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### Feedback

Thank you for taking the Product Owner Open assessment. Please review The [Scrum Guide](#) on Scrum.org and take this assessment again to improve your score.

Ken Schwaber

✓ Correctly answered   ✗ Incorrectly answered   ➔ Missed correct option

All Questions | 10 Correct | 2 Partially Correct | 3 Incorrect

## Question 1 of 15

Adaptation requires regular inspection. In what ways does the Product Owner contribute to the results achieved by inspection ?

**(choose the best two answers)**

Correct answer: **B) C)**

You chose: **A) C)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- ✗ **A)** The Product Owner verifies the Sprint Backlog for completeness at the end of Sprint Planning in order to allow the Sprint to start.
- ➔ **B)** The Product Owner shares the current state of Product Backlog at the Sprint Review, which, combined with the inspection of the Increment, leads to an updated Product Backlog.
- ✓ **C)** The Product Owner invites stakeholders to the Sprint Review to learn how the current state of the marketplace influences what is the most valuable thing to do next.
- D)** The Product Owner inspects the Sprint burn-down at the Daily Scrum for progress towards a complete Increment and re-planning the team's work.

### Feedback

Scrum users must frequently inspect Scrum artifacts and progress to detect undesirable variances. The primary tool for the Product Owner to uphold transparency is the Product Backlog. Product Backlog is a living artifact that is actively maintained and updated to reflect reality. At the Sprint Review, attendees collaborate on the next things that could be done to optimize value, which is processed into an updated Product Backlog.

## Question 2 of 15

Is the Product Owner required to be present at the Sprint Retrospective?

(choose the best answer)

Correct answer: **B)**

You chose: **B)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** They are not allowed. The Sprint Retrospective is an opportunity for the Developers to improve.
- ✓ **B)** Their attendance is mandatory. The Sprint Retrospective is an opportunity for the Scrum Team to assess and improve itself.
- C)** They are optional. Attendance is only required when the Product Owner gets invited by the Scrum Master.

### Feedback

The Sprint Retrospective is an opportunity for the Scrum Team to inspect itself and create a plan for improvements to be enacted during the next Sprint.

## Question 3 of 15

In order to make investment decisions, the Product Owner is likely to look at the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) of the product being built. What costs will a Product Owner take into account?

(choose the best answer)

Correct answer: **C)**

You chose: **C)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** The accumulated cost over the earned value of the product.
- B)** The money spent on development and delivery of the product.
- ✓ **C)** All investments required to conceive, develop, operate and maintain the product.

### Feedback

The Product Owner is not only accountable for development and release of a product, but also the cost of maintaining and operating the product over its lifetime.

## Question 4 of 15

What should Developers do if the Product Owner is unavailable?

(choose the best answer)

Correct answer: **B)**

You chose: **B)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A) Ask the Product Owner's manager to decide in the Product Owner's absence.
- ✓ **B) Within the Sprint, the Developers make the best decisions possible to assure progress toward the Sprint Goal, re-aligning with the Product Owner once they are available again.**
- C) Management should assign a substitute Product Owner to fill in when the Product Owner cannot be there.
- D) Wait until the Product Owner is available again.

### Feedback

The Scrum framework consists of Scrum Teams and their associated roles, events, artifacts, and rules. Each component within the framework serves a specific purpose and is essential to Scrum's success and usage. The Scrum Team consists of a Product Owner, the Developers, and a Scrum Master. The Product Owner is responsible for maximizing the value of the product and the work of the Scrum Team. In the absence of a Product Owner, the latter accountability is not performed.

## Question 5 of 15

Which description best fits the role of the Product Owner?

(choose the best answer)

Correct answer: **A)**

You chose: **A)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- ✓ **A) Value Maximizer.**
- B) Chief Business Analyst.
- C) Project Manager 2.0.
- D) Requirements Collector.
- E) Scope Protector.

### Feedback

The Product Owner is responsible for maximizing the value of the product.

## Question 6 of 15

What two things best help the Product Owner manage the value of a product?

(choose the best two answers)

Correct answer: **A) C)**

You chose: **C) D)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** Validating assumptions of value through frequent releases.
- B)** Devising a formula for a neutral calculation of value.
- C)** The order of the Product Backlog.
- D)** Setting value on individual Product Backlog items using Value Poker.

### Feedback

The Product Owner manages Product Backlog against the assumption that value will be generated. Indications of value on Product Backlog are useful but are only a prediction until validated against users and market.

## Question 7 of 15

What is the Product Owner accountable for in Scrum?

(choose the best answer)

Correct answer: **C)**

You chose: **D)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** Describing an Increment at Sprint Planning and making sure that the Developers deliver it by the end of the Sprint.
- B)** Writing the User Stories so they are comprehensive enough for the stakeholders.
- C)** Maximizing the value of the product resulting from the work of the Scrum Team.
- D)** Refining the top level Product Backlog items until they are ready to be handed over to the Scrum Team.

### Feedback

In addition to being accountable for maximizing the value of the product and the work of the Scrum Team, the Product Owner is accountable for effective Product Backlog management, communicating the Product Goal, ordering the Product Backlog, and making the Product Backlog transparent. The Product Owner may do these things or may delegate the responsibility to others. Even if the responsibility is delegated the Product Owner remains accountable.

