

1. Which of the following is NOT a true statement about SAS programming?

- a) Statements can begin and end anywhere
- b) Statements must end with a colon
- c) Several statements may be on the same line
- d) Blanks separate the components in a SAS program statement

2. Which of the following file extensions is used for a SAS data file?

- a) .sas
- b) .log
- c) .lst
- d) .sas7bdat

3. Which statement signals the creation of a new data set in SAS?

- a) SET
- b) INPUT
- c) DATA
- d) PROC

4. What is the maximum length of a SAS variable name?

- a) 8 characters
- b) 16 characters
- c) 32 characters
- d) 64 characters

5. Which of the following is the default variable type in SAS?

- a) Character
- b) Numeric
- c) Date
- d) Boolean

6. What is the purpose of the INPUT statement in SAS?

- a) To read data into SAS
- b) To write data out of SAS
- c) To sort data in SAS
- d) To print data in SAS

7. Which input method allows data fields to be defined and read in any order?

- a) Freeform list input
- b) Compact method
- c) Column input

d) Formatted input

8. What is the purpose of the INFORMAT statement in SAS?

- a) To specify how to read data
- b) To specify how to output data
- c) To sort data
- d) To format data for printing

9. What is the purpose of a SAS library?

- a) To store temporary datasets
- b) To store permanent datasets
- c) To store SAS procedure output
- d) To store SAS logs

10. What does the KEEP statement do in a DATA step?

- a) Specifies variables to drop from the output dataset
- b) Specifies variables to keep in the output dataset
- c) Sorts the data by the specified variables
- d) Renames the specified variables

11. What is the purpose of the LABEL statement in SAS?

- a) To assign labels to datasets
- b) To assign labels to variables
- c) To assign formats to variables
- d) To assign lengths to variables

12. What does the PROC PRINT procedure do?

- a) Sorts a dataset
- b) Summarizes data
- c) Displays observations from a dataset
- d) Merges datasets

13. What is the purpose of the BY statement in SAS procedures?

- a) To subset data based on a condition
- b) To calculate statistics separately for groups
- c) To merge datasets
- d) To transpose datasets

14. Which procedure is used to calculate simple descriptive statistics for quantitative data?

- a) PROC FREQ

- b) PROC MEANS
- c) PROC UNIVARIATE
- d) PROC SUMMARY

15. Which procedure is used to produce frequency tables for categorical data?

- a) PROC FREQ
- b) PROC MEANS
- c) PROC UNIVARIATE
- d) PROC SUMMARY

16. What does the CLASS statement do in PROC MEANS?

- a) Specifies the variables to analyze
- b) Specifies the statistics to calculate
- c) Specifies the grouping variables
- d) Specifies the output options

17. What is the purpose of the TABLES statement in PROC FREQ?

- a) To specify the variables to analyze
- b) To specify the statistics to calculate
- c) To specify the output dataset
- d) To specify the output options

18. What does the WEIGHT statement do in PROC FREQ?

- a) Specifies the variable containing frequency weights
- b) Specifies the variable to use for percentages
- c) Specifies the variable to use for sorting
- d) Specifies the variable containing sampling weights

19. Which SAS procedure is used to create scatter plots?

- a) PROC PLOT
- b) PROC GPLOT
- c) PROC SCATTER
- d) PROC CHART

20. What is the purpose of the INFILE statement in SAS?

- a) To read data from an external file
- b) To write data to an external file
- c) To sort an external file
- d) To merge external files

21. Which PROC IMPORT option specifies the Excel worksheet to import?

- a) SHEET
- b) GETNAMES
- c) DATAROW
- d) GUESSINGROWS

22. What does the DBMS option specify in PROC EXPORT?

- a) The file type to export
- b) The output file path
- c) The variable names
- d) The delimiter to use

23. What is the purpose of the FORMAT statement in SAS?

- a) To specify the format of input data
- b) To specify the format of output data
- c) To convert character data to numeric
- d) To convert numeric data to character

24. What does the NOTSORTED option do in PROC SORT?

- a) Sorts the data in descending order
- b) Sorts the data by formatted values
- c) Suppresses the sort and just copies the dataset
- d) Sorts by a specific locale

25. What is the purpose of the OUT option in PROC MEANS?

- a) To create an output dataset with summary statistics
- b) To specify the statistics to calculate
- c) To specify the class variables
- d) To specify the analysis variables

26. What does the TYPE option control in an OUTPUT statement?

- a) The statistics to output
- b) The name of the output dataset
- c) The variables to output statistics for
- d) The level of aggregation for the output statistics

