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100 Multiple Choice Questions Software Engineering

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Section 1: Conceptual Foundations (Questions 1-25)

1. Which of the following is NOT a challenge of learning software engineering?

- A) Complexity of software systems
- B) Abstract nature of software
- C) Static technology landscape
- D) Team dependency

2. What is a key success factor in software development?

- A) Changing requirements frequently
- B) Clear and frozen requirements
- C) Minimal user involvement
- D) Immature technology adoption

3. Which factor commonly leads to software development failure?

- A) Strong stakeholder involvement
- B) Realistic schedules
- C) Scope creep
- D) Proper planning

4. In traditional Waterfall methodology, when does testing occur?

- A) Throughout development
- B) At the beginning
- C) At the end
- D) During requirements phase

5. Which characteristic describes Modern Agile development?

- A) Linear phases
- B) Rigid requirements
- C) Iterative development
- D) Documentation-driven

6. What does “Shift-Left Testing” mean?

- A) Testing only at the end
- B) Testing early and often**
- C) Moving testers to different teams
- D) Postponing testing

7. Which is an attribute of high-quality software?

- A) High resource consumption
- B) Difficult to modify
- C) Maintainability**
- D) Platform-specific only

8. Software validity refers to:

- A) Building the product right
- B) Building the right product**
- C) Testing without failures
- D) Code efficiency

9. Software reliability is identified through:

- A) User acceptance testing only
- B) Stress testing and MTBF tracking**
- C) Requirements reviews
- D) Design documents

10. Which is a key characteristic of a professional software engineer?

- A) Working in isolation
- B) Resisting new technologies
- C) Lifelong learning**
- D) Avoiding communication

11. What is technical debt?

- A) Money owed to developers
- B) Cost of choosing easy solutions over better approaches**
- C) Budget overruns
- D) Hardware expenses

12. Which testing type is manual testing good for?

- A) Load testing
- B) Regression testing
- C) UI/UX and exploratory testing**
- D) Automated scripts

13. What is a functional requirement?

- A) System performance specification
- B) What the system does**
- C) How fast the system runs
- D) Security standards

14. A non-functional requirement example is:

- A) User can reset password
- B) System has a login button
- C) Password reset email sent within 5 seconds**
- D) Database stores user data

15. Which method measures software size?

- A) Lines of Code (LOC)**
- B) Number of developers
- C) Project budget
- D) Meeting frequency

16. Function Points estimate based on:

- A) Only lines of code
- B) Inputs, outputs, inquiries, files, and interfaces**
- C) Team size alone
- D) Project duration

17. Verification asks:

- A) Are we building the right product?
- B) Are we building the product right?**
- C) Is the product profitable?
- D) Is the product innovative?

18. Validation asks:

- A) Are we building the product right?
- B) Are we following standards?
- C) Are we building the right product?**
- D) Are we on budget?

19. Which is a non-functional testing type?

- A) Unit testing
- B) Integration testing
- C) Load/Performance testing**

- D) Acceptance testing

20. What is scope creep?

- A) Fixed requirements
- B) Unrealistic or changing requirements**
- C) Clear project boundaries
- D) Proper planning

21. Automated testing is best for:

- A) One-time exploratory tests
- B) Ad-hoc UI testing
- C) Regression and load testing**
- D) Initial user experience evaluation

22. What is a code smell?

- A) Well-written code
- B) Indicator of potential problems in code**
- C) Code comments
- D) Version control

23. A “Long Method” code smell means:

- A) A function doing too many things**
- B) A well-optimized function
- C) A short, concise function
- D) Properly documented code

24. Input validation helps prevent:

- A) Code optimization
- B) SQL Injection and XSS attacks**
- C) User engagement
- D) Database design

25. Static analysis tools are used for:

- A) Running the application
- B) Auto-scanning for vulnerabilities**
- C) User interface design
- D) Database management

Section 2: Development Methodologies (Questions 26-45)

26. Scrum has how many core roles?

- A) Two
- B) Three**
- C) Four
- D) Five

27. Who is responsible for maximizing product value in Scrum?

- A) Scrum Master
- B) Developer
- C) Product Owner**
- D) Tester

28. What does the Scrum Master focus on?

- A) Writing code
- B) Process facilitation**
- C) Business value
- D) Testing

29. A Sprint Backlog contains:

- A) All future work
- B) Plan for current sprint**
- C) Completed features
- D) Bug reports only

30. The Product Backlog is:

- A) Completed work
- B) List of all work items**
- C) Current sprint tasks only**
- D) Test cases

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31. What is an Increment in Scrum?

