

## ***CFPT Sample Questions:***

### **Comprehending Regulations:**

#### **Passage: New Grounds for Ineligibility**

Consular officers need to be aware of several new grounds for visa ineligibility. The 1996 amendments:

- Create a new ineligibility for anyone unlawfully present in the United States for 6 months or more, after April 1, 1997. Those unlawfully present for 6 months, but less than 1 year, are ineligible to be readmitted to the United States for 3 years after leaving. Those unlawfully present for one year or more are ineligible for 10 years;
- Require, for the first time, a contractually enforceable affidavit of support (AOS) in all cases of family sponsored immigration, to deter the entry of those immigrants "likely to become a public charge;"
- Expand the category of aliens medically ineligible to immigrate to include those who have not received vaccinations for certain communicable diseases;
- Make ineligible for admission aliens who have illegally voted in U.S. elections or have falsely claimed U.S. citizenship to obtain benefits under the INA;
- Deny visas to those who renounced U.S. citizenship to avoid paying taxes; and
- Add a new procedural ineligibility for applicants who, having been admitted to the United States on valid NIVs, overstayed the period authorized by DHS by even one day. These applicants must return to the country of their overseas residence to obtain a new NIV.

Questions:

1. Which of the following statements is true based on the passage?
  - a. Aliens unlawfully staying in the U.S. for more than a year are ineligible for 3 years.
  - b. Aliens unlawfully staying in the U.S. for more than 3 years are ineligible for 10 years. Aliens unlawfully staying in the U.S. for 6 months to less than a year are ineligible for a year.
  - c. Aliens unlawfully staying in the U.S. for more than 10 years are ineligible for 3 years.
2. Which of the following statements is true based on the passage?
  - a. Family sponsored immigration requires contractually enforceable legal proof of financial support.
  - b. Applicants who overstay the authorization period of an NIV are ineligible for 1 year.
  - c. Vaccinations for certain communicable diseases may not lead to an ineligible decision if the vaccinations can be obtained immediately after entering the U.S.
  - d. Applicants must pay back taxes in order to be given a visa.

### **English Expression:**

Question 1:

*If you are a temporary agricultural worker, you must receive a written description of the terms*

*of your employment no latter than the first day of work.*

For underlined section 1, which of the following is correct?

- a. latter than
- b. later than
- c. latter then
- d. later then

Question 2:

*2. You are receiving this pamphlet because You have applied for a nonimmigrant visa to work or study temporarily in the United States.*

For Line 2 in the passage above, indicate whether there are any errors using the list below. There will only be one error at most on any line.

- a. Misspelled word (a word that is not spelled correctly)
- b. Improper word choice (either a word that is grammatically correct but does not make logical sense or an improperly pluralized noun)
- c. Verb tense or agreement (a verb that does not denote the proper tense)
- d. Punctuation error
- e. Capitalization error
- f. No errors in line

**Job Knowledge:**

1. Following WWII, the United States instituted a massive effort to rebuild Europe. What is the name to this policy?
  - a. Marshall Plan.
  - b. NATO
  - c. SEATO
  - d. Point Four
  
2. In some states, laws have been passed to protect journalists' sources. What are these laws called?
  - a. Shield laws.
  - b. Press protection laws.
  - c. 1st Amendment laws
  - d. Source protection laws.
  
3. Which of the following taxes would most likely be considered progressive?
  - a. Property tax.
  - b. Sales tax.
  - c. Income tax
  - d. Cigarette tax.

4. Which of the following does NOT border Mexico?
  - a. Texas
  - b. Colorado
  - c. Arizona
  - d. California

**Situational Judgment:**

1. Suppose a team member is bothered about something. What advice would you give this team member?
  - a. Hide his or her feelings and "deal with it," because this promotes the good of the group and maintains peace and harmony.
  - b. Talk privately to one or two team members who are sympathetic and willing to listen.
  - c. Constructively voice the concern and ask the group to consider ways to resolve it.
  - d. Pretend it doesn't exist and just go about his or her work.
2. Suppose the employees you work with are in an argument with each other about who should do a very disagreeable, but routine task. Which of the following would be the MOST effective advice to resolve this situation? What would be the LEAST effective advice?
  - a. Have the supervisor decide, because this would avoid any personal bias.
  - b. Arrange for a rotating schedule so everyone shares the chore.
  - c. Let the workers who show up earliest choose on a first-come, first-served basis.
  - d. Randomly assign a person to do the task.

***Structured Interview – Hypothetical Questions***

- You are a Consular Professional in the Visa Unit of a medium-size embassy and you have formed very good relationships with the Locally Employed Staff. You soon learn that many of them believe that you have influence over your supervisor's decisions on office matters, and they have begun to raise their office-related problems and requests with you during social events such as shopping trips or community picnics. How do you respond to these approaches?
- You have been doing visa interviews at post for a few months and have heard that local visa brokers have created files on all interviewing officers that they sell to visa applicants. You start to notice that people waiting in line for an interview suddenly decide to use the rest room when they are about to be called up to the window of a visa officer you hear has a broker file that says she is very tough. One day, an applicant pushes the person behind her to the front of the line to avoid the tough visa officer, and this applicant then appears at your visa window. What do you do?