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#### 1 Knowledge of families

- 1. Recognize types and functions of family and household units.
- 2. Identify cultural influences on family life.
- 3. Identify stages and characteristics of the family life cycle, including changes in roles and responsibilities during each stage of the cycle.
- 4. Differentiate the strengths and weaknesses of diverse family structures.
- 5. Analyze factors that influence the quality of family relationships.
- 6. Identify effective communication skills.
- 7. Recognize the needs of and care requirements for elderly family members.

#### 2 Knowledge of personality development

- 1. Identify hereditary and environmental factors that affect individual growth and development.
- 2. Recognize theories of personality development.
- 3. Identify the components of self-esteem and self-concept and strategies for building self-esteem.
- 4. Analyze factors that contribute to a person's understanding of his or her sexuality.
- 5. Recognize the influence of gender and its effect on personality development.

#### 3 Knowledge of decision making and problem solving

- 1. Apply the decision-making process.
- 2. Analyze the relationship between values, goals, and decision making.
- 3. Identify joint decision-making skills as applied to families and groups.
- 4. Identify the steps in conflict resolution.

## 4 Knowledge of marriage

- 1. Identify principles and factors, including marriage laws and customs, involved in preparation for marriage.
- 2. Assess the effects of multiple roles on marital relationships.
- 3. Determine factors affecting marital relationships.
- 4. Analyze consequences of divorce and remarriage.

# 5 Knowledge of preparation for parenthood

- 1. Identify factors that determine readiness for parenthood.
- 2. Analyze economic, physical, genetic, and psychological consequences of deciding whether or not to become parents.
- 3. Identify the process of conception, including functions of the male and female reproductive systems.
- 4. Evaluate economic, social, and cultural factors as related to family planning.
- 5. Identify procedures, cost, effectiveness, and side effects of various methods of birth control.
- 6. Identify alternatives for dealing with infertility.

#### 6 Knowledge of prenatal care, fetal development, and childbirth

- 1. Identify terms related to pregnancy.
- 2. Identify factors affecting the development of the fetus.
- 3. Identify elements of a plan for adequate prenatal care that includes the physical and nutritional needs of the expectant mother.
- 4. Identify possible complications of pregnancy, including those associated with adolescents and women over age 40.
- 5. Identify stages of labor and methods of childbirth.
- 6. Recognize the characteristics of a healthy newborn baby.
- 7. Identify the aspects of postnatal care for both mother and child.
- 8. Relate common birth defects to their causes.

# 7 Knowledge of social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development

- 1. Identify the stages and characteristics of the physical development and motor control of infants.
- 2. Identify the stages and characteristics of brain development in infants.
- 3. Identify the stages and characteristics of social and emotional development of infants.
- 4. Identify the physical development and motor control of toddlers, including activities appropriate for their developmental levels.
- 5. Identify the stages and characteristics of cognitive development of toddlers and activities for promoting intellectual development.
- 6. Identify the stages and characteristics of social and emotional development of toddlers and methods of promoting social and emotional development.
- 7. Analyze techniques for specific aspects of toddler care, such as feeding, toileting, disciplining, and safety.
- 8. Identify the stages and characteristics of the physical development and motor control of preschoolers and activities appropriate to their developmental levels.
- 9. Identify the stages and characteristics of cognitive development of preschoolers and activities for promoting intellectual development.
- 10. Identify the stages and characteristics of social and emotional development of preschoolers and methods of promoting social and emotional development.
- 11. Analyze techniques for specific aspects of preschooler care, such as guidance and safety.
- 12. Identify the stages and characteristics of the physical development and motor control of school-aged children and activities appropriate to their developmental levels.
- 13. Identify stages and characteristics of cognitive development of school-aged children and activities for promoting intellectual development.
- 14. Identify the stages and characteristics of the social and emotional development of schoolaged children.
- 15. Assess techniques for the care, guidance, and safety of school-aged children.
- 16. Recognize the stages and characteristics of the physical, emotional, social, and intellectual development of adolescents.
- 17. Assess the interpersonal relationships of adolescents, including dating, friendships, and family.

#### **8** Knowledge of parenting

- 1. Identify various parenting styles and their effects on the growth and development of the child.
- 2. Differentiate the roles and responsibilities of one- and two-parent families.
- 3. Identify characteristics of a quality childcare facility.
- 4. Identify communication patterns that affect parent-child relationships.
- 5. Analyze techniques promoting social competence in children.
- 6. Identify appropriate methods of recognizing and working with children who have special needs.

# 9 Knowledge of stress and crises

- 1. Identify types of family crises brought about by events such as birth, aging, long-term illness, and death.
- 2. Interpret consequences of various crises.
- 3. Recognize coping skills in dealing with crises.
- 4. Identify causes and consequences of substance abuse.
- 5. Recognize types and causes of family violence.
- 6. Identify signs of suicidal behavior and preventative techniques.
- 7. Identify support systems and agencies for crisis assistance.
- 8. Apply stress management techniques.

#### 10 Knowledge of clothing selection

- 1. Identify cultural, social, and economic factors that influence the selection of clothing.
- 2. Apply the principles of design to garment and textile selection.
- 3. Analyze the psychological effects of color, design, and other factors on the selection of clothing and accessories.

#### 11 Knowledge of clothing, textiles, and technology

- 1. Evaluate properties and characteristics of textiles in relation to use and care.
- 2. Identify the effects of different types of fibers, yarns, construction, and finishes on fabrics.
- 3. Interpret labels on clothing and textile products.
- 4. Identify federal laws regarding clothing and textile products.
- 5. Identify guidelines for the selection, use, and care of sewing equipment.
- 6. Identify factors to consider when selecting patterns and fabrics.
- 7. Analyze techniques of pattern alteration, fabric preparation, layout, cutting, marking, construction, and pressing compatible with fabric and garment design.
- 8. Assess methods for care, repair, and storage of garments.
- 9. Evaluate garments according to standards of construction.

