



# Test Prep

**LEED**

**Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design**

**QUESTION & ANSWERS**

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## Exam O

### QUESTION 1

Which of the following would satisfy the requirements to earn a point for Innovation in Design? (Choose 2)

- A. A project meets the requirements for exemplary performance for recycled content
- B. A project has a LEED Green Associate as the LEED Administrator
- C. A project demonstrates innovative performance in a green building category not specifically addressed by the LEED Rating System
- D. A project earns points for each credit in the Sustainable Sites category
- E. All members of the project team are LEED Green Associates

**Correct Answer:** AC

**Section:** Volume A

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Explanation:

An Innovation in Design point can be achieved by meeting the exemplary performance threshold of any LEED credit or by demonstrating innovative performance in a green building category not specifically addressed by the LEED Rating System

### QUESTION 2

Which of the following is a waste source reduction strategy?

- A. Selecting materials with a high recycled content
- B. Limiting the amount of packaging materials on a product
- C. Selecting regional materials
- D. Separating recyclables on site

**Correct Answer:** B

**Section:** Volume A

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Explanation:

### QUESTION 3

Which of the following is NOT true about a life-cycle cost analysis?

- A. Project teams should complete life-cycle cost analysis early in the design phase
- B. All LEED project teams should complete a life-cycle cost analysis on each material and system to be specified
- C. Life-cycle cost analysis only considers the initial cost of a material or system
- D. Architects and Owners should review life-cycle cost analysis prior to selecting materials and systems for a project

**Correct Answer:** C

**Section:** Volume A

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Explanation:

A life-cost analysis (or life-cycle costing) is an evaluation of a product's cost over its useful life (including initial cost, operating cost, and maintenance cost).

### QUESTION 4

If a project satisfies the requirements for exemplary performance for a given credit, under what LEED credit will the additional point be awarded?

- A. The exemplary performance point will be awarded under the credit in which exemplary performance is achieved
- B. The exemplary performance point will be awarded as an Innovation in Design point
- C. The exemplary performance point will be awarded as a Regional Priority point
- D. Exemplary performance points are not awarded under any specific category, it will be added to the end of the LEED scorecard

**Correct Answer: B**  
**Section: Volume A**  
**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Explanation:

Exemplary performance points are added in the Innovation in Design category.

**QUESTION 5**

Which of the following is NOT true about appealing a USGBC credit ruling?

- A. Can be submitted after the design review
- B. Can be submitted after the construction review
- C. The USGBC will be flexible with the credit thresholds if a project has unique challenges
- D. Should be submitted only if you believe the USGBC ruled incorrectly on a credit
- E. Appeal fees are \$500 per credit

**Correct Answer: C**  
**Section: Volume A**  
**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Explanation:

**QUESTION 6**

Which of the following are NOT true statements regarding the Innovation in Design credit for having a LEED AP as part of the project team? (Choose 2)

- A. A project with more than one LEED AP will qualify for an exemplary performance point
- B. The LEED AP can be any principle participant on the project team
- C. The LEED AP must have experience on at least 3 LEED projects
- D. A copy of the LEED AP's certificate must be provided as part of the submittal
- E. Only one point can be earned for this credit

**Correct Answer: AC**  
**Section: Volume A**  
**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Explanation:

**QUESTION 7**

What standard must recycled material satisfy to qualify as "recycled content" for LEED purposes?

- A. IESNA
- B. EPA
- C. Montreal Protocol
- D. CBECS
- E. ISO 14021

**Correct Answer: E**  
**Section: Volume A**