- A) Planning document
- B) Finished, potentially shippable work**
- C) Meeting agenda
- D) Bug list

32. Agile welcomes:

- A) Fixed requirements
- B) No documentation

C) Changing requirements

D) Late testing only

33. Waterfall is characterized by:

A) Iterative cycles

B) Sequential phases

C) Continuous deployment

D) Flexible requirements

34. DevOps unifies:

A) Development and Operations

B) Testing and Design

C) Planning and Documentation

D) Frontend and Backend

35. In DevOps, monitoring data feeds back to:

A) Deployment only

B) Planning phase

C) Testing only

D) Release management

36. Continuous Integration (CI) involves:

A) Manual deployments

B) Automated builds and testing

C) Annual releases

D) No version control

37. Continuous Deployment (CD) means:

A) Manual release approval

B) Automated deployment to production

C) Quarterly releases

D) Testing in isolation

38. The Spiral Model emphasizes:

A) Linear progression

~~B) Risk analysis~~

C) No planning

D) Single iteration

39. RAD (Rapid Application Development) focuses on:

A) Long planning phases

B) Quick prototyping and iteration

C) Extensive documentation

D) Waterfall approach

40. Kanban uses:

A) Fixed time sprints

B) Visual workflow boards

C) No work limits

D) Annual planning

41. Throwaway prototyping involves:

A) Building the final system first

B) Creating a mock version then discarding it

C) No user feedback

D) Skipping design phase

42. Scrum ceremonies do NOT include:

A) Sprint Planning

B) Daily Standup

C) Annual Review

D) Sprint Retrospective

43. Agile values working software over:

A) Customer collaboration

~~B) Comprehensive documentation~~

C) Responding to change

D) Individual interactions



44. The infinity loop in DevOps represents:

A) Linear process

B) Continuous cycle

C) One-time deployment

D) Documentation phase

45. In modern development, testing is:

A) Done at the end only

B) Integrated throughout lifecycle

C) Optional

D) Done before coding

Section 3: Testing and Quality (Questions 46-65)

46. Manual testing involves:

- A) Automated scripts
- B) Human testers playing user role**
- C) No interaction
- D) Only code review

47. Selenium is used for:

- A) Manual testing
- B) Automated web testing**
- C) Database design
- D) Project management

48. User Acceptance Testing (UAT) verifies:

- A) Code syntax
- B) System meets user needs**
- C) Database structure
- D) Network speed

49. Regression testing ensures:

- A) New features work only
- B) Fixes didn't break existing functionality**
- C) Performance improves
- D) Documentation is complete

50. Load testing checks:

- A) Code quality
- B) System behavior under heavy traffic**
- C) User interface design
- D) Database schema

51. Security testing looks for:

- A) Performance issues
- B) Vulnerabilities**
- C) User experience problems
- D) Design flaws

52. Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF) measures:

- A) Code quality
- B) System reliability**

- C) User satisfaction
- D) Development speed

53. Defect Removal Efficiency is a:

- A) Product metric
- B) Process metric**
- C) Design pattern
- D) Programming language

54. Cyclomatic Complexity measures:

- A) Team size
- B) Code maintainability**
- C) Project cost
- D) User satisfaction

55. Big O notation is used for:

- A) Project planning
- B) Algorithm efficiency analysis**
- C) Team management
- D) Documentation

56. SonarQube is a tool for:

- A) Project management
- B) Static code analysis**
- C) Database design
- D) User testing

57. Unit testing verifies:

- A) Entire system
- B) Individual functions/components**
- C) User interface only
- D) Network connectivity

58. Integration testing checks:

- A) Individual components
- B) Components working together**
- C) User acceptance
- D) Documentation quality

59. Stress testing determines:

- A) Normal operation

B) System breaking point

C) User preferences

D) Code style

60. Penetration testing is related to:

A) Performance

B) Security

C) Usability

D) Documentation

61. Code coverage measures:

A) Lines of documentation

B) Percentage of code tested

C) Team productivity

D) Project timeline

62. A test case should be:

A) Vague and general

B) Specific and repeatable

C) Undocumented

D) Impossible to automate

63. Smoke testing is:

A) Comprehensive testing

B) Basic functionality check

C) Security testing

D) Performance testing

64. Alpha testing is conducted by:

A) End users

B) Internal team

C) Third-party testers

D) Customers

65. Beta testing is conducted by:

A) Developers only

B) Internal QA team

C) External users/customers

D) Management

Section 4: Software Process and Management (Questions 66-85)

66. An SRS document is:

- A) Test plan
- B) Software Requirements Specification**
- C) System Release Schedule
- D) Source Code Repository

