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QUESTION NO: 1

You are reviewing items proposed for inclusion in a Project that supports policy summaries.

Which two items are appropriate to include in the Project? (Select two.)

Each correct answer presents part of the solution.

A. the summary format and the audience expectations the summaries must meet

B. the current policy library that the summaries are drawn from

C. presentation slides from a recent team training session on internal communication standards

D. active client case files maintained by a separate legal team for a different workstream

E. employee onboarding records used in a separate HR workflow managed by the same team

ANSWER: A B

Explanation:

Including *the summary format and the audience expectations the summaries must meet* is appropriate because Project instructions provide persistent guidance that Claude applies across chats in that Project. These instructions can establish the expected structure, level of detail, tone, terminology, and intended readership for each policy summary. Defining those standards once promotes consistent outputs without requiring users to repeat the same requirements in every request. Anthropic describes Projects as self-contained workspaces in which instructions help set the context and behavior for recurring work.

Including *the current policy library that the summaries are drawn from* is also appropriate because Project knowledge is intended for reference materials Claude needs to perform the Project's ongoing task. Providing the active, authoritative policy source enables summaries to be grounded in the actual policy language, scope, and updates rather than relying on general knowledge or a user's abbreviated prompt. The knowledge source should be kept current so that summaries reflect the current policy set. Together, persistent instructions define how summaries should be produced, while the policy library supplies the information from which they should be produced. See Anthropic's Projects overview and Project Knowledge documentation.

QUESTION NO: 2

A knowledge worker is iterating a prompt that has produced a partly acceptable response.

Which refinement practice produces the strongest learning across iterations?

A. Change one identifiable element per iteration, capture the change and its effect, and adjust another element only after the first is settled.

B. Restart from a fresh prompt each iteration so that prior wording does not bias the next attempt, and pick the strongest response at the end.

C. Make several related changes in one iteration when they target the same weakness, and revert the whole set if the combined change makes the output worse.

D. Address every weakness the response showed in a single revision, then compare the revised output against the prior version.

ANSWER: A

Explanation:

Change one identifiable element per iteration, capture the change and its effect, and adjust another element only after the first is settled. This approach creates a controlled feedback loop: the user can compare the new response with the prior response and credibly attribute an observed improvement or regression to the specific instruction, constraint, example, or

output-format requirement that changed. Recording the modification and outcome turns individual attempts into reusable knowledge, making later prompt refinements more deliberate and reproducible rather than dependent on guesswork.

This is especially useful when a response is already partly acceptable. The working parts of the prompt can remain stable while the user tests a focused hypothesis about the remaining issue, such as whether clearer success criteria, additional context, or a structured output format improves the result. Anthropic's prompt-engineering guidance emphasizes defining success criteria, testing prompts against representative inputs, and iterating based on the observed results. A disciplined, isolated-change process supports those practices by preserving a meaningful comparison baseline and allowing the prompt author to identify patterns over repeated evaluations. See Anthropic's prompt engineering overview and guidance on defining success criteria.

QUESTION NO: 3

You are a Claude associate assessing a proposed Claude use case before approving it for your team.

Which is the correct order of assessment steps?

(1) Compare the use case against the organization's policies and the relevant regulatory considerations.

(2) Document the assessment outcome and the rationale for traceability.

(3) Identify the audience, decision impact, and reversibility of the outputs.

(4) Decide whether the use case proceeds, requires modification, or is declined.

(5) Identify the data types involved and whether sensitive data is implicated.

A. 3,1,5,4,2

B. 3,5,1,4,2

C. 1,3,5,4,2

D. 5,3,1,4,2

ANSWER: B

Explanation:

The correct assessment sequence is **3,5,1,4,2**. A responsible review starts by understanding the intended audience for Claude's output, the degree to which a decision may affect people or the organization, and whether consequences can be reversed. These factors establish the use case's potential impact and help determine the level of oversight, testing, and safeguards needed. The reviewer next identifies the data that will be submitted to or produced by the system, with particular attention to personal, confidential, regulated, or otherwise sensitive information. With the operational context and information exposure established, the proposed use can be evaluated against applicable internal policies and relevant legal or regulatory obligations. The team can then make a documented governance decision: approve the use case, require changes or controls before proceeding, or decline it. Finally, recording the result and rationale provides traceability, supports accountability, and enables later review of the decision. This workflow aligns with Anthropic's emphasis on human responsibility for deciding when and how AI is used, as well as careful handling of sensitive information. See Anthropic's AI Fluency resources and its Acceptable Use Policy.

