum plane and the ocean bottom	<b>The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water at any time</b>	The vertical distance from the surface of the water to the ocean floor	
1433	What is the definition of height of tide?	The vertical difference between the heights of low and high water	The vertical difference between a datum plane and the ocean bottom	The vertical distance from the surface of the water to the ocean floor	<b>The vertical distance from the tidal datum to the level of the water at any time</b>	
1434	What is the direction of rotation of tropical cyclones, tropical storms and hurricanes in the Northern Hemisphere?	Clockwise and outward	<b>Counterclockwise and inward</b>	Counterclockwise and outward	Clockwise and inward	
1435	What is the distance from the bottom of a wave trough to the top of a wave crest?	Wave length	<b>Wave height</b>	Wave breadth	Wave depth	
1436	What is the equivalent of 0 min. 16 sec. in arc units?	0°32'	0°16'	<b>0°04'</b>	0°01'	
1437	What is the equivalent of 0°48' in time units?	2 min. 12 sec.	2 min. 42 sec.	3 min. 02 sec.	<b>3 min. 12 sec.</b>	
1438	What is the equivalent of 1°53' in time units?	3 min. 16 sec.	5 min. 28 sec.	6 min. 43 sec.	<b>7 min. 32 sec.</b>	
1439	What is the equivalent of 10 min. 52 sec. in arc units?	0°47'	1°12'	<b>2°43'</b>	3°52'	
1440	What is the equivalent of 10°48' in time units?	2 min. 39 sec.	20 min. 12 sec.	<b>43 min. 12 sec.</b>	50 min. 12 sec.	
1441	What is the equivalent of 2° 35' in time units?	<b>10 min. 20 sec.</b>	9 min. 10 sec.	7 min. 06 sec.	6 min. 43 sec.	
1442	What is the equivalent of 2°52' in time units?	9 min. 23 sec.	<b>11 min. 28 sec.</b>	11 min. 56 sec.	12 min. 18 sec.	
1443	What is the equivalent of 23 min. 20 sec. in arc units?	16°40'	12°32'	9°28'	<b>5°50'</b>	
1444	What is the equivalent of 37 min. 32 sec. in arc units?	4°47'	6°38'	7°41'	<b>9°23'</b>	
1445	What is the equivalent of 4 min. 04 sec. in arc units?	60°16'	8°08'	2°08'	<b>1°01'</b>	
1446	What is the equivalent of 4°36' in time units?	9 min. 12 sec.	14 min. 36 sec.	15 min. 36 sec.	<b>18 min. 24 sec.</b>	
1447	What is the equivalent of 42 min. 48 sec. in arc units?	21°24'	18°16'	11°19'	<b>10°42'</b>	
1448	What is the equivalent of 47 min. 20 sec. in arc units?	8°27'	<b>11°50'</b>	13°42'	13°56'	



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1449	What is the equivalent of 5°54' in time units?	20 min. 16 sec.	<b>23 min. 36 sec.</b>	25 min. 54 sec.	30 min. 27 sec.	
1450	What is the equivalent of 8 min. 56 sec. in arc units?	0°28'	0°46'	1°12'	<b>2°14'</b>	
1451	What is the equivalent of 83°29.6' in time units?	5h 47m 34.8s	5h 18m 22.7s	5h 01m 42.3s	<b>5h 33m 58.4s</b>	
1452	What is the FIRST sign of the existence of a well developed tropical cyclone?	Gale force winds from the north	<b>An unusually long ocean swell</b>	Steep, short-period waves and light wind	Thunderstorms and higher than usual humidity	
1453	What is the first visible indication of the presence of a tropical cyclone or hurricane?	Stratocumulus clouds or strange birds	Rain and increasing winds	<b>An exceptionally long swell</b>	Dark clouds and the "bar" of the storm	
1454	What is the geographic longitude of a body whose GHA is 215°15'?	35°15'W	35°15'E	<b>144°45'E</b>	144°45'W	
1455	What is the geographic longitude of a body whose GHA is 232°27'?	<b>127°33'E</b>	52°27'E	61°52'W	61°52'E	
1456	What is the index error of sextant A in illustration D050NG?	0' 10" off the arc	0' 10" on the arc	3' 00" off the arc	<b>4' 20" off the arc</b>	<b>D050NG</b>
1457	What is the index error of sextant B in illustration D050NG?	0'30" off the arc	1'00" off the arc	<b>3'30" off the arc</b>	1'30" on the arc	<b>D050NG</b>
1458	What is the index error of sextant C?	<b>0'20" on the arc</b>	1'00" on the arc	2'00" on the arc	5'10" on the arc	<b>D050NG</b>
1459	What is the index error of sextant D?	7'10" on the arc	6'50" on the arc	3'00" on the arc	<b>2'10" on the arc</b>	<b>D050NG</b>
1460	What is the length of a nautical mile?	1,800 meters	2,000 yards	<b>6,076 feet</b>	5,280 feet	
1461	What is the length of the lunar day?	<b>24h 50m 00s</b>	24h 00m 00s	23h 56m 04s	23h 03m 56s	
1462	What is the light phase characteristic of a lighted isolated-danger mark?	Interrupted quick flashing	Very quick flashing	Long flashing	<b>Group flashing</b>	
1463	What is the longitude of the geographical position of a body whose Greenwich hour angle is 210°30'?	30°30'E	59°30'W	120°30'W	<b>149°30'E</b>	
1464	What is the major advantage of a rhumb line track?	<b>The vessel can steam on a constant heading (disregarding wind, current, etc.).</b>	The rhumb line is the shortest distance between the arrival and departure points.	It is easily plotted on a gnomonic chart for comparison with a great circle course.	It approximates a great circle on east-west courses in high latitudes.	
1465	What is the major advantage of high altitude observations?	Errors due to unusual parallax are eliminated.	<b>The same body can be used for a fix from observations separated by several minutes.</b>	The declination is the only information needed from the almanac.	The semidiameter correction of the sextant altitude is eliminated.	
1466	What is the major limitation in using the Sight Reduction Tables for Air Navigation Volume I (Pub. No. 249) for star sights?	More accuracy is needed for celestial observations on board ship than what is tabulated.	Sights must be made at even time increments to benefit from the tables.	<b>Only certain stars are included and sights must be limited to those stars.</b>	Only first magnitude stars are tabulated.	

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1467	What is the major problem with taking high altitude sun observations?	Possible errors due to unusual refraction may exist.	The tables are not as accurate due to inherent errors in the spherical triangle at high altitudes.	Rapidly changing altitudes make it difficult to get an accurate altitude.	<b>It is difficult to establish the point where the sextant is vertical to the horizon.</b>	
1468	What is the most important source of information to be used in correcting charts and keeping them up to date?	Fleet Guides	<b>Notice to Mariners</b>	Sailing Directions	Pilot Charts	
1469	What is the period of time from around 1008 DST (ZD +4) at Canapitsit Channel, MA, on 7 August 1983, in which the current does not exceed 0.4 knot?	0945 to 1031	0950 to 1026	<b>0955 to 1021</b>	1000 to 1024	
1470	What is the predicted velocity of the tidal current 2 miles west of Southwest Ledge for 2330 DST (ZD +4) on 7 September 1983?	<b>1.3 knots</b>	1.6 knots	1.9 knots	2.2 knots	
1471	What is the primary source of the earth's weather?	The oceans	The moon	<b>The sun</b>	The solar system	
1472	What is the relative bearing of an object broad on the port beam?	315°	300°	<b>270°</b>	235°	
1473	What is the relative bearing of an object broad on the port bow?	<b>315°</b>	330°	345°	360°	
1474	What is the relative bearing of an object broad on the port quarter?	195°	<b>225°</b>	240°	265°	
1475	What is the relative bearing of an object broad on the starboard beam?	045°	060°	075°	<b>090°</b>	
1476	What is the relative bearing of an object broad on the starboard bow?	030°	<b>045°</b>	060°	075°	
1477	What is the relative bearing of an object broad on the starboard quarter?	090°	105°	<b>135°</b>	150°	
1478	What is the relative bearing of an object broad on the starboard quarter?	045°	090°	<b>135°</b>	225°	
1479	What is the relative bearing of an object dead astern?	000°	090°	<b>180°</b>	270°	
1480	What is the relative bearing of an object on the port beam?	045°	090°	180°	<b>270°</b>	
1481	What is the relative bearing of an object sighted dead ahead?	180°	090°	015°	<b>000°</b>	
1482	What is the velocity of the tidal current at the east end of Pollock Rip Channel at 1700 DST (ZD +4) on 23 July 1983?	0.6 knot ebbing	0.8 knot flooding	<b>1.5 knots flooding</b>	1.9 knots flooding	
1483	What is true about a front?	A front is a boundary between two air masses.	There are abrupt temperature differences on opposite sides of a front.	The pressure tendencies are different on opposite sides of a front.	<b>All of the above</b>	

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1484	What is TRUE concerning an anemometer on a moving vessel?	It measures true wind speed.	It measures true wind speed and true wind direction.	<b>It measures apparent wind speed.</b>	It measures apparent wind speed and true wind direction.	
1485	What is TRUE concerning new editions of Light Lists?	Supplements to new editions are issued monthly by the U.S. Coast Guard.	New editions are published by the National Ocean Service.	<b>New editions are corrected through the date shown on the title page.</b>	None of the above	
1486	What is TRUE of the history display of a target's past positions on an ARPA?	It provides a graphic display to emphasize which vessel is on a collision course.	<b>In the true presentation, it provides a quick visual check to determine if a vessel has changed course.</b>	The display is one of the primary inputs and must be in use when using the trial maneuver capability.	It provides a graphic display of a target vessel's relative course, speed, and CPA.	
1487	What is typical of warm front weather conditions?	An increase in pressure	A wind shift from southwest to northwest	Scattered cumulus clouds	<b>Steady precipitation</b>	
1488	What is used to help prevent damage to barges, locks, and landings when you are locking or landing a tow?	Dock cushions	Springers	Landing bars	<b>Possums (fenders)</b>	
1489	What is used to measure wind velocity?	Psychrometer	Barometer	Wind sock	<b>Anemometer</b>	
1490	What kind of pressure systems travel in tropical waves?	Subsurface pressure	Terrastatic pressure	High pressure	<b>Low pressure</b>	
1491	What kind of weather would you expect to accompany the passage of a tropical wave?	<b>Heavy rain and cloudiness</b>	Good weather	A tropical storm	Dense fog	
1492	What level of development of a tropical cyclone has a hundred mile radius of circulation, gale force winds, less than 990 millibars of pressure and vertically formed cumulonimbus clouds?	A tropical disturbance	A tropical depression	<b>A tropical storm</b>	A typhoon	
1493	What lights would you see on the Illinois water way when any wickets of the dam or bear traps are open, or partially open, which may cause a set in the current conditions in the upper lock approach?	Green over red	Red over blue	<b>Red over amber (yellow)</b>	None of the above	
1494	What natural feature is responsible for the rather even climate found on the Florida peninsula throughout the year?	Strong masses of continental air	<b>The Gulf Stream</b>	The Bermuda high	The cool waters of the Sargasso sea	
1495	What occurs when rising air cools to the dew point?	Advection fog forms	Humidity decreases	Winds increase	<b>Clouds form</b>	
1496	What option does an Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) not have?	Dual VRMs/EBLs	Target Trails	Preset CPA/TCPA	<b>Trial Maneuver</b>	

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1497	What publication contains descriptions of the coast line, buoyage systems, weather conditions, port facilities, and navigation instructions for the United States and its possessions?	<b>Coast Pilots</b>	Sailing Directions	Port Index	Light List	
1498	What publication contains information about the port facilities in Cadiz, Spain?	<b>World Port Index</b>	United States Coast Pilot	Nautical Index	Sailing Directions	
1499	What publication has information on the climate, distances, navigation regulations, outstanding landmarks, channels and anchorages of Long Island Sound?	Light List	<b>Coast Pilot</b>	Sailing Directions	Pilot Chart	
1500	What sextant correction corrects the apparent altitude to the equivalent reading at the center of the Earth?	Phase	<b>Parallax</b>	Semidiameter	Augmentation	
1501	What should you apply to a fathometer reading to determine the depth of water?	Subtract the draft of the vessel.	<b>Add the draft of the vessel.</b>	Subtract the sea water correction.	Add the sea water correction.	
1502	What should you expect when you encounter a tsunami in the open ocean?	Violent seas from mixed directions	<b>No noticeable change from the existing sea state</b>	Winds increasing to gale force from the northwest in the Northern Hemisphere	A major wave of extreme height and length	
1503	What term is used to describe a river barge designed to carry coal or any similar cargo not requiring weather protection?	Single skin	Double skin	<b>Open hopper</b>	Deck barge	
1504	What term is used to describe a tank barge constructed with the structural framing inside the cargo tank and the side shell plating containing the cargo?	<b>Single hull</b>	Shell plated	Hopper type	Independent tank	
1505	What term is used to describe a tank barge constructed with the structural framing outside the cargo tank and the cargo tank plating separated from the shell plating?	Shell plated	<b>Double hull</b>	Hopper type	Independent tank	
1506	What two shapes shown are used to indicate a preferred channel?	A and B	B and C	C and D	<b>A and D</b>	<b>D045NG</b>
1507	What type of cloud is indicated by the number 5 in illustration D039NG?	Cirrostratus	Cirrocumulus	<b>Alto cumulus</b>	Nimbostratus	<b>D039NG</b>
1508	What type of clouds are associated with a cold front?	Altostratus and fractocumulus	Altostratus and cirrus	Cirrus and cirrostratus	<b>Cumulus and cumulonimbus</b>	
1509	What U.S. agency is responsible for NAVAREA warnings?	Coast Guard	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	National Ocean Service	<b>National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency</b>	
1510	What volume of the Coast Guard Light List is used for the Mississippi River system?	I	II	IV	<b>V</b>	

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1511	What weather change accompanies the passage of a cold front in the Northern Hemisphere?	Wind shift from northeast clockwise to southwest	Steady dropping of barometric pressure	Steady precipitation, gradually increasing in intensity	<b>A line of cumulonimbus clouds</b>	
1512	What weather conditions would you expect to find at position A?	<b>Winds NW-W at 15 knots, partly cloudy, and slight seas</b>	winds SW-S at 20 knots, heavy rain, and rough seas	Winds calm, light rain, and calm seas	Winds NE-E at 20 knots, heavy rain, and rough seas	<b>D049NG</b>
1513	What will a veering wind do?	<b>Change direction in a clockwise manner in the Northern Hemisphere</b>	Circulate about a low pressure center in a counterclockwise manner in the Northern Hemisphere	Vary in strength constantly and unpredictably	Circulate about a high pressure center in a clockwise manner in the Southern Hemisphere	
1514	What will act to dissipate fog?	Upwelling cold water	Advection of warm air over a colder surface	Rain that is warmer than air	<b>Downslope motion of an air mass along a coast</b>	
1515	What will be the direction and velocity of the tidal current at Provincetown Harbor, MA, at 1405 DST (ZD +4) on 5 May 1983?	0.0 knot at 135°T	0.2 knot at 135°T	<b>0.4 knot at 315°T</b>	0.6 knot at 315°T	
1516	What will be the height of tide at Gargathy Neck, VA, at 1800 DST (ZD +4), on 16 August 1983?	2.3 feet	<b>2.9 feet</b>	3.3 feet	3.6 feet	
1517	What will be the height of tide at Three Mile Harbor Entrance, Gardiners Bay, NY, at 0700 (ZD +5) on 14 Nov 1983?	1.1 feet (0.3 meters)	<b>1.7 feet (0.5 meters)</b>	1.9 feet (0.6 meters)	2.2 feet (0.7 meters)	
1518	What will be the set of the rotary current at Nantucket Shoals at 1245 (ZD +5) 14 January 1983?	015°	<b>125°</b>	162°	225°	
1519	What will be the time (ZD +5) of the second high tide at Weymouth Fore River Bridge, MA, on 12 November 1983?	1639	1643	1647	<b>1650</b>	
1520	What will be the time after 0300 (ZD +4), on 5 March 1983, when the height of the tide at Port of Spain, Trinidad, will be 2.5 feet (.76 meters)?	0548	<b>0602</b>	0618	0634	
1521	What will be the time after 0600 (ZD +3), on 6 March 1983, that the height of the tide at Puerto Rosales, Argentina, will be 9.0 feet (2.7 meters)?	0740	0754	0840	<b>0922</b>	
1522	What will be the time after 0800 EST (ZD +5) that the height of the tide at South Freeport, ME, will be 6.0 feet (1.8 meters) on 7 November 1983?	0936	0942	<b>0951</b>	1001	
1523	What will be the time after 1000 EST (ZD +5), on 4 March 1983, that the height of the tide at City Island, NY, will be 2.4 feet?	<b>1228</b>	1240	1244	1248	

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1524	What will be the time of maximum flood current at Sagamore Bridge on the Cape Cod Canal during the morning of 6 December 1983 (ZD +5)?	<b>0708</b>	0712	0716	1020	
1525	What will be the velocity and direction of the tidal current at Mobile River Entrance, AL, at 0915 CDT (ZD +5) on 13 May 1983?	0.1 knot at 333°T	<b>0.3 knot at 333°T</b>	0.7 knot at 151°T	1.8 knots at 025°T	
1526	What will be the velocity and direction of the tidal current at Old Ferry Point, NY, at 1340 EST (ZD +5) on 5 February 1983?	0.8 knot at 060°T	0.8 knot at 240°T	1.0 knot at 076°T	<b>1.4 knots at 076°T</b>	
1527	What will be the velocity of the tidal current 1.0 mile southwest of Lewis Pt., RI, at 1501 EST (ZD +5) on 4 April 1983?	<b>0.7 knot</b>	1.4 knots	1.6 knots	1.9 knots	
1528	What will be the velocity of the tidal current 4.5 miles east of Smith Point, VA, at 0630 DST (ZD +4) on 6 May 1983?	<b>0.3 knot</b>	0.5 knot	0.7 knot	1.0 knot	
1529	What will be the velocity of the tidal current 6 miles south of Shoal Point, NY, at 1850 DST (ZD +4) on 9 July 1983?	0.2 knot ebb	<b>0.2 knot flood</b>	1.2 knot ebb	1.4 knot flood	
1530	What will be the velocity of the tidal current at 0.2 mile SSW of Clason Point, NY, at 1125 on 17 April 1983?	0.5 knot	0.8 knot	<b>1.1 knots</b>	1.9 knots	
1531	What will be the velocity of the tidal current at Bourneale, MA, at 1135 DST (ZD +4) on 3 May 1983?	1.1 knots	2.3 knots	<b>3.0 knots</b>	3.6 knots	
1532	What will be the velocity of the tidal current at Coxsackie, NY, at 0945 EST (ZD +5) on 11 March 1983?	0.3 knot	<b>0.7 knot</b>	1.2 knots	1.9 knots	
1533	What will be the velocity of the tidal current at Grant's Tomb, 123rd Street, NY, NY, at 1412 EST (ZD +5) on 22 March 1983?	0.5 knot	0.8 knot	<b>1.1 knots</b>	1.3 knots	
1534	What will be the velocity of the tidal current at New London Harbor Entrance, CT, at 1615 EST (ZD +5) on 26 December 1983?	<b>0.2 knot</b>	0.4 knot	0.7 knot	0.9 knot	
1535	What will be the velocity of the tidal current at Port Jefferson Harbor Entrance, NY, at 1600 EST (ZD +5) on 23 December 1983?	0.9 knot	<b>1.1 knots</b>	1.6 knots	2.0 knots	
1536	What will be the velocity of the tidal current at Port Royal, VA, at 1505 DST (ZD +4) on 4 June 1983?	0.0 knot	0.1 knot	<b>0.4 knot</b>	0.7 knot	
1537	What will be the velocity of the tidal current in Bolivar Roads, Texas, at a point 0.5 mile north of Ft. Point, on 23 November 1983 at 0330 CST (ZD +6)?	<b>Slack water</b>	0.8 kt	1.2 kts	3.4 kts	

