Assessment for Ostomy Medication Administration via Gravity or Syringe

Name: ____________________________________________

Please circle the correct answer and take the completed test to the school nurse or school district administrator for scoring.

1. The most significant risk with giving medications via gastrostomy tube/button is possible aspiration into the lungs.
   a. True
   b. False

2. In what position should the student be placed during gastrostomy medication administration?
   a. Lying flat because it is most comfortable.
   b. Sitting upright at a 90 degree angle at all times.
   c. The student’s head should be elevated at least 30 degrees.
   d. The student can be in any position as long the stomach is no distended.

3. What is the best sequence of events when administering an ostomy medication?
   a. Check the first five rights, record on medication administration record, wash hands and apply gloves, tell student what you are going to do, administer the medication, remove gloves and wash hands.
   b. Check the first five rights, wash hands and apply gloves, pour the medication, tell student what you are going to do, recheck the first five rights, administer the medication, remove gloves and wash hands, record on medication administration record.
   c. Check the first five rights, pour medication, wash hands and apply gloves, recheck the first five rights, tell student what you are going to do, record on medication administration record, administer the medication, remove gloves and wash hands
   d. Tell the student what you are going to do, record on medication administration record, check the first five rights, pour medication, administer the medication, remove gloves and wash hands.

4. If abdominal distention or malposition of gastrostomy tube or button is noted you should:
   a. Push on the student’s abdomen to expel gas/flatus.
   b. Give medication as ordered but give slowly.
   c. Contact school nurse, parent, or prescribing healthcare provider and do not give medication.
   d. a & b.
5. Which of the following is **not** one of the first five rights or guidelines for medication administration?

a. Right equipment  
   b. Right drug  
   c. Right student  
   d. Right time

Number correct: _____ of 5 answers