67. Good requirements should be:

- A) Ambiguous
- B) Unverifiable
- C) Unambiguous and verifiable**
- D) Incomplete

68. A Process Model provides:

- A) Final product
- B) Blueprint for how work should be done**
- C) User interface
- D) Database schema

69. Change Control Board (CCB) decides:

- A) Code syntax
- B) If maintenance requests are approved**
- C) Testing schedules
- D) Developer salaries

70. A Maintenance Request (MR) originates from:

- A) Developers
- B) Customers/Help Desk**
- C) Management only
- D) Automated systems

71. Legacy code refers to:

- A) New features
- B) Old code written previously**
- C) Documentation
- D) Test cases

72. The DRY principle means:

- A) Document Redundant Yearly
- B) Don't Repeat Yourself**

- C) Deploy Regularly Yet
- D) Debug Rigorously Yearly

73. A “God Object” is:

- A) Well-designed class
- B) Large class that knows too much
- C) Optimized code
- D) Test framework

74. Version control systems like Git help with:

- A) Code compilation
- B) Collaboration and code history
- C) User interface design
- D) Database queries

75. CI/CD stands for:

- A) Code Integration/Code Deployment
- B) Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment
- C) Central Information/Central Data
- D) Code Inspection/Code Documentation

76. A Pull Request is used for:

- A) Database queries
- B) Code review before merging
- C) User authentication
- D) Error handling

77. Release Cycle Time is a:

- A) Product metric
- B) Process metric
- C) Design pattern
- D) Testing method





78. GDPR relates to:

- A) Code quality
- B) Data privacy compliance
- C) Testing frameworks
- D) Design patterns

79. ACM/IEEE codes provide:

- A) Programming syntax

B) Ethical guidelines for engineers

C) Testing procedures

D) Design templates

80. Portability means software can:

A) Only run on one OS

B) Run on different environments/OS

C) Be easily deleted

D) Have large file size

81. Usability focuses on:

A) Code efficiency

B) Ease of use for users

C) Database design

D) Network speed

82. Efficiency in software means:

A) Using maximum resources

B) Using resources wisely

C) Slow performance

D) Large memory footprint

83. Story Points are used for:

A) Writing documentation

~~B) Relative sizing in Agile~~

C) Code compilation

D) Database indexing

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84. A realistic schedule is important for:

A) Project failure

B) Project success

C) Scope creep

D) Poor communication

85. Stakeholder involvement leads to:

A) Project delays

B) Increased success rate

C) Unclear requirements

D) Communication problems

Section 5: Technical Concepts (Questions 86-100)

86. A Process is:

- A) A thread within a program
- B) Independent program with own memory**
- C) A function call
- D) A variable

87. A Thread is:

- A) Independent program
- B) Lighter execution unit within a process**
- C) Database connection
- D) Network protocol

88. A Race Condition occurs when:

- A) Code runs too fast
- B) Two threads access shared data simultaneously**
- C) Network is slow
- D) Database is full

89. Deadlock happens when:

- A) Code executes successfully
- B) Threads wait on each other forever**
- C) System runs fast
- D) Memory is available

90. A Mutex provides:

- A) Unlimited access
- B) Mutual exclusion lock for resources**
- C) No synchronization
- D) Multiple simultaneous access

91. A Semaphore:

- A) Blocks all access
- B) Controls access with counter**
- C) Has no limit
- D) Is only for processes

92. SQL Injection is prevented by:

- A) Fast queries
- B) Input validation and sanitization**

C) Large databases

D) Multiple tables

93. XSS (Cross-Site Scripting) is a:

A) Performance issue

B) Security vulnerability

C) Design pattern

D) Testing method

94. Database indexing improves:

A) Security only

B) Query performance

C) Code readability

D) User interface

95. Refactoring means:

A) Adding new features

B) Cleaning up code without changing behavior

C) Removing functionality

D) Rewriting from scratch

96. Technical stakeholders include:

A) End users only

B) Admins and security leads

C) Customers only

D) Marketing team only

97. Productivity is measured in:

A) Meetings per day

B) LOC per person-month

C) Emails sent

D) Documentation pages

98. Labor rate is expressed as:

A) Cost per line of code

B) Cost per person-month

C) Cost per feature

D) Cost per bug

99. Total Effort is calculated by:

A) Team size × duration

B) Total LOC ÷ productivity

C) Cost ÷ team size

D) Duration × productivity

100. The feedback loop in software process ensures:

A) No changes needed

B) Problems found are fixed before release

C) Documentation is skipped

D) Testing is avoided