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1538	What will be the velocity of the tidal current south of Doubling Point, ME, at 1357 EST (ZD +5) on 3 April 1983?	0.9 knot	1.3 knots	<b>2.0 knots</b>	2.6 knots	
1539	What will be the velocity of the tidal current southwest of Hunts Point, NY, at 0932 EST (ZD +5) on 16 March 1983?	0.9 knot	<b>1.5 knots</b>	1.8 knots	2.3 knots	
1540	What will cause the ARPA to emit a visual alarm, audible alarm, or both?	An acquired target entering into a guard zone	A tracked target lost for one radar scan	<b>A tracked target entering your preset CPA-TCPA limits</b>	A target being initially detected within a guard zone	
1541	What will cause the Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) to emit a visual alarm, audible alarm, or both?	An acquired target entering into a guard zone	A tracked target lost for one radar scan	<b>A tracked target entering your preset CPA-TCPA limits</b>	A target being initially detected within a guard zone	
1542	What will NOT induce errors into a Doppler sonar log?	<b>Increased draft</b>	Pitch	Roll	Change in trim	
1543	What wind reverses directions seasonally?	<b>Monsoon winds</b>	Hooked trades	Jet stream	Secondary winds	
1544	What would be the height of the tide at Crisfield, MD, at 0310 DST (ZD +4) on 6 May 1983?	0.1 foot	<b>0.5 foot</b>	1.1 feet	1.6 feet	
1545	What would give the best radar echo?	The beam of a three masted sailing vessel with all sails set.	A 110-foot fishing vessel with a radar reflector in its rigging.	A 300-foot tanker, bow on.	<b>A 600-foot freighter, beam on.</b>	
1546	When a buoy is in position only during a certain period of the year, where may the dates when the buoy is in position be found?	<b>Light List</b>	Notice to Mariners	On the chart	Coast Pilot	
1547	When a buoy marks a channel bifurcation, the preferred channel is NOT indicated by _____.	the shape of an unlighted buoy	the light color of a lighted buoy	the color of the topmost band	<b>whether the number is odd or even</b>	
1548	When a cold air mass and a warm air mass meet, and there is no horizontal motion of either air mass, it is called a(n) _____.	cold front	occluded front	<b>stationary front</b>	warm front	
1549	When a current flows in the opposite direction to the waves, the wave _____.	length is increased	<b>height is increased</b>	velocity increases	length is unchanged	
1550	When a dual purpose marking is used, the mariner following the Intracoastal Waterway should be guided by the _____.	color of the aid	shape of the aid	color of the top band	<b>shape of the yellow mark</b>	
1551	When a high pressure system is centered north of your vessel in the Northern Hemisphere _____.	you should experience hot, moist, clear weather	<b>the wind direction is generally easterly</b>	the winds should be from the southwest at your location	the winds should be brisk	
1552	When a hurricane passes over colder water or land and loses its tropical characteristics, the storm becomes a(n) _____.	high pressure area	<b>extratropical low-pressure system</b>	tropical storm	easterly wave	



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1553	When a light is first seen on the horizon it will disappear again if the height of eye is immediately lowered several feet. When the eye is raised to its former height the light will again be visible. This process is called _____.	checking a light	raising a light	obscuring a light	<b>bobbing a light</b>	
1554	When a low pressure area is approaching, the weather generally _____.	improves	<b>worsens</b>	remains the same	is unpredictable	
1555	When a magnetic compass is not in use for a prolonged period of time it should _____.	<b>be shielded from direct sunlight</b>	be locked into a constant heading	have any air bubbles replaced with nitrogen	have the compensating magnets removed	
1556	When a tornado moves over the water from land it is called a _____.	tornado	<b>waterspout</b>	hurricane	cyclone	
1557	When a warm air mass is adjacent to a cold air mass, the separation line between the two is called a(n) _____.	<b>front</b>	isobar	isotherm	equipotential line	
1558	When a warm air mass overtakes a cold air mass, the contact surface is called a _____.	line squall	water spout	cold front	<b>warm front</b>	
1559	When a warm air mass overtakes and replaces a cold air mass, the contact surface is called a(n) _____.	<b>warm front</b>	cold front	line squall	occluded front	
1560	When adjusting a magnetic compass for error, a deviation table should be made _____.	before correcting for any deviation	after correcting for variation	<b>after adjusting the fore-and-aft and athwartships permanent magnets</b>	before the quadrantal correctors are placed on the compass	
1561	When applying a dip correction to the sighted sextant angle (hs), you always subtract the dip because you are correcting _____.	hs to the visible horizon	<b>hs to the sensible horizon</b>	hs to the celestial horizon	Ho to the celestial horizon	
1562	When approaching a lock and at a distance of not more than a mile, vessels desiring a single lockage shall sound which signal?	<b>One long blast followed by one short blast</b>	One short blast followed by one long blast	Two short blasts	Two long blasts	
1563	When approaching a lock entrance, the visual signal displayed when a single lock is ready for entrance is a flashing _____.	red light	<b>green light</b>	amber light	white light	
1564	When approaching a preferred-channel buoy, the best channel is NOT indicated by the _____.	<b>light characteristic</b>	color of the uppermost band	shape of an unlighted buoy	color of the light	
1565	When attempting an upstream landing while pushing empty barges ahead in a hard onshore wind, the approach is best made _____.	<b>with bow out, stern in</b>	with bow in, stern out	parallel to the dock, as close in as possible	parallel to the dock, as far out as possible	
1566	When changing from a compass course to a true course you should apply _____.	variation	deviation	<b>variation and deviation</b>	a correction for the direction of current set	

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1567	When cold air displaces warm air you have a(n) _____.	<b>cold front</b>	occluded front	stationary front	warm front	
1568	When compared to air temperature, which factor is most useful in predicting fog?	Vapor pressure	<b>Dew point</b>	Barometric pressure	Absolute humidity	
1569	When correcting apparent altitude to observed altitude, you do NOT apply a correction for _____.	the equivalent reading to the center of the body	the equivalent reading from the center of the Earth	the bending of the rays of light from the body	<b>inaccuracies in the reference level</b>	
1570	When correcting the sextant altitude to apparent altitude you are correcting for inaccuracies in the reading and _____.	<b>for inaccuracies in the reference level</b>	the equivalent reading at the center of the body	the equivalent reading from the center of the Earth	the bending of the rays of light from the body	
1571	When correcting the sextant altitude to apparent altitude you are correcting for inaccuracies in the reference level and _____.	the equivalent reading to the center of the body	the equivalent reading from the center of the Earth	<b>for inaccuracies in the instrument</b>	the bending of the rays of light from the body	
1572	When crossing a front isobars tend to _____.	<b>change from smooth curves within the air mass to sharp bends at the front</b>	change from sharp bends within the air mass to smooth curves at the front	pass smoothly across the front with no change	become closer together at the front and pass through in straight lines	
1573	When crossing the magnetic equator the _____.	Flinders bar should be inverted	<b>heeling magnet should be inverted</b>	the quadrantal spheres should be rotated 180°	Flinders bar should be moved to the opposite side of the binnacle	
1574	When daylight savings time is kept the times of tide and current calculations must be adjusted. One way of doing this is to _____.	subtract one hour from the times listed under the reference stations	<b>add one hour to the times listed under the reference stations</b>	apply no correction, as the times in the reference stations are adjusted for daylight savings time	add 15° to the standard meridian when calculating the time difference	
1575	When daylight savings time is kept, the time of tide and current calculations must be adjusted. One way of doing this is to _____.	<b>add one hour to the times listed under the reference stations</b>	subtract one hour from the time differences listed for the subordinate stations	apply no correction as the times in the reference stations are adjusted for daylight savings time	add 15° to the standard meridian when calculating the time difference	
1576	When daylight savings time is kept, the times of tide and current calculations must be adjusted. One way of doing this is to _____.	add 15° to the standard meridian when calculating the time differences	apply no correction as the times at the reference stations are adjusted for daylight savings time	<b>add one hour to the times listed for the reference stations</b>	subtract one hour from the times listed for the subordinate stations	
1577	When determining compass error by an azimuth of Polaris, you enter the Nautical Almanac with the _____.	GHA Aries	<b>LHA Aries</b>	LHA Polaris	GHA Polaris	
1578	When displayed under a single-span fixed bridge, red lights indicate _____.	<b>the channel boundaries</b>	that vessels must stop	the bridge is about to open	that traffic is approaching from the other side	

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1579	When drawing a weather map and an isobar crosses a front, the isobar is drawn _____.	perpendicular to the front	<b>kinked and pointing away from the low</b>	kinked and pointing towards the low	kinked and pointing towards the high for a warm front only	
1580	When entering a channel from seaward, the numbers on buoys _____.	are the same as their Light List number	are marked in 6 inch figures with retro reflective material	<b>increase with the even numbers to starboard</b>	decrease with the odd numbers to starboard	
1581	When entering from seaward, a buoy displaying a composite group (2+1) flashing red light indicates _____.	<b>a junction with the preferred channel to the left</b>	a sharp turn in the preferred channel to the right	the starboard side of the secondary channel	a wreck to be left on the vessel's port side	
1582	When entering from seaward, a buoy displaying a single-flashing red light indicates _____.	a junction with the preferred channel to the left	<b>the starboard side of the channel</b>	a sharp turn in the channel to the right	a wreck to be left on the vessel's port side	
1583	When entering from seaward, a buoy displaying a single-flashing red light indicates _____.	a junction with the preferred channel to the left	a wreck to be left on the vessel's port side	a sharp turn in the channel to the right	<b>the starboard side of the channel</b>	
1584	When is the peak of the hurricane season in the western North Pacific?	January through March	April through June	<b>July through October</b>	November through December	
1585	When is the rhumb line distance the same as the great circle distance?	Course 090°T in high latitudes	<b>Course 180°T when you cross the equator</b>	Course 045°T in low latitudes	The rhumb line distance is always longer than the great circle distance.	
1586	When making landfall at night, the light from a powerful lighthouse may sometimes be seen before the lantern breaks the horizon. This light is called the _____.	diffusion	backscatter	<b>loom</b>	elevation	
1587	When making landfall at night, you can determine if a light is a major light or an offshore buoy by _____.	the intensity of the light	<b>checking the period and characteristics against the Light List</b>	the color, because the buoy will have only a red or a green light	All of the above can be used to identify the light.	
1588	When navigating a vessel, you _____.	can always rely on a buoy to be on station	can always rely on a buoy to show proper light characteristics	should assume a wreck buoy is directly over the wreck	<b>should never rely on a floating aid to maintain its exact position</b>	
1589	When navigating coastwise and hurricane warnings are received, you should _____.	call the Coast Guard to request further information	call the NWS for further information	just begin to react and make plans	<b>have battened down and be heading for the nearest port of refuge</b>	
1590	When navigating in high latitudes and using a chart based on a Lambert conformal projection, _____.	<b>a straight line drawn on the chart approximates a great circle</b>	the chart should not be used outside of the standard parallels	the course angle is measured at the mid-longitude of the track line	distance cannot be measured directly from the chart	
1591	When navigating using GPS, what is an indicator of the geometry of the satellites that your receiver is locked onto?	<b>Horizontal Dilution of Precision</b>	Selective Availability	Doppler Shifting	Precision Coding	

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1592	When observing a rapid rise in barometric pressure, you may expect _____.	clear weather with no wind, but the possibility of rain or snow within 24 hours	deteriorating weather with rain or snow	heavy rain or severe thundershowers	<b>clearing weather, possibly accompanied by high winds</b>	
1593	When one upbound vessel is overtaking another vessel and both are pushing a tow ahead, what reaction may you expect?	Both towheads will tend to drift apart, and the overtaking vessel will be slowed down.	Both towheads will tend to drift together, and the overtaking vessel will be slowed down.	<b>Both towheads will tend to drift apart, and the overtaken vessel will be slowed down.</b>	Both towheads will tend to drift together, and the overtaken vessel will be slowed down.	
1594	When operated over a muddy bottom, a fathometer may indicate _____.	a shallow depth reading	a zero depth reading	no depth reading	<b>two depth readings</b>	
1595	When outbound from a U.S. port, a buoy displaying a flashing red light indicates _____.	<b>the port side of the channel</b>	a sharp turn in the channel to the right	a junction with the preferred channel to the left	a wreck to be left on the vessel's starboard side	
1596	When plotting a circle of equal altitude for a high altitude sight, the radius of the circle is determined by the formula _____.	<b>90° - Ho</b>	180° - GHA	GHA - LHA	z - d	
1597	When possible, a DR plot should always be started from where?	Any position	<b>A known position</b>	An assumed position	None of the above	
1598	When pushing a tow and approaching barges tied off to the shore, you should _____.	increase speed so you will pass faster	<b>decrease speed while passing so you won't create a suction</b>	do nothing different as the barges should be tied off properly	move to the opposite side of the channel from the barges and increase speed	
1599	When pushing barges ahead close to a steep revetment where there is no current, what is MOST likely to occur?	The stern of the towboat will tend to sheer away from the revetment.	Your speed over the ground will increase.	<b>The head of the tow will tend to sheer away from the revetment.</b>	All of the above	
1600	When recording the wind direction in the weather log, you would report the _____.	direction the wind is blowing toward	<b>direction the wind is blowing from</b>	duration of the maximum gust of wind	wind chill factor	
1601	When reporting wind direction, you should give the direction in _____.	<b>true degrees</b>	magnetic compass degrees	relative degrees	isobaric degrees	
1602	When should a navigator rely on the position of floating aids to navigation?	During calm weather only	During daylight only	Only when inside a harbor	<b>Only when fixed aids are not available</b>	
1603	When slanted letters are used to spell the name of a charted object you know the _____.	object is only a hazard to vessels drawing in excess of 20 feet	position is approximate or doubtful	object is always visible	<b>object may cover and uncover with the tide</b>	
1604	When steering a tow downstream around the shape of a sand bar, and staying on the proper side of the buoys, an operator should be cautious of _____.	<b>eddies below the bar</b>	swift current below the bar causing loss of control	cross-currents pushing the tow away from the bar	cross-currents pushing the tow into the bar	

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1605	When taking an amplitude, the Sun's center should be observed on the visible horizon when _____.	<b>in high latitudes</b>	the Sun is near or at a solstice	the declination is of a different name from the latitude	the Sun's declination is at or near 0°	
1606	When taking stars, those bodies to the east and west will _____.	<b>change altitude rapidly</b>	change altitude slowly	remain in an almost fixed position	appear to be moving in the plane of the horizon	
1607	When the declination of the Moon is 0°12.5'S, you can expect some tidal currents in Gulf Coast ports to _____.	<b>become weak and variable</b>	exceed the predicted velocities	become reversing currents	have either a double ebb or a double flood	
1608	When the equation of time is taken from the Nautical Almanac for use in celestial navigation, it is used to determine _____.	zone time	sunrise	<b>time of local apparent noon</b>	local mean time	
1609	When the index and horizon mirrors of a properly adjusted sextant are at an angle of 45° to each other, the arc reads _____.	22 1/2°	45°	60°	<b>90°</b>	
1610	When the moon is at first quarter or third quarter phase, what type of tides will occur?	Apogean	Perigean	<b>Neap</b>	Spring	
1611	When the moon is new or full, which type of tides occur?	Neap	<b>Spring</b>	Diurnal	Apogean	
1612	When the Moon's declination is maximum north, which of the following will occur?	Mixed-type tides	Higher high tides and lower low tides	<b>Tropic tides</b>	Equatorial tides	
1613	When the navigational channel passes under a fixed bridge, the edges of the channel are marked on the bridge with what lights?	<b>Red lights</b>	Three white lights in a vertical line	Red lights on the LDB and green lights on the RDB	Yellow lights	
1614	When the time is based on the movement of the visible Sun along the ecliptic the time is known as _____.	real time	visible time	<b>apparent time</b>	mean time	
1615	When there are small differences between the heights of two successive high tides or two low tides, in a tidal day, the tides are called _____.	diurnal	<b>semidiurnal</b>	solar	mixed	
1616	When trying to sight a lighthouse you notice a glare from a town in the background. The range at which the light may be sighted due to this glare is _____.	<b>considerably reduced</b>	increased slightly due to extra lighting	unchanged	increased if the light is red or green due to contrast with the glare	
1617	When using a buoy as an aid to navigation which of the following should be considered?	If the light is flashing the buoy should be considered to be in the charted location.	<b>The buoy may not be in the charted position.</b>	The buoy should be considered to be in the charted position if it has been freshly painted.	The buoy should be considered to always be in the charted position.	
1618	When using a buoy as an aid to navigation which of the following should be considered?	The buoy should be considered to always be in the charted location.	If the light is flashing, the buoy should be considered to be in the charted location.	<b>The buoy may not be in the charted position.</b>	The buoy should be considered to be in the charted position if it has been freshly painted.	

