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1: PHILOSOPHY OF POLICING

Multiple Choice

1. According to the eBook, what is the foundation of American policing built upon?

- A) Equality and justice
- B) Soil of freedom and natural rights
- C) Economic prosperity
- D) Military power

2. How does the eBook suggest maintaining humanity in social interactions?

- A) Through social media engagement
- B) By avoiding face-to-face conversations
- C) By prioritizing in-person conversations
- D) Through written letters only

3. What is the role of the Constitution in ensuring law enforcement operates within limits?

- A) It restricts law enforcement activities
- B) It guarantees the rights of the accused and protects the innocent
- C) It empowers law enforcement to act without restrictions
- D) It is irrelevant to law enforcement operations

Essay Questions

- 4. Discuss the importance of citizen responsibilities and civic duties as highlighted in the eBook.
- 5. Explain the concept of "Guardian v. Warrior" in the context of law enforcement, as discussed in the eBook.

2: ASSAULT ON OFFICERS

True or False

- 1. **True or False**: The survival mantra in police training emphasizes the importance of going home alive after each shift.
- 2. **True or False**: Officer Anna Carrizales was shot twice in the chest during an incident in Stafford, Texas.
- 3. **True or False**: The author suggests that the warrior mindset in law enforcement should not prevent officers from demanding civil treatment and justice.

Multiple Choice

- 4. What is the main goal emphasized in police training regarding officer survival?
- A) Making arrests
- B) Going home alive
- C) Writing reports
- D) Issuing citations
- 5. What percentage of officers suffer non-visible injuries for which they seek no treatment?
- A) 50%
- B) 65%
- C) 75%
- D) 83%

3: DEALING WITH THE MENTALLY ILL

- 1. **True or False**: Erasing "To Serve and To Protect" from the police mission is recommended for enhancing public safety.
- 2. **True or False**: The success of response programs can be accurately measured without considering the involvement of law enforcement.
- 3. **True or False**: Responder injury rates in health and social service sectors are significantly lower than in other industries.
- 4. **True or False**: Removing police from non-violent calls is likely to decrease the percentage of use of force per contact.
- 5. **True or False**: Social workers overwhelmingly believe that their safety concerns are adequately addressed by their employers.

4: SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

- 1. **True or False**: Local law enforcement plays a crucial role in maintaining the physical security of power sources, bridges, roads, and dams across the country.
- 2. **True or False**: Illegal activities on national lands, such as drug cultivation, often lead to environmental crimes rather than charges related to the illegal substances themselves.
- 3. **True or False**: Officers involved in outdoor policing may need to undergo training in rope techniques, emergency medicine, and navigation.
- 4. **True or False**: The San Jose model of Field Training Officer (FTO) training focuses on problem-solving skills rather than a checklist of required skills.
- 5. **True or False**: The Reno model of FTO training is more suited for police officers who prefer regimented "right answers" over problem-based learning.

5: TRAINING

- 1. **True or False**: Lt. Col. Dave Grossman advocates for warlike operations among police officers.
- 2. **True or False**: Understanding brain function can help officers deal with stress and depression effectively.
- 3. **True or False**: Poor teaching methods are not considered a serious impediment to the current state of police education.
- 4. **True or False**: The murder rate in America may appear to be leveling due to advancements in emergency medical care.
- 5. **True or False**: The war on terror is primarily left to the military in the United States.

6: POLICE ETHICS

- 1. **True or False**: Police officers are the least surveilled profession in public service.
- 2. **True or False**: The majority of Americans do not respect or rely on their police.
- 3. **True or False**: Compliance is not considered a duty of citizens in a democratic society.
- 4. **True or False**: Allegations of police brutality are always supported by factual evidence.
- 5. **True or False**: The use of force by law enforcement officers is a common occurrence during custodial arrests.

7: INVESTIGATIONS

- 1. **True or False**: Police officers should be allowed to review their body camera footage before writing their reports.
- 2. **True or False**: Inattentional blindness can affect an officer's ability to recall details accurately during a high-stress situation.
- 3. **True or False**: Police reports are considered mundane but are of critical importance in law enforcement.
- 4. **True or False**: The human brain's capacity to process sensory input can lead to perceptual distortions under stress.
- 5. **True or False**: All evidence should be thoroughly examined before an officer writes their report.