QUESTION NO: 4

Before sharing a Claude-generated brief, an analyst is applying the AI Fluency Framework Discernment competency to evaluate it.

Which review best reflects Discernment principles?

A. Accept the brief on the basis that it reads fluently and the subject matter aligns with the analyst's professional knowledge of the topic.

B. Skip the source material check during review and rely on overall tone and logical flow as proxies for factual accuracy.

C. Review the opening paragraph and the conclusion of the brief, since these sections typically reflect the quality of the full document.

D. Conduct a systematic check of the brief against the task requirements, source material, and professional standards before sharing it.

ANSWER: D

Explanation:

Conduct a systematic check of the brief against the task requirements, source material, and professional standards before sharing it. This is the strongest expression of Discernment because it treats a Claude response as a draft that requires accountable human evaluation before it is used or distributed. The review should first confirm completeness: whether the brief fulfills the requested scope, audience, format, and all required deliverables. It should then validate factual claims, figures, quotations, and conclusions against the underlying authoritative sources, particularly where errors could affect decisions. Finally, applying relevant professional standards ensures that the output is appropriate for the domain, including requirements for accuracy, confidentiality, compliance, attribution, and the intended organizational context. Anthropic's guidance emphasizes that users remain responsible for reviewing model outputs and should not rely on them without appropriate human judgment, especially in consequential work. A structured verification process makes that judgment concrete and repeatable while preserving the analyst's responsibility for the final brief. See Anthropic's prompt engineering overview and Responsible AI resources.

QUESTION NO: 5

You are optimizing a recurring Claude workflow and must complete the diagnostic steps before changing the workflow.

Which two diagnostic steps must be completed BEFORE changing the recurring workflow? (Select two.)

Each correct answer presents part of the solution.

A. Notify executive leadership of the projected savings from the optimization.

B. Identify the steps that contribute most to time, cost, or quality issues.

C. Deploy the updated workflow across the team and monitor for adoption issues.

D. Measure the current workflow's quality, time, and cost across recent runs.

E. Document the revised workflow steps and update the team's standard operating procedures.

ANSWER: B D

Explanation:

Measure the current workflow's quality, time, and cost across recent runs. is required first because optimization needs a reliable baseline. For a recurring Claude workflow, that baseline should be based on representative historical tasks and should capture the outcomes that matter to the workflow: output quality or task-success rate, latency, token or model cost, and the amount of human correction required. These measurements establish whether a later prompt or workflow revision actually improves performance rather than merely changing it.

Identify the steps that contribute most to time, cost, or quality issues. is also a prerequisite because a workflow can contain multiple prompts, retrieval steps, tool calls, review stages, and handoffs. Examining results at the step level identifies where failures, delays, unnecessary tokens, or inconsistent outputs originate. That diagnosis lets the team target the relevant instruction, context, model call, or process step and evaluate the resulting change against the baseline. Anthropic recommends defining measurable success criteria and using representative evaluations to assess prompt and system performance, then iterating based on observed failures. See Anthropic's guidance for developing evaluations and prompt-engineering overview.

QUESTION NO: 6

A programme coordinator is using Claude to create a status update from meeting notes, a project plan, and a risk register. The coordinator needs a concise update for sponsors that identifies decisions made, current risks, and items requiring sponsor input.

Which prompt structure is most likely to produce a usable update?

A. Combine the three materials into one unlabelled block and ask Claude to summarize the project for sponsors.

B. Provide only the meeting notes, since decisions made during meetings are the most current source of project status.

C. Separate the materials into clearly labelled sections and specify the required output headings, including decisions made, current risks, and sponsor decisions needed.

D. Ask Claude to write a concise executive update and select the headings it considers most relevant from the supplied materials.

