

One of your patients, who is taking sodium valproate, is considering becoming pregnant. She asks you what the risk of her child developing neural tube defects is if she continues taking sodium valproate whilst pregnant. She reports no family history of neural tube defects. Your response is:

- a) 1 : 10
- b) 1 : 100 *
- c) 1 : 1000
- d) 1 : 10,000
- e) 1 : 100,000

A 78 year old woman has delusional disorder. Which of the following statements is true?

- a) Delusions of reference occur in 75% of cases. *
- b) Negative symptoms occur in 30% of cases.
- c) Partitive delusions occur in fewer than 20% of cases.
- d) Thought block occurs in 25% of cases.
- e) Thought insertion occurs in 20% of cases.

A 59 year old woman, who previously drank 40 units of alcohol daily and has a history of ascites and jaundice within the previous year, commences an alcohol detoxification and reports withdrawal symptoms. Which of the following is the most appropriate medication?

- a) Chlordiazepoxide
- b) Clomethiazole
- c) Diazepam
- d) Haloperidol
- e) Oxazepam *

In an 8 year old boy with attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and no co-morbidity which of the following drugs would be the first line medication to use alongside psychosocial interventions?

- a) Amitriptyline
- b) Clonidine
- c) Dexamfetamine
- d) Methylphenidate *
- e) Nortriptyline

You are asked by the defence counsel to prepare a report for one of your patients who has been charged with rape. Select the option that is most likely to increase the risk of another rape.

- a) A history of alcohol use
- b) A history of mania
- c) An older patient
- d) Previous arson
- e) Two previous rape attempts*

In males with the Fragile X syndrome which of the following is true?

- a) Echolalia is rare.
- b) The delay in language development is usually unrelated to the degree of intellectual development.
- c) The mean IQ score in adulthood is stable with increased age.
- d) The mean IQ in affected boys is 20 to 30.
- e) There is a relationship between the length of the DNA trinucleotide repeat and the level of intelligence. *

Idealisation:

- a) In the initial stages of treatment for mental disorder acts as an impediment to forming a therapeutic alliance.
- b) Involves the use of the defence of splitting. *
- c) Is a super ego function.
- d) Is a technique commonly employed in in-vitro cognitive restructuring.
- e) Is by definition a psychopathological process.

Theme: Personality disorder - diagnoses

Options:

- A. Anankastic personality disorder
- B. Anxious personality disorder
- C. Dependent personality disorder
- D. Dissocial personality disorder
- E. Emotionally unstable personality disorder borderline type
- F. Emotionally unstable personality disorder impulsive type
- G. Histrionic personality disorder
- H. Narcissistic personality disorder
- I. Paranoid personality disorder
- J. Schizoid personality disorder

Lead in: For each of the clinical vignettes select the **ONE** most appropriate differential diagnosis from the option list.

Each option might be used once, more than once, or not at all.

You are asked to see a 21 year old graduate who is having difficulty coping with his new job as an administrative officer. He arrives for his appointment half an hour early because he wanted to make sure he was not late. He reports that he is finding his job very stressful because he is having problems at work. He has worked out a routine of how the mail needs to be managed and drawn up a flow chart to make sure everything runs as smoothly as possible but other members of staff are not following the flow chart. Choose **ONE** option. A

A 35 year old unemployed man says he is feeling low in mood because he has been homeless since his girlfriend of three months left him. He reports that he has already found a new girlfriend but she still lives at home. He is living at different friend's houses because his family will not agree to let him stay with them because he has assaulted family members in the past. He says it is their fault that he assaulted them because they annoyed him. Choose **ONE** option. D

You are asked to see a 21 year old female student who has presented with low mood after she was arrested by the police for biting and kicking a fellow student who tried to stop her from drinking a bottle of vodka at a party. She admitted that she has a temper when people get in her way or try to stop her from having fun. You notice that she has a scar down her leg and she tells you that she got it in an accident when she jumped out of a taxi taking her home because she had changed her mind and wanted to stay out. Choose **ONE** option. F