8: THE ANTI-POLICE MOVEMENT

- 1. **True or False**: Investigations into the use of force cases are typically resolved quickly to prevent misinformation from spreading.
- 2. **True or False**: Trust in the judicial system and law enforcement should be based solely on blind faith and patriotism.
- 3. **True or False**: Multiple sources should be consulted to verify the credibility of information, especially in the age of online news.
- 4. **True or False**: The majority of cases of police use of force that reach a criminal or civil trial result in convictions against the officers involved.
- 5. **True or False**: Journalists and activists play no role in holding the criminal justice system accountable.

9: SCHOOL SAFETY

- 1. **True or False**: Campus police officers are not authorized to make arrests for serious crimes like sexual assault or murder.
- 2. **True or False**: The Clery Act requires colleges to report criminal activity and disruptions on and near campus.
- 3. **True or False**: The presence of police officers in schools has been promoted by the National Education Association.
- 4. **True or False**: School shootings are a common occurrence in educational institutions.
- 5. **True or False**: The age to be tried as an adult for violent crimes has been increased in response to school safety concerns.

10: LEADERSHIP

- 1. **True or False**: Police officers are immune from prosecution for actions taken in the line of duty.
- 2. **True or False**: The use of body-worn cameras has decreased the level of public scrutiny on police activities.
- 3. **True or False**: The number of individuals interested in military service has increased in recent years.
- 4. **True or False**: Police recruiting strategies are uniform across all cities in the United States.
- 5. **True or False**: The paramilitary structure of police departments is universally accepted as beneficial.

11: DE-ESCALATION MISINFORMATION

True or False

- 1. **True or False**: Multiple officers on the scene of an incident always lead to a peaceful resolution.
- 2. **True or False**: Compliance from suspects is the primary reliance of police officers in maintaining control.
- 3. **True or False**: Fake surrender poses no risk to law enforcement officers.

Multiple Choice

- 4. In what situations should officers use reliable control holds on arrestees?
- A) Only when absolutely necessary
- B) In every encounter with an arrestee
- C) When verbal commands fail
- D) When dealing with compliant suspects
- 5. What is the main challenge officers face when dealing with suspects experiencing excited delirium?
- A) Lack of training
- B) Overcoming initial adrenaline spikes
- C) Inadequate backup
- D) Miscommunication with the suspect

12: FEDERAL INFLUENCE IN POLICING

- 1. **True or False**: The study mentioned in the eBook found a significant difference in law enforcement trust between Democrat and Republican respondents.
- 2. **True or False**: The deployment of body-worn cameras (BWCs) in the Phoenix PD resulted in a decrease in officer productivity.
- 3. **True or False**: The National Institute of Justice report concluded that BWCs had a significant impact on improving suspect conduct.
- 4. **True or False**: The Obama-era Task Force on 21st-Century Policing recommended that law enforcement agencies should track community trust in police.
- 5. **True or False**: The eBook author expresses full trust in the report from the Justice Department agency.

13: MISGUIDED POLICE REFORM EFFORTS

True or False

- 1. **True or False**: The Colorado legislature recently passed measures under the title "Enhance Law Enforcement Integrity."
- 2. **True or False**: One of the proposals in Colorado is to ban police from arresting teenaged students while at school.
- 3. **True or False**: Politicians who support law enforcement's needs for protection should be commended for their consistent stance.

Multiple Choice

- 3. What is the main concern raised in the eBook regarding police reform laws in Colorado?
- A) Lack of training for police officers
- B) Potential risks to public safety and officer integrity
- C) Inadequate funding for law enforcement agencies
- D) Overuse of force by law enforcement
- 4. What is the proposed ban mentioned in the eBook that could keep criminals informed about law enforcement actions?
- A) Use of body-worn cameras
- B) Encryption of police radios
- C) Deployment of armored vehicles
- D) Training of police officers
- 5. How does the eBook describe the transition from ignorance to stupidity in relation to law enforcement?
- A) A necessary evolution in police tactics
- B) A dangerous trend in public perception
- C) A positive shift towards community policing
- D) A reflection of improved officer training

14: THE POLICE OFFICER'S PRIVATE LIFE

- 1. **True or False**: Police officers are required to have college degrees for law enforcement.
- 2. **True or False**: Social workers are always dispatched to high hazard calls where violence or weapons are present.
- 3. **True or False**: The majority of black residents favor reducing police presence in their neighborhoods.
- 4. **True or False**: Police agencies have been slow to diversify their ranks in terms of race and gender.
- 5. **True or False**: Police officers are immune to the effects of sleep deprivation.

