

NEW BRUNSWICK
JUNIOR CURLING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
SKILLS AWARDS PROGRAM

GOLD LEVEL

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Gold Level Exam

The objective of the Gold level is to assess the understanding of strategy at an advanced level. The gold level will expand upon the material provided in the Silver level while focusing on the strategy of curling. Regardless of the position they play, every player should be familiar with curling strategy.

To successfully complete the Gold level the curler must complete a written exam of 20 multiple choice questions. There will be 15 questions on various aspect of curling and 5 game situation questions where curlers will be asked to choose the best shot in a given scenario.

On the exam all questions must be answered and a 75% mark achieved in order to pass

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Circle the letter beside the correct answer.

1. If a particular team is noted for playing a very good take-out game, how should you try to counteract or play against them? You should:
 - a. Try and beat them by also playing a lot of take-outs.
 - b. Try to force them into a draw game by playing draws.
 - c. Wait and see what happens in the game.
2. If during a 10 end game both coaches used all their time-outs. How many overall time-outs would one team have?
 - a. 3
 - b. 4
 - c. 5
3. What is the best method for generating offence? By playing:
 - a. Freezes
 - b. Hit and rolls
 - c. Guards
4. If all things are equal and if the choice is there, what turn should you use on a take-out?
 - a. The swinging turn
 - b. The straight turn
 - c. It does not matter
5. If the score is tied, when should you be more aggressive?
 - a. Without last rock
 - b. With last rock
 - c. All the time

6. You should be more aggressive when:
 - a. You have last rock
 - b. You are down in points
 - c. Both of the above

7. Choose the best possible definition of "Strategy".
 - a. Deciding what shot to play.
 - b. Deciding on what style to play before the game.
 - c. Decision making, before, during and after a game

8. Good teams must be able to analyze the other teams for strengths and weaknesses.
 - a. True
 - b. False

9. You should play the take-out game when you are:
 - a. Down in points
 - b. Up in points
 - c. Tied

10. Reading of the ice is an important part of strategy and is the responsibility of the:
 - a. Lead
 - b. Skip
 - c. Team

11. When a skip or third is holding the broom for a draw, it is best to hold the broom:
 - a. On the hog-line
 - b. On the tee-line
 - c. Where they are most comfortable

12. Who is the person responsible for calling the line during a shot?
 - a. Thrower
 - b. Skip
 - c. Player in the House

13. The key to reading ice is:

- a. Hitting the broom
- b. Concentration
- c. Sweeping

14. According to the free guard zone rule you may remove a guard after the :

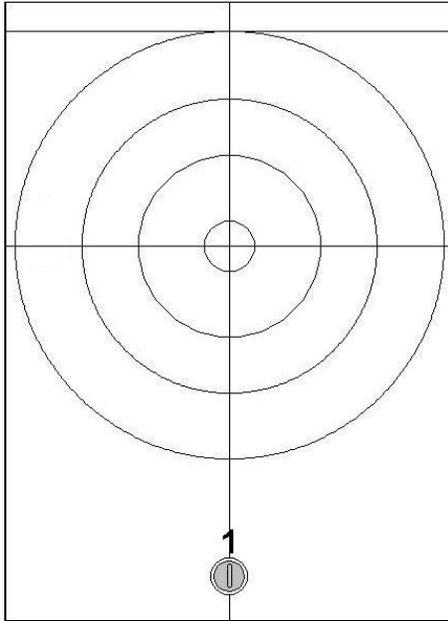
- a. Third stone of the end.
- b. Forth stone of the end.
- c. When the seconds are done throwing

15. What are the factors that influence the strategy that you use?

- a. Ice conditions, free guard zone rule and which end it is.
- b. The opponent strengths and weaknesses score of the game and last rock.
- c. Both of the above.

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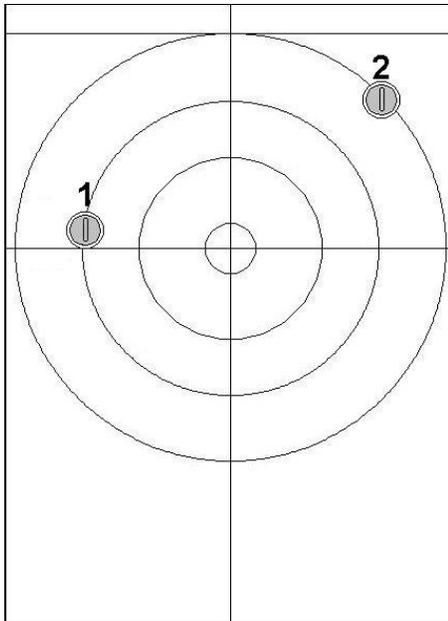


16. **Situation #1**

White is down 7 — 4 in the 7th end without the hammer. The third for the white team is throwing their first shot.