27. Which function returns the number of days between two dates in SAS?

- a) YRDIF
- b) DATDIF
- c) DATEDIF

d) DAYDIF

28. What does the INTCK function calculate in SAS?

- a) The difference between two dates in years
- b) The difference between two dates in days
- c) The number of intervals between two dates
- d) The number of weekdays between two dates

29. Which function is used to convert a character variable to proper case in SAS?

- a) UPCASE
- b) LOWCASE
- c) PROPCASE
- d) NAMECASE

30. What does the SCAN function do in SAS?

- a) Searches for a substring within a string
- b) Extracts a word from a string
- c) Counts the number of words in a string
- d) Removes trailing blanks from a string

31. What does the SUBSTR function do in SAS?

- a) Searches for a substring within a string
- b) Extracts a substring from a string
- c) Replaces a substring within a string
- d) Compares two substrings

32. Which function returns the position of a substring within a string in SAS?

- a) FIND
- b) INDEX
- c) SEARCH
- d) MATCH

33. What is the purpose of the LAG function in SAS?

- a) To return the value of the variable from the next observation
- b) To return the value of the variable from the previous observation
- c) To return the first value of the variable within a BY group
- d) To return the last value of the variable within a BY group

34. What does the RETAIN statement do in a DATA step?

- a) Keeps variables from being set to missing at the beginning of each iteration

- b) Specifies the variables to keep in the output dataset
- c) Specifies the variables to drop from the output dataset
- d) Renames variables in the output dataset

35. Which function generates random numbers from a normal distribution in SAS?

- a) RAND
- b) NORMAL
- c) RANNOR
- d) GAUSS

36. What does the CALL STREAMINIT statement do in SAS?

- a) Specifies the random number generator to use
- b) Specifies the seed value for random number generation
- c) Specifies the stream to use for random number generation
- d) Initializes the random number stream

37. What is the purpose of the SAMPSIZE option in PROC SURVEYSELECT?

- a) To specify the number of observations to select
- b) To specify the sampling rate
- c) To specify the sampling method
- d) To specify the input dataset

38. Which sampling method selects units with equal probability and without replacement?

- a) SRS
- b) PPS
- c) SYS
- d) SEQ

39. What does the STRATA statement do in PROC SURVEYSELECT?

- a) Specifies the variables to use for stratified sampling
- b) Specifies the sampling method to use within strata
- c) Specifies the number of strata to create
- d) Specifies the allocation method for the strata

40. What is the purpose of an index variable in a SAS DO loop?

- a) To specify the number of iterations
- b) To control the sequence of values for each iteration
- c) To subset the data within the loop
- d) To accumulate a sum within the loop

41. What does the WHILE statement do in a SAS DO loop?

- a) Specifies the number of iterations
- b) Specifies the sequence of index values
- c) Specifies a condition for continuing the loop
- d) Specifies a condition for exiting the loop

42. What is the purpose of the BY statement in PROC SQL?

- a) To subset the data based on a condition
- b) To order the output by the specified variables
- c) To group the data by the specified variables
- d) To join tables by the specified variables

43. Which PROC SQL statement is used to create a new table?

- a) SELECT
- b) FROM
- c) CREATE TABLE
- d) INSERT INTO

44. What does the HAVING clause do in PROC SQL?

- a) Selects rows based on a condition
- b) Orders the output
- c) Groups the output
- d) Filters grouped output based on a condition

45. Which join type includes all observations from the left table and matching observations from the right table?

- a) Inner join
- b) Left join
- c) Right join
- d) Full join

46. What is the purpose of the UNION operator in PROC SQL?

- a) To select distinct rows from the output
- b) To concatenate tables vertically
- c) To join tables horizontally
- d) To intersect tables

47. What does the CORR option do in PROC REG?

- a) Requests correlation statistics
- b) Requests corrected total sums of squares
- c) Requests a correlation matrix of the input data

d) Requests confidence limits for the parameter estimates

48. Which plot is used to assess the normality of residuals in regression?

- a) Residual plot
- b) Normal probability plot
- c) Fit plot
- d) Leverage plot

49. What does the I option do in PROC GLM?

- a) Requests an inverse matrix
- b) Requests I-to-I plots of least squares means
- c) Requests confidence intervals for parameter estimates
- d) Requests an iteration history

