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Vertebrate Pest Management Quiz

This quiz was created from the 2018 lecture presented by Roger Baldwin, there IS NOT a direct reference for these questions.

1. A pocket gopher's burrow system is characterized by the presence of:
 - a) crescent shaped mounds and/or small feed holes
 - b) small open surface holes connected by runways
 - c) conical shaped mounds
 - d) large open burrows

2. What is the best baiting option for pocket gophers?
 - a) strychnine
 - b) anticoagulants
 - c) zinc phosphide
 - d) all the above

3. Poison baits are especially effective for controlling ground squirrels
 - a) in early summer
 - b) in spring
 - c) in winter
 - d) anytime during the year

4. Anticoagulant baits
 - a) affect the nervous system of the animal
 - b) reduce the clotting ability of the blood
 - c) cause heart seizure in the animal
 - d) react with stomach fluids to produce phosphine gas

5. The recommended techniques for homeowner control of meadow voles (*Microtus*) include:
 - a) encouraging lush vegetation, trapping, poison baits
 - b) encouraging predators, trapping, burrow fumigation
 - c) poison baits, trapping, burrow fumigation
 - d) discouraging lush vegetation, exclusion, clearing buffer strips

6. Repellents used to prevent feeding damage or to keep animals away are:
 - a) extremely effective for all animals
 - b) effective for some animals
 - c) sometimes effective depending on the situation
 - d) never effective

7. Traps used for controlling pocket gophers should be
 - a) set 2 or 3 per burrow system
 - b) staked down
 - c) set near the "freshest" gopher activity
 - d) all the above

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8. The best deer fence is
 - a) an electric fence
 - b) a chain link fence
 - c) a high tensile, electric fence
 - d) one that reduces damage by deer to a tolerable level

9. The most effective technique for dealing with bird problems is:
 - a) trapping
 - b) shooting
 - c) scaring devices
 - d) exclusion