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1619	When using a Lambert conformal chart in high latitudes, angles such as bearings are measured in reference to _____.	the meridian through the object of the bearing	<b>the meridian through the ship's position</b>	the meridian midway between the ship and the object	any meridian	
1620	When using a mechanical (windup type) marine chronometer, how often should it be reset?	<b>Only when it is overhauled</b>	Whenever the chronometer error exceeds approximately four minutes	At the start of each voyage	If the chronometer rate changes from gaining to losing or vice versa	
1621	When using a radar in an unstabilized mode, fixes are determined most easily from _____.	center bearings	tangent bearings	objects that are close aboard	<b>ranges</b>	
1622	When using a recording depth finder in the open ocean, what phenomena is most likely to produce a continuous trace that may not be from the actual ocean bottom?	<b>Echoes from a deep scattering layer</b>	Echoes from schools of fish	Multiple returns reflected from the bottom to the surface and to the bottom again	Poor placement of the transducer on the hull	
1623	When using an ARPA, what should you consider in order to evaluate the information displayed?	The target vessel's generated course and speed are based solely on radar inputs.	<b>Navigational constraints may require a target vessel to change course.</b>	The trial maneuver feature will automatically determine a course that will clear all targets.	You cannot determine if a small target has been lost due to sea return.	
1624	When using an echo sounder in deep water, it is NOT unusual to _____.	<b>receive a strong return at about 200 fathoms (366 meters) during the day, and one nearer the surface at night</b>	receive a first return near the surface during the day, and a strong return at about 200 fathoms (366 meters) at night	receive false echoes at a constant depth day and night	have to recalibrate every couple of days due to inaccurate readings	
1625	When using an Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA), what should you consider in order to evaluate the information displayed?	The target vessel's generated course and speed are based solely on radar inputs.	<b>Navigational constraints may require a target vessel to change course.</b>	The trial maneuver feature will automatically determine a course that will clear all targets.	You cannot determine if a small target has been lost due to sea return.	
1626	When using GPS without Selective Availability, you may expect your horizontal accuracy to be better than _____.	3 meters	<b>20 meters</b>	100 meters	200 meters	
1627	When using GPS, how many theoretical position lines are required for a two-dimensional fix?	1	2	<b>3</b>	4	
1628	When using horizontal sextant angles of three objects to fix your position, an indeterminate position will result in which situation?	The objects lie in a straight line.	The vessel is inside of a triangle formed by the objects.	The vessel is outside of a triangle formed by the objects.	<b>A circle will pass through your position and the three objects.</b>	

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1629	When using the ARPA in heavy rain, which action should you take?	Increase the radar gain to pick up weak echoes through the rain.	Increase the STC setting to reduce close-in spurious signals.	<b>Navigate as though the effective range of the radar has been reduced.</b>	Increase the range of the inner and outer guard rings.	
1630	When using the Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) in heavy rain, which action should you take?	Increase the radar gain to pick up weak echoes through the rain.	Increase the STC setting to reduce close-in spurious signals.	<b>Navigate as though the effective range of the radar has been reduced.</b>	Increase the range of the inner and outer guard rings.	
1631	When using the radar for navigating _____.	the best fix is obtained by using a tangent bearing and a range	and using two radar ranges for a fix, the objects of the ranges should be close to reciprocal bearings	<b>and using ranges, the most rapidly changing range should be measured last</b>	and crossing a radar range of one object with the visual bearing of a second object, the two objects should be 80° to 110° apart	
1632	When utilizing a Pacific Coast chart, the reference plane of soundings is _____.	mean low water springs	mean low water	<b>mean lower low water</b>	lowest normal low water	
1633	When warm moist air blows over a colder surface and is cooled below its dew point, the result is _____.	radiation fog	ice fog	<b>advection fog</b>	frost smoke	
1634	When within 300 miles of a named tropical storm or hurricane, it is standard practice to send weather reports every _____.	8 hours	6 hours	<b>3 hours</b>	hour	
1635	When you are steering on a pair of range lights and find the upper light is above the lower light you should _____.	come left	come right	<b>continue on the present course</b>	wait until the lights are no longer in a vertical line	
1636	When you are steering on a pair of range lights and find the upper light is above the lower light you should _____.	come right	come left	wait until the lights are no longer in a vertical line	<b>continue on the present course</b>	
1637	When you are steering on a pair of range lights and find the upper light is in line above the lower light, you should _____.	<b>continue on the present course</b>	come left	come right	wait until the lights are no longer in a vertical line	
1638	When you are steering on a pair of range lights and find the upper light is in line above the lower light, you should _____.	come left	<b>continue on the present course</b>	come right	wait until the lights are no longer in a vertical line	
1639	When you turn on the fast time constant (differentiator) control of a radar it will _____.	enhance weak target echoes and brighten them on the PPI	<b>reduce clutter over the entire PPI by shortening the echoes</b>	only suppress weak targets to a limited distance from the ship (sea clutter)	reduce the beam width to provide a map-like presentation for navigation	
1640	When your barometer reading changes from 30.25 to 30.05 in a 12-hour period it indicates _____.	rapidly changing weather	improving weather	high winds within the next six hours	<b>little or no immediate change</b>	
1641	When your vessel is on or near the path of an approaching tropical storm the _____.	wind direction remains steady	wind speed increases	barometer falls	<b>All of the above</b>	



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1642	When your vessel is on the storm track but behind the storm's center the _____.	wind direction remains steady	wind speed decreases	barometer rises	<b>All of the above</b>	
1643	Where are the prevailing westerlies of the Southern Hemisphere located?	Between the Equator and 10° latitude	Between 10° and 20° latitude	<b>Between 30° and 60° latitude</b>	Between 60° and 90° latitude	
1644	Where do you find the semidiameter correction to be used to correct sextant observations of the stars?	It is included in the altitude corrections inside the front cover of the Nautical Almanac.	Table 25 in Bowditch contains the correction.	A correction of -0.5' should be applied to all star sights.	<b>No semidiameter correction is used.</b>	
1645	Where is the dangerous semicircle located on a hurricane in the Southern Hemisphere?	<b>To the left of the storm's track</b>	To the right of the storm's track	In the high pressure area	On the south side	
1646	Where is the pivot point of a towboat with a tow ahead?	One-third the length of the combined unit forward of the towboat	<b>One-third the length of the combined unit back from the head</b>	At the head of the towboat	One-half the length of the combined unit	
1647	Where will you find information about the duration of slack water?	Tide Tables	Sailing Directions	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	American Practical Navigator	
1648	Where will you find information about the duration of slack water?	American Practical Navigator	Sailing Directions	Tide Tables	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	
1649	Where would you expect to find climatological and meteorological tables for the Gulf Coast area?	In the publication entitled Radio Aids to Navigation	<b>In the back of Coast Pilot #5</b>	In any Coast Pilot volume	Only at the National Weather Service office	
1650	Where would you find information about the time of high tide at a specific location on a particular day of the year?	<b>Tide Tables</b>	Tidal Current Tables	Coast Pilot	Nautical Almanac	
1651	Where would you find information concerning the duration of slack water?	Tide Tables	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	American Practical Navigator	Sailing Directions	
1652	Where would you obtain data on currents for areas of the world not covered by the U.S. National Ocean Service?	In the Coast Pilot	In the Nautical Almanac	In the List of Lights	<b>In the Sailing Directions</b>	
1653	Which agency maintains federal aids to navigation?	Corps of Engineers	<b>Coast Guard</b>	National Ocean Service	Maritime Administration	
1654	Which agency publishes the Light Lists?	<b>United States Coast Guard</b>	National Ocean Service	Oceanographic Office	Army Corps of Engineers	
1655	Which aid is NOT marked on a chart with a magenta circle?	Radar station	Radar transponder beacon	Radio beacon	<b>Aero light</b>	
1656	Which ARPA data should you use in order to determine if a close quarters situation will develop with a target vessel?	Set and drift of the current	<b>Relative track information</b>	Predicted time of CPA	Initial range of acquisition	
1657	Which Beaufort force indicates a wind speed of 65 knots?	Beaufort force 0	Beaufort force 6.5	<b>Beaufort force 12</b>	Beaufort force 15	
1658	Which buoy is NOT numbered?	Green can buoy	<b>Preferred-channel buoy</b>	Red lighted buoy	Green gong buoy	
1659	Which buoy may be even numbered?	Mid-channel buoy	<b>Unlighted nun buoy</b>	Lighted green buoy	All of the above	

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1660	Which buoy may be odd numbered?	A spherical buoy	<b>An unlighted can buoy</b>	A red buoy	A yellow buoy	
1661	Which buoy may be odd numbered?	Mid-channel buoy	Unlighted nun buoy	<b>Lighted green buoy</b>	All of the above	
1662	Which buoy will NOT display white retro reflective material?	Safe water mark	Isolated danger mark	<b>Preferred channel mark</b>	Daymark of no lateral significance	
1663	Which change in the condition of the seas could indicate the formation of a tropical storm or hurricane several hundred miles from your location?	<b>A long swell from an unusual direction</b>	A lengthy lull in the wind and seas	Large seas coming from different directions	A brisk chop from the southeast	
1664	Which cloud commonly produces a halo about the Sun or Moon?	<b>Cirrostratus</b>	Cirrocumulus	Altostratus	Altostratus	
1665	Which cloud type is normally associated with thunderstorms?	Cirrus	Stratus	Cumulus	<b>Cumulonimbus</b>	
1666	Which compensates for errors introduced when the vessel heels over?	The soft iron spheres on the arms of the binnacle	Magnets placed in trays inside the binnacle	<b>A single vertical magnet beneath the compass</b>	The Flinders bar	
1667	Which compensates for induced magnetism in the horizontal soft iron of a vessel?	<b>Iron spheres mounted on the binnacle</b>	A single vertical magnet under the compass	The Flinders bar	Magnets in trays inside the binnacle	
1668	Which condition exists at the summer solstice in the Northern Hemisphere?	The north polar regions are in continual darkness.	The Northern Hemisphere is having short days and long nights.	<b>The Southern Hemisphere is having winter.</b>	The Sun shines equally on both hemispheres.	
1669	Which condition exists in the eye of a hurricane?	Wind rapidly changing direction	A temperature much lower than that outside the eye	Towering cumulonimbus clouds	<b>An extremely low barometric pressure</b>	
1670	Which condition indicates that you are in a hurricane's dangerous semicircle in the Northern hemisphere?	A backing wind	<b>A veering wind</b>	A norther	A strong, gusty wind	
1671	Which condition indicates that your radar needs maintenance?	<b>Serrated range rings</b>	Indirect echoes	Multiple echoes	Blind sector	
1672	Which condition suggests that your present position lies in the navigable semicircle of a tropical storm?	<b>A backing wind</b>	A veering wind	Sustained gale force winds	A strong wind that maintains a constant speed and direction	
1673	Which condition will occur after a cold front passes?	Temperature rises	Stratus clouds form	Pressure decreases	<b>Humidity decreases</b>	
1674	Which condition would most likely result in fog?	<b>Warm moist air blowing over cold water</b>	Airborne dust particles	Warm moist air blowing over warm water	Dew point falling below the air temperature	
1675	Which condition would NOT indicate the approach of a tropical storm?	Long, high swells	Cirrus clouds	Halos about the Sun or Moon	<b>Decrease in wind velocity</b>	
1676	Which condition(s) is(are) necessary for the formation of dew?	Clear skies	Calm air	Earth's surface cooler than the dew point of the air	<b>All of the above</b>	

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1677	Which conic projection chart features straight lines which closely approximate a great circle?	Polyconic	<b>Lambert conformal</b>	Orthographic	Stereographic	
1678	Which correction(s) must be applied to an aneroid barometer?	<b>Instrument error and height error</b>	Instrument error only	Height error only	Instrument error and latitude correction	
1679	Which current is responsible for the movement of icebergs into the North Atlantic shipping lanes?	Iceland Current	Baltic Current	<b>Labrador Current</b>	Baffin Current	
1680	Which current would you encounter on a direct passage from London, England, to Cape Town, South Africa?	Falkland Current	Brazil Current	Norway Current	<b>Benguela Current</b>	
1681	Which current would you encounter on a direct passage from southern Africa to Argentina, South America?	<b>South Atlantic</b>	South Equatorial	Agulhas	Guinea	
1682	Which data must ECDIS be able to record at one-minute intervals?	<b>Course made good history</b>	Estimated time of arrival	Speed through the water	Shaft RPM	
1683	Which data must ECDIS be able to record at one-minute intervals?	Position	Electronic navigational chart source	Course made good history	<b>All of the above</b>	
1684	Which daymark has no lateral significance?	Square; top half green and bottom half red	<b>Black and white diamond</b>	Red triangle	Green square	
1685	Which Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) data should you use in order to determine if a close quarters situation will develop with a target vessel?	Vessel's true vector indicates vessel will cross your heading	Relative track information	Predicted time of the closest point of approach (CPA)	<b>Initial range of acquisition</b>	
1686	Which error is NOT included in the term "current" when used in relation to a fix?	Poor steering	Leeway	<b>Known compass error</b>	Ocean currents	
1687	Which factor has the greatest effect on the amount of gain required to obtain a fathometer reading?	Salinity of water	Temperature of water	Atmospheric pressure	<b>Type of bottom</b>	
1688	Which factor(s) is/are used to develop the charted information of a lighthouse?	<b>Height and intensity of the light</b>	Height of the light and the observer	Height of the observer and the intensity of the light	Height of the light only	
1689	Which feature, when set to zero, might allow a GPS unit to have an accuracy equivalent to Precise Positioning Service receiver capability?	Transit	<b>Selective Availability</b>	Auto-correlation	Anti-spoofing	
1690	Which general statement concerning radar is FALSE?	Raising the antenna height increases the radar range.	<b>The ability of radar to detect objects is unaffected by weather conditions.</b>	Radar bearings are less accurate than radar ranges.	Radar should be checked regularly during clear weather to ensure that it is operating properly.	
1691	Which general weather conditions should you expect to find in a low pressure system?	Fair weather	<b>Precipitation and cloudiness</b>	Scattered clouds at high elevations	Gradual clearing and cooler temperatures	
1692	Which government agency publishes the U.S. Coast Pilot?	Army Corps of Engineers	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	<b>National Ocean Service</b>	U.S. Coast Guard	

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1693	Which indication on the barometer is most meaningful in forecasting weather?	The words "Fair -- Change -- Rain"	<b>The direction and rate of change of barometric pressure</b>	The actual barometric pressure	The relative humidity	
1694	Which information does the outer ring of a compass rose on a nautical chart provide?	Variation	<b>True directions</b>	Magnetic directions	Annual rate of variation change	
1695	Which information is found in the chart title?	Number of the chart	Edition date	Variation information	<b>Survey information</b>	
1696	Which information is NOT provided in broadcasts by the National Institute of Standards and Technology?	Storm Warnings	Time Announcements	GPS Information	<b>NAVAREA Warnings</b>	
1697	Which information must automatic identification systems (AIS) automatically provide to appropriately equipped shore stations, vessels and aircraft?	Vessel's type	Vessel's course	Navigational status	<b>All of the above</b>	
1698	Which instrument is used to measure the relative humidity of the air?	A hydrometer	<b>A hygrometer</b>	A spectrometer	A barograph	
1699	Which instrument is used to predict the approach of a low pressure system?	Anemometer	Fathometer	<b>Barometer</b>	Thermometer	
1700	Which is a characteristic of the weather preceding an approaching warm front?	Gusty winds	<b>Steadily falling barometric pressure</b>	Decreasing relative humidity	Clearing skies	
1701	Which is a nonadjustable error of the sextant?	Error of perpendicularity	Side error	Error of collimation	<b>Centering error</b>	
1702	Which is a weekly publication advising mariners of important matters affecting navigational safety?	Light List	<b>Notice to Mariners</b>	Coast Pilot	Sailing Directions	
1703	Which is an inferior planet?	Mars	<b>Venus</b>	Neptune	Pluto	
1704	Which is NOT a side of the celestial navigational triangle?	Co-latitude	Zenith distance	<b>Altitude</b>	Co-declination	
1705	Which is TRUE of a downbound power-driven vessel, when meeting an upbound vessel on the Western Rivers?	She has the right of way.	She shall propose the manner of passage.	She shall initiate the maneuvering signals.	<b>All of the above</b>	
1706	Which is TRUE on the Western Rivers when a vessel downbound with a following current is meeting an upbound vessel?	<b>She has the right of way only if she is a power-driven vessel.</b>	She has the right of way only if she has a tow.	She does not have the right of way, since the other vessel is not crossing the river.	She must wait for a whistle signal from the upbound vessel.	
1707	Which kind of conditions would you observe as the eye of a storm passes over your vessel's position?	<b>Huge waves approaching from all directions, clearing skies, light winds, and an extremely low barometer</b>	Flat calm seas, heavy rain, light winds, and an extremely low barometer	Flat calm seas, heavy rain, light winds, and high pressure	Huge waves approaching from all directions, clearing skies, light winds, and high pressure	

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1708	Which light characteristic may be used on a special purpose mark?	<b>Flashing</b>	Occulting	Equal interval	Quick flashing	
1709	Which light characteristic may be used on a special purpose mark?	<b>Fixed</b>	Occulting	Equal interval	Quick flashing	
1710	Which light combination does NOT indicate a navigational channel passing under a fixed bridge?	<b>Red lights on the LDB and green lights on the RDB</b>	Three white lights in a vertical line	Two green lights in a range under the span	A fixed red light on each pier at the channel edge	
1711	Which light signal indicates that you have permission to enter a lock on the Ohio River?	Steady red	Flashing amber	Steady green	<b>Flashing green</b>	
1712	Which light signal indicates that you may approach the lock?	Flashing red	<b>Flashing amber</b>	Steady amber	Steady green	
1713	Which list of clouds is in sequence, from highest to lowest in the sky?	Altostratus, cirrostratus, stratus	<b>Cirrostratus, altostratus, stratus</b>	Stratus, cirrostratus, altostratus	Altostratus, stratus, cirrostratus	
1714	Which meteorological feature controls the climate of the Gulf and the Gulf Coast area during late spring and summer?	<b>The Bermuda High</b>	The doldrums	The horse latitudes	Tropical cyclones	
1715	Which nautical charts are intended for coastwise navigation outside of outlying reefs and shoals?	Approach charts	<b>General charts</b>	Sailing charts	Coastal charts	
1716	Which navigational mark may only be lettered?	An unlighted, green, can buoy	<b>A spherical buoy</b>	A red buoy	A port side day-shape	
1717	Which ocean current is "warm" based on the latitude in which it originates and on the effect it has on climate?	<b>Kuroshio Current</b>	Benguela Current	Peru Current	California Current	
1718	Which of the buoy symbols shown indicates a safe water mark?	<b>D</b>	C	B	A	<b>D032NG</b>
1719	Which of the buoys listed below could be used to mark an anchorage?	White buoy numbered "3"	White buoy with a green top	White buoy with orange bands	<b>Yellow buoy lettered "N"</b>	
1720	Which of the following are data layer categories to be displayed on ECDIS?	ECDIS warnings and messages	Hydrographic Office data	Notice to Mariners information	<b>All of the above</b>	
1721	Which of the following data layer categories is NOT displayed on ECDIS?	Notice to Mariners information	ECDIS warnings and messages	<b>Ship hydrodynamic information</b>	Hydrographic Office data	
1722	Which of the following is associated with consistently high barometric pressure?	<b>The horse latitudes</b>	The doldrums	The prevailing westerlies	The trade winds	
1723	Which of the following is NOT a form of precipitation?	rain	<b>frost</b>	sleet	snow	
1724	Which of the following is the most useful factor for predicting weather?	The present reading of the barometer	The previous reading of the barometer	The difference in the barometric readings within the past 24 hours	<b>The rate and direction of change of barometric readings</b>	
1725	Which of the following must an ECDIS system be able to perform?	Conversion of "graphical coordinates" to "display coordinates"	Transformation of local datum to WGS-'84 datum	Calculation of true azimuth and distance between two geographical points	<b>All of the above</b>	

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1726	Which of the following must the electronic chart of an ECDIS display, as required by IMO/IHO?	Hydrography	Ferry routes	Regulatory boundaries	<b>All of the above</b>	
1727	Which of the following statements concerning frontal movements is TRUE?	The temperature rises after a cold front passes.	The barometric pressure rises when a warm front passes.	<b>A cold front generally passes faster than a warm front.</b>	A warm front usually has more violent weather associated with it than a cold front.	
1728	Which of the following statements is FALSE?	An anemometer measures wind speed.	A barometer measures atmospheric pressure.	A thermometer measures temperature.	<b>A psychrometer measures wind pressure.</b>	
1729	Which of the following statements is TRUE regarding automatic identification systems (AIS)?	<b>AIS is a short-range VHF-FM system that automatically broadcasts a vessel's position, course, speed and other safety related information to all those with similar equipment in the area.</b>	AIS is a one-way centrally managed system that requires the local VTS to send commands to instruct each vessel to broadcast position, course, speed and other safety related information to all those with similar equipment in the area.	AIS is a global tracking system that relies upon INMARSAT C service to communicate vessel position, course, speed and other safety related information to all those with similar equipment in the area.	AIS is a short-range 3 cm X-band radar system that automatically sends a vessel's position, course, speed and other safety related information to all those with similar equipment within the area.	
1730	Which of the following statements is TRUE regarding automatic identification systems (AIS)?	<b>The master may, at his/her discretion, turn off the AIS if he/she believes that it may compromise the safety or security of the vessel.</b>	Under no circumstances shall AIS be turned off while underway as this could endanger the vessel and those around her.	AIS is always required to be operating if the vessel is in or in the vicinity of a VTS area.	AIS is always required to be operating if the vessel is within 100 nautical miles of the coastline.	
1731	Which of the following statements is TRUE regarding automatic identification systems (AIS)?	AIS is designed to replace ARPA, maneuvering boards, and visual bearings as a means to ascertain the risk of collision.	<b>AIS provides near real-time information regarding another vessel's speed over ground and heading regardless of visibility.</b>	AIS will not provide information on another vessel if that vessel is indistinguishable in radar sea clutter.	AIS can be relied upon as the sole means to determine course changes due to other AIS equipped traffic.	

