



Empire Optical's Optimum Optical Quiz

Person A



Person B



On which of these two people below are the glasses level?

- A. Person A (eyebrows uneven)
- B. Person B (eyes uneven)
- C. There is no way these people's glasses will look level on *both* their eyebrows *and* their eyes. Level on your eyes means you will have the best vision possible.

I believe the temples on my glasses should both touch evenly on a table top when I lay them down because:

- A. My head looks like a table.
- B. I am wearing a perfect head--my ears must be at the same height.
- C. I would rather have my glasses level on the table than level on my head.

Note: We try to make your glasses look level on your head, not on the table.

Which, if any, of the following statements are correct?

- A. If my pants keep falling down, I get longer pants.
- B. If my hat keeps falling down, I get a longer hat.
- C. If my glasses keep falling down, I get longer temples (side pieces) on my glasses.

Note: How about getting tighter pants, tighter hats, and tighter temples on your glasses?

Which, if any, of the following statements are correct?

- A. If I buy a dress three sizes too large, it will be loose on me.
- B. If I buy shoes two sizes too large, they will be loose on my feet.
- C. If I buy a glasses frame too large for me, it will fit snugly and stay up well on my nose.

Note: Frames that are too large and extend past the side of your face will be more difficult to keep up on your nose.

Which of the following is true?

- A. When I take a new medicine, I should be well in five minutes.
- B. When I buy new shoes, they should be broken in and comfortable in five minutes.
- C. When the doctor makes a significant change in my glasses prescription, I should be used to them in five minutes.

Note: A new prescription may take several days to get used to. That is why many doctors request that you wear your new prescription all the time for a week to ten days before checking back with them.



Is this statement true or false?

Although no one knows how to make scratchproof steel, someone somewhere knows how to make scratchproof eyeglass lenses.

Is this statement correct?

Tightening my front bumper on my car may not make my brakes stop my car better; but tightening the nose pads on my glasses will make my glasses stop sliding down my nose.

Note: The "brakes" on your glasses are the parts of the temples that fit behind your ears--if your glasses are loose there, it does not matter what is done to the "front bumper" or nose pads, the glasses will slip. The nose pads do not act like a clamp on your nose.

The best way to clean your glasses is to use:

- A. Sandpaper or steel wool
- B. Lava soap
- C. A sharp knife or razor blade
- D. An automatic clothes washer and dryer
- E. Your dirty blue jeans or shirt
- F. Rinsing off with water, then soap or detergent, and water

Note: Answers A, B, C, D, and E above have all been used in the past by Empire customers. (You use F!)

Which statements are correct?

- A. If I drop a drinking glass at home, the glass can break.
- B. If I throw a rock through a glass window, the window will break.
- C. If I get hit with my glass lenses on, my lenses will never break.

Note: Lenses made of glass will break if hit, and they often break in many sharp, pointed pieces. If impact resistance is a concern, get plastic or the most impact resistant of all lenses, polycarbonate.

When you pick up your new glasses, you notice the new lenses are thicker than your old lenses. The reason your lenses are thicker is:

- A. the big frame the optician told me *not* to select.
- B. the additional power in the prescription the doctor ordered for my lenses.
- C. they just didn't grind my lenses right.

Opticians don't get extra points when they grind lenses thick; they try to grind them as thin as is practical and safe. Bigger frames and more power means thicker lenses.

You sat on your glasses and had them bent back into shape by your optician. Three months later the frame breaks apart for no apparent reason. The real reason the frame broke is:

- A. the flimsy, defective frames this store sells, because I wasn't doing anything at the time my frame actually fell apart.
- B. the optician incorrectly bent my frame back into shape three months ago.
- C. it's the optician's fault because he couldn't tell me how I broke my glasses.
- D. you sat on your frame.



Which of these requests makes sense?

- A. Give me ten hot fudge sundays a day but leave off the cherries; I'm on a diet.
- B. Give me more and more government services; but cut my taxes and don't let the government intrude into my life.
- C. Give me a larger frame with lenses having more power; and grind those lenses thin.
- D. I've had a lot of trouble having my glasses made correctly because I wear a prescription difficult to make; may I have my glasses right away?

The answer: none of the above makes sense.

Which of these statements are correct?

- A. I can't have a flat tire because I've never had one before.
- B. It can't be hard to get used to my new prescription because I've never had to adjust to a new prescription before.
- C. My frame can't have broken because I've worn glasses for forty years and have never broken one before.

Answer: none of the above. Into every life a little rain must fall.

I can tell the optician how to best make or adjust my glasses because I have worn glasses for thirty years. It therefore follows logically that:

- A. I know how to plumb a house because I have used indoor plumbing for thirty years.
- B. I know how to sew clothes because I've worn clothes all my life.
- C. I'm a good cook because I've eaten food for as long as I can remember.

Rest assured that no one who has worked on your glasses at Empire Optical learned how to make glasses by only wearing them.

Interesting essay questions for contemplation:

1. Why does the frame look good in the magazine picture of Sophia Loren, but does not look good on me? (This is *not* a question husbands should answer.)
2. What should I do when a frame looks good on the table or display rack, but doesn't look good on my face? (Don't take the frame off the table or display rack.)
3. Why can't I wear the same frame my friend does and look as good as she does? (The same reason you can't squeeze into her dress or wear her hair color.)
4. How can my lenses be scratched when I take such perfect care of them? (The same way you can gain weight while eating like a little bird.)
5. How long should my frame last until it breaks? (The same length of time your car should last before it gets a dent.)