50. Which statistic measures the proportion of variance explained by a regression model?

- a) R-square
- b) Adjusted R-square
- c) Mean square error
- d) F-value

1. Which of the following is true about SAS statements?
 - a) Case sensitivity matters for all SAS statements
 - b) Blanks are not allowed within a statement
 - c) Semicolons are optional at the end of statements
 - d) A RUN statement is required to end each DATA step
2. What is the default length for a character variable in freeform input?
 - a) 8 characters
 - b) 16 characters
 - c) 32 characters
 - d) 64 characters
3. Which of the following is NOT an advantage of column input?
 - a) Data fields can be skipped
 - b) Embedded blanks are allowed in character values
 - c) Data values must be in fixed column positions
 - d) Character values can be up to 200 characters long
4. What does a "\$" indicate in an INPUT statement?
 - a) A numeric variable
 - b) A character variable
 - c) A date variable
 - d) A hexadecimal value
5. What is the purpose of a SAS format?
 - a) To read data into SAS
 - b) To specify how data is stored
 - c) To display data in a report
 - d) To convert data from one type to another
6. What is the difference between a temporary and permanent SAS dataset?
 - a) Temporary datasets are deleted at the end of the SAS session
 - b) Permanent datasets cannot be deleted
 - c) Temporary datasets cannot be used in procedures
 - d) Permanent datasets can only be accessed in the current SAS session
7. Which function returns the date value from a month, day and year in SAS?
 - a) MDY
 - b) DATE
 - c) TODAY

d) YEAR

8. What does the DIF option calculate in PROC MEANS?

- a) The difference between the maximum and minimum values
- b) The difference between each value and the mean
- c) The difference between each value and the previous value
- d) The difference between the upper and lower quartiles

9. What does the NOPRINT option do in PROC FREQ?

- a) Suppresses all output
- b) Suppresses percentage statistics
- c) Suppresses frequency counts
- d) Suppresses chi-square statistics

10. Which plot is used to compare the distribution of a variable across levels of a class variable?

- a) Histogram
- b) Box plot
- c) Bar chart
- d) Scatter plot

11. What does the DLM option specify in an INFILE statement?

- a) The delimiter character
- b) The name of the input data file
- c) The number of lines to skip before reading data
- d) The maximum length of input lines

12. Which option specifies the output dataset name in PROC IMPORT?

- a) OUT
- b) DATA
- c) DBMS
- d) REPLACE

13. What does the DELIMITER option specify in PROC EXPORT?

- a) The delimiter character for output data
- b) The file extension for the output file
- c) The output file path
- d) The type of file to export

14. What is the purpose of the PUT function in SAS?

- a) To write data to an external file
- b) To convert numeric values to character
- c) To convert character values to numeric
- d) To display values in a report

15. Which procedure is used to transpose a dataset in SAS?

- a) PROC TRANSPOSE
- b) PROC SORT
- c) PROC PRINT
- d) PROC DATASETS

16. What does the NWAY option do in PROC MEANS?

- a) Suppresses the overall statistics
- b) Suppresses the statistics for each class level
- c) Calculates n-way combinations of class variables
- d) Calculates separate statistics for each BY group

17. What is the purpose of the WAYS statement in PROC MEANS?

- a) To specify the number of class variables to combine
- b) To specify the statistics to calculate
- c) To specify the output dataset options
- d) To specify the class variables to analyze

18. Which function calculates the number of years between two dates in SAS?

- a) YEAR
- b) YRDIF
- c) AGE
- d) DIF

19. What does the SCAN function return in SAS?

- a) The position of a substring within a string
- b) The length of a string
- c) A word from a string
- d) The number of words in a string

20. What is the purpose of the FIRST.variable in a BY-group processing DATA step?

- a) To identify the first observation in each BY group
- b) To identify the first variable in the dataset
- c) To subset the first observation from the dataset
- d) To rename variables with a common prefix

21. Which function generates uniform random numbers in SAS?

- a) UNIFORM
- b) RANUNI
- c) RAND
- d) URAND

22. What does the SEED option specify in a random number function?

- a) The multiplicative constant
- b) The additive constant
- c) The modulus
- d) The starting value for the random number stream

23. Which of the following is NOT a valid sampling method in PROC SURVEYSELECT?

- a) SRS
- b) PPS
- c) POISSON
- d) MULTISTAGE

24. What does the ALLOC option specify in PROC SURVEYSELECT?

- a) The allocation method for stratified sampling
- b) The number of replicates to select
- c) The sample size allocation for each stratum
- d) The input dataset to be sampled

25. What is the purpose of the OUTPUT statement in PROC SURVEYSELECT?

- a) To create an output dataset with the selected sample
- b) To specify the sampling units
- c) To specify the number of replicates to select
- d) To specify the sampling method

26. Which of the following increments the index variable by 2 in a SAS DO loop?

- a) BY 2
- b) STEP 2
- c) INCREMENT 2
- d) ADD 2

27. What does the UNTIL statement specify in a SAS DO loop?

- a) The number of iterations
- b) The sequence of index values

- c) A condition for continuing the loop
- d) A condition for exiting the loop

28. Which PROC SQL clause is used to specify the rows to include in a query?

- a) SELECT
- b) FROM
- c) WHERE
- d) HAVING

29. What is the purpose of the DISTINCT keyword in PROC SQL?

- a) To remove duplicate rows from the output
- b) To select rows based on a condition
- c) To group the output by a set of columns
- d) To join tables based on a common column