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1732	Which of the following statements is TRUE regarding automatic identification systems (AIS)?	AIS cannot be used to make passing arrangements because the system is not capable of this type of ship-to-ship communications.	AIS cannot be used to make passing arrangements because the ship-to-ship text messaging feature is for emergency use only.	<b>AIS can be used to make passing arrangements via ship-to-ship text messaging but a vessel operator is not relieved from the requirement to sound whistle signals or make arrangements via bridge-to-bridge radiotelephone.</b>	AIS can be used to make passing arrangements via ship-to-ship text messaging thus relieving a vessel operator from making such arrangements via bridge-to-bridge radiotelephone or signaling intent to pass via whistle signals.	
1733	Which of the following statements is TRUE regarding automatic identification systems (AIS)?	AIS will not provide information on another vessel if that vessel is indistinguishable in radar sea clutter.	AIS can be relied upon as the sole means to determine risk of collision and safe speed.	AIS is designed to replace ARPA, maneuvering boards, and visual bearings as a means to ascertain the risk of collision.	<b>AIS provides the other vessel's identity, dimensions and navigational status regardless of visibility.</b>	
1734	Which of the following traits possessed by an articulated light makes it superior to other types of buoys?	The radar reflectors return better signals	The fog horn signal travels farther to sea	It is equipped with strobe lights	<b>It has a reduced watch circle</b>	
1735	Which of the four adjustable errors in the sextant causes side error?	<b>Horizon glass not being perpendicular to the frame</b>	Index mirror not being perpendicular to the frame	Telescope not being parallel to the frame	Elliptical centering error	
1736	Which of the four adjustable errors in the sextant is the principle cause of index error?	Telescope not being parallel to the frame	<b>Index mirror and horizon glass not being parallel</b>	Index mirror not being perpendicular to the frame	Horizon glass not being perpendicular to the frame	
1737	Which of the listed properties does warm air possess?	It rises above cooler air and cools as it rises.	Atmospheric pressure drops as warm air rises.	Moisture in warm air condenses as the air is cooled.	<b>All of the above</b>	
1738	Which of the symbols shown represents a warm front?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D018NG</b>
1739	Which of the symbols shown represents an occluded front?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D018NG</b>
1740	Which of these sextant errors is nonadjustable?	Prismatic error	Graduation error	Centering error	<b>All of the above</b>	
1741	Which picture shows a fixed and flashing light?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	<b>D034NG</b>
1742	Which picture in illustration D034NG shows a flashing light?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D034NG</b>
1743	Which picture in illustration D034NG shows a Morse (A) light?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D034NG</b>
1744	Which picture shows an occulting light?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D034NG</b>



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1745	Which position includes the effects of wind and current?	Dead reckoning position	Leeway position	<b>Estimated position</b>	Set position	
1746	Which position includes the effects of wind and current?	Dead reckoning position	Leeway position	Set position	<b>Estimated position</b>	
1747	Which publication contains information on Naval Control of Shipping (NCS) in time of emergency or war?	<b>Pub. 117, Radio Navigational Aids</b>	Appropriate volume of the Sailing Directions	Pub. 102, International Code of Signals	Light List	
1748	Which publication contains information on navigation regulations, landmarks, channels, anchorages, tides, currents, and clearances of bridges for Chesapeake Bay?	<b>Coast Pilot</b>	Light List	Sailing Directions	Pilot Charts	
1749	Which publication indicates the HYDROLANTS or HYDROPACS issued since the previous working day?	Broadcast Notice to Mariners	Local Notice to Mariners	<b>Daily Memorandum</b>	Summary of Corrections	
1750	Which publication requires infrequent corrections?	List of Lights	Coast Pilot	<b>Sailing Directions (Planning Guide)</b>	Radio Navigational Aids	
1751	Which publication should you check for complete information on Puget Sound weather conditions?	Sailing Directions	Light List	<b>Coast Pilot</b>	Chart of the area	
1752	Which publication would describe the explosive anchorages in the ports on the east coast of the United States?	Sailing Directions	Pilot Rules for Inland Waters	<b>Coast Pilot</b>	Notice to Mariners	
1753	Which publication would NOT be used on a voyage from Houston to New York?	Coast Pilot	Light List	Radio Navigational Aids	<b>Sailing Directions (Enroute)</b>	
1754	Which scale is used to estimate wind speed by observing sea conditions _____.	Metric scale	Wind scale	Coriolis scale	<b>Beaufort scale</b>	
1755	Which sextant has an index error of 4'20" off the arc?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	<b>D050NG</b>
1756	Which sextant has an index error of 2'10" on the arc?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D050NG</b>
1757	Which sextant in illustration D043NG reads 29°42.5'?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D043NG</b>
1758	Which sextant in illustration D043NG reads 29°42.7'?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	<b>D043NG</b>
1759	Which sextant in illustration D043NG reads 29°47.5'?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D043NG</b>
1760	Which sextant in illustration D043NG reads 30°42.5'?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D043NG</b>
1761	Which sextant shown has an index error of 0'20" on the arc?	A	B	<b>C</b>	D	<b>D050NG</b>
1762	Which sextant shown has an index error of 3'30" off the arc?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D050NG</b>

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1763	Which statement about a gnomonic chart is correct?	A rhumb line appears as a straight line.	Distance is measured at the mid-latitude of the track line.	Meridians appear as curved lines converging toward the nearer pole.	<b>Parallels, except the equator, appear as curved lines.</b>	
1764	Which statement about an estimated position is TRUE?	It is more reliable than a fix based on radar bearings.	<b>It may be based on a single LOP or questionable data.</b>	When a 3-LOP fix plots in a triangle, the center of the triangle is the estimated position.	It is usually based on soundings.	
1765	Which statement about gyrocompass error is TRUE?	<b>The amount of the error and the sign will generally be the same on all headings.</b>	The sign (E or W) of the error will change with different headings of the ship.	Any error will remain constant unless the compass is stopped and restarted.	Any error shown by a gyro repeater will be the same as the error of the master compass.	
1766	Which statement about Radio Navigational Warning Broadcasts is TRUE?	Radio navigational warnings are valid for 10 days, unless cancelled earlier.	NAVAREA warnings cover coastal areas only, while HYDROLANTS or HYDROPACS cover entire ocean areas.	<b>Radio navigational warnings issued by NGA (NIMA) are published in the Daily Memorandum and the Notice to Mariners.</b>	HYDROLANTS and HYDROPACS cover the same geographical areas as NAVAREA warnings, but are for the use of military vessels only.	
1767	Which statement about radio navigational warnings is TRUE?	<b>The topics for warnings included in HYDROLANTS, HYDROPACS, and NAVAREA warnings are the same.</b>	NAVAREA warnings concern only coastal navigation and inland navigation in large bays or sounds such as Puget Sound.	The United States is responsible for NAVAREA warnings in the North Atlantic north of 7°N, and west of 15°W.	Long range radio navigational warnings are usually broadcast by radiotelephone, radiotelegraph, and radio-teletypewriter.	
1768	Which statement about the Flinders bar of the magnetic compass is CORRECT?	<b>It compensates for the error caused by the vertical component of the Earth's magnetic field.</b>	It compensates for error caused by the heeling of a vessel.	It compensates for quadrantal deviation.	It is only needed in equatorial waters.	
1769	Which statement about the gyrocompass is FALSE?	<b>Its accuracy remains the same at all latitudes.</b>	It seeks the true meridian.	It can be used near the Earth's magnetic poles.	If an error exists, it is the same on all headings.	
1770	Which statement concerning current is TRUE?	Current can be determined by measuring the direction and distance between simultaneous EP and DR positions.	<b>The drift of the current should be averaged out on a one hour basis.</b>	After the current is determined, it should not be used for further plotting because it is an unknown variable.	The distance between a simultaneous DR position and fix is equal to the drift of the current.	

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1771	Which statement concerning GPS is TRUE?	It cannot be used in all parts of the world.	There are 12 functioning GPS satellites at present.	<b>It may be suspended without warning.</b>	Two position lines are used to give a 2D fix.	
1772	Which statement concerning storm surges on the Great Lakes is FALSE?	<b>They are common along the deeper areas of the lakes.</b>	They cause rapid differences in levels between one end of the lake and the other.	The greatest water level difference occurs when the wind is blowing along the longitudinal axis of the lake.	If the wind subsides rapidly, a seiche effect will most likely occur.	
1773	Which statement concerning the chartlet is TRUE? (Soundings and heights are in meters)	Maury lightship is visible for 17 miles.	The bottom to the south-southeast of the lightship is soft coral.	There is a 12-meter deep west of Beito Island and inside the 5-meter line.	<b>There is a dangerous eddy southeast of Beito Island.</b>	D010NG
1774	Which statement concerning the illustration is correct? (Soundings and heights are in meters)	Maury Lightship swings about her anchor on a circle with a 21-meter diameter.	<b>The sunken wreck southwest of Beito Island shows the hull or superstructure above the sounding datum.</b>	There is a 12-meter deep hole inside the 5-meter curve just west of Beito Island.	The position of the lightship is indicated by the center of the star on the symbol's mast.	D010NG
1775	Which statement concerning the operation of radar in fog is TRUE?	Radar ranges are less accurate in fog.	Navigation buoys will always show up on radar.	A sandy beach will show up clearer on radar than a rocky cliff.	<b>Small wooden boats may not show up on radar.</b>	
1776	Which statement describes the prevailing wind direction in mid-winter in the Gulf Coast area?	<b>30% to 40% of mid-winter winds are from a northern quadrant.</b>	40% to 50% of mid-winter winds are from a southern quadrant.	the winds are variable in speed, but strongest in March.	None of the above	
1777	Which statement is FALSE concerning the dangerous semicircle of a hurricane?	The actual wind speed is increased by the forward movement of the storm along its track	the direction of the wind and the sea might carry a vessel directly into the storm's path	The seas are higher	<b>The rain is heavier</b>	
1778	Which statement is TRUE concerning a Mercator projection?	Degrees of longitude decrease in length as latitude increases.	<b>The length of the meridians is increased to provide for equal expansion in all directions.</b>	The mileage between the meridians is increased as the latitude increases.	All of the above	
1779	Which statement is TRUE concerning apogean tides?	They occur only at quadrature.	They occur when the Moon is nearest the Earth.	They cause diurnal tides to become mixed.	<b>They have a decreased range from normal.</b>	

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1780	Which statement is TRUE concerning equatorial tides?	They occur when the Sun is at minimum declination north or south.	They occur when the Moon is at maximum declination north or south.	<b>The difference in height between consecutive high or low tides is at a minimum.</b>	They are used as the basis for the vulgar establishment of the port.	
1781	Which statement is TRUE concerning the current of the Gulf Stream?	It reaches its daily maximum speed a few hours before the transit of the Moon.	It is slower at the time of neap tides than at spring tides.	When the Moon is at its maximum declination the stream is narrower than when the Moon is on the equator.	<b>Variations in the trade winds affect the current.</b>	
1782	Which statement is TRUE when comparing cold and warm fronts?	<b>Cold fronts are more violent and of shorter duration.</b>	Cold fronts are milder and last longer.	They are very similar with the exception of wind direction.	Warm fronts are more violent and of longer duration.	
1783	Which statement(s) concerning the effect of Coriolis force on ocean currents is(are) correct?	The deflection of the current is to the left in the Northern Hemisphere.	The Coriolis force is greater in the lower latitudes.	<b>The Coriolis force is more effective in deep water.</b>	All of the above	
1784	Which symbol represents a 10-fathom curve?	— — — — —	... — — — — —	— — — — — . — — — — — . — — — — — .	.....	
1785	Which symbol represents a 20-fathom curve?	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - - . - - - - - . - - - - - .	- - - - -	
1786	Which symbol represents a 2-fathom curve?	- - - -	.. — — — — .. — — — — .. — — — —	— — — — . — — — — . — — — — .	.....	
1787	Which table is NOT found in the U.S. Coast Pilots?	Climatological table	<b>Luminous range table</b>	Meteorological table	Coastwise distance table	
1788	Which term refers to the direction a current is flowing?	<b>Set</b>	Drift	Vector direction	Stand	
1789	Which theoretical minimum number of measurements from satellites does a GPS receiver need in order to provide an exact three-dimensional position?	Five	<b>Four</b>	Three	Two	
1790	Which topmark shown identifies an isolated danger?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D023NG</b>
1791	Which type of cloud formation should be of immediate concern to small craft operators?	cirrus	altostratus	nimbostratus	<b>cumulonimbus</b>	
1792	Which type of cloud is among the most dependable for giving an indication of an approaching weather system?	Cumulus	<b>Altostratus</b>	Cumulostratus	Nimbus	
1793	Which type of cloud is composed entirely of ice crystals and is found at very high altitudes?	Cumulus	<b>Cirrus</b>	Stratus	Nimbostratus	
1794	Which type of cloud is indicated by the number 1?	<b>Cirrus</b>	Altostratus	Alto cumulus	Nimbostratus	<b>D039NG</b>
1795	Which type of cloud is indicated by the number 4?	Alto cumulus	Cirrostratus	Cumulus	<b>Altostratus</b>	<b>D039NG</b>

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1796	Which type of cloud is the classic "thunderhead"?	<b>Cumulonimbus</b>	Stratus	Cirrus	Altostratus	
1797	Which type of daymark is used to mark the port side of the channel when entering from sea?	Red and white octagon	Black and white diamond	Red triangle	<b>Green square</b>	
1798	Which type of daymark is used to mark the starboard side of the channel when entering from sea?	Red and white octagon	Black and white diamond	<b>Red triangle</b>	Green square	
1799	Which type of front forms when a cold front overtakes and forces a warm front upwards?	A cold front	<b>An occluded front</b>	A warm front	A stationary front	
1800	Which type of frontal passage is associated with a relatively narrow band of precipitation?	<b>A cold front</b>	A warm front	A stationary front	None of the above	
1801	Which type of GPS receiver has at least four channels to process information from several satellites simultaneously?	Sequential	<b>Continuous</b>	Multiplex	None of the above	
1802	Which type of precipitation is a product of the violent convection found in thunderstorms?	Snow	Freezing Rain	<b>Hail</b>	Sleet	
1803	Which type of weather could you expect soon after seeing "hook" or "comma" shaped cirrus clouds?	<b>Rain with the approach of a warm front</b>	Clearing with the approach of a cold front	Continuing fog and rain	The formation of a tropical depression	
1804	Which weather change accompanies the passage of a cold front in the Northern Hemisphere?	Wind shift from northeast, clockwise to southwest	Steady dropping of barometric pressure	Steady precipitation, gradually increasing in intensity	<b>A line of cumulonimbus clouds</b>	
1805	Which weather element cannot be measured accurately while on board a moving vessel?	<b>Visibility</b>	Temperature	Wind direction	Atmospheric pressure	
1806	Which weather element cannot be measured accurately while on board a moving vessel?	Relative humidity	Atmospheric pressure	Temperature	<b>Wave period</b>	
1807	Which weather system produces strong cold winds called "Northers" during the winter months in the Gulf of Mexico?	An anticyclone	A high pressure system	A cyclone	<b>Both A and B</b>	
1808	Which wind pattern has the most influence over the movement of frontal weather systems over the North American continent?	Subpolar easterlies	Northeast trades	<b>Prevailing westerlies</b>	Dominant southwesterly flow	
1809	Which wind results from a land mass cooling more quickly at night than an adjacent water area?	Coastal breeze	Sea breeze	<b>Land breeze</b>	Mistral	
1810	Which would be the subject of a NAVAREA warning?	A drifting buoy sighted in mid-ocean	Extinguishment of Wolf Trap Light located inside Chesapeake Bay	All military exercises on the high seas involving four or more vessels	<b>Off-air times of radio beacons when scheduled for routine maintenance</b>	
1811	Which would influence a magnetic compass?	Electrical wiring	Iron pipe	Radio	<b>All of the above</b>	
1812	Which would you consult for information about the general current circulation in the North Atlantic Ocean?	<b>Pilot chart</b>	Coast Pilot	Current Table	Climatological Atlas	