ANSWER: C

Explanation:

Separate the materials into clearly labelled sections and specify the required output headings, including decisions made, current risks, and sponsor decisions needed. The task depends on Claude distinguishing different types of evidence: meeting notes may record decisions, the project plan may establish milestones, and the risk register may contain current mitigations and owners. Clear labels reduce ambiguity about each source's role, while explicit output headings ensure the update is organized for the sponsor audience.

Providing the materials without labels requires Claude to infer source boundaries and content priorities. Requesting a general summary is too broad for a status update with defined decision needs. Asking Claude to select its own headings may produce a coherent document but does not ensure that the required sponsor actions are visible.

QUESTION NO: 7

You are a business analyst deciding which output-formatting and context-window practices to recommend to teammates.

Which two practices represent effective use of the context window? (Select two.)

Each correct answer presents part of the solution.

A. Reuse the same context block across multiple requests to avoid rebuilding it each time.

B. Paste full email threads related to the project into the context so the model has the complete conversational history.

C. Concatenate all source documents end-to-end with no separators between them.

D. Trim irrelevant material before submitting the request to keep the context focused.

E. Use clear section headers to separate different parts of the input material.

ANSWER: D E

Explanation:

“Trim irrelevant material before submitting the request to keep the context focused” is an effective context-window practice because a prompt should contain the information needed to produce the requested result, rather than unrelated background, stale material, or distracting details. Curating inputs helps Claude prioritize the relevant evidence and instructions, while using the available context capacity efficiently. This is especially important for long documents and multi-source analyses, where unnecessary material can make the task and supporting facts less clear.

“Use clear section headers to separate different parts of the input material” is also effective because explicit structure helps Claude identify the roles of instructions, reference documents, examples, data, and the final task. Anthropic recommends using XML tags to organize prompts with multiple components and documents. Meaningful, descriptive labels establish clear boundaries and make it easier for the model to interpret source content in the intended context. For large-context workflows, Anthropic likewise recommends structuring documents clearly and placing the query after the relevant material. Together,

focused curation and unambiguous organization improve long-context reliability and the quality of generated outputs. See Anthropic's Use XML tags guide and long-context prompting tips.

QUESTION NO: 8

You are using Claude to redesign an employee onboarding workflow and must complete the high-level decomposition steps before specifying detailed artifacts.

Which two decomposition steps must be completed BEFORE specifying exact email content and the schedule? (Select two.)

Each correct answer presents part of the solution.

A. Pilot the onboarding workflow with a small cohort of new hires.

B. Identify the major phases of the onboarding experience.

C. Negotiate the onboarding budget with the finance department.

D. Define the overall objective of the onboarding experience.

E. Roll out the onboarding workflow to every new hire across the company.

ANSWER: B D

Explanation:

"Define the overall objective of the onboarding experience." is a necessary first decomposition step because it establishes the intended outcome of the workflow. A clear objective frames subsequent decisions, such as what successful onboarding should accomplish for new hires and the organization. It gives the work a consistent purpose before the request is divided into operational deliverables.

"Identify the major phases of the onboarding experience." is also required before producing exact email copy or a sending schedule. Decomposition moves from a broad goal into logical, manageable components. For onboarding, those components can include stages such as preboarding, first day, first week, and early-tenure follow-up. Once those phases are defined, each phase can be assigned appropriate communications, owners, timing, and supporting materials. This produces a coherent workflow rather than a collection of isolated messages.

Anthropic's prompting guidance recommends structuring complex work clearly and breaking tasks into well-defined components, so Claude has the context and organization needed to generate useful detailed outputs. The Anthropic prompt engineering overview and its guidance on chain-of-thought prompting support using structured intermediate steps before requesting a detailed final artifact.

QUESTION NO: 9

An HR team member is reviewing a Claude-drafted set of interview questions intended for use across all candidates for a single role. The questions will be asked in the same order to every candidate.

Which review practice best supports fairness?

A. Review the questions to ensure they apply equally to all candidates, avoid assumptions about candidate backgrounds, and focus on the role's actual requirements.

B. Review the questions for length and tone, since the questions Claude drafts are well-aligned to role requirements by default and need only stylistic adjustment.

C. Review the questions and add follow-up questions tailored to each candidate's resume so each interview can explore the candidate's specific experience.

D. Review the questions and rotate the order across candidates so no candidate is consistently asked the hardest questions first.

