



Industrial Drilling Products Workshop - Water Well Applications

COURSE REVIEW

The following is designed to reinforce the subject matter presented to you in this course.

1. Samples for sand content should be taken:
_____ a. from the tank
_____ b. at the pump suction
_____ c. from the flow line
_____ d. b & c

2. The correct order of addition for mixing drilling fluid additives is:
_____ a. bentonite, surfactants, polymers
_____ b. soda ash, polymers, bentonite, surfactants
_____ c. surfactants, bentonite, soda ash, polymers
_____ d. soda ash, bentonite, polymers, surfactants

3. The primary function of EZ-MUD[®] GOLD is:
_____ a. shale & clay stabilization
_____ b. thinner/dispersant
_____ c. filtration control
_____ d. viscosifier

4. Increase in drilled solids causes:
_____ a. smoother looking mud
_____ b. faster drilling rate
_____ c. thicker filter cake
_____ d. extended equipment life

5. The primary function of QUIK-TROL[®] GOLD LV is:
_____ a. thinner/dispersant
_____ b. viscosifier
_____ c. filtration control
_____ d. shale/clay stabilizer

6. The density of fresh water is:
_____ a. 6.7 lb/gal
_____ b. 8.34 lb/gal
_____ c. 8.0 lb/gal

7. When testing drilling fluids, the Marsh Funnel is used to:
_____ a. determine the filtration rate
_____ b. determine solids content
_____ c. determine viscosity
_____ d. determine gel strengths

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8. The Marsh Funnel viscosity of fresh water is:
_____ a. 24 sec/qt
_____ b. 26 sec/qt
_____ c. 32 sec/qt
9. The desired pH of drilling muds is normally:
_____ a. acidic
_____ b. slightly alkaline, 8.5 – 9.5
_____ c. neutral
_____ d. about the same as Coca-Cola®
10. The mud balance is used to:
_____ a. determine the carrying capacity of a drilling fluid
_____ b. measure the mud density
_____ c. determine thick or thin fluids
_____ d. hammer small nails
11. Hard make-up water can be treated to increase the yield (viscosity building property) of clay by:
_____ a. pre-treating the water with soda ash
_____ b. pre-treating the water with lime
_____ c. pre-treating the water with salt
_____ d. pre-treating the water with vinegar
12. Key factor(s) in the control of drilling fluid properties for water well applications during the drilling phase and the efficiency of the completion phase is the:
_____ a. thinner used in the mud
_____ b. degree and consistency of filtration control during the drilling phase
_____ c. non-reactive solids content in the mud
_____ d. b & c
13. QUIK-GEL® is added to drilling fluids to:
_____ a. increase viscosity and establish a thin, low permeable filtercake
_____ b. reduce filtration rate and increase the carrying capacity of the fluid
_____ c. control seepage/loss of circulation to formation
_____ d. all of the above
14. When placing an annular seal in the vadose zone (unsaturated section of the geology) the bentonite sealing material that is best suited for this environment is:
_____ a. inhibited pumpable grouts
_____ b. dispersed pumpable grouts
_____ c. pumpable grouts with a solids content of 30% by weight
_____ d. HOLEPLUG® bentonite chips

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15. High water loss/filtration rate from a drilling fluid:
- _____ a. is of no major importance
 _____ b. can result in more difficult well completion and extended development time
 _____ c. results in a thick filtercake developed on exposed permeable formations
 _____ d. b & c
16. Under ideal conditions, drilling rate will be greater with:
- _____ a. high mud weight
 _____ b. low mud weight
 _____ c. medium mud weight
17. Contamination of a bentonite based drilling fluid with gypsum (calcium) results in:
- _____ a. reduced viscosity and pump pressure
 _____ b. increased viscosity, increased pump pressure and flocculation of the bentonite present in the fluid
 _____ c. hard mud
 _____ d. lowered filtration rate
18. To minimize chances of lost circulation one should:
- _____ a. use maximum mud weight and viscosity and run and pull pipe at high speeds
 _____ b. use minimum mud weight and viscosity and run and pull pipe at slow speeds
 _____ c. begin rotating the drillstring only after bringing pump online
 _____ d. crank up the pump rate to out pump the losses
19. To reduce the funnel viscosity of a mud, one could:
- _____ a. add EZ-MUD[®]
 _____ b. add QUIK-TROL[®] GOLD
 _____ c. add a thinner/dispersant such as AQUA-CLEAR[®] PFD
 _____ d. add QUIK-GEL[®]
20. If no weighting material has been added, which of the following muds would be expected to deposit the thicker wall cake?

Fluid Properties	Mud A	Mud B	Mud C
Density, lb/gal	8.6	9.8	8.5
Marsh Funnel Viscosity, sec/qt	35	30	40
Filtrate, ml/30 min	18	18	18

- _____ a. Mud A
 _____ b. Mud B
 _____ c. Mud C