15: MENTAL HEALTH FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

- 1. **True or False**: Keeping mental health struggles secret is the best approach for law enforcement professionals.
- 2. **True or False**: Stress and fitness issues are typically given adequate attention in police academy training.
- 3. **True or False**: Seeking help for mental health issues can lead to job loss in the law enforcement field.
- 4. **True or False**: Substance dependency is likely to resolve on its own without intervention.
- 5. **True or False**: The author emphasizes the importance of open communication about emotional challenges in law enforcement..

16: WHAT CITIZENS NEED TO KNOW

Multiple Choice

- 1. What is one way suggested in the ebook to filter noise from news?
- A) Trust all headlines at face value
- B) Rely on anonymous sources for information
- C) Look for phrases that hedge the truth of a story
- D) Avoid reading news articles altogether

2. What important values are often disregarded in media reports about police incidents?

- A) Truth, facts, and due process
- B) Sensationalism, bias, and hearsay
- C) Speed, popularity, and profit
- D) Emotions, opinions, and rumors

Essay Questions

- 3. Discuss the importance of being a critical consumer of media reports on police incidents. Provide examples to support your argument.
- 4. Explain the potential consequences of relying on misleading or inaccurate information when forming opinions about law enforcement. How can individuals avoid falling into this trap?
- 5. Reflect on the role of the media in shaping public perceptions of police officers. How can media literacy help individuals navigate news coverage effectively?

17: POLICE AND THE LAW

- 1. **True or False**: Inappropriate use of force by law enforcement officers does not impact the credibility of law enforcement.
- 2. **True or False**: Politically motivated prosecutions based on professional investigative efforts are acceptable in maintaining law enforcement careers.
- 3. **True or False**: Judges, prosecutors, and defense attorneys should not be held accountable for unprivileged comments that slander police officers.
- 4. **True or False**: Officers are encouraged to accept untrue characterizations of their professionalism without objection.
- 5. **True or False**: Fear alone is a valid reason for law enforcement officers to use force in a situation.

18: DEADLY FORCE

- 1. **True or False**: Video footage of a police incident always provides a clear and unbiased understanding of the event.
- 2. **True or False**: Police officers are expected to be consciously aware of all 50,000 individual factors that may influence their decisions during critical events.
- 3. **True or False**: The Reasonable Man Standard is a flawless method for judging police decisions in all situations.
- 4. **True or False**: Media portrayals of police shootings accurately represent the reality of such events.
- 5. **True or False**: Police officers involved in shooting incidents always have superhuman powers to make split-second decisions.

19: PROSECUTION OR PERSECUTION?

- 1. **True or False**: The pursuit of perfection in policing is achievable due to the predictable nature of the job.
- 2. **True or False**: The threat of losing a case or having a case refused by the prosecutor is not a significant incentive for police officers to perform quality work.
- 3. **True or False**: Fatal errors involving the mistaken use of weapons by law enforcement officers are common occurrences.
- 4. **True or False**: Quick release of information by police leaders during investigations is always advisable.
- 5. **True or False**: The news media plays a minor role in shaping public perceptions of law enforcement officers.

20: TOOLS OF THE TRADE

True or False

- 1. **True or False**: The evolution of law enforcement equipment has led to officers carrying fewer tools on their duty belts.
- 2. **True or False**: After-action analyses of law enforcement responses to civil unrest are primarily focused on placing blame and imposing punishment.
- 3. **True or False**: Clear policies and good training are effective in preventing the overuse or misuse of ECW (Electronic Control Weapons) by law enforcement officers.
- 4. **True or False**: The public's safety is not a concern when it comes to the use of ECW technology by law enforcement officers.

Multiple Choice

- 5. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a tool carried by law enforcement officers in the eBook?
- A) Tear gas
- B) Handcuffs
- C) Stun gun
- D) Flashlight

21: POLICE INTERVENTION & PUBLIC SAFETY

- 1. **True or False**: Explosive devices are always easily identifiable by their appearance.
- 2. **True or False**: Local law enforcement officers have no role in preventing violence within their communities.
- 3. **True or False**: Dealing with domestic violence calls is not a significant challenge for law enforcement.
- 4. **True or False**: Suicide prevention is not a priority for law enforcement officers.
- 5. **True or False**: Homegrown extremists are not a concern for law enforcement agencies.

22: ON PATROL

- 1. **True or False**: Police officers often face unexpected and dangerous situations during routine calls.
- 2. **True or False**: In one incident mentioned in the eBook, a woman's windshield was pierced by a spear while driving in San Antonio.
- 3. **True or False**: In Florida, a man ended up in the hospital after consuming cocktails spiked with Raid roach spray.
- 4. **True or False**: A corrections deputy in Hillsborough County was strangled by an inmate using a towel around her neck.
- 5. **True or False**: In California, two El Monte police officers responded to a possible stabbing and were met with gunfire upon arrival.