30. Which of the following is an inner join in PROC SQL?

- a) JOIN
- b) INNER JOIN
- c) CROSS JOIN
- d) NATURAL JOIN

31. What does the INTERSECT operator do in PROC SQL?

- a) Returns rows that are common to both tables
- b) Returns rows that are unique to each table
- c) Returns all rows from both tables
- d) Returns rows from the first table that have a match in the second table

32. Which PROC REG option requests a normal probability plot of residuals?

- a) PLOT
- b) NORMAL
- c) RESIDUAL
- d) QQ

33. What does the CLI option request in PROC REG?

- a) Confidence limits for individual predicted values
- b) Confidence limits for the mean predicted values
- c) Confidence limits for the parameter estimates
- d) Confidence limits for the R-square statistic

34. Which PROC REG option specifies the significance level for adding variables in a stepwise regression?

- a) INCLUDE
- b) SLENTRY
- c) SLSTAY
- d) SIGNIFICANCE

35. What does the ADJUST option specify in a LSMEANS statement in PROC GLM?

- a) The method for multiple comparison adjustments
- b) The confidence level for the means
- c) The type of means to calculate
- d) The denominator degrees of freedom method

36. Which of the following statistics is NOT produced by the MEANS statement in PROC GLM by default?

- a) Mean
- b) Standard deviation
- c) Coefficient of variation
- d) Minimum

37. What is the purpose of the CONTRAST statement in PROC GLM?

- a) To specify a priori hypothesis tests
- b) To specify post-hoc multiple comparisons
- c) To specify the model effects
- d) To specify the error term for tests

38. Which option specifies the significance level for comparison tests in PROC GLM?

- a) ALPHA
- b) SIGNIFICANT
- c) LEVEL
- d) THRESHOLD

39. What does the E option request in PROC GLM?

- a) The error sums of squares and crossproducts matrix
- b) The overall ANOVA table
- c) The estimated regression coefficients
- d) The Type I sums of squares

40. Which of the following is used to specify an output dataset for score statistics in PROC LOGISTIC?

- a) OUTPUT
- b) OUT
- c) SCORE
- d) PREDICTED

41. What does the CLODDS option request in a PROC LOGISTIC MODEL statement?

- a) Confidence limits for the odds ratios
- b) The odds ratio for a one unit change in the predictors
- c) The estimated regression coefficients
- d) The probability of the response level

42. Which option specifies the significance level for a likelihood ratio test in PROC LOGISTIC?

- a) ALPHA
- b) SIGNIFICANT
- c) PLEVEL
- d) THRESHOLD

43. What does the SCALE option specify in PROC LOGISTIC?

- a) The method to correct for overdispersion
- b) The type of confidence limits to compute
- c) The algorithm to estimate regression coefficients
- d) The link function to use

44. Which option specifies the convergence criterion in PROC LOGISTIC?

- a) EPSILON
- b) CONVERGE
- c) TOLERANCE
- d) CRITERION

45. What is the purpose of the INFLUENCE option in PROC REG?

- a) To request influence diagnostic statistics
- b) To specify influential observations to exclude
- c) To specify the type of residuals to calculate
- d) To request collinearity diagnostic statistics

46. Which PROC REG option requests variance inflation factors?

- a) COLLIN
- b) TOL
- c) VIF

d) COLLINOINT

47. What does the P option request in PROC REG?

- a) P-values for the parameter estimates
- b) A matrix of predicted values and residuals
- c) Partial regression leverage plots
- d) Press residuals and diagnostics

48. Which of the following is used to specify the response variable in PROC LOGISTIC?

- a) MODEL
- b) RESPONSE
- c) TARGET
- d) DEPENDENT

49. What is the purpose of the UNITS statement in PROC LOGISTIC?

- a) To specify the change in predictors for computing odds ratios
- b) To specify the scale of the predictors
- c) To specify the frequency variable for grouped data
- d) To specify a data step for constructing the model

50. Which option plots the influence of individual observations in PROC LOGISTIC?

- a) IPLOTS
- b) INFLUENCE
- c) DFBETAS
- d) LEVERAGE

Answers:

1. d
2. a
3. c
4. b
5. c
6. a
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10. b
11. a
12. a
13. a
14. b
15. a
16. a
17. a
18. b
19. c
20. a
21. b
22. d
23. c
24. a
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26. a
27. d
28. c
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30. b
31. a
32. b
33. a
34. b
35. a
36. c
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39.a

40.a

41.b

42.a

43.a

44.a

45.a

46.c

47.b

48.a

49.a

50.a