



### TEST ON COOPERATIVE KNOWLEDGE

Questions are based on the Online Orientation program located at [www.ohioec.org/orientation](http://www.ohioec.org/orientation).

Please circle the correct answer for each question.

- 1) President Theodore Roosevelt and the Supreme Court established the Rural Electrification Administration.

True

False

- 2) Seventy-seven of Ohio's 88 counties are served by electric cooperatives.

True

False

- 3) Only farms are served by electric cooperatives.

True

False

- 4) Co-op members must pass a test before joining an electric cooperative.

True

False

- 5) There are seven principles that guide electric cooperatives.

True

False

- 6) Co-op members elect their electric cooperative's board trustees.

True

False

- 7) Co-op trustees can change the cooperative's bylaws without notifying the members.

True

False

- 8) Co-op trustees must protect the cooperative and the interests of all members, and they also must ensure the cooperative operates in accordance with local, state, and federal laws.

True

False

- 9) Electric co-ops' foundation as democratic institutions ensures that they adapt to new circumstances as their memberships grow and evolve.
- True False
- 10) Every year, at co-ops' annual meetings there is a lottery for the co-ops' leftover money.
- True False
- 11) Capital credits represent each member's investment in the cooperative, and are used to improve the distribution system.
- True False
- 12) There are nearly 1,000 electric cooperatives across the United States.
- True False
- 13) Electric cooperatives' boards of directors/trustees own the co-ops.
- True False
- 14) In the state of Ohio, electric cooperatives are subject to the regulatory authority of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).
- True False
- 15) The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) is the national association for electric co-ops.
- True False
- 16) Buckeye Power provides wholesale base-load power, renewable energy options, marketing services, and electric grid management services to electric cooperatives in Ohio.
- True False
- 17) Local electric co-ops require their members' children to participate in co-op youth programs so they learn not to waste energy.
- True False
- 18) Ohio's electric co-ops rarely provide grants to causes like food banks, community fire departments, schools, animal shelters, and parks because these things have nothing to do with electricity.
- True False

**Essay Questions: Please answer the following questions in the space provided.**

- 19) As electric co-op members, what makes you and your family different from customers of investor-owned or municipal power companies?

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- 20) Explain why and how electric cooperatives were first formed.

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