

## **Composite Board**

<u>Directions:</u> Each group of questions in this section is based on a set of conditions. In answering some of the questions, it may be useful to draw a rough diagram. Choose the response that most accurately and completely answers each question and blacken the corresponding space on your answer sheet.

## Questions 1-7

Atlas Industries is constructing composite boards that include at least 6 but no more than 7 layers. The materials that are used as layers in the boards are categorized as either insulating, metallic, or wooden, and a board must include at least one layer of each of the three categories of material. No other categories of materials are used. There are exactly three insulating materials available—fleece, Gore-Tex and hay—two metallic materials—krypton and lead—and three wooden materials—pine, oak and spruce. A board may not contain two layers made of the same exact material. During the construction of a board, the bottom layer is always numbered 1, with layers above that numbered in increasing and consecutive order until the top layer, which is numbered 6 or 1. A layer touches only the layers that lie above or below it in a board.

The construction of the boards must adhere to the following conditions:

Any insulating layer that is used must touch exactly two layers, neither one of which is an insulator.

A layer of lead cannot touch a layer of fleece.

Krypton can touch fleece only if krypton touches two insulating layers.

No wooden layer can touch a metallic one.

The top layer is wooden if, and only if, the bottom layer is as well.

- 1. Which one of the following could be a list of the layers used in a board, in order from bottom to top?
  - (A) pine, oak, Gore-Tex, lead, fleece, spruce
  - (B) krypton, Gore-Tex, spruce, fleece, oak, pine
  - (C) spruce, hay, krypton, Gore-Tex, lead, pine
  - (D) pine, fleece, krypton, lead, Gore-Tex, oak
  - (E) oak, spruce, fleece, krypton, Gore-Tex, pine
- 2. If fleece is second, each of the following could be true EXCEPT:
  - (A) A layer of insulator is sixth.
  - (B) A layer of wood is seventh.
  - (C) A layer of metal is sixth.
  - (D) A layer of insulator is fourth.
  - (E) A layer of wood is sixth.

- 3. If spruce is the fourth of seven layers, each of the following could be true, EXCEPT:
  - (A) Oak touches Gore-Tex.
  - (B) Fleece touches spruce.
  - (C) Pine touches hay.
  - (D) Pine touches spruce.
  - (E) Lead touches hay.
- 4. If lead touches krypton and Gore-Tex, and pine is not used in the construction of a given board, how many different arrangements of layers can be used?
  - (A) 2
  - (B) 3
  - (C) 4
  - (D) 5
  - (E) 6
- 5. Each of the following could be true EXCEPT:
  - (A) Lead is the first layer and fleece is the fifth.
  - (B) Lead touches Gore-Tex and hay.
  - (C) Pine touches oak and spruce.
  - (D) Oak is the second layer and Gore-Tex is the sixth.
  - (E) Krypton and lead touch each other.
- 6. Which one of the following, if substituted for the condition that a layer of wood cannot touch one of metal, would also prevent a layer of wood and a layer of metal from touching each other?
  - (A) All three layers of wood are used.
  - (B) All three layers of insulator are used.
  - (C) Both layers of metal are used.
  - (D) Each layer of insulator must touch both a layer of wood and one of metal.
  - (E) Each layer of metal touches at least one layer of insulator.
- 7. If two wooden layers touch each other and two metallic layers touch each other, what is the greatest possible number of layers in between Gore-Tex and spruce?
  - (A) 0
  - (B) 1
  - (C) 2
  - (D) 3
  - (E) 4

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