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1813	While in port, you can follow the approach of a dangerous cyclonic storm by inspecting _____.	the sky overhead	the National Weather Service Observing Handbook No.1, Marine Surface Observations	the Coast Pilot or Sailing Directions	a weather map	
1814	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ships fog horn 2 1/2 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	225 yards	460 yards	750 yards	910 yards	
1815	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ships fog horn 2 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	360 yards	320 yards	280 yards	140 yards	
1816	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ships fog horn 3 1/2 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	640 yards	480 yards	315 yards	143 yards	
1817	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ship's fog horn 3 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	1100 yards	872 yards	550 yards	792 yards	
1818	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ship's fog horn 4 1/2 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	405 yards	628 yards	730 yards	825 yards	
1819	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ship's fog horn 4 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	209 yards	363 yards	480 yards	730 yards	
1820	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ships fog horn 5.5 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	3825 ft (1166 meters)	3450 ft (1052 meters)	3072 ft (936 meters)	2475 ft (754 meters)	
1821	While navigating in fog off a coastline of steep cliffs, you hear the echo of the ships fog horn 6 seconds after the signal was sounded. What is the distance to the shore?	1200 yards	1100 yards	1000 yards	900 yards	
1822	While on watch, you notice that the air temperature is dropping and is approaching the dew point. Which type of weather should be forecasted?	Hail	Heavy rain	Sleet	Fog	

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1823	While passing through Memphis, the weather report on the TV news indicates that a cold front is crossing western Kentucky and Tennessee. Tomorrow's weather will be dominated by a high pressure area. What weather should you expect tomorrow?	Light, southerly winds; high humidity and possibly fog	<b>Moderate winds from the northwest, clear visibility and cooler temperatures</b>	Low overcast; mild temperatures with light, steady rain or drizzle	Scattered clouds with light, southeasterly winds; high humidity and possibly fog	
1824	While preparing to enter a Brazilian port, you see ahead a red and green horizontally-striped buoy. The upper band is red. What action should you take?	Alter course to leave the buoy to port.	<b>Alter course to leave the buoy to starboard.</b>	Pass the buoy close aboard on either side.	Pass the buoy well clear on either side.	
1825	While proceeding along the Mediterranean coast of Spain, you sight the black and yellow buoy shown. Your course is 039°T, and the buoy bears 053°T. What action should you take?	Alter course to 053°T and pass the buoy close aboard on either side	Alter course to 060° and ensure that the bearings decrease	<b>Maintain course and ensure that the bearings increase</b>	Alter course towards the buoy and leave the buoy well clear on either side	D020NG
1826	While proceeding along the Norwegian coast on course 039°T, you sight the black-yellow-black banded buoy shown bearing 053°T. What action should you take?	Alter course to 053° and leave the buoy close aboard on either side	Maintain course	<b>Alter course to 060° and ensure that the true bearings decreases</b>	Alter course to port to rapidly open the bearing to the right	D021NG
1827	While proceeding downriver (descending) you sight a red diamond-shaped panel with small, red reflector squares in each corner on the left bank. Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers this is a _____.	special purpose signal	passing daymark	<b>crossing daymark</b>	cable crossing	
1828	While proceeding downriver, you sight a red triangular-shaped daymark on the left bank. Under the U.S. Aids to Navigation System on the Western Rivers this is a _____.	special purpose signal	<b>passing daymark</b>	mark with no lateral significance	crossing daymark	
1829	While steaming north of the Irish coast, you sight a buoy which shows the light rhythm shown in illustration D028NG. How would you pass this buoy?	North of the buoy	<b>East of the buoy</b>	South of the buoy	West of the buoy	D028NG
1830	While steaming on course 280°T, you sight a buoy showing a very quick-flashing (VQ) white light well to port. Maintaining course, you sight another buoy showing a quick-flashing (Q) white light. You should pass _____.	<b>north of the buoy</b>	west of the buoy	east of the buoy	south of the buoy	
1831	While steering a course of 150°T, you wish to observe a body for a latitude check. What would the azimuth have to be?	<b>000°T</b>	090°T	150°T	240°T	
1832	While steering a course of 150°T, you wish to observe the Sun for a speed check. What would the azimuth have to be?	060°T	090°T	<b>150°T</b>	240°T	



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1833	While taking weather observations, you determine that the wind is blowing from the northeast. You would record the wind direction in the weather log as _____.	045°	090°	135°	225°	
1834	While taking weather observations, you determine that the wind is coming from the west. In the weather log, you would record the wind direction as _____.	000°	090°	180°	270°	
1835	While underway, a vessel over 100,000 gross tons with an automatic identification systems (AIS) is expected to broadcast all of the following information every 1 to 10 seconds EXCEPT _____.	rate of turn	name of vessel	navigational status	ship's heading	
1836	While underway, automatic identification systems (AIS) broadcast all of the following information every 1 to 10 seconds EXCEPT the _____.	speed over ground	latitude and longitude	course over ground	ship's scantlings	
1837	While upbound through Memphis, the weather report on the TV news indicates that a cold front will cross western Kentucky and Tennessee the next morning. What weather should accompany this front?	Light, southerly winds; high humidity and possibly fog	Overcast with steady, light rain or drizzle	Gusting winds shifting to the northwest with thunderstorms	Scattered clouds with light to moderate southeasterly winds and possibly fog	
1838	While upbound through Memphis, the weather report on TV news indicates that a warm front is stationary over the Kentucky - Missouri - Tennessee areas. What weather conditions should you expect?	Strong, gusting winds from the NW with thundershowers	Light winds from the northeast with clear skies	A "blue norther"	Southerly winds with steady rain; fog or overcast	
1839	White and orange buoys, if lighted, show which color light?	White	Orange	Red	Alternating yellow and white	
1840	White lights may be found on _____.	special purpose buoys	preferred channel buoys	information and regulatory buoys	numbered buoys	
1841	Who should be consulted for changing conditions of controlling depths in major channels?	U.S. Coast Guard	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	National Ocean Service	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	
1842	Why are low altitude sun sights not generally used?	Errors due to unusual refraction may exist.	Sextants may have large errors at small angles of elevation.	Modern sight reduction tables are not complete for low altitudes below 5°.	The glare on the horizon causes irradiation errors.	
1843	Widely spaced isobars on a weather map indicate _____.	high winds	gentle breezes	ice, snow or frozen rain	probability of tornados	
1844	Wind direction may be determined by observing all of the following EXCEPT _____.	low clouds	waves	whitecaps	swells	
1845	Wind velocity varies _____.	directly with the temperature of the air mass	directly with the pressure gradient	inversely with the barometric pressure	inversely with the absolute humidity	

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1846	With regard to GPS, a civilian receiver may be capable of achieving the same accuracy as a military receiver if _____.	<b>selective availability is set to zero</b>	the satellites are all below 15° in elevation	your vessel is equipped with a Doppler receiver	the horizontal dilution of precision is high	
1847	With respect to a reversing current, slack water occurs when there is _____.	<b>little or no horizontal motion of the water</b>	little or no vertical motion of the water	a weak ebb or flood current	when winds cause water to back up in a river mouth	
1848	With respect to automatic identification systems (AIS) which of the following information is broadcast every one to ten seconds?	Vessel's draft	Air Draft	<b>Navigational status</b>	Dimensions of vessel	
1849	With respect to automatic identification systems (AIS), which information is expected to be broadcast every 1 to 10 seconds?	Name of ship	<b>Ship's heading</b>	IMO number	Vessel's draft	
1850	With respect to automatic identification systems (AIS), which information is expected to be broadcast every 1 to 10 seconds?	Rate of turn	Latitude and longitude	Navigational status	<b>All of the above</b>	
1851	With respect to automatic identification systems (AIS), which information is required to be broadcast every 1 to 10 seconds?	<b>Time stamp</b>	Destination	Location of antenna	None of the above	
1852	With respect to automatic identification systems (AIS), which information is required to be broadcast every 1 to 10 seconds?	Call sign and IMO number	<b>Course over ground and MMSI</b>	MMSI number and call sign	Route Plan and navigational status	
1853	With respect to automatic identification systems (AIS), which information is required to be broadcast every 1 to 10 seconds?	Call sign	Vessel's draft	Route plan	<b>None of the above</b>	
1854	With respect to failure warnings and status indications, GPS receivers should provide, at a minimum, _____.	<b>a warning of loss of position</b>	a cross-track error alarm	an indication of a change in satellite configuration	an alarm if engine speed is suddenly reduced	
1855	With respect to failure warnings and status indications, GPS receivers should provide, at a minimum, _____.	an indication within 5 seconds if the specified HDOP has been exceeded	a warning of loss of position	a differential GPS status indication of the receipt of DGPS signals	<b>All of the above</b>	
1856	With the passage of an occluded front the temperature _____.	rises rapidly	remains about the same	drops rapidly	<b>depends on whether warm type or cold type occlusion</b>	
1857	Yellow lights may appear on _____.	<b>special purpose buoys</b>	vertically-striped buoys	horizontally-banded buoys	spherical buoys	
1858	Yesterday you took a time tick using the 1200 GMT broadcast, and the chronometer read 11h 59m 59s. Today at the 1200 GMT time tick the chronometer read 00h 00m 01s. What is the chronometer error?	Gaining 2 seconds	Losing 2 seconds	Fast 2 seconds	<b>Fast 1 second</b>	

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1859	Yesterday your chronometer read 02h 59m 58s at the 1500 GMT time tick. Today the chronometer reads 03h 00m 02s at the 1500 GMT time tick. What is the chronometer error?	<b>02s fast</b>	03h 00m 02s fast	+3s	-3s	
1860	Yesterday your chronometer read 03h 01m 56s at the 1500 GMT time tick. Today your chronometer read 03h 01m 54s at the 1500 GMT time tick. What is the chronometer rate?	1m 54s fast	2s fast	<b>-2s</b>	+2s	
1861	Yesterday your chronometer read 03h 01m 56s at the 1500 GMT time tick. Today your chronometer read 03h 01m 58s at the 1500 GMT time tick. What is the chronometer error?	03h 01m 58s fast	<b>01m 58s fast</b>	+2s	-2s	
1862	Yesterday your chronometer read 11h 59m 58s at the 1200 GMT time tick. Today your chronometer reads 12h 00m 00s at the 1200 time tick. What is the chronometer rate?	Nil	12h	<b>+2s</b>	-2s	
1863	Yesterday your chronometer read 11h 59m 59s at 1200 GMT time tick. Today the chronometer reads 12h 00m 01s at the 1200 GMT tick. What is the chronometer rate?	-1s	+1s	-2s	<b>+2s</b>	
1864	Yesterday your chronometer read 11h 59m 59s at the 1200 GMT time tick. Today the chronometer reads 11h 59m 57s at the 1200 time tick. What is the chronometer rate?	+2s	<b>-2s</b>	-3s	+3s	
1865	You are anchored in the Aleutian Island chain and receive word that a tsunami is expected to strike the islands in six hours. What is the safest action?	<b>Get underway and be in deep, open-ocean water when the tsunami arrives.</b>	Increase the scope of the anchor cable and drop the second anchor underfoot at short stay.	Get underway and be close inshore on the side of the island away from the tsunami.	Plant both anchors with about a 60° angle between them, and let out a long scope to each anchor.	
1866	You are approaching a drawbridge and have sounded the proper whistle signal requesting it to open. You hear a signal of one prolonged and one short blast from the bridge. Which action should you take?	Anchor or use an alternate route because the bridge is out of service for an extended period of time.	Approach to a point not closer than 400 yards (360 meters) from the bridge and await further signals.	Hold in the channel as the bridge will open within 15 minutes.	<b>Approach under full control to pass through the bridge.</b>	
1867	You are approaching a drawbridge and have sounded the request-for-opening signal. The bridge has responded with five short blasts. How would you respond?	Five short blasts	White flag raised up and down	Confirm response on radiotelephone	<b>Any of these signals is considered a valid response</b>	
1868	You are approaching a drawbridge and must pass through during a scheduled closure period. What signal should you sound?	<b>Five short blasts</b>	Two prolonged, two short blasts	Three prolonged blasts	Three short blasts, two prolonged blasts	

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1869	You are approaching a light fitted with a RACON. The light may be identified on the radar by _____.	a dashed line running from the center of the scope to the light	an audible signal when the sweep crosses the light	a circle appearing on the scope surrounding the light	<b>a coded signal appearing on the same bearing at a greater range than the light</b>	
1870	You are approaching a lock and see a flashing amber light located on the lock wall. You should _____.	stand clear of the lock entrance	<b>approach the lock under full control</b>	enter the lock as quickly as possible	hang off your tow on the lock wall	
1871	You are approaching a multiple-span bridge at night. The main navigational channel span will be indicated by _____.	a quick flashing red or green aid to navigation	a steady blue light in the center of the span	<b>3 white lights in a vertical line in the center of the span</b>	a flashing green light in the center of the span	
1872	You are approaching a sea buoy which emits a racon signal. This signal is most frequently triggered by which type of radar?	<b>3 cm</b>	10 cm	Both 3 cm and 10 cm	Signal does not depend on radar type.	
1873	You are approaching a swing bridge at night, what will indicate that the bridge is open for river traffic?	three flashing green lights	three amber lights	three red lights are extinguished	<b>three green lights</b>	
1874	You are approaching a vertical lift bridge. You know the span is fully open when _____.	three white lights in a vertical line are lit	a red light starts to flash at about 60 times a minute	a yellow light is illuminated on the bridge pier	<b>there is a range of green lights under the lift span</b>	
1875	You are approaching an open drawbridge and sound the proper signal. You receive no acknowledgment from the bridge. Which action should you take?	<b>Approach with caution and proceed through the open draw.</b>	Approach under full control to a position no closer than 400 yards from the bridge and await a signal from the bridge.	Hold in the channel as a vessel is closing the bridge from the other direction.	Resound the opening signal and do not pass through the bridge until signals have been exchanged.	
1876	You are approaching Chatham Strait from the south in foggy weather. You have Coronation Island and Hazy Islands on the radar. Suddenly the radar malfunctions. You then resort to using whistle echoes to determine your distance off Coronation Island. Your stopwatch reads 16.3 seconds for the echo to be heard. How far are you off Coronation Island?	1.0 mile	<b>1.5 miles</b>	2.0 miles	2.5 miles	
1877	You are approaching Gallipolis Lock and Dam. The traffic signal light is flashing red. You should _____.	<b>hold your position and not attempt to enter the lock</b>	approach the lock slowly under full control	proceed at normal speed to enter the lock	None of the above	

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1878	You are approaching the first of two drawbridges that span a narrow channel. The second drawbridge is close to the first. Which signals should you sound?	Sound the request-for-opening signal for the first bridge only, who will notify the second bridge of your approach	Sound the request-for-opening signal twice in succession to indicate you must pass through both bridges	Sound the request-for-opening signal, pause for about 10 seconds, then sound two prolonged blasts.	<b>Sound the request-for-opening signal and, after the bridge acknowledges it, sound the request-for-opening signal for the second bridge.</b>	
1879	You are ascending a river and exchanging navigational information via radiotelephone with a descending vessel. If the descending vessel advises you to "watch for the set" above point X, what would you expect to encounter above point X?	An increase in current velocity	Slack water	Shallow water	<b>A sideways movement of your vessel</b>	
1880	You are at anchor in the anchorage at the entrance to Delaware Bay. If you weigh anchor at 1445 DST (ZD +4) on 24 July 1983 and proceed northbound enroute to Philadelphia at a speed of 10 knots, you will have _____.	a flood current the entire trip	a flood current from Ship John Shoal Lt. to Philadelphia	an ebb current north of New Castle, DE	<b>a weak flood between Reedy Island and Edgemoor</b>	
1881	You are attempting to locate your position relative to a hurricane in the Northern Hemisphere. If the wind direction remains steady, but with diminishing velocity, you are most likely _____.	in the right semicircle	in the left semicircle	on the storm track ahead of the center	<b>on the storm track behind the center</b>	
1882	You are bound for Baltimore via Cape Henry on a 15 knot ship. If the flood at Chesapeake Bay entrance begins at 1800 EST (ZD +5), at what time would you depart from the Chesapeake Bay entrance to have the most favorable current?	1700 hours	1800 hours	1900 hours	<b>2030 hours</b>	
1883	You are bound for the Chelsea docks in the Hudson River. The Captain wants to arrive at the docks at the first slack water on 28 July 1983. You are keeping daylight saving time. What time should you be at the docks?	<b>0215</b>	0530	0811	0911	
1884	You are downbound approaching a lock and see 3 green lights in a vertical line. This indicates _____.	that the lock chamber is open and ready to receive your tow	that you should hold up until the signal changes to 2 green lights	<b>the upstream end of the river wall</b>	the upstream end of the land wall	
1885	You are downbound on the Ohio River locking through Greenup. The chamber has been emptied and the lower gates are open. You hear one short blast of the whistle from the lock. You should _____.	<b>leave the lock</b>	hold up until another tow enters the adjacent lock	tie off to the guide wall until the river is clear of traffic	hold in the lock chamber due to a malfunction with the gate	

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1886	You are enroute from Puerto Rico to New York. A hurricane makes up and is approaching. If the wind veers steadily, this indicates that your vessel is _____.	<b>in the dangerous semicircle</b>	in the navigable semicircle	directly in the path of the storm	in the storm center	
1887	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 4.5 knots on course 233°T, and bears 264°T at 68 miles from you. What is the course to steer and running time at 13 knots to intercept vessel A?	<b>254°, 7h 37m</b>	274°, 8h 35m	254°, 8h 35m	274°, 7h 37m	
1888	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 4.5 knots on course 233°T, and bears 264°T, 68 miles from you. What is the time to intercept if you make 13 Knots?	6h 31m	6h 47m	7h 03m	<b>7h 37m</b>	
1889	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 4.5 knots on course 233°T, and bears 346°T at 68 miles from you. What is the course to steer at 13 knots to intercept vessel A?	<b>327°</b>	323°	318°	314°	
1890	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 5 knots on course 063°T, and bears 136°T at 78 miles from you. What is the course to steer and running time at 13 knots to intercept vessel A?	115°, 5h 45m	158°, 7h 20m	<b>115°, 7h 20m</b>	158°, 5h 45m	
1891	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 5.5 knots on course 033°T, and bears 248°T at 64 miles from you. What is the course to steer at 13 knots to intercept vessel A?	<b>262°</b>	269°	276°	281°	
1892	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 5.5 knots on course 033°T, and bears 248°T at 64 miles from you. What is the time to intercept if you make 13 knots?	4h 55m	4h 36m	3h 59m	<b>3h 44m</b>	
1893	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 5.5 knots on course 033°T, and bears 284°T at 43 miles from you. What is the course to steer and running time at 16 knots to intercept vessel A?	265°, 3h 13m	<b>303°, 2h 32m</b>	265°, 2h 32m	303°, 3h 13m	
1894	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 5.5 knots on course 033°T, and bears 284°T, 43 miles from you. What is the time to intercept if you make 16 knots?	2h 16m	2h 22m	<b>2h 32m</b>	2h 42m	
1895	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 6 knots on course 133°T, and bears 042° at 105 miles from you. What is the course to steer at 10 knots to intercept vessel A?	063°	068°	073°	<b>079°</b>	