## Question 8 of 15

How does an organization know that a product built using Scrum is successful?

**(choose the best answer)**

Correct answer: **A)**

You chose: **A)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- ✓ **A)** By releasing frequently, and measuring the value customers/users experience.
- B)** By the Product Owner and stakeholders accepting the Increment at the Sprint Review.
- C)** By measuring the actual time spent on development versus the time estimated for development.
- D)** By measuring that velocity has increased since the last release.

#### **Feedback**

Scrum Teams deliver products iteratively and incrementally, maximizing opportunities for feedback. If a product is not released, the opportunity to capture user and market feedback is lost.

### **Question 9 of 15**

A Product Owner is entitled to postpone the start of a new Sprint after the conclusion of a previous Sprint for the following reason:

**(choose the best answer)**

Correct answer: **E)**

You chose: **E)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** Not enough Product Backlog items are ready.
- B)** The Quality Assurance department needs more time to make the previous Increment complete.
- C)** The Product Owner has not identified a Sprint Goal.
- D)** The stakeholders are not happy with the value produced in the previous Sprint.
- ✓ **E)** There is no acceptable reason. A new Sprint starts immediately after the conclusion of the previous Sprint.

#### **Feedback**

A new Sprint starts immediately after the conclusion of the previous Sprint.

### **Question 10 of 15**

When does a Developer become accountable for the value of a Product Backlog item selected for the Sprint?

**(choose the best answer)**

Correct answer: **D)**

You chose: **D)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** During the Daily Scrum.
- B)** At the Sprint Planning Event.
- C)** Whenever a team member can accommodate more work.
- D)** Never. The entire Scrum Team is accountable for creating value every Sprint.

**Feedback**

All members of the Scrum Team share in the accountability for creating value every Sprint.

## Question 11 of 15

**True or False:** The Scrum Team must choose at least one high priority process improvement item, identified during the Sprint Retrospective, and place it in the Sprint Backlog.

Correct answer: **B)**

You chose: **B)**

- A)** True
- B)** False

**Feedback**

An earlier version of the Scrum Guide prescribed the practice of placing one improvement in the Sprint Backlog. This was removed in the 2020 update to the Scrum Guide because it was felt to be too prescriptive. However, if this practice provides value to you then you should adopt it. It is simply not prescribed anymore, but can still be valuable.

## Question 12 of 15

What phrases best describe the relationship of the Product Owner and the Developers?

**(choose the best two answers)**

Correct answer: **A) D)**

You chose: **A) D)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** They collaborate often so the Developers build Increments keeping end-user and stakeholder concerns in mind.

- B) They should share no more than the Sprint Planning and the Sprint Review meeting.
- C) The Product Owner should be with the Developers full-time to grow a deep understanding of the technology being used.
- ✓ D) They collaborate often so the Product Owner can make informed decisions in balancing effort and value of Product Backlog items.
- E) They should work apart as much as possible in order to keep the concerns of business and technology separated.

**Feedback**

The Product owner clearly expresses Product Backlog items, ensuring the Developers understand items in the Product Backlog to the level needed for developing them and creating the value the Product Owner envisions. Scope may be re-negotiated if the effort grows much higher than anticipated.

**Question 13 of 15**

What is a Product Backlog?

(choose the best answer)

Correct answer: C)

You chose: D)

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A) It is a detailed list of functionalities from which the Developers draw items, to be complemented by a separate Technology Backlog managed by the Developers.
- B) It is a list of references to Use Case documents that are stored in a central repository. The references should be viewable and clickable by anybody to enhance transparency.
- C) The Product Backlog is an emergent, ordered list of what is needed to improve the product.
- ✗ D) It is a formally approved list of requirements to be implemented over a set period.

**Feedback**

The Product Backlog is an ordered list of everything that might be needed in the product and it is the single source of work undertaken by the Scrum Team. The Product Backlog evolves as the product and the environment in which it will be used evolves. As long as a product exists, its Product Backlog also exists.

**Question 14 of 15**

**True or False:** A first Sprint can start before the Product Owner has a complete and exhaustive Product Backlog in place.

Correct answer: A)

You chose: B)

- A) True

**X B) False**

**Feedback**

A first Sprint requires no more than a Scrum Team and enough ideas to potentially complete a full Sprint.

## Question 15 of 15

When can the Product Backlog be updated?

**(choose the best answer)**

Correct answer: **D)**

You chose: **D)**

**Note:** This question displayed answers in random order during the test.

- A)** Only during Product Backlog refinement sessions if the Product Owner is present.
- B)** Only after a Sprint Review if agreed to by the stakeholders.
- C)** Never, unless agreed to by the change request.
- ✓ D)** At any time when done by the Product Owner or a delegate.

**Feedback**

The Product Backlog is dynamic; it constantly changes to identify what the product needs in order to be appropriate, competitive, and useful. Product Backlog items can be updated at any time by the Product Owner or a delegate. Even if the responsibility is delegated the Product Owner remains accountable for the Product Backlog.