### 12 Knowledge of the American economic system

- 1. Analyze the American economic system as it relates to the consumer.
- 2. Identify factors that influence pricing, including the costs of production, distribution, and selling of goods and services.
- 3. Identify the purposes and sources of taxation.

#### 13 Knowledge of money and resource management

- 1. Identify the elements of budgeting, including factors in estimating income and expenses.
- 2. Identify sources and procedures for establishing, using, and protecting credit.
- 3. Compare services provided by financial institutions.
- 4. Identify types of insurance coverage, benefits, and retirement programs.
- 5. Identify resource management principles, techniques, and processes appropriate to various stages of the life cycle.
- 6. Analyze the use of computers in money and resource management.

#### 14 Knowledge of consumerism

- 1. Compare consumer purchasing practices for stores, catalogs, multimedia, and the Internet.
- 2. Evaluate products according to quality standards.
- 3. Identify sources of consumer information.
- 4. Identify guidelines for consumer shopping.
- 5. Identify consumer rights and responsibilities, including ecological practices.
- 6. Identify laws, issues, and regulations protecting the consumer.
- 7. Identify issues resulting from increased technology.

#### 15 Knowledge of factors affecting housing selection

- 1. Analyze trends in housing affected by needs and desires of the population.
- 2. Identify government regulations that influence housing.
- 3. Identify characteristics of various types of housing.
- 4. Analyze factors affecting housing selections.
- 5. Define basic terms of standard lease and mortgage sales contracts.
- 6. Compare renting and buying.
- 7. Analyze the cost of providing for housing needs.

# 16 Knowledge of home design features

- 1. Evaluate home construction features in terms of traffic patterns, room arrangements, storage facilities, kitchen work areas, and the impact of the family life cycle.
- 2. Analyze home energy usage and methods for conserving energy.
- 3. Evaluate home construction features in terms of maintenance, repair, aesthetics and family needs.
- 4. Analyze interior spaces using the basic elements and principles of design.
- 5. Identify factors in the selection of appropriate wall, window, and floor treatments.

- 6. Evaluate room arrangements for efficient and effective use of furniture, architectural features, traffic paths, and focal points.
- 7. Select furniture styles according to design, scale, proportion, and family needs.
- 8. Evaluate home furnishings according to materials, workmanship, care, and family needs.
- 9. Identify the use of emerging technology in home design.

#### 17 Knowledge of nutrition and wellness

- 1. Analyze the relationship of diet, exercise, and wellness.
- 2. Analyze nutritional information based on the *Food Guide Pyramid* and the *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*.
- 3. Identify the nutrients, their primary functions, and major food sources.
- 4. Compare effects of age, gender, physical activity, and stress on nutritional needs.
- 5. Select appropriate diets for infants, young children, the middle-aged, the elderly, pregnant women, athletes, and individuals with special health problems.
- 6. Identify eating disorders and their effects on mental and physical health.
- 7. Identify nutritional deficiencies and excesses and symptoms of each.
- 8. Analyze the effect of addictive behaviors (e.g., smoking, alcohol, drugs) on diet and wellness.

#### 18 Knowledge of meal planning and service

- 1. Analyze influences of life cycle, multicultural, socioeconomic, and geographic factors on food choices.
- 2. Identify factors contributing to aesthetically pleasing meals.
- 3. Apply the principles of the *Food Guide Pyramid* and the *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* to meal planning.
- 4. Analyze budget and management factors to consider in planning the purchase and preparation of food.
- 5. Determine appropriate table settings and table services.
- 6. Identify appropriate mealtime etiquette.

#### 19 Knowledge of principles of food selection, safety, and storage

- 1. Evaluate food items using the food labeling system.
- 2. Interpret information conveyed in unit pricing and dating of products.
- 3. Identify government grades and policies as set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and other recognized agencies.
- 4. Identify safety and sanitation procedures in the production, processing, handling, and storage of food.
- 5. Identify safety and sanitation procedures in the use of food preparation utensils and equipment.
- 6. Identify various food-borne illnesses and their causes.
- 7. Evaluate food quality in terms of product standards.
- 8. Identify technology used to preserve, alter, or enhance food products.
- 9. Analyze the effects of physical processes (such as heating, cooling, dehydrating, and crystallizing) and storage on food quality.
- 10. Identify the purposes, functions, and physiological effects of food additives.

#### 20 Knowledge of food preparation

- 1. Identify principles to consider in selection, use, and care of kitchen utensils and equipment in the home and workplace.
- 2. Recognize principles of organization and management in the arrangement and use of kitchen facilities and equipment.
- 3. Relate the physical and chemical composition of food to food preparation techniques.
- 4. Analyze variations in quality of finished food products.
- 5. Identify terms, techniques, and preparation tasks for food preparation.
- 6. Identify the use of emerging technology in food preparation.
- 7. Identify food preparation techniques for each group in the *Food Guide Pyramid*.

# 21 Knowledge of the profession

- 1. Identify the integrative nature of the Home Economics field and how the areas of specialization fit together.
- 2. Identify career opportunities and determine effective job search strategies, such as writing résumés, writing cover letters, and interviewing.
- 3. Identify exploratory, practical arts, and job-preparatory courses/programs.
- 4. Demonstrate knowledge of national vocational legislation that has affected the development of Home Economics.
- 5. Recognize the significance of ethics, public policy, and cultural and global diversity for the Home Economics professional.
- 6. Identify student organizations and strategies for including their activities in the curriculum.
- 7. Identify professional organizations, journals, and publications for Home Economics.