



ID NOW™ Strep A 2 Quiz Answer Key

	ANSWER KEY	EXPLANATION
1.	T	Strep A 2 can be stored at 2-30°C, but ensure all test components are at room temperature before use.
2.	T	The orange indicator should be observed closely. If the orange indicator does not fully rise, the Transfer Cartridge may not collect enough sample.
3.	T	Visually check the indicator to see that it has descended. If the orange indicator does not fully descend, not enough sample will be dispensed. This may potentially result in invalid or false negative results.
4.	F	Test components must not be separated once they are locked together. To do so may risk amplicon leakage.
5.	F	Do not mix components from different kit lots.
6.	T	The ID NOW™ Instrument is factory calibrated and does not require any further calibration and verification. However, if the instrument was transported or moved, a performance check using ID NOW™ positive and negative controls is recommended to ensure proper functionality.
7.	T	If any assay components are dropped, cracked, found to be damaged, or open when received they should not be used and should be discarded.
8.	T	The blue Sample Receiver will protect the used reaction tubes from accidental breakage.
9.	T	Additional controls may be tested in order to conform with local, state, and/or federal regulations, accrediting groups, or your lab's standard QC procedures.
10.	F	Clean exterior surfaces and surfaces visible under the open lid, as well as the surrounding bench area, using a lint free cloth dampened with 70% Ethanol, 70% Isopropanol, or 10% Bleach. 70% Ethanol or 70% Isopropanol wipes are acceptable for the ID NOW™. Do not spray or pour solution directly onto instrument when cleaning. Ensure no excess liquid is used when cleaning as it may damage the instrument.
11.	F	For optimal results, use the swabs provided in the test kit. Alternatively, foam, polyester, HydraFlock® and nylon flocked throat swabs can be used to collect throat swab samples. The BBL™ CultureSwab™ Liquid Amies transport media system has been tested and is also acceptable. Rayon swabs and the BBL™ CultureSwab™ Liquid Stuart transport media system are not suitable for use in this assay.
12.	F	Swab specimens should be tested as soon as possible after collection. If immediate testing is not possible, the throat swab can be held in its original package or a clean, dry plastic tube or sleeve at room temperature (approximately 22°C) or refrigerated at 2-8°C for up to seventy-two (72) hours prior to testing. The collection swab is to be tested following the step-by-step instructions shown on the instrument screen. If immediate testing is not possible, the transport media system can be held at room temperature (approximately 22°C) or refrigerated at 2-8°C for up to six (6) hours prior to testing.
13.	F	The following transport media is acceptable for use: BBL™ CultureSwab™ Liquid Amies transport media system. BBL™ CultureSwab™ Liquid Stuart transport media system is not suitable for use in this assay.
14.	F	Collect patient specimen by swabbing the posterior pharynx, tonsils and other inflamed areas. Avoid touching the tongue, cheeks and teeth with the swab.



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