What should the White team do?

- a. Peel the guard.
- b. Draw to the open side.
- c. Draw around the guard.



17. **Situation #2**

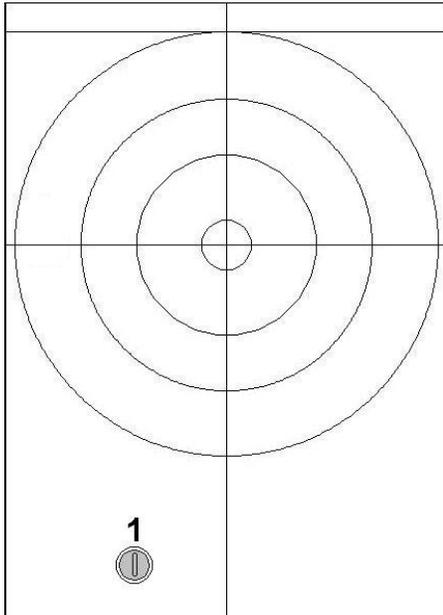
The score is tied 6 — 6. White has last rock and in the 10th end. The white team's skip is throwing their last rock.

What should the White team do?

- a. Take-out stone #1 and stay for the win.
- b. Draw to the 4-foot for the win.
- c. Whatever the thrower feels more comfortable with.

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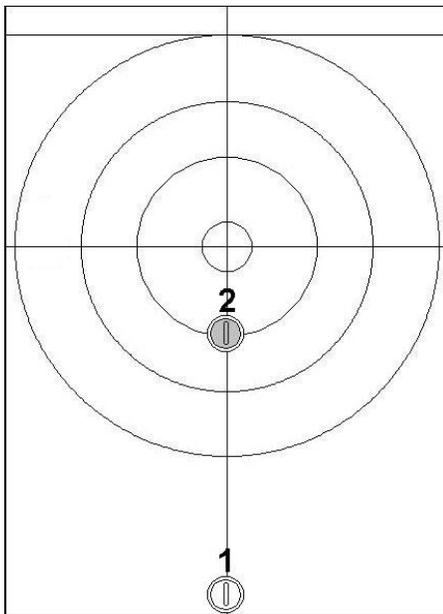


18. **Situation #3**

White is up 7 — 3 in the 8th end. White has last rock. There is one guard just off the center-line. The second for the white team is throwing their last rock.

What should the White team do?

- a. Draw around the guard.
- b. Peel the guard.
- c. Draw the open side.



19. **Situation #4**

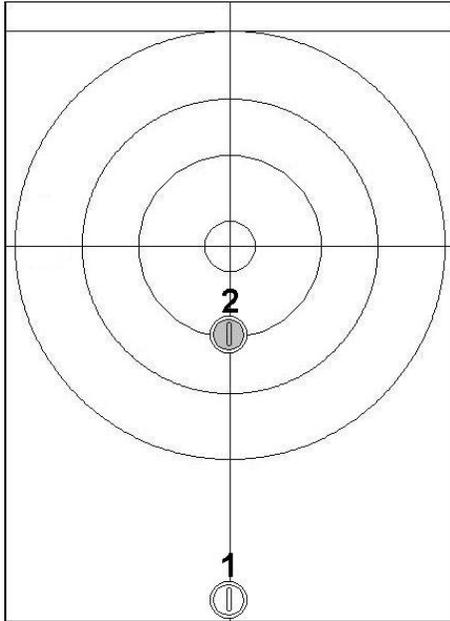
White is up by 1 and has last rock playing the last end. The third is playing their first shot.

What should the White team do?

- a. Draw around the guard to the rock in the House.
- b. Put up another guard.
- c. Peel the center guard.

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20. **Situation #5**

Black is down by 2 in the 10th end without last rock. The Black team's skip is throwing their first shot.

What should the Black team do?

- a. Draw around the guard.
- b. Peel the guard.
- c. Put up another guard.

Rules of Curling Quiz:

- a. _____ out of 20. 75% (15 out of 20) is the pass mark.

Examiner's
Signature: _____

Curler's
Name: _____

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Address: _____

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