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QUESTION 1

Apparently, two sheriffs in the state of New York are finding fault with Governor Cuomo's recent gun control efforts. The men have gone so far as to state that they will not enforce gun law packages Cuomo has recently signed into law. Public statements to this effect have been made by the two law enforcement officials and Cuomo warned that the precedent they set could be dangerous. The officers' intent does not appear to signify a new practice, however, as records show a general lack of enforcement of felony gun laws among sheriffs since 2010. State and local police have been the ones to file the majority of common gun-related charges (98%) during that time.

Based on the above passage, the reader can conclude that _____.

- A. Gov. Cuomo is unaffected by the sheriff reaction to the new gun laws
- B. sheriffs are not going to be the primary group to file felony gun charges
- C. state and local police do not agree with the new gun laws in New York
- D. Gov. Cuomo is going to take legal action against officers who do not comply with new laws

Correct Answer: B

QUESTION 2

After a series of well-publicized failures by various inventors, Orville and Wilbur Wright succeeded in flying and controlling a heavier than-air craft on December 17, 1903. The War Department, stung by its investment in a failed effort by Samuel Langley and compounded by the Wright's own secretiveness, initially rejected the brothers' overtures toward the government to buy the aircraft. Prevailing sentiments held that the immediate future still belonged to the balloon. In August 1908, the two brothers delivered the first Army aircraft to the U.S. Government. That the U.S. government managed to purchase an airplane was a minor miracle. For more than four years after the Wright brothers' successful flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, the government refused to accept the fact that man had flown in a heavier than air machine.

Which of the following statements is not supported by the above passage?

- A. The U.S. Government felt that balloons were more practical than airplanes.
- B. The Wright Brother's own secretiveness contributed to their problems in getting the government interested in their aircraft.
- C. The historic flight took place on the East Coast.
- D. It took more than six years for the Wright Brothers to interest the U.S. Government in their airplane.

Correct Answer: D

Explanation:

According to the passage it took over four years for the Government to believe that anyone had flown a heavier-than-air craft.



The historic flight was in December 1903, and the Wright Brothers delivered the first aircraft to the government in August 1908, 41?2 years later.

All of the other statements are supported by the passage.

QUESTION 3

In light of the increased incidence of security issues in recent years, attendees at the 2014 Super Bowl saw heightened regulations regarding transportation, parking, and other game-related activities. The 80,000 ticket holders were not allowed to tailgate or utilize taxis or car services for transportation to the game site. They could arrive via Fan Express, a charter bus, for a fee of \$51.00. The NJ Transit was another approved method of transportation. Finally, a lucky 13,000 people could use one of the parking passes that were available.

According to the above passage, what is the approximate number of ticket holders who will not have a parking pass to use for the NFL Super Bowl?

- A. 67,000
- B. 13,000
- C. 51
- D. 80,000

Correct Answer: A

QUESTION 4

Sometimes a state legislature asks the voters to approve or reject a proposal called a referendum. The proposal may be a constitutional amendment, a plan for long-term borrowing, or a special law affecting a city. In effect, the question is "referred" to the voters. The Constitution of the United States was submitted to state conventions for approvals.

From the definition above, you can say that it was _____.

- A. approved unanimously
- B. approved by a form of referendum
- C. rejected by a majority of the states
- D. referred to the president of the United States

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: According to the paragraph's definition of a referendum, submitting the Constitution of the United States to the state conventions for approvals was a form of referendum.

QUESTION 5



Genetics is a branch of science dealing with heredity. The field is concerned with how genes operate and the way genes are transmitted to offspring. Subdivisions in the field include cytogenetics, which is the study of the cellular basis of inheritance; microbial genetics, the study of inheritance in microbes; molecular genetics, the study of the biochemical foundation of inheritance; and human genetics, the study of how people inherit traits that are medically and socially important. Genetic counselors are primarily concerned with human genetics. They advise couples and families on the chances of their offspring having specific genetic defects.

According to the passage above, it's reasonable to assume that genetic counseling _____.

- A. is restricted to the very rich
- B. is used to diagnose diseases
- C. can be used by parents to learn if their offspring are likely to inherit a disease one of the parents has
- D. can be used by parents to prevent their offspring from inheriting a specific genetic defect

Correct Answer: C

Explanation:

Nothing in the passage supports Choices "is restricted to the very rich", "is used to diagnose diseases", or "can be used by parents to prevent their offspring from inheriting a specific genetic defect."

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