

# Written Quiz

SHOVELS; ROUND POINT,  
SQUARE POINT AND SCOOP

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## POINTS

1. Name three (3) types of shovel found in the fire service? 10
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Which of the following is not a part of the shovel? 10
- a. Cutting edge    b. Metal blade    c. Steel handle
- d. Metal shank
3. Name three (3) basic uses of a shovel in the fire service. 10
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why is it important not to paint tool handles? 10
- a. Waste paint
- b. Unable to see in cracks in the handle
- c. Painting the handles is used for identification
- d. Preserves the handles
5. When working with shovels proper distance from other firefighter is 10  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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6. Proper carrying procedures for a round point shovel on a fireline is: 10
- a. Uphill side
  - b. Downhill side
  - c. On your shoulder
7. Scoop shovels are used mainly on wildland fires to cover a larger area due to the width of the blade. 10
- True                      False
8. What two (2) items should you periodically check when using a shovel? 10
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
9. List three (3) maintenance tasks you would perform to maintain a shovel. 10
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Sharpening a tool is an important step in the maintenance procedure. 10
- True                      False

**POINTS POSSIBLE:** 100

**POINTS DEDUCTED:**

**FINAL SCORE:**

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  - b. **SQUARE POINT**
  - c. **SCOOP**
2. Which of the following is not a part of the shovel? 10
- a. Cutting edge
  - b. Metal blade
  - C. STEEL HANDLE**
  - d. Metal shank
3. Name three (3) basic uses of a shovel in the fire service. 10
- a. **DIGGING**
  - b. **SCRAPING**
  - c. **THROWING DIRT**
- CHOPPING, OVERHAUL, SALVAGE, DEBRIS REMOVAL**
4. Why is it important not to paint tool handles? 10
- a. Waste paint
  - b. UNABLE TO SEE CRACKS IN THE HANDLE**
  - c. Painting the handles is used for identification
  - d. Preserves the handles
5. When working with shovels proper distance from other firefighter is 10
- 10 FEET OR MORE.**
6. Proper carrying procedures for a round point shovel on a fireline is: 10
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  - b. DOWNHILL SIDE**
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| True <b>FALSE</b>  |                      |
| 8. What two (2) items should you periodically check when using a shovel?                                 | <u>10</u>            |
| a. <b>HANDLE</b>   |                      |
| b. <b>HEAD</b>   |                      |
| 9. List three (3) maintenance tasks you would perform to maintain a shovel.                              | <u>10</u>            |
| a. <b>SAND HANDLES</b>   |                      |
| b. <b>SHARPEN BLADE</b>  |                      |
| c. <b>INSPECT PERIODICALLY</b>   |                      |
| 10. Sharpening a tool is an important step in the maintenance procedure.                                 | <u>10</u>            |
| <b>TRUE</b> False  |                      |

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