23: LAW AND ORDER

- 1. **True or False**: According to classical criminology, individuals make decisions based on avoiding pain and seeking pleasure.
- 2. **True or False**: The broken windows theory suggests that addressing minor quality of life offenses can help prevent more serious crimes.
- 3. **True or False**: Decriminalizing some crimes is always a good idea for society.
- 4. **True or False**: The balance between compassion and consequences in the criminal justice system is a topic that requires thoughtful discussion.
- 5. **True or False**: The criminal justice system can be considered "broken" when there are reductions in policing funding and enforcement actions.

24: THE POLICE CRITIC

True or False

- 1. **True or False**: The use of thermal imaging by law enforcement can sometimes be considered an invasion of privacy.
- 2. **True or False**: Compliance with police orders and submitting to arrest can help prevent escalation and violence.

Multiple Choice

- 3. What percentage of officer-involved shootings occur in less than daylight conditions?
- A) 50%
- B) 70%
- C) 90%
- D) 100%
- 4. How does the course suggest responding to habitual police critics?
- A) Attack the accuser
- B) Ignore the criticism
- C) Engage in a debate
- D) Apologize for any perceived wrongdoing

Short Answer

5. What is the significance of public opinion and activism in shaping legislation and policy related to law enforcement?

25: DANGERS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

- 1. **True or False**: Maintaining distance during a contact increases an officer's ability to keep control of their equipment.
- 2. **True or False**: Resisting suspects who gain control of an ECW put officers at great risk, potentially leading to deadly confrontations.
- 3. **True or False**: Officers face threats from a variety of objects, including baseball bats, concrete blocks, and garden tools.
- 4. **True or False**: Non-compliance with law enforcement officers can escalate tension in a contact.
- 5. **True or False**: Officers always look for opportunities to use lethal force in encounters with suspects.

26: URBAN POLICING & POLITICAL INTERFERENCE

- 1. **True or False**: The knee jerk reaction is always beneficial in law enforcement situations.
- 2. **True or False**: Portland's citizens are unanimously supportive of the Portland Police Bureau.
- 3. **True or False**: Punitive discipline is a common reason cited by exiting police officers for leaving their departments.
- 4. **True or False**: The toxic relationship between woke politicians and criminals is beneficial for law enforcement efforts.
- 5. **True or False**: All police officers who leave their departments do so because of a lack of support from the administration.

27: RHETORIC AND FACTS ABOUT CRIME

- 1. **True or False**: The PDF discusses the importance of quality police work in building trust and confidence in law enforcement.
- 2. **True or False**: The student of history in the PDF will read about the heroes of the middle of the decade and their positive impact on society.
- 3. **True or False**: The PDF highlights the significant decrease in officer-involved shootings over the years.
- 4. **True or False**: The student of history in the PDF will learn about the positive outcomes of the riots in black neighborhoods.
- 5. **True or False**: The PDF emphasizes the role of police in addressing the legacy of poverty in black neighborhoods.

28: IS THERE HOPE FOR THE FUTURE?

True or False

- 1. **True or False**: The people are not considered as part of the police force according to Sir Robert Peele's principles.
- 2. **True or False**: Police recruiting strategies across the country have been highly successful in recent years.

Multiple Choice

- 3. What is one of the challenges faced by today's police officers?
- A) Lack of training
- B) Decreased interest in military service
- C) High levels of substance use
- D) Strong support from the community
- 4. What is one of the strategies used in Philadelphia to address police recruiting?
- A) Hiring only young graduates
- B) Including middle-aged recruits
- C) Focusing on military veterans
- D) Ignoring physical fitness requirements

Essay Question

5. Reflect on the statement, "The people are the police and the police are the people," in the context of maintaining a civil society.

29: THE STRUGGLE IS REAL

True or False

- 1. **True or False**: Law enforcement leadership does not require building credibility with the public in contemporary policing.
- 2. **True or False**: The struggles of police officers and athletes are comparable in nature.
- 3. **True or False**: The criminal opponent in law enforcement encounters has fewer constraints compared to police officers.
- 4. **True or False**: There is a need for more public support and respect for law enforcement officers.

Multiple Choice

- 5. What is mentioned as an essential element in effective contemporary policing?
- A) Building trust with criminals
- B) Fighting crime without public support
- C) Building credibility with the public
- D) Ignoring community feedback

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