ANSWER: A

Explanation:

Review the questions to ensure they apply equally to all candidates, avoid assumptions about candidate backgrounds, and focus on the role's actual requirements. This practice supports a structured, job-related interview process: every candidate is assessed using questions tied to the same legitimate competencies, skills, and responsibilities for the position. Reviewing AI-generated content is important because model output should not be treated as automatically neutral or appropriate for a high-impact employment decision. The reviewer should check that wording does not rely on stereotypes, cultural assumptions, or personal-background factors unrelated to the role, and that each question provides candidates an equitable opportunity to demonstrate relevant qualifications. Keeping the same approved questions and sequence for all candidates also improves consistency in the evidence collected and makes comparisons more defensible. Anthropic's usage guidance identifies employment-related decisions as high-impact domains requiring meaningful human oversight rather than unreviewed automated output. Human review should therefore ensure that Claude is used to assist preparation while people retain responsibility for evaluating fairness, job relevance, and the final hiring decision. See Anthropic's Acceptable Use Policy and the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's guidance on employment tests and selection procedures.

QUESTION NO: 10

A Claude associate is identifying the bottleneck in a content workflow that takes too long to publish. The workflow has five steps: research, drafting, internal review, legal review, and publication. There is cycle-time data for each step from the past month.

Which signal most directly identifies the bottleneck?

A. The step with the longest queue or the largest backlog of items waiting to enter it

B. The step where individual contributors report the highest workload in their weekly status updates

C. The step with the highest average cycle time per item across the past month's runs

D. The step most recently added to the workflow, based on the assumption that process changes introduce the most friction

ANSWER: A

Explanation:

The step with the longest queue or the largest backlog of items waiting to enter it most directly identifies the bottleneck because a bottleneck is the stage whose effective capacity cannot keep up with the rate at which work arrives. When that condition persists over a representative time period, work accumulates immediately before the constrained stage, limiting throughput for the entire workflow. Cycle-time data can help investigate the cause and quantify the impact of the constraint, but queue or backlog growth provides the clearest operational signal that a specific step is restricting flow. The associate should examine backlog trends over the month, rather than an isolated snapshot, and then use the finding to form a measurable improvement hypothesis, such as reducing review turnaround time or increasing capacity at the constrained stage. After making a targeted change, they should compare workflow throughput, queue size, and end-to-end publishing time against the established baseline. This evidence-driven approach aligns with Anthropic's guidance to define clear, measurable success criteria and use evaluations to assess whether an intervention improves outcomes. See Anthropic: Define success and Anthropic: Define evaluation criteria.

QUESTION NO: 11

You are an HR specialist reviewing data items proposed for inclusion in a Claude prompt.

Which two data items are appropriate to include in a Claude prompt for a routine task? (Select two.)

Each correct answer presents a complete solution.

A. A redacted job description that the model will adapt for a posting.

B. An anonymized summary of an HR policy that the model will rephrase.

C. Accommodation request notes from an employee's HR file needed to draft a role-adjustment memo.

D. A compensation-band summary that includes employee names and current salary figures for a specific team.

E. Employee identification numbers and hire dates for the team roster included to help Claude personalize onboarding communications.

ANSWER: A B

Explanation:

A redacted job description that the model will adapt for a posting is appropriate because it supplies the substantive role requirements, responsibilities, and qualifications needed for a routine drafting task while removing unnecessary identifying details. This follows data-minimization practice: provide Claude only the information required to produce the requested output. The resulting draft can still be reviewed and approved through the organization's normal HR and recruiting processes.

An anonymized summary of an HR policy that the model will rephrase is likewise appropriate. Rephrasing requires the policy's rules, intent, and audience, rather than details that identify an employee or expose an individual personnel record. Anonymization preserves the useful policy content while reducing privacy risk and making the prompt proportionate to the task. Before using any AI service, organizations should apply their own data-classification policies, authorization requirements, retention rules, and applicable privacy obligations. Anthropic describes its privacy practices at Anthropic Privacy Policy and provides security and compliance information through its Trust Center. Redaction and anonymization are practical safeguards that help teams gain value from Claude without including personal data that is not needed for routine content generation.