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1896	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 6 knots on course 133°T, and bears 042°T, 105 miles from you. What is the time to intercept if you make 10 knots?	12h 30m	12h 44m	<b>12h 58m</b>	13h 22m	
1897	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 6 knots on course 133°T, and bears 343°T at 92 miles from you. What is the course to steer at 9 knots to intercept vessel A?	356°	<b>003°</b>	022°	038°	
1898	You are enroute to assist vessel A. Vessel A is underway at 6 knots on course 133°T, and bears 343°T at 92 miles from you. What is the time to intercept if you make 9 knots?	7h 44m	7h 12m	<b>6h 43m</b>	6h 08m	
1899	You are enroute to Jacksonville, FL, from San Juan, P.R. There is a fresh N'ly wind blowing. As you cross the axis of the Gulf Stream you would expect to encounter _____.	smoother seas and warmer water	<b>steeper waves, closer together</b>	long swells	cirrus clouds	
1900	You are enroute to Savannah, GA, from Recife, Brazil. There is a strong N'ly wind blowing. As you cross the axis of the Gulf Stream you would expect to encounter _____.	cirrus clouds	long swells	smoother seas and warmer water	<b>steeper waves, closer together</b>	
1901	You are entering an African port and see ahead of you a red can-shaped buoy. What action should you take?	<b>Alter course to leave the buoy to port</b>	Alter course to leave the buoy to starboard	Pass the buoy close aboard on either side	Pass the buoy well clear on either side	
1902	You are entering an east coast port and see a buoy with a yellow triangle painted on it. What does the symbol indicate?	<b>you are in the vicinity of the ICW</b>	the buoy is a special mark	the buoy is off station	the buoy designates a sharp turn in the channel	
1903	You are entering port and have been instructed to anchor, as your berth is not yet available. You are on a SW'ly heading, preparing to drop anchor, when you observe the range as shown on your starboard beam. You should _____.	drop the anchor immediately as the range lights mark an area free of obstructions	drop the anchor immediately as a change in the position of the range lights will be an indication of dragging anchor	NOT drop the anchor until the lights are in line	<b>ensure your ship will NOT block the channel or obstruct the range while at anchor</b>	<b>D047NG</b>
1904	You are entering port and have been instructed to anchor, as your berth is not yet available. You are on a SW'ly heading, preparing to drop anchor, when you observe the range lights as shown on your starboard beam. You should _____.	NOT drop the anchor until the lights are in line	<b>ensure your ship will NOT block the channel or obstruct the range while at anchor</b>	drop the anchor immediately as the range lights mark an area free of obstructions	drop the anchor immediately as a change in the position of the range lights will always be an indication of dragging anchor	<b>D047NG</b>



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1905	You are entering port and have been instructed to anchor, as your berth is not yet available. You are on a SW'ly heading, preparing to drop anchor, when you observe the range lights as shown on your starboard beam. You should _____.	drop the anchor immediately as the range lights mark an area free of obstructions	drop the anchor immediately as a change in the position of the range lights will be an indication of dragging anchor	<b>ensure your ship will NOT block the channel or obstruct the range while at anchor</b>	NOT drop the anchor until the lights are in line	D047NG
1906	You are entering port and have been instructed to anchor, as your berth is not yet available. You are on a SW'ly heading, preparing to drop anchor, when you observe the range lights, as shown, on your starboard beam. You should _____.	<b>ensure your ship will NOT block the channel or obstruct the range while at anchor</b>	drop the anchor immediately as the range lights mark an area free of obstructions	drop the anchor immediately as a change in the position of the range lights will be an indication of dragging anchor	NOT drop the anchor until the lights are in line	D047NG
1907	You are heading in a northerly direction when you come across an easterly current. Your vessel will _____.	<b>be pushed to starboard</b>	be pushed to port	decrease in engine speed	remain on course	
1908	You are heading out to sea in a buoyed channel and see a quick-flashing green light on a buoy ahead of you. In U.S. waters, you should leave the buoy _____.	well clear on either side	about 50 yards off on either side	to port	<b>to starboard</b>	
1909	You are holding position above Gallipolis Lock and Dam when you hear two long blasts of the horn from the lock. This indicates that you should _____.	<b>enter the riverward lock</b>	hold position until two more upbound tows have locked through	enter the landward lock	hold position until the lower gates are closed	
1910	You are hove to in a hurricane on a heading of 328°T. The wind is from 030° true at 119 knots. How should this be encoded on the weather report form under Nddff?	80312	83011	83099	<b>80399</b>	D041NG
1911	You are in a buoyed channel at night and pass a lighted buoy with an irregular characteristic. You should report this to the _____.	<b>Coast Guard</b>	harbor master	Corps of Engineers	National Ocean Service	
1912	You are in a channel in U.S. waters near an industrial plant with a load/discharge facility for barges. You hear a siren being sounded at the facility. What does this indicate?	<b>There is danger at the facility due to a fire or cargo release.</b>	A towboat with a hazardous cargo barge is being moved to or from the facility.	The facility is warning a barge to shut down transfer operations due to weather conditions (electrical storms, tornado, etc.).	A barge at the facility has commenced loading or discharging operations.	

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1913	You are in a channel in U.S. waters near an industrial plant with a load/discharge facility for barges. You see an emergency rotating flashing light on the facility light up. What does this indicate?	A barge at the facility has commenced transferring a hazardous cargo.	A barge carrying a hazardous cargo is mooring or unmooring at the facility.	The facility is warning a barge to shut down transfer operations due to weather conditions (electrical storm, tornado, hurricane, etc.).	<b>There is danger at the facility due to a fire or cargo release.</b>	
1914	You are in a channel inbound from sea. A daymark used to mark a channel junction when the preferred channel is to port will have the shape indicated by what letter in illustration D045NG?	A	B	C	<b>D</b>	<b>D045NG</b>
1915	You are in a channel inbound from sea. A daymark used to mark a channel junction when the preferred channel is to starboard will have the shape indicated by what letter in illustration D045NG?	<b>A</b>	B	C	D	
1916	You are in charge of a power-driven vessel crossing a river on the Western Rivers. You must keep out of the way of _____.	a sail vessel descending the river	a power-driven vessel ascending the river	a vessel restricted in its ability to maneuver crossing the river	<b>All of the above</b>	
1917	You are in LONG 144°E. The date is 6 February, and the zone time is 0800. The Greenwich date and time are _____.	<b>2200, 5 February</b>	2300, 5 February	1700, 6 February	1800, 6 February	
1918	You are in LONG 165°E, zone time at 0400, 1 November. What is the zone time and date in LONG 165°W?	<b>0600, 31 October</b>	1800, 31 October	1800, 1 November	0600, 1 November	
1919	You are in the Northern Hemisphere and a tropical wave is located 200 miles due east of your position. Where will the wave be located 12 hours later?	Farther away to the east	In the same position	<b>Nearby to the east</b>	Farther away to the west	
1920	You are in the Northern Hemisphere and a tropical wave is located 200 miles due west of your position. Where will the wave be located 24 hours later?	In the same place	Closer and to the west	Closer and to the east	<b>Farther away to the west</b>	
1921	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 133° T. You are steering 129° T and have the range in sight as shown. Which action should you take?	Continue on the present heading until the range is in line then alter course to the right.	<b>Immediately alter course to the right to bring the range in line.</b>	Immediately alter course to the left to bring the range in line.	Immediately alter course to 133° T if the range is closing.	<b>D048NG</b>

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1922	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 309°T. You are steering 306°T. The range appears as shown and is closing. Which action should you take?	Continue on the present heading until the range is in line then alter course to the left.	Immediately alter course to the right to bring the range in line.	<b>Continue on course until the range is closed, then alter course to the right.</b>	Immediately alter course to 309°T.	<b>D047NG</b>
1923	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 309°T. You are steering 306°T and have the range in sight as shown. Which action should you take?	Continue on the present heading until the range is in line then alter course to the right.	<b>Immediately alter course to the right to bring the range in line.</b>	Immediately alter course to the left to bring the range in line.	Immediately alter course to 309°T if the range is closing.	<b>D048NG</b>
1924	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 309°T. You are steering 306°T and have the range in sight as shown. The range continues to open. What action should you take?	<b>Alter course to the left until the range closes then steer to the left of 306°T.</b>	Maintain course as it is normal for the range to open as you get close.	Alter course to the left to close the range, then alter course to 309°T.	Alter course to the right to 309°T or more to bring the range in line.	<b>D047NG</b>
1925	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 309°T. You are steering 306°T and have the range in sight as shown. The range continues to open. What action should you take?	Alter course to the right to 309°T or more to bring the range in line.	Maintain course as it is normal for the range to open as you get close.	<b>Alter course to the left until the range closes, then steer to the left of 306°T.</b>	Alter course to the left to close the range, then alter course to 309°T.	<b>D047NG</b>
1926	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 309°T. You are steering 306°T. The range appears as shown and is closing. Which action should you take?	<b>Continue on course until the range is closed, then alter course to the right.</b>	Continue on the present heading until the range is in line, then alter course to the left.	Immediately alter course to the right to bring the range in line.	Immediately alter course to 309°T to bring the range in line.	<b>D047NG</b>
1927	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 040° T. You are steering 036°T. The range is in sight as shown and is closing. Which action should you take?	Continue on the present heading until the range is in line then alter course to the left.	Immediately alter course to the right to bring the range in line.	<b>Continue on course until the range is closed, then alter course to the right.</b>	Immediately alter course to 040° T.	<b>D047NG</b>
1928	You are inbound in a channel marked by a range. The range line is 216° T. You are steering 213° T and have the range in sight as shown. Which action should you take?	Continue on the present heading until the range is in line then alter course to the right.	<b>Immediately alter course to the right to bring the range in line.</b>	Immediately alter course to the left to bring the range in line.	Immediately alter course to 216° T if the range is closing.	<b>D048NG</b>
1929	You are informed of defects or changes in aids to navigation by _____.	Local Notice to Mariners	Weekly Notice to Mariners	marine broadcasts	<b>All of the above</b>	
1930	You are located within a stationary high pressure area. Your aneroid barometer is falling very slowly. This indicates a(n) _____.	wind shift of 180°	large increase in wind velocity	<b>decrease in the pressure of the system</b>	increase in the intensity of the system	
1931	You are navigating in pilotage waters using running fixes. The maximum time between fixes should be about _____.	4 hours	1 hour	<b>30 minutes</b>	5 minutes	

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1932	You are on a coastwise voyage bound for Marcus Hook, PA. Your speed is 15 knots. You wish to use the flood tide to facilitate docking starboard side to, heading seaward. To have the most favorable tide throughout, you should time your arrival at the entrance to Delaware Bay _____.	for 1 hour before flood begins	for 1 hour after flood begins	<b>for 3 hours after flood begins</b>	for 1 hour before ebb begins	
1933	You are on a vessel at 0400 ZT on 3 July, and the ZD for your position is -8. What is the GMT?	1200, 3 July	2000, 3 July	1200, 2 July	<b>2000, 2 July</b>	
1934	You are on a voyage from New Orleans to Boston and navigating off the Florida coast. You will get the greatest benefit from the Gulf Stream if you navigate _____.	about 5 miles east of Cape Canaveral	about 15 miles east of Daytona	along the 50-fathom curve	<b>about 20 miles east of Jupiter Inlet</b>	
1935	You are on a voyage from New Orleans to Boston. When navigating off the Florida coast, you will get the greatest benefit from the Gulf Stream if you navigate _____.	<b>about 45 miles east of Cape Canaveral</b>	about 25 miles east of Daytona Beach	along the 50-fathom curve	close inshore between Fowey Rocks and Jupiter Inlet	
1936	You are on course 027°T and take a relative bearing to a lighthouse of 220°. What is the true bearing to the lighthouse?	113°	193°	<b>247°</b>	279°	
1937	You are on course 030°T. The relative bearing of a lighthouse is 45°. What is the true bearing?	015°	<b>075°</b>	255°	345°	
1938	You are on course 042°T. To check the course of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	090°	<b>132°</b>	180°	222°	
1939	You are on course 061°T. To check the longitude of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	<b>090°</b>	180°	241°	061°	
1940	You are on course 090°T when you sight a flashing white light with a characteristic of VQ(9)10s. You immediately change course to 030°T. After one hour, you sight another flashing white light with the characteristic of VQ. You must pass well _____.	south of this buoy	west of this buoy	<b>north of this buoy</b>	east of this buoy	
1941	You are on course 138°T. To check the latitude of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	138°	270°	318°	<b>000°</b>	
1942	You are on course 146°T. To check the speed of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	000°	056°	090°	<b>146°</b>	
1943	You are on course 180°T and take a relative bearing of a lighthouse of 225°. What is the true bearing of the lighthouse?	<b>045°</b>	135°	180°	270°	

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1944	You are on course 201°T. To check the speed of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	090°	111°	180°	<b>201°</b>	
1945	You are on course 209°T. In order to check the longitude of your vessel, you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	209°	<b>270°</b>	299°	000°	
1946	You are on course 222°T and take a relative bearing of a lighthouse of 025°. What is the true bearing to the lighthouse?	197°	<b>247°</b>	315°	335°	
1947	You are on course 226°T. In order to check the latitude of your vessel, you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	226°	270°	<b>000°</b>	026°	
1948	You are on course 238°T. To check the course of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	180°	238°	<b>328°</b>	090°	
1949	You are on course 277°T and take a relative bearing of a lighthouse of 045°. What is the true bearing to the lighthouse?	038°	232°	315°	<b>322°</b>	
1950	You are on course 303°T. To check the speed of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	000°	090°	<b>123°</b>	213°	
1951	You are on course 312°T. To check the speed of your vessel you should observe a celestial body on which bearing?	<b>312°</b>	000°	090°	222°	
1952	You are on course 344°T and take a relative bearing of a lighthouse of 090°. What is the true bearing to the lighthouse?	016°	<b>074°</b>	254°	270°	
1953	You are on course 344°T and take a relative bearing of a lighthouse of 270°. What is the true bearing to the lighthouse?	016°	074°	090°	<b>254°</b>	
1954	You are on course 355°T and take a relative bearing of a lighthouse of 275°. What is the true bearing of the lighthouse?	080°	085°	280°	<b>270°</b>	
1955	You are on course 357°T and take a relative bearing of a lighthouse of 180°. What is the true bearing to the lighthouse?	003°	227°	<b>177°</b>	363°	
1956	You are outbound in a buoyed channel on course 015°T. You sight a white light showing a Morse (A) characteristic bearing 359° relative. For safety, you should _____.	change course to 359°T to pass near to the buoy	<b>stay in the channel and leave the buoy to port</b>	alter course to 000°T and leave the buoy well clear to starboard	check the chart to see where the marked danger lies in relation to the buoy	
1957	You are outbound in a channel marked by a range astern. The range line is 133°T. You are steering 315°T and have the range in sight as shown. What action should you take?	Come left to 313°T.	Come right until the range comes in line then alter course to 313°T.	Come right until the range comes in line then alter course to 317°T.	<b>Come left to close the range then when on the range steer 313°T.</b>	<b>D048NG</b>

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1958	You are outbound in a channel marked by a range astern. The range line is 273° T. You are steering 090° T and have the range in sight as shown. What action should you take?	<b>Come right to close the range then when on the range steer 093° T.</b>	Come left until the range comes in line than alter course to 093° T.	Come left until the range comes in line then alter course to 087° T.	Come right to 093° T.	D047NG
1959	You are outbound in a channel marked by a range astern. The range line is 309°T. You are steering 127°T and have the range in sight as shown. What action should you take?	Come right to 129°T.	Come left until the range comes in line then alter course to 129°T.	Come left until the range comes in line then alter course to 125°T.	<b>Come right to close the range then when on the range steer 129°T.</b>	D047NG
1960	You are planning a voyage from New York to Norway via the English Channel. Which publication contains information on the dangers to navigation in the English Channel?	Channel Pilot's Guide	World Port Index	Coast Pilot	<b>Sailing Directions (Enroute)</b>	
1961	You are planning a voyage from San Francisco to Japan. Which publication contains information on the ocean routes?	Coast Pilot	<b>Sailing Directions (Planning Guide)</b>	Sailing Directions (Enroute)	World Port Index	
1962	You are planning to enter an unfamiliar U.S. port. Which publication provides information about channel depths, dangers, obstructions, anchorages, and marine facilities available in that port?	American Practical Navigator	Notice to Mariners	<b>Coast Pilot</b>	Sailing Directions	
1963	You are plotting a running fix in an area where there is a determinable current. How should this current be treated in determining the position?	<b>The course and speed made good should be determined and used to advance the LOP.</b>	The drift should be added to the ship's speed.	The current should be ignored.	The set should be applied to the second bearing.	
1964	You are plotting a running fix. The LOP to be run forward is an arc from a radar range, what technique should be used?	The arc should be converted into a straight line using offsets and then run forward.	An arc should never be run forward.	<b>The position of the object observed should be advanced to the new time and a new arc swung using the radius of the old arc.</b>	The distance between LOP's should be added to the radar range and a new arc swung.	
1965	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. The dry bulb thermometer reads 30°F (-1°C), and the wet bulb thermometer reads 28°F (-2°C). Using the Ships Code Card, how would you encode the air temperature groups in the report?	10011, 2003/	11300, 2124/	11011, 2124/	<b>11011, 2104/</b>	D041NG
1966	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. The dry bulb thermometer reads 34°F, and the wet bulb thermometer reads 31°F. Using the ships code card, how would you encode the air temperature groups in the report?	10340, 2127/	10111, 2104/	<b>10011, 2104/</b>	10340, 2031/	D041NG

