

2003 Level 2 Answers

- 1) False. This is a catch. The runners may advance the instant the first fielder touches the ball. Rule 2.00 (catch)
- 2) False. The batter is not out since the third strike was not legally caught before touching the ground. He may attempt to reach first base. Rule 6.05(b).
- 3) True. This ball is considered "In Flight" even though it hit his person. The out stands. Rule 2.00(Catch, In Flight).
- 4) False. Since the catcher's throw did not retire the runner, umpire's interference is ruled and the runner must return. The ball is dead. Rule 5.09(b)
- 5) False. The batter-runner is obligated to be in the runner's lane when approaching the base even though he is in foul territory. He is out for interference. Rule 6.05(k), 7.09(k)
- 6) True. The batter has the right to try and hit the pitch. When he does it illegally, he is out and the runners return. Rule 6.06(a)
- 7) False. If two runners are touched by the same fair ball, only the first one is out since the ball becomes instantly dead after touching the first runner. Rule 7.08(f), 5.09(f)
- 8) True. Batter and the runner going into second base are out. Runner from third scores provided he crosses home plate before runner is tagged out at second as the out at second was no force out. Rule 2.00 (Force), 7.08(e), Reverse Double Play
- 9) False. Batter is out and ball is dead. Runner must return to first. Rule 6.06(c)
- 10) False. Runner on second is out and the runner who crosses the plate must return to third base. Rule 7.09(m), 5.09(f)
- 11) True. The runner is out. An appeal can be made regardless from where the information came. Rule 7.10(b)
- 12) True. 5.09(b)
- 13) True. Provided he made an effort to prevent from being hit. 5.09(a), 2.00 (Ball), 2.00 (Touch), 6.08(b)
- 14) False. The pitcher is only removed in professional baseball. In all amateur baseball the pitcher may move to another position. 8.06(b) Canadian Content.
- 15) True 6.06(c)
- 16) False. This a foul ball. Rule 2.00 (Foul Ball), 2.00 (Fair Ball)
- 17) False. The fielder must have control of the ball and his body. The release was not voluntary. Rule 2.00 (Catch)
- 18) False. Rule 2.00 (Fair Ball), 2.00 (Foul Ball)
- 19) True. Rule 4.09(a), 7.10(a)
- 20) True. Rule 8.05, 2.00 (Balk)
- 21) False. Rule 2.00 (Foul Tip)
- 22) False. Rule 2.00 (Pitch), 2.00 (Throw)
- 23) False. Umpire shall immediately call a ball. Rule 8.02(a)(1)

- 24) False. When the batter reaches first on a hit, an error, a base on balls, a hit batter, or otherwise, and all other runners advance at least one base, then the play proceeds without reference to the balk.
Rule 8.05 Penalty
- 25) True. With less than 2 out R3 would be called out. Rule 6.06(c) xref 7.08(g)
- 26) True. Rule 6.05(b), 2.00(Foul Tip)
- 27) True. Rule 8.05 (Penalty)
- 28) True. Rule 5.09(b), 6.08(b)
- 29) False. The ball is dead any time there is a runner on first base and/or any other base, except when an infield fly is declared. The purpose of the intentionally dropped ball rule is to prevent the defense from getting a double play. In the case of an infield fly, the runners are protected and it is only with bad base running would the defense get a double play. Rule 2.00(Infield Fly), 6.05(l)
- 30) True. Rule 6.05(m), 7.09(f)
- 31) True. The ball did not pass an infielder. The pitcher must touch the ball in order to be considered an infielder to keep the ball alive and in play. In this case, the ball goes through the pitcher's legs.
Rule 5.09(f), 6.09(c)
- 32) False. B8 missed his turn at bat and B9 was batting out of order. The first pitch to B1 legalized B9. Therefore, the defense missed their opportunity to appeal. Rule 6.07(b)
- 33) False. Rule 8.05(k), 8.05(i).
- 34) True. Rule 6.05(l)
- 35) True. Rule 4.09(a), 7.10(b), 7.12
- 36) True. Rule 3.06, Rule 2.00 (Bench)
- 37) True. Rule 3.16 (last example)
- 38) True. Rule 7.05(g)
- 39) True. Rule 5.10(e)
- 40) True. Rule 5.09(d)
- 41) False. Once a defensive player touches a ball, the ball remains alive and in play, even if it then hits a runner. Rule 5.09(f)
- 42) False. As soon as a ball stays in behind the catchers chest protector the umpire must call time and declare the ball dead. Runners are awarded one base. Rule 5.09(g)
- 43) True. Rule 6.09(f)
- 44) False. The ball must be alive. Rule 7.10 (last paragraph)
- 45) True. Rule 3.16
- 46) True. Rule 6.09(f)
- 47) True. Rule 6.08(c)
- 48) False. The batter is out because first base was occupied with less than two out. Rule 6.05(c)
- 49) True. Rule 8.01(d), 8.05(e)
- 50) True. 2.00(Infield Fly)