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Chapter Two SAFETY MOTIVATION AND CULTURE IN ORGANIZATIONS

TRUE OR FALSE: Place T or F in the space provided.

- 1. Design or analysis of tools or systems can eliminate the potential for accidents.
- 2. The purpose of safety promotion is to keep employees focused on doing their work the safe way, every day.
- 3. Transactional leadership is a leadership style that focuses on the role of supervision, organization, compliance with rules, and group performance.
- 4. A comprehensive safety policy that details all of the organizations safety expectations is required to be effective.
- 5. Frettig believes that asking employees to sign a declaration of safety helps improve a company's safety performance.
- 6. Hertzberg' needs theory tells us that high-need achievers do not necessarily make good managers.
- 7. Managers place more value on fair pay than workers
- 8. Another way to promote safety through employee involvement is the safety committee.
- 9. Suggestion programs promote safety by involving employees in a way that allows them to feel ownership in the safety program.
- 10. Making a health and safety message visual can be an effective way to get the message across.
- 11. Even when handled properly, incentive programs are not effective in promoting safety in the workplace.
- 12. A rule of thumb for visual aids is to avoid the use of distracting colour, and stick to black and white.
- 13. A safety-first corporate culture is one in which beliefs, values, and behaviors are widely shared and accepted in an organization.
- 14. Evidence of a safety-first culture exists when unwritten rules are only accepted by management.
- 15. A safety-first culture is promoted by rewarding safe work behaviour by making it an important factor when promoting workers to higher positions.

MULTIPLE CHOICE: Circle the letter before the correct answer.

- 1. One of the most effective ways to promote safety in the workplace is:
 - A. Producing after-the-fact reports
 - B. Ongoing safety training programs
 - C. Increase production rates
 - D. Reduce production rates
 - E. Remind workers of the importance of safety
- 2. A company's safety policy should make what clear?
 - A. Production goals
 - B. Budget allowances
 - C. That safe work practices are expected of all employees at all levels at all times

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- D. Grievance procedures
- E. Operating procedures for hazardous tasks
- 3. A characteristic of a transformational leader includes:
 - A. A focus on compliance with rules
 - B. Motivating workers
 - C. Punishing dangerous behaviour
 - D. Attention to group performance
 - E. Micro-managing workers
- 4. Which psychologist's needs argues that lower-order needs must be satisfied before one progresses to higher-order needs?
 - A. Byrd
 - B. Maslow
 - C. Alderfer
 - D. Herzberg
 - E. McClelland
- 5. In SeaBright Insurance Company's study, which motivator was deemed to be most valued by workers?
 - A. Job security
 - B. Good working conditions
 - C. Fair pay with increases
 - D. Interest in their work
 - E. Credit for their work
- 6. Which of the following are characteristics of a good suggestion program?
 - A. They solicit input from the people most likely to know where hazards exist
 - B. They involve and empower employees
 - C. Recognition and awards must be handled promptly
 - D. All suggestions must receive a formal response
 - E. All of the above
- 7. Which of the following are characteristics of a good incentive program?
 - A. Objectives are left vague to allow for managers to select who is rewarded
 - B. Rewards should be limited to low cost items
 - C. Management works alone to determine rewards
 - D. They do not limit rewards to individuals, but also reward teams
 - E. Have no effect on quality, but only on the quantity of work performed
- 8. Which of the following defines a safety-first corporate culture?
 - A. Beliefs, values, and attitudes are shared and accepted
 - B. Violent acts, behavior, or threats that occur in the workplace are not considered to be "safety" concerns
 - C. Peer pressure does not affect worker behaviour
 - D. Unwritten rules are not accepted

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- E. None of the above
- 9. What is the importance of establishing a safety-first culture?
 - A. Competitiveness will be improved
 - B. Moral obligation
 - C. Legal obligation
 - D. Worker performance is enhanced
 - E. All of the above
- 10. Ten broad steps are needed to establish a safety-first corporate culture. Which of the following are included?
 - A. Assess
 - B. Plan
 - C. Survey
 - D. Both A & B
 - E. None of the above

ANSWERS

True/False

- 1. F
- 2. T
- 3. F
- 4. F
- 5. T
- 6. F
- 7. T
- 8. T
- 9. T
- 10. T
- 11. F
- 12. F
- 13. T
- 14. F
- 15. T

Multiple Choice

- 1. B
- 2. C
- 3. B
- 4. B
- 5. E
- 6. E
- 7. D
- 8. A

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9. E

10. D