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Bartender Magazine Bartender of the Year Competition
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Written Test

100 marks/69 questions

This exam will determine the Top 20 and contribute to your final mark

Please use **blue or black pen only**

You have until 1:30pm to complete this exam

It's designed to be challenging so don't fret if you find the questions tough

Answer every question for your best chance to make the Top 20!

**Section One: General Drinks & Bar Trivia
(10 marks/ 9 questions)**

1. December 5th marks the anniversary of which of the following:
(CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)
 - a) The Repeal of US Prohibition in 1933
 - b) The day that the cocktail was first defined in print in 1806
 - c) The day that the New South Wales or 'Rum' Corps disposed Governor William Bligh in the infamously named 'Rum Rebellion' in 1808
 - d) The day that Australia's only government owned brewery, in Parramatta, closed down

2. In which American city would you find these bars: French 75, Napoleon House, Carousel Bar and Sazerac Bar? (1 mark)

3. The hit HBO series Boardwalk Empire is set in which US city during Prohibition? (1 mark)

4. Name the US born Australian bartending legend who authored *Cocktails and Mixed Drinks* in 1972 and four other cocktail books selling more than 500,000 copies worldwide? (1 mark)

5. Who was number one on *Bartender* magazine's 2011 Most Influential List? (1 mark)

6. What are the two main by-products produced when yeast interacts with sugar during fermentation? (1 mark)

7. What Sydney bar, featured in January 2011's *Bartender* magazine, is named after the notorious 1920s, '30s and '40s gangster Matilda Devine? (1 mark)

8. Japan's most famous bartending export is arguably Mr Hidetsugu Ueno. What bar does he own and run in Tokyo and in what part of the city can it be found? (2 marks)

9. Which US comedian and singer is attributed with saying: "I distrust camels, and anyone else who can go a week without a drink." (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) Francis Albert 'Frank' Sinatra
- b) Dean Martin
- c) Joe E. Lewis
- d) Robin Williams
- e) W. C. Fields

Section Two: Classic Cocktails & Bartending Skills (20 marks/ 10 Questions)

10. New Orleans' Carousel Bar in the French Quarter is famous for being the home of the Vieux Carré cocktail. What does Vieux Carré mean in English? (1 mark)

11. Complete this sentence: The Mary Pickford is made of 3 parts white rum, to 2 parts pineapple juice with 3 dashes of _____ and 3 dashes of _____ (2 marks)

12. Which of the following are cocktails created by famous London barkeep Dick Bradsell? (CHOOSE TWO - 2 marks)

- a) Treacle
- b) The Pharmaceutical Stimulant
- c) Penicillin
- d) Breakfast Martini
- e) Nuclear Daiquiri

13. Name the traditional garnish for the following classic cocktails: (3 marks)

- a) Bobby Burns:
- b) Tommy's Margarita:
- c) New York Sour:

14. Fill the blanks in this series: 1 quart (US) = 2 pints = 4 cups = 8 gills = _____ ounces. (1 mark)

15. Name SIX uses for a beverage napkin behind the bar. (3 marks)

16. What ingredients can be found in The Last Word? (2 marks)

17. Who was the Zombie created by and in what decade? (2 marks)

18. Name three classic cocktails containing orgeat. (3 marks)

19. What category of mixed beverage (of which the Margarita is considered by some to have spawned from) is made from citrus juice, traditionally sweetened with orange cordial, a spirit and is topped by a little soda? (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) Fix
- b) Collins
- c) Daisy
- d) Fizz
- e) Crusta

**Section Three: Brandy & Pisco
(5 marks/ 5 questions)**

20. What is the minimum time an eau de vie must be aged to order to qualify as Cognac? (1 mark)

21. What is the connection between Cognac's petite and grande 'Champagne' regions and the wine from the region of the same name? (1 mark)

22. Armagnac's vines are often trained using a 'high cordon' system. Name one advantage of this system. (1 mark)

23. Which of the following describes the difference between Chilean and Peruvian pisco? (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) Chilean pisco is an artisanal product made in smaller batches than its Peruvian counterpart
- b) Peruvian pisco is always aged in wooden casks whilst Chilean Pisco is not
- c) Peruvian pisco is made from fresh grape must in pot stills whilst Chilean pisco is made from pomace in continuous stills
- d) Chilean pisco ranges from 38 – 46 percent abv whilst Peruvian Pisco can be anywhere between 30 -43 percent abv

24. TRUE or FALSE. Australia did not start producing brandy until after WWII. (1 mark)

**Section Four: Gin and Genever
(10 marks/ 5 questions)**

25. Explain the difference between distilled gin and compound gin? (2 marks)

26. Which district in London was Tanqueray founded in? (CHOOSE ONE – 1 mark)

- a) West End
- b) Covent Garden
- c) Bloomsbury
- d) Shoreditch
- e) Whitechapel

27. What fruit forms part of the Tanqueray crest that can be found on the cap of every bottle of Tanqueray No Ten? And what is its significance? (2 marks)

28. Name SIX different sub-categories of juniper flavoured spirits (3 marks)

29. Which organisation gained a valuable foothold in India in 1612? And what drink was fed to the organisation's troops to ward off malaria? (2 marks)

Section Five: Liqueurs, Vermouth and Bitters (5 marks/5 questions)

30. Who is credited with having invented a new fangled drink called *vermut* in 1786? (CHOOSE ONE – 1 mark)

- a) Adolphe Cointreau
- b) Antonio Benedetto Carpano
- c) Albrecht Dürer
- d) Niccolò di Bernardo dei Machiavelli
- e) Bertolt Brecht