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1967	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. The dry bulb thermometer reads 54°F, and the wet bulb thermometer reads 50°F. How would you encode the air temperature groups in the report?	1054/, 2050/	<b>10122, 2008/</b>	1054/, 2047/	054//, 047//	D041NG
1968	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. The dry bulb thermometer reads 78°F, and the wet bulb thermometer reads 75°F. How would you encode the air temperature groups in the report?	<b>10256, 2023/</b>	10780, 2074/	00256, 0023/	10256, 2074/	D041NG
1969	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. The sky is overcast, and the anemometer indicates that the apparent wind is from 144° relative at 8 knots. You are on course 162°T at 15 knots. How should you encode group Nddff?	91521	<b>83322</b>	81408	01615	D041NG
1970	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. Three-quarters of the sky is covered with clouds, and the anemometer indicates that the apparent wind is from 226° relative at 17.7 knots. You are on course 020°T at 8 knots. How should you encode group Nddff?	80208	72218	72318	<b>62324</b>	D041NG
1971	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. Your position is LAT 64°42'N, LONG 02°28'W. How would this be encoded?	90647, 90024	0647N, 00025	<b>99647, 70025</b>	9064N, 9025W	D041NG
1972	You are preparing a weather report form, WS Form B-80. One-half of the sky is covered with clouds, and the anemometer indicates that the apparent wind is from 340° relative at 14 knots. You are on course 307°T at 12.6 knots. How should you encode group Nddff?	53414	54013	<b>42205</b>	43013	D041NG
1973	You are preparing a weather report form. Twenty-five percent of the sky is covered with clouds, and the anemometer indicates that the apparent wind is from 062° relative at 13 knots. You are on course 238°T at 22 knots. How should you encode group Nddff?	<b>20220</b>	20613	30219	32413	D041NG
1974	You are preparing to take a tow from San Diego to Portland, OR. Good seamanship would require that you have on board, available for reference and use, all of the following EXCEPT the _____.	Coast Pilot	harbor and coastal charts for ports of refuge enroute	<b>Sailing Directions (Enroute)</b>	Light List	



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1975	You are proceeding up a channel at night. It is marked by a range which bears 185°T. You steady up on a compass course of 180° with the range in line dead ahead. This indicates that you(r) _____.	must come right to get on the range	course is in error	<b>compass has some easterly error</b>	are being affected by a southerly current	
1976	You are pushing a tow ahead and passing close to another towboat which is pushing ahead in the same direction (you are overtaking). After the towheads pass close alongside _____.	you will gain speed	both boats will gain speed	the tows will tend to drift apart	<b>the tows will tend to drift together</b>	
1977	You are pushing a tow ahead, at high speed, near the right hand bank of a canal. The forces affecting your towboat and tow will tend to _____.	push both the head of the tow and the stern of the towboat away from the right hand bank	<b>push the head of the tow away from, and pull the stern of the towboat into, the right hand bank</b>	pull both the head of the tow and the stern of the towboat into the right hand bank	pull the head of the tow into, and push the stern of the towboat away from, the right hand bank	
1978	You are radar scanning for a buoy fitted with a racon. Which radar screen represents the presentation you should expect on the PPI?	A	<b>B</b>	C	D	<b>D017NG</b>
1979	You are required to enter a lock on your voyage. Information on the lock regulations, signals, and radio communications can be found in _____.	<b>Coast Pilot</b>	Corps of Engineer Information Bulletin	Bowditch	the publication "Key to the Locks"	
1980	You are required to enter a lock on your voyage. Information on the lock regulations, signals, and radio communications can be found in _____.	the publication "Key to the Locks"	Bowditch	Corps of Engineers Information Bulletin	<b>Coast Pilot</b>	
1981	You are running parallel to the coast and estimate that the current is against you. In plotting a running fix using bearings from the same object on the coast, the greatest safety margin from inshore dangers will result if what speed is used to determine the fix?	<b>Minimum speed estimate</b>	Maximum speed estimate	Average speed estimate	A running fix should not be used under these conditions.	
1982	You are running parallel to the coast and plotting running fixes using bearings of the same object. You are making more speed than assumed for the running fix. In relation to the position indicated by the fix you will be _____.	closer to the coast	<b>farther from the coast</b>	on the track line ahead of the fix	on the track line behind the fix	
1983	You are running parallel to the coast and take a running fix using bearings of the same object. If you are making less speed than used for the running fix, in relation to the position indicated by the fix, you will be _____.	<b>closer to the coast</b>	farther from the coast	on the track line ahead of the fix	on the track line behind the fix	

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1984	You are sailing south on the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) when you sight a green can buoy with a yellow square painted on it. Which of the following is TRUE?	You should pass the buoy close aboard on either side.	The buoy marks the end of the ICW in that area.	<b>You should leave the buoy to port.</b>	The yellow square is retro reflective material used to assist in sighting the buoy at night.	
1985	You are sailing south on the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) when you sight a red nun buoy with a yellow square painted on it. Which statement is TRUE?	The buoy is off station and should be ignored as a navigational mark.	The waterway in that area has shoaled and the available depth of water is less than the project depth.	ICW traffic should not proceed beyond the buoy unless the crossing waterway is clear of all traffic.	<b>You should leave the buoy to port.</b>	
1986	You are sailing south on the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) when you sight a red nun buoy with a yellow square painted on it. Which of the following is TRUE?	<b>You should leave the buoy on your port hand.</b>	This buoy marks the end of the ICW in that geographic area.	The yellow is retro reflective material used to assist in sighting the buoy at night.	The yellow square is in error and it should be a yellow triangle.	
1987	You are sailing south on the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) when you sight a red nun buoy with a yellow triangle painted on it. Which statement is TRUE?	Geometric symbols such as squares and triangles replace letters and numbers on ICW aids to navigation.	<b>The ICW and another waterway coincide in this geographical area.</b>	The yellow triangle identifies a sharp turn (over 60°) in the channel.	This is an information or regulatory buoy that also has lateral significance.	
1988	You are steaming along the coast of Ireland in the Irish Sea. You sight a lighted buoy with a white flashing light showing a group of two flashes. The buoy indicates you _____.	must pass south of the buoy	must pass north of the buoy	<b>should pass well clear on either side of the buoy</b>	must pass the buoy close to starboard	
1989	You are steaming eastward in the North Atlantic in an extratropical cyclonic storm and the wind is dead ahead. According to the law of Buys Ballot, the center of the low pressure lies _____.	ahead of you	astern of you	to the north	<b>to the south</b>	
1990	You are steaming in a westerly direction along the Gulf Coast. You see ahead of you a lighted buoy showing a red isophase light. Which action should you take?	<b>Alter course to port and leave the buoy to starboard.</b>	Alter course to starboard and leave the buoy to port.	Alter course and leave the buoy near by on either side.	Alter course and pass the buoy well-off on either side.	
1991	You are steaming in the open ocean of the North Pacific between the Aleutian Chain and Hawaii. A warning broadcast indicates that an earthquake has occurred in the Aleutians and has generated a tsunami that is predicted to hit Hawaii. What action is necessary for the ship's safety?	Calculate the tsunami's ETA at your position and turn to a course that will head into the Tsunami.	Securely stow all loose gear, check deck lashings, and prepare for extreme rolls.	<b>No special action as tsunamis are inconspicuous in the open ocean</b>	Prepare for sudden, high-velocity wind gusts from rapidly changing directions.	
1992	You are steaming southward along the west coast of the United States when you encounter a buoy showing a flashing red light. The buoy should be left on _____.	the vessel's starboard side	<b>the vessel's port side</b>	either side close aboard	either side well clear	

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1993	You are steaming southward along the west coast of the United States when you sight a buoy showing a flashing green light. How should you pass this buoy?	Leave it to your port.	<b>Leave it to your starboard.</b>	Pass it close aboard on either side.	Pass it on either side but well clear of it.	
1994	You are steaming west in the North Atlantic in an extratropical cyclonic storm, and the wind is dead ahead. According to the law of Buys Ballot, the center of low pressure lies to the _____.	<b>north</b>	south	east	west	
1995	You are steaming west in the South Atlantic in an extratropical cyclonic storm, and the wind is dead ahead. According to the law of Buys Ballot, the center of low pressure lies _____.	to the north of you	<b>to the south of you</b>	dead ahead of you	dead astern of you	
1996	You are steering a southerly course, and you note that the chart predicts an easterly current. Without considering wind, how may you allow for the set?	<b>Head your vessel slightly to the right</b>	Head your vessel slightly to the left	Decrease your speed	Increase your speed	
1997	You are taking bearings on two known objects ashore. The BEST fix is obtained when the angle between the lines of position is _____.	30°	45°	60°	<b>90°</b>	
1998	You are to sail from Elizabethport, N.J., on 17 November 1983 with a maximum draft of 27 feet. You will pass over an obstruction in the channel near Sandy Hook that has a charted depth of 25.5 feet. The steaming time from Elizabethport to the obstruction is 1h 50m. What is the earliest time (ZD +5) you can sail on 17 November and pass over the obstruction with 2 feet of clearance?	0059	<b>0121</b>	0159	0221	
1999	You are to sail from Elizabethport, N.J., on 22 May 1983, with a maximum draft of 28 feet. You will pass over an obstruction in the channel near Sandy Hook that has a depth of 26.5 feet. The steaming time from Elizabethport to the obstruction is 1h 40m. What is the earliest time (ZD + 4) you can sail on the afternoon of 22 May and pass over the obstruction with 2 feet of clearance?	1454	1424	1405	<b>1342</b>	

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2000	You are to sail from Elizabethport, NJ, on 17 November 1983 with a maximum draft of 27 feet. You will pass over an obstruction in the channel near Sandy Hook that has a charted depth of 26 feet. The steaming time from Elizabethport to the obstruction is 1h 50m. What is the earliest time (ZD +5) you can sail on 17 November and pass over the obstruction with 2 feet of clearance?	0056	0124	0154	0218	
2001	You are to sail from Elizabethport, NJ, on 22 May 1983 with a maximum draft of 28 feet. You will pass over an obstruction in the channel near Sandy Hook that has a charted depth of 27 feet. The steaming time from Elizabethport to the obstruction is 1h 40m. What is the earliest time (ZD +4) you can sail on the afternoon of 22 May and pass over the obstruction with 3 feet of clearance?	1407	1331	1303	1242	
2002	You are underway and pass by a lighthouse. Its light, which was white since you first sighted it, changes to red. This means _____.	the light is characterized as alternately flashing	the lighthouse has lost power and has switched to emergency lighting	it is the identifying light characteristic of the lighthouse	<b>you have entered an area of shoal water or other hazard</b>	
2003	You are underway at 10 knots. At 1800 you note a radar contact dead ahead at a range of 10 miles. At 1812 the contact is dead ahead at a range of 8 miles. The estimated speed of the contact is _____.	<b>dead in the water</b>	5 knots	10 knots	15 knots	
2004	You are underway at 5 knots and see on your radar a contact 10 miles directly astern of you. 12 minutes later, the contact is 8 miles directly astern of you. What is the estimated speed of the contact?	Dead in the water	1 knot	10 knots	<b>15 knots</b>	
2005	You are underway in a vessel with a draft of 6.0 feet. You are in an area where the charted depth of the water is 4 fathoms. You would expect the depth of water beneath your keel to be approximately _____.	12 feet	<b>18 feet</b>	24 feet	30 feet	
2006	You are underway in a vessel with a draft of 7.0 feet (2.1 meters). The charted depth for your position is 9 fathoms. You compute the height of tide to be +3.0 feet (0.9 meters). You determine the depth of the water beneath your keel to be _____.	32 feet (9.8 meters)	41 feet (12.6 meters)	<b>50 feet (15.3 meters)</b>	64 feet (19.6 meters)	

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2007	You are underway in an area where the charted depth is 8 fathoms. You compute the height of tide to be -4.0 feet. The draft of your vessel is 5.0 feet (1.52 meters). You determine the depth of the water beneath your keel to be _____.	<b>39 feet (11.9 meters)</b>	43 feet (13.1 meters)	47 feet (14.3 meters)	57 feet (17.4 meters)	
2008	You are underway in the North Sea on course 216°T when you sight a buoy bearing 021° relative. Under the IALA Buoyage System, you are in the best navigable water if the buoy _____.	<b>has a light characteristic of Q(6) + L Fl 15s</b>	is horizontally banded yellow, black, yellow	has a double cone topmark with both points up	has a continuous very quick light	
2009	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 10 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 100°T, 90 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 285°T at 19 knots. If you maneuver at 10 knots to avoid the hurricane, what could be the maximum CPA?	39 miles	45 miles	<b>53 miles</b>	59 miles	
2010	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 10 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 100°T, 90 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 285°T at 19 knots. Which course should you steer at 10 knots to have the maximum CPA?	221°	<b>226°</b>	233°	238°	
2011	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 11 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 070°T, 80 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 270°T at 19 knots. If you maneuver at 11 knots to avoid the hurricane, what could be the maximum CPA?	84 miles	79 miles	74 miles	<b>66 miles</b>	
2012	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 11 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 070°T, 80 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 270°T at 19 knots. What course should you steer at 11 knots to have the maximum CPA?	250°	234°	227°	<b>215°</b>	
2013	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 12 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 080°T, 100 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 265°T at 22 knots. If you maneuver at 12 knots to avoid the hurricane, what could be the maximum CPA?	76 miles	69 miles	<b>63 miles</b>	56 miles	

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2014	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 12 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 080°T, 100 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 265°T at 22 knots. What course should you steer at 12 knots to have the maximum CPA?	219°	208°	199°	190°	
2015	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 12 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 120°T, 110 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 285°T at 25 knots. If you maneuver at 12 knots to avoid the hurricane, what could be the maximum CPA?	77 miles	82 miles	87 miles	93 miles	
2016	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 12 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 120°T, 110 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 285°T at 25 knots. What course should you steer at 12 knots to have the maximum CPA?	332°	339°	346°	357°	
2017	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 13 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 100°T, 120 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 275°T at 25 knots. If you maneuver at 13 knots to avoid the hurricane, what could be the maximum CPA?	72 miles	78 miles	83 miles	89 miles	
2018	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 13 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 100°T, 120 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 275°T at 25 knots. What course should you steer at 13 knots to have the maximum CPA?	339°	333°	326°	320°	
2019	You are underway on course 050°T and your maximum speed is 13 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 120°T, 100 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 265°T at 25 knots. What course should you steer at 13 knots to have the maximum CPA?	324°T	306°T	299°T	276°T	
2020	You are underway on course 120°T and can make 12 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 150°T at 120 miles. The hurricane is on course 295° at 20 knots. What course should you steer at 12 knots to have the maximum CPA?	312°	330°	348°	001°	

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2021	You are underway on course 120°T and your maximum speed is 12 knots. The eye of a hurricane bears 150°T, 120 miles from your position. The hurricane is moving towards 295°T at 20 knots. If you maneuver at 12 knots to avoid the hurricane, what could be the maximum CPA?	89 miles	96 miles	105 miles	<b>117 miles</b>	
2022	You are underway on course 127°T. You sight a buoy with the topmarks shown bearing two points on the starboard bow. Which action must be taken?	Alter course to starboard until the buoy is at least two points on the port bow, then hold course.	Alter course to port until the buoy is broad on the starboard quarter, then hold course.	Change course to have the buoy close aboard either side.	<b>Ensure the bearings change to the right.</b>	D025NG
2023	You are underway on course 142°T when you sight a buoy bearing 105°T. The buoy's white light has a characteristic of continuous very-quick flashing. To ensure that your vessel remains in the best navigable water you would _____.	continue on course and ensure that the bearings change to the left	pass between the buoy and another buoy showing a fixed white light	alter course to port and pass the buoy close aboard to either side	<b>alter course to port and pass north of the buoy</b>	
2024	You are underway on course 328°T when you sight a buoy broad on your port bow. You are in the best navigable water if the buoy _____.	has a topmark of two cones with points down	is a western quadrant buoy	is painted yellow on the top half and black on the bottom	<b>exhibits a light with the characteristic of VQ(3)5s</b>	
2025	You are upbound approaching a lock and dam and see two green lights in a vertical line. This indicates _____.	<b>the downstream end of an intermediate wall</b>	that a double lockage is in progress	the downstream end of the land wall	the navigable pass of a fixed weir dam	
2026	You are using a radar in which your own ship is shown at the center, and the heading flash always points to 0°. If bearings are measured in relation to the flash, what type of bearings are produced?	<b>Relative</b>	True	Compass	Magnetic	
2027	You can determine if your vessel's position is in the dangerous or navigable semicircle of a hurricane by _____.	observing whether the wind is veering or backing	plotting two or more recent storm positions from weather bulletins	<b>Both A and B</b>	Neither A nor B	
2028	You can expect frontal activity when two air masses collide and _____.	their barometric pressures and temperatures are the same	there are differences in how they track along the jet stream	there are no significant differences between their temperatures and moisture content	<b>there are significant differences between the temperature of each air mass</b>	



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2029	You can follow the approach of a dangerous cyclonic storm by inspecting _____.	<b>a newspaper, a weather map, a weather fax, or a weather forecast</b>	the National Weather Service Observing Handbook No.1, Marine Surface Observations	the Coast Pilot or Sailing Directions	the sky overhead	
2030	You can follow the approach of a dangerous cyclonic storm by inspecting _____.	the National Weather Service Observing Handbook No.1, Marine Surface Observations	<b>a weather fax</b>	the Coast Pilot or Sailing Directions	the sky overhead	
2031	You change course entering port and steady up on a range with the lights in line. After a few minutes you observe the range lights as shown. You should alter your heading to the _____.	left, and when the range lights are in line again, resume your original heading	right, and when the range lights are in line again, steer to keep them dead ahead	<b>left, and when the range lights are in line again, steer to keep them in line fine on the starboard bow</b>	right, and when the range lights are in line again, steer to keep them in line fine on the port bow	<b>D047NG</b>
2032	You determine your vessel's position by taking a range and bearing to a buoy. Your position will be plotted as a(n) _____.	running fix	fix	dead-reckoning position	<b>estimated position</b>	
2033	You get underway from the oil terminal at Marcus Hook, PA, at 0815 ZT (ZD +5) on 20 February 1983, enroute to sea. You will be turning for 11 knots. What is the approximate current when you are abreast Reedy Island?	Slack	<b>2.0 knots ebbing</b>	1.5 knots flooding	0.5 knot flooding	
2034	You get underway from the shipyard in Chester, PA, at 1515 DST (ZD +4) on 6 August 1983, enroute to sea. You will be turning for eight knots. What current can you expect at Fourteen Foot Bank Light?	Slack	<b>1.3 knots ebbing</b>	1.7 knots ebbing	0.5 knot ebbing	
2035	You have another ship overtaking you close aboard to starboard. You have 3 radar targets bearing 090° relative at ranges of .5 mile, 1 mile, and 1.5 miles. In this case, the unwanted echoes are called _____.	<b>multiple echoes</b>	spoking	indirect echoes	side-lobe echoes	
2036	You have been informed that dredging operations may be underway in your vicinity. Which buoy indicates the dredging area?	White buoy with a green top	White and international orange buoy	<b>Yellow buoy</b>	Yellow and black vertically-striped buoy	
2037	You have been observing your radar screen and notice that a contact on the screen has remained in the same position, relative to you, for several minutes. Your vessel is making 10 knots through the water. Which statement is TRUE?	The contact is dead in the water.	<b>The contact is on the same course and speed as your vessel.</b>	The contact is on a reciprocal course at the same speed as your vessel.	The radar is showing false echoes and is probably defective.	

