1. Which month in the calendar year is dubbed National Pork Month?
   A. October B. June C. September D. March

2. What is the name of the pork consumer website?
   A. APorkChopIsForever.com
   B. Pork4Me.com
   C. PorkBeInspired.com
   D. EatThePork.com

3. Which state is the largest pork producing state?
   A. Illinois B. Iowa C. Nebraska D. Missouri

4. What national certification program, sponsored by the National Pork Board, emphasizes producing safe, wholesome and nutritious pork for consumers?
   A. Future Farmers of America
   B. Pork Quality Assurance® Plus
   C. 4-H
   D. Eat Pork Please

5. The Pork Quality Assurance® Plus Program is based on the HACCP principle. What do the letters HACCP stand for?
   A. Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points
   B. Hazard Analysis Critical Control of Problems
   C. Hazards and Critical Control Problems
   D. Helpful Aide for Critical Control Points

6. Which of the following strategies could producers use to protect the price received for market hogs?
   A. Hedging B. Options
   C. Packer Agreements D. All of the above

7. What is the national average of pigs weaned per litter?
   About 9.0. Accept anything 8.5 - 9.5.

8. Futures prices for hogs on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange are listed on a “lean carcass” basis. If the “lean carcass” price is $.90 per pound, what would be the approximate live price?
   A. $0.45 B. $0.54 C. $0.68 D. $1.20
   *Update according to current market conditions. The live price is 0.75 of the carcass price.

9. Which large integrated swine production and packing company announced its merger with the Chinese company, Shuanghui International, in 2013?
   Smithfield

10. Which state on the east coast ranks second in hog production?
    A. Georgia B. Maine C. Virginia D. North Carolina

11. The National Pork Board Headquarters is located in______.
    Iowa

12. Where are most cull sows sold to and processed?
    Mid-Western States

13. When did the United States first become a net exporter of pork?
    1995

14. A typical single dose of terminal commercial (not show sire) semen costs how much?
    $5 to $10

15. In a commercial operation, about how many pigs per sow per year would an average sow be expected to produce in order to earn her keep?
    Anywhere between 18 and 25
16. Which commercial company owns the most sows in the United States?
   A. Hatfield Quality Meats  
   B. Smithfield Packing Company  
   C. Pig Improvement Company  
   D. Good’s Livestock

17. What cost will have the largest influence on profitability of a farrow to finish enterprise?
   A. Feed  
   B. Labor  
   C. Propane  
   D. Genetics

18. Checkoff dollars are legally used for all of the following except:
   A. Research  
   B. Licensing  
   C. Education  
   D. Promotion

19. What is the 2012 national average weaning age for commercial swine producers?
   **21.5 days (accept 21 or 22 days)**

20. The national average weaning weight has increased by about how much since 2007?
   **1 pound**

21. What is the average number of litters that a sow produces per year (according to 2012 data)?
   **2.31 (accept answers of 2.25-2.4)**

22. Which identification system has recently been adopted by the pork industry as a means of identifying pig movement in order to reduce risk for a widespread disease outbreak?
   **PIN/GIN Tags**

23. The use of what barn type eliminates the need for a nursery?
   **Wean-to-Finish Barn**

24. Name the organization that lobbies Congress on behalf of contributing pork producers.
   **National Pork Producers Council (NPPC)**

25. What is the name of the pig that was produced in 2005 by the National Pork Board to represent the current industry standard for a market hog?
   **Symbol III**

26. Name three of the five committees that influence industry-wide research within the Science and Technology Department of the National Pork Board.
   **Animal Science; Environment; Animal Welfare; Pork Safety, Quality, and Human Nutrition; Animal Welfare; Producer, Public Health, and Workplace Safety, and Swine Health**

27. Which department of the National Pork Board works specifically with pork producers?
   **Producer and Industry Relations Department**

28. According to the 2007-2012 Summary Analysis of Pork Industry Productivity, the percent of finishing mortality has changed by how much since 2012?
   A. -2%  
   B. +5%  
   C. -5%  
   D. +2%

29. What is the average percent mortality for conventional finishing operations?
   A. 1%  
   B. 3%  
   C. 5%  
   D. 7%

30. What time of the year is market weight lowest?
   **Summer**

31. True or False. Preweaning mortality increased from 2007 to 2012.

32. Name 3 measures of productivity that are included in sow farm records.
   **Pigs/Mated Sow/Year, Litters/Mated Sow/Year, Total Born, Stillborn and Mummies, Number Born Alive, Number Weaned, Pre-weaning Mortality, Weaning Weight, Weaning Age**