

2003 Level 3 Answers

- 1) False. No run scores. The runner crossed the plate on a play in which the batter-runner made the third out before he touched first base. Rule 4.09(a)
- 2) True. This is completely legal. The out "stands" and the runner advances at his own risk. Rule 2.00 (Catch) and 7.04(c).
- 3) False. All the fielders except the catcher must be stationed in fair territory. Rule 4.03
- 4) True. Rule 2.00(Strike) and 6.08(b).
- 5) False. If he or his clothing is touched while in a legal batting position, he is awarded first base. Rule 6.08(b) and 2.00 (Person, Touch).
- 6) True. It is a foul ball. Fair or foul is determined by the position of the ball, not the position of the fielder. Rule 2.00 (Fair Ball, Foul Ball, Fair Territory and Foul Territory)
- 7) False. The batter is not out since it was clearly not his intention to bunt the wild pitch. This is a foul ball. Rule 6.05(d) and 2.00 (Bunt).
- 8) True. Third base belongs to R3 until R3 has advanced to home base. Since R3 had not advanced to home base at the time of the interference R2 must return to second base. Rule 7.08(b)
- 9) True. The batter-runner is out. As long as the fielder has secure possession of the ball, he may tag the base with any part of the body. Rule 2.00(Tag)
- 10) True. Give the batter credit for his quick thinking. Since the receiver did not catch "strike three", the batter may advance in this situation. Rule 5.03, 6.09(b)
- 11) False. A pinch runner may be put into the game for the DH, however, a DH may not pinch run. You do not allow this move. Rule 6.10(b)
- 12) True. The extra runs did not affect the overall outcome of the game and so they count. Rule 4.11(d)
- 13) 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)
- 14) False. The runner is out as soon as he passes the preceding runner. The ball is alive and in play. 7.08(h)
- 15) True. 7.04(b) play
- 16) True 6.10
- 17) False 7.06(b)
- 18) True 6.06(c)
- 19) False. The ball is alive and in play. Rule 5.10(f), 7.04(c)
- 20) Pro - True, Little League - False. Little League specifies all fielders. Also, although never mentioned in the rule book, the catcher cannot appeal after he leaves his normal position. 7.10 notes.
- 21) False The pitcher has 20 seconds. This starts over every time batter leaves the box. Rule 8.04
- 22) False. The umpire does not call time and he must refer to the base umpire. 9.02(c) notes

- 23) True. 2.00 Fair Ball
- 24) False. All runners including the batter-runner are awarded 2 bases from the time of pitch on the 1st play by an infielder unless all runners have advanced at least one base. 7.05(g) (Approved Ruling)
- 25) True. 7.04(d), 6.08(c)
- 26) False. The batter runner did not reach first base. Rule 4.09(a)
- 27) True. Rule 6.08(d), 5.09(f),
- 28) False. Rule 2.00 (Catch), 2.00 (In Flight)
- 29) False. Rule 2.00 (Pitch), 2.00 (Throw)
- 30) True. He must be well removed from his bench or bullpen. He may not sit in the press box. Rule 4.07
- 31) True. Rule 8.03
- 32) False. A player who maliciously runs into another player is to be declared out (unless he/she has already scored prior to committing the infraction) and is to be automatically ejected (whether or not declared safe). Rule 6.05(Canadian Content)
- 33) True. Rule 6.07 (last sentence)
- 34) False. Time should be called as soon as the ball is caught by the first baseman. If the ball is not caught by the first baseman, the umpires should keep the ball alive so that the runner can advance beyond the awarded base. Rule 5.09(c), 8.05 Penalty.
- 35) False. It must be completed prior to the start of the first game of a of a single or double header. Rule 4.12(c)
- 36) True. Rule 9.04(b)(3), 9.04(a)(6)
- 37) False. The manager has the choice to place the players in either of the SS or DH position in the batting order. Rule 6.10, 3.03, Baseball Canada Rule Interpretation (Oct. 26, 2001)
- 38) True. Rule 6.05(b), 2.00(Foul Tip)
- 39) False. The ball is NOT dead. Rule 2.00 (Infield Fly), 6.05(l)
- 40) False. R2 is awarded 3rd base and the batter is awarded 1st base. Rule 5.09(g)
- 41) True. Rule 8.03
- 42) True. Rule 6.06(c) PBUC Manual 4.11
- 43) True. Rule 6.09(h), 7.05(a), 2.00(Fly Ball), 2.00(In Flight)
- 44) False. Rule 4.09 (first approved ruling), 7.12, 7.10(b)
- 45) False. The batter was avoiding a fielder trying to field a batted ball. Rule 6.05(k)
- 46) True. Rule 3.10(b)
- 47) True. 4.09(a), 4.09 (last approved ruling), 2.00 (Force Play - Example), 7.10(b)
- 48) False. Play must commence before it becomes an unannounced substitution. You see this all the time when a spare off the bench warms up the pitcher while the catcher is getting ready. There is a separate rule for the pitcher who is also a defensive player. Rule 3.08(a)
- 49) False. Any umpire can rule on the fitness of a ball. Rule 3.01(c), 5.10(e)
- 50) True. Rule 3.16 (last example)