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2038	You have changed course and steadied up on a range. Your heading is 285°T, same as the charted range, and it appears as in illustration D048NG. After several minutes the range appears as in illustration D047NG and your heading is still 285°T. This indicates a _____.	south-setting current	<b>north-setting current</b>	leeway caused by a NE'ly wind	course made good to the left of the DR track	D047NG D048NG
2039	You have determined that you are in the right semicircle of a tropical cyclone in the Northern Hemisphere. What action should you take to avoid the storm?	Place the wind on the starboard quarter and hold that course.	Place the wind on the port quarter and hold that course.	Place the wind on the port bow and hold that course.	<b>Place the wind on the starboard bow and hold that course.</b>	
2040	You have replaced the chart paper in the course recorder. What is NOT required to ensure that a correct trace is recorded?	<b>Test the electrical gain to the thermograph pens</b>	Set the zone pen on the correct quadrant	Line the course pen up on the exact heading of the ship	Adjust the chart paper to indicate the correct time	
2041	You have steadied up on a range dead ahead in line with your keel. After a few minutes the range, still dead ahead, appears as shown. Which action do you take?	<b>Alter heading to the left</b>	Alter heading to the right	Increase speed	Maintain heading, keeping the range dead ahead	D047NG
2042	You plot a fix using three lines of position and find they intersect in a triangle. The actual position of the vessel _____.	is outside of the triangle	may be anywhere in the triangle	<b>may be inside or outside of the triangle</b>	is the geometric center of the triangle	
2043	You plot a fix using three lines of position and find they intersect in a triangle. You should plot the position of the vessel _____.	outside of the triangle	anywhere in the triangle	on the line of position from the nearest object, between the other two lines of position	<b>in the geometric center of the triangle</b>	
2044	You should log all barometer readings taken at sea _____.	regularly	at least once during each watch	more often under changeable weather conditions	<b>All of the above</b>	
2045	You should plot a dead reckoning position after every _____.	course change	speed change	fix or running fix	<b>All of the above</b>	
2046	You should plot your dead reckoning position _____.	<b>from every fix or running fix</b>	from every estimated position	every three minutes in pilotage waters	only in pilotage waters	
2047	You should plot your dead reckoning position _____.	from every estimated position	every three minutes in pilotage waters	<b>from every fix or running fix</b>	only in pilotage waters	
2048	You sight a buoy fitted with a double-sphere topmark. If sighted at night, this buoy would show a _____.	quick-flashing red light	quick-flashing green light	<b>flashing white light showing a group of two flashes</b>	flashing red light showing a group of three flashes	
2049	You sight a spar buoy with the top mark shown in the illustration. You must _____.	pass to the east of the buoy	pass to the south of the buoy	pass to the north of the buoy	<b>keep well clear of the buoy and pass on either side</b>	D027NG
2050	You take a bearing of 043° and 169° of two objects. What bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	356°	<b>102°</b>	144°	201°	

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2051	You take a bearing of $043^\circ$ and $169^\circ$ of two objects. What bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	$356^\circ$	$073^\circ$	$192^\circ$	<b><math>309^\circ</math></b>	
2052	You take a bearing of $086^\circ$ of a lighthouse. What bearing of another object would give the best fix?	<b><math>000^\circ</math></b>	$066^\circ$	$112^\circ$	$271^\circ$	
2053	You take a bearing of $086^\circ$ of a lighthouse. Which bearing of another object would give the best fix?	$291^\circ$	$261^\circ$	$242^\circ$	<b><math>196^\circ</math></b>	
2054	You take a bearing of $142^\circ$ and $259^\circ$ of two objects. Which bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	$081^\circ$	$238^\circ$	<b><math>201^\circ</math></b>	$234^\circ$	
2055	You take a bearing of $142^\circ$ and $259^\circ$ of two objects. What bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	<b><math>019^\circ</math></b>	$084^\circ$	$166^\circ$	$281^\circ$	-
2056	You take a bearing of $176^\circ$ of a lighthouse. What bearing of another object would give the best fix?	$000^\circ$	$021^\circ$	$189^\circ$	<b><math>272^\circ</math></b>	
2057	You take a bearing of $176^\circ$ of a lighthouse. Which bearing of another object would give the best fix?	<b><math>079^\circ</math></b>	$151^\circ$	$176^\circ$	$292^\circ$	
2058	You take a bearing of $191^\circ$ and $313^\circ$ to two objects. Which bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	$022^\circ$	$131^\circ$	$211^\circ$	<b><math>249^\circ</math></b>	
2059	You take a bearing of $191^\circ$ and $313^\circ$ to two objects. Which bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	$001^\circ$	<b><math>069^\circ</math></b>	$209^\circ$	$356^\circ$	
2060	You take a bearing of $264^\circ$ of a lighthouse. What bearing of another object would give the best fix?	$289^\circ$	<b><math>350^\circ</math></b>	$081^\circ$	$120^\circ$	
2061	You take a bearing of $264^\circ$ of a lighthouse. Which bearing of another object would give the best fix?	$291^\circ$	$059^\circ$	<b><math>182^\circ</math></b>	$239^\circ$	
2062	You take a bearing of $313^\circ$ and $076^\circ$ of two objects. Which bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	<b><math>014^\circ</math></b>	$133^\circ$	$255^\circ$	$339^\circ$	
2063	You take a bearing of $356^\circ$ of a lighthouse. What bearing of another object would give the best fix?	$013^\circ$	<b><math>082^\circ</math></b>	$176^\circ$	$201^\circ$	
2064	You take a bearing of $356^\circ$ of a lighthouse. Which bearing of another object would give the best fix?	$013^\circ$	$178^\circ$	<b><math>256^\circ</math></b>	$342^\circ$	
2065	You take bearings of $313^\circ\text{T}$ and $076^\circ\text{T}$ on two objects. Which bearing of a third object will give the best fix?	$048^\circ\text{T}$	$101^\circ\text{T}$	$142^\circ\text{T}$	<b><math>187^\circ\text{T}</math></b>	

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2066	You want to transit Hell Gate on 23 July 1983. What is the period of time around the AM (ZD +4) slack before ebb when the current will be less than 0.5 knot?	<b>0939 to 0957</b>	0943 to 0953	0844 to 0852	0348 to 0356	
2067	You want to transit Hell Gate, NY on 23 July 1983. What is the period of time around the AM (ZD +4) slack before ebb when the current will be less than 0.3 knot?	0939 to 0957	<b>0943 to 0953</b>	0844 to 0852	0348 to 0356	
2068	You want to transit Pollock Rip Channel, MA, on 6 April 1983. What is the period of time around the 0955 (ZD +5) slack in which the current does not exceed 0.3 knot?	0911 to 0955	0940 to 1010	0955 to 1044	<b>0935 to 1017</b>	
2069	You will be entering the Mystic River in Connecticut. What is the current at the Highway Bridge at 1900 EST (ZD +5) on 24 January 1983?	2.2 knots flooding	Slack water	<b>Slight ebb</b>	2.5 knots ebbing	
2070	You will be loading in Boston Harbor to a maximum draft of 32'06". The charted depth of an obstruction in the channel near Boston Light is 30 feet and you wish to have 3 feet of keel clearance. The steaming time from the pier to the obstruction is 01h 05m. What is the latest time (ZD +4) you can sail on 17 May 1983 and meet these requirements?	1610	<b>1728</b>	1821	2350	
2071	You will find information about the duration of slack water in the _____.	<b>Tidal Current Tables</b>	Tide Tables	American Practical Navigator	Sailing Directions	
2072	You will transit the Cape Cod Canal on 7 November 1983. If you arrive at the R R Bridge at 1655 EST (ZD +5), for what period of time during your transit will you have currents of not more than 0.5 knot?	1631 to 1719	1638 to 1655	<b>1648 to 1702</b>	1655 to 1709	
2073	You wish to measure the distance on a Mercator chart between a point in latitude 42°30'N and a point in latitude 40°30'N. To measure 30 miles at a time you should set the points of the dividers at _____.	<b>41°15' and 41°45'</b>	41°45' and 42°15'	42°15' and 42°45'	42°00' and 42°30'	
2074	You wish to measure the distance on a Mercator chart between a point in latitude 43°30'N and a point in latitude 40°30'N. To measure 30 miles at a time, you should set the points of the dividers at _____.	41°30' and 42°00'	<b>41°45' and 42°15'</b>	42°00' and 42°30'	42°15' and 42°45'	
2075	You would expect to find channels marked with the IALA-A Buoyage System in _____.	the Philippines	<b>Australia</b>	Republic of Korea	Chile	
2076	You would expect to find channels marked with the IALA-A Buoyage System in _____.	Argentina	Japan	<b>India</b>	Canada	

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2077	Your ARPA has automatic speed inputs from the log. Due to currents, the log is indicating a faster speed than the speed over the ground. What should you expect under these circumstances?	The generated CPA will be less than the actual CPA.	The generated TCPA will be later than the actual TCPA.	The range of initial target acquisition will be less than normal.	<b>The targets true course vector will be in error.</b>	
2078	Your ARPA has been tracking a target and has generated the targets course and speed. The radar did not receive a target echo on its last two scans due to the weather. What should you expect under these circumstances?	<b>The ARPA will generate data as if the target was still being tracked by radar.</b>	The ARPA will give an audible and/or visual lost target alarm.	The ARPA will generate data based on sea return echoes from the vicinity where the target was lost.	The ARPA has lost all "memory" of the target and must recompute the target data.	
2079	Your ARPA has two guard zones. What is the purpose of the inner guard zone?	Alert the watch officer that a vessel is approaching the preset CPA limit	<b>Warn of small targets that are initially detected closer than the outer guard zone</b>	Guard against target loss during critical maneuvering situations	Sound an alarm for targets first detected within the zone	
2080	Your chart indicates that there is an isolated rock and names the rock using vertical letters. This indicates the _____.	rock is visible at low water springs only	rock is a hazard to deep draft vessels only	<b>rock is dry at high water</b>	exact position of the rock is doubtful	
2081	Your dead reckoning position should be plotted _____.	whenever an estimated position is plotted	when it agrees with your GPS position	when coming on or going off soundings	<b>at least every hour on the hour in the open waters of the sea</b>	
2082	Your draft is 24 feet. You wish to pass over an obstruction near Lovell Island, MA, on 6 May 1983. The charted depth is 22 feet. Allowing a safety margin of 3.0 feet, what is the earliest time after 0200 DST (ZD +4) that this passage can be made?	0215	0245	0310	<b>0347</b>	
2083	Your Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) has automatic speed inputs from the log. Due to currents, the log is indicating a faster speed than the speed over the ground. What should you expect under these circumstances?	The generated CPA will be less than the actual CPA.	The generated TCPA will be later than the actual TCPA.	The range of initial target acquisition will be less than normal.	<b>The targets true course vector will be in error.</b>	
2084	Your Electronic Plotting Aid (EPA) has two guard zones. What is the purpose of the inner guard zone?	Alert the watch officer that a vessel is approaching the preset CPA limit	Guard against target loss during critical maneuvering situations	<b>Warn of small targets that are initially detected closer than the outer guard zone</b>	Sound an alarm for targets first detected within the zone	
2085	Your facsimile prognostic chart indicates that you will cross the cold front of a low pressure system in about 24 hours. You should _____.	expect to see cirrus clouds followed by altostratus and nimbostratus clouds	alter course to remain in the navigable semicircle	<b>prepare for gusty winds, thunderstorms, and a sudden wind shift</b>	expect clear weather, with steady winds and pressure, until the front passes	

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2086	Your height of eye is 40 feet (12.2 meters). What is the approximate geographical distance at which Ambrose Light, NY, could be visible? Refer to "Reprints from the LIGHT LISTS AND COAST PILOTS".	18.3 nm	19.5 nm	<b>21.0 nm</b>	22.8 nm	
2087	Your longitude is 124°E, and your local mean time is 0520 on the 5th of the month. The mean time and date at Greenwich is _____.	1336 on the 4th	1336 on the 5th	<b>2104 on the 4th</b>	2104 on the 5th	
2088	Your longitude is 179°59'W. The LMT at this longitude is 23h 56m of the 4th day of the month. Six minutes later your position is 179°59'E longitude. Your LMT and date is now _____.	00h 02m on the 4th	00h 02m on the 5th	23h 50m on the 5th	<b>00h 02m on the 6th</b>	
2089	Your longitude is 179°59'W. The LMT at this longitude is 23h 56m on the 4th day of the month. Six minutes later, your position is 179°59'E longitude. Your LMT and date are _____.	00h 02m on the 4th	00h 02m on the 5th	23h 50m on the 5th	<b>00h 02m on the 6th</b>	
2090	Your position X is at LAT 35°S. Which winds are you experiencing?	<b>Northeasterly</b>	Northwesterly	Southeasterly	Southwesterly	<b>D009NG</b>
2091	Your present weather is sunny with a steady barometer. A low swell approaches your vessel from the south with crests passing at relatively long periods of about four per minute. This usually indicates _____.	a warm front from the south	<b>a tropical cyclone south of your vessel</b>	a hurricane about 100 miles south of your vessel and heading in your direction	an extra-tropical cyclone	
2092	Your radar displays your ship off center. As you proceed on your course, your ship's marker moves on the PPI scope while echoes from land masses remain stationary. What is this display called?	Off center	<b>True motion</b>	Stabilized	Head up	
2093	Your radar has a beam width of 2°. The radar gyro bearing of the right tangent of an island is 316°. The gyro error is 1°E. Which true bearing should be plotted on the chart?	313°	314°	<b>316°</b>	317°	
2094	Your radar indicates a target; however, there is no visible object at the point indicated. A large mountain, approximately 50 miles away on the same bearing as the target, is breaking the horizon. You should suspect the radar target is caused by _____.	a submerged submarine	<b>ducting</b>	sub-refraction	ionospheric skip waves	
2095	Your radar is set on a true motion display. Which of the following will appear to move across the PPI scope ?	<b>Own ship's marker</b>	Echo from a ship at anchor	Echoes from land masses	All of the above	

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2096	Your ship is proceeding on course 320°T at a speed of 25 knots. The apparent wind is from 30° off the starboard bow, speed 32 knots. What is the relative direction, true direction and speed of the true wind?	<b>Relative 80°, true 040°T, 16.2 knots</b>	Relative 40°, true 080°T, 16.4 knots	Relative 80°, true 060°T, 15.2 knots	Relative 60°, true 040°T, 18.6 knots	
2097	Your ship received a HYDROLANT advising of a special warning to mariners from the Department of State for ships in the Persian Gulf. You are 400 miles south of, and bound for, the Persian Gulf. What action should you take?	Continue on course as the warning is advisory in nature only.	<b>Send an AMVER report and acknowledge receipt of the warning.</b>	Remain a minimum of 500 miles outside the Persian Gulf and maintain radio silence.	Send a MERWARN message advising your position, course, speed and intentions.	
2098	Your vessel goes aground in soft mud. You would have the best chance of refloating it on the next tide if it grounded at _____.	low water neap	<b>low water spring</b>	high water neap	high water spring	
2099	Your vessel has a draft of 23 feet. On 23 June 1983 you wish to pass over a temporary obstruction near Beaufort, SC, that has a charted depth of 22 feet. Allowing for a safety margin of 3 feet, what is the earliest time after 1600 DST (ZD +4) that this passage can be made?	<b>1750</b>	1815	1855	1944	
2100	Your vessel has a draft of 24 feet. On 7 April 1983 you wish to pass over a temporary obstruction near Lovell Island, MA, that has a charted depth of 22 feet. Allowing for a safety margin of 3.1 feet under your keel, what is the earliest time after 0100 EST (ZD +5) that this passage can be made?	0248	0304	<b>0342</b>	0356	
2101	Your vessel has a draft of 34 feet. On 8 October 1983 you wish to pass over an obstruction near Jaffrey Point, NH, that has a charted depth of 31 feet. Allowing for a safety margin of 3 feet, what is the earliest time after 0900 DST (ZD +4) that this passage can be made?	0920	<b>1029</b>	1120	1159	
2102	Your vessel is at the equator at midnight on 1 January, and a star is observed rising. At what time will this same star rise on 1 February, assuming your vessel's location is still at the equator?	2208	2110	<b>2158</b>	2317	
2103	Your vessel is enroute from Japan to Seattle and is located at position I on the weather map. You should experience which weather condition?	Clear skies with warm temperatures	Steady precipitation	Overcast skies with rising temperature	<b>Thundershowers</b>	<b>D013NG</b>



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2104	Your vessel is leaving New York harbor in dense fog. As the vessel slowly proceeds toward sea, you sight a green can buoy on the starboard bow. Which action should you take?	Turn hard right to get back into the channel.	Pass the buoy close to, leaving it to your port.	Stop and fix your position.	<b>Stand on, leaving the buoy to your starboard.</b>	
2105	Your vessel is making way through the water at a speed of 12 knots. Your vessel traveled 30 nautical miles in 2 hours 20 minutes. What current are you experiencing?	A following current at 2.0 knots	A head current of 2.0 knots	<b>A following current of 0.9 knot</b>	A head current of 0.9 knot	
2106	Your vessel is on course 150°T, speed 17 knots. The apparent wind is from 40° off the starboard bow, speed 15 knots. What is the speed of the true wind?	9.0 knots	10.2 knots	<b>11.0 knots</b>	12.0 knots	
2107	Your vessel is on course 180°T speed 22 knots. The apparent wind is from 70° off the port bow, speed 20 knots. The true direction and speed of the wind are _____.	45°T, 21.0 knots	<b>51°T, 24.0 knots</b>	58°T, 21.2 knots	64°T, 26.0 knots	
2108	Your vessel is on course 270°T, speed 10 knots. The apparent wind is from 10° off the port bow, speed 30 knots. From which direction is the true wind?	345°T	<b>255°T</b>	165°T	075°T	
2109	Your vessel will be docking at Chester, PA, during the evening of 22 April 1983. The chart shows a depth of 20 feet (6.1 meters) at the pier. What will be the depth of water available at 1856 EST (ZD +5)?	22.4 feet (6.8 meters)	<b>23.4 feet (7.2 meters)</b>	24.9 feet (7.6 meters)	25.7 feet (7.8 meters)	
2110	Your vessel will be docking at Chester, PA, during the evening of 22 April 1983. The chart shows a depth of 20 feet (6.1 meters) at the pier. What will be the depth of water available at 2310 EST (ZD +5)?	19.2 feet (5.9 meters)	20.8 feet (6.3 meters)	<b>24.7 feet (7.5 meters)</b>	25.8 feet (7.9 meters).	
2111	Zenith distance is equal to _____.	<b>90° - Ho</b>	90° - d	Ho° + d	90° - z	