

Practice Test One: Diagnostic Test

24. The degree of viscosity in newly issued lava is a critical determinant of
- (A) the chemical nature of the magma
 - (B) whether the lava will be red or white-hot
 - (C) the ultimate nature of the hardened lava field
 - (D) the viscosity of the liquid rock
25. The chemical composition of a hardened field
- (A) has nothing to do with the viscosity of the liquid rock
 - (B) will cause the crusting phenomena common in hardened lava
 - (C) is important in shaping the ultimate appearance of the field
 - (D) depends upon the degree of viscosity of the original liquid rock
26. In line 20, the word *issues* most nearly means
- (A) is dormant
 - (B) heats up
 - (C) traverses
 - (D) comes out
27. Knots of surface rocks are characteristic of
- (A) all types of ultimate lava fields
 - (B) the initial stage of some lava field formation
 - (C) the end result of some highly viscous flows
 - (D) only highly liquid, wavelike lava forms
28. If the hardened lava presents a smoother, wavelike surface it is likely that
- (A) it was not initially a highly liquid lava
 - (B) it results from a highly liquid lava
 - (C) its final form will be rough and difficult to traverse
 - (D) at issue, it was red-hot
29. The primary function of this passage is to
- (A) explain the primary chemical components of lava, including silica and oxides
 - (B) predict when volcanic lava will appear
 - (C) warn of the limitations of viscosity and chemical analysis
 - (D) discuss two crucial determinants of a hardened lava field's character
30. The word *exhibit* in line 32 is closest in meaning to
- (A) give off
 - (B) put on
 - (C) show
 - (D) cause
31. This passage would most likely appear in which type of publication?
- (A) an introductory college textbook on geography
 - (B) the national events section of a local newspaper
 - (C) an introductory college textbook on geology
 - (D) a tourist brochure for a volcanic region