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- 1. The identification of bacteria by serologic tests is based on the presence of specific antigens. Which of the following bacterial components is least likely to contain useful antigens?
 - a. Capsule
 - b. Cell wall
 - c. Flagella
 - d. Ribosomes
- 2. Each of the following statements concerning the Gram stain is correct except:
 - a. Escherichia coli stains pink because it has a thin peptidoglycan layer
 - b. Streptococcus pyogens stains blue because it has a thick peptidoglycan layer
 - c *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* is not visible in the Gram's stain because it does not have a cell wall
 - d. Mycobacterium tuberculosis stains blue because it has a thick lipid layer
- 3. An outbreak of sepsis caused by *Staphylococcus aureus* has occurred in the newborn nursery. You are called upon to investigate. According to your knowledge of the normal flora, what is the most likely source of the organism?
 - a. Nose
 - b. Colon
 - c. Hand
 - d. Throat
- 4. Each of the following organisms is an important cause of urinary tract infections except:
 - a. Klebsiella pneumoniae
 - b. Escherichia coli
 - c. Bacteriodes fragilis
 - d. Proteus mirabilis
- 5. A 30 year old woman has non-bloody diarrhea for the past 14 hours. Which one of the to following organisms is least likely to cause this illness?
 - a. Streptococcus pyogens
 - b. Clostridium difficile
 - c. Shigella dysenteriae
 - d. Salmonella enteritidis
- 6. Each of the following agents is a recognized cause of diarrhea except
 - a. Clostridium perfringens
 - b. Vibrio cholerae

- c. Enterococcus faecalis
- d. Escherichia coli
- 7. Each of the following statements about the classification of streptococci is correct except
 - a. Pneumococci (*Streptococcus pneumoniae*) are alpha-hemolytic and can be serotyped on the basis of their polysaccharide capsule
 - b. Enterococci are group D streptococci and can be classified by their ability to grow 6.5% sodium chloride
 - c. Viridans streptococci are identified by Lancefield grouping, which is based on the C carbohydrate in the cell wall
 - d. Although pneumococci and the viridans streptococci are alpha-hemolytic, they can be differentiated by the bile solubility test and their susceptibility to optochin
- 8. Which of the following bacteria has the lowest 50% infective dose (ID50)?
 - a. Campylobacter jejuni
 - b. Salmonella typhi
 - c. Vibrio cholerae
 - d. Shigella sonnei
- 9. Which of the following disease is best diagnosed by serologic means?
 - a. Pulmonary tuberculosis
 - b. Gonorrhea
 - c. Actinomycosis
 - d. Q Fever
- 10. The cogulase test is used to differentiate
 - a. Staphylococcus epidermidis from Neisseria meningitidis
 - b. Staphylococcus aureus from Staphylococcus epidermidis
 - c. Streptococcus pyogens from Staphylococcus aureus
 - d. Streptococcus pyogens from Enterococcus faecalis