31. What does the word 'vermouth' mean? (1 mark)

32. Which classic cocktail created by Hugo Ensslin and first published in 1916 contained the now defunct violet liqueur called Crème de Yvette? (1 mark)

33. Which one of the following ingredients, indigenous to The Americas, was instrumental in the birth of the 'bitters' category? (CHOOSE - 1 mark)

- a) Chinchona
- b) Gentian
- c) Chili
- d) Coffee
- e) Pimento

34. What popular RTD beverage was created in 1932 and is still popular today? (1 mark)

Section Six: Tequila & Mezcal (10 marks/ 6 questions)

35. TRUE or FLASE. The agave plant is more closely related to asparagus than to cactus. (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

36. Name TWO of the five states in which Tequila can be made. (2 marks)

37. In what town and region (Los Altos or lowlands) is the Don Julio Distillery located? (2 marks)

38. What would be one advantage, and one disadvantage of cooking agaves in an autoclave? (2 marks)

39. What is the name of the Jose Cuervo Distillery and near what Mexican city can it be found? (2 marks)

40. What is the average weight the prized tobala maguey (used in the production of mezcal) and how long does it take to reach maturity? (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) 45kg and 10 years
- b) 15kg and 12 years
- c) 35kg and 8 years
- d) 5kg and 15 years
- e) 10 and 14 years

**Section Seven: Rum
(10 marks/ 6 questions)**

41. At what percent alcohol by volume would one find a bottle of traditional 'navy proof rum' and why was it required to be so strong? (2 marks)

42. Which famous Caribbean rum producing island did the British navy capture in 1655? (1 mark)

43. What is meant by the 'triangular trade'? (3 marks)

44. Ernest Beaumont-Gnatt a fore father of Polynesian Pop culture is better known as: (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) Trader Vic
- b) Don Tiki
- c) Beach Bum Berry
- d) Donn Beach
- e) Sailor Jerry

45. Who was the ring leader of the 'Rum Rebellion in 1808 – Australia's only military coup? (1 mark)

46. What system of aging is used in Zacapa rum and how many *criadera* are used? (2 marks)

**Section Eight: Whisk(e)y
(10 marks/ 8 questions)**

47. Why is grain with a low protein content desirable when making whisk(e)y? (1 mark)

48. What is the Latin name for American white oak – the most common cultivar used in American and Scotch whisky maturation? (CHOOSE ONE – 1 mark)

- a) *Quercus robur*
- b) *Quercus alba*
- c) *Quercus petraea*
- d) *Quercus dentata*

49. In what year did John Walker establish his grocery store and where was it located? (2 marks)

50. What country was the first export market for Walker's Old Highland Whisky in the 1860s? (1 mark)

51. Which distillery is situated at the highest altitude in Scotland? (CHOOSE ONE – 1 mark)

- a) Talisker
- b) Glenfarclas
- c) Glen Ord
- d) Cragganmore
- e) Dalwhinnie

52. In what year did the US Congress pass an act declaring Bourbon Whiskey as “America’s National Spirit”? (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) 1884
- b) 1912
- c) 1938
- d) 1964
- e) 1976

53. Name four categories of US whiskey. (2 marks)

54. TRUE or FALSE. A whiskey made in Boston from at least 51% corn, aged in new charred American Oak for over two years and bottled at 40% abv can be labelled ‘Straight Bourbon’. (1 mark)

Section Nine: Vodka (5 marks/ 4 questions)

55. Who is the USA brand ambassador for Ciroc Vodka? (1 mark)

56. Which of the following vodkas use a pot still for at least part of the distillation process? (2 marks – CHOOSE TWO)

- a) Russian Standard
- b) Grey Goose
- c) Ketel One
- d) Belvedere
- e) Stolichnaya
- f) Ciroc

57. TRUE or FALSE. At the dawn of the 20th Century Smirnov Vodka [sic] was selling 3.5 million cases annually. (1 mark)

58. The term 'vodka' is derived from the Slavic *voda*. What does this literally translate to in English? (1 mark)

**Section Ten: Beer, Cider & Wine
(15 Marks/11 questions)**

59. Which of the following is the scientific name for top fermenting yeast used in the production of ales? (CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) *Brettanomyces claussenii*
- b) *Sacchromyces cerevisiae*
- c) Disaccharide cellobiose
- d) *Candida albicans*

60. TRUE or FALSE. 'Low-carb' beer contains considerably less kilojoules per serve than regular beer. (1 mark)

61. TRUE or FALSE. Beer is much more likely to contain preservatives than wine. (1 mark)

62. Name four different types of hops used in beer production? (2 marks)

63. What does IPA and ESB stand for? (2 marks)

64. Which of the following is NOT a style of apple used in cider production?
(CHOOSE ONE - 1 mark)

- a) Sweets
- b) Sharps
- c) Bittersweets
- d) Bitters
- e) Bittersharps

65. Which of the following are alternative white wine varietals that can now be found in Australian vineyards? (CHOOSE TWO – 2 marks)

- a) Fiano
- b) Lagrein
- c) Corvina
- d) Arneis
- e) Sagrantino

66. If your bar only stocks Australian wine and a customer asks for a glass of red Burgundy what varietal would you recommend to them? (1 mark)

67. A brick red hue is indicative of what in a glass of red wine? (1 mark)

68. TRUE or FALSE. Grapes grown at high altitude and in cool climates have earlier ripening tannins and more vibrant acid compared to those grown in warm climates at sea level. (1 mark)

69. In the production of champagne what does *sur lie* (on lees) mean and what character does this add to the finished wine? (2 marks)

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Stick around and buy yourself a drink. The bar is open downstairs if you wish to purchase refreshments and food. The Top 20 will be announced at approximately 2:30pm.