

Kern County 4-H Shooting Sports
Study Guide for Silver Medal Written Test
Taken from the NRA Basic Rifle Handbook

Part 1, Chapter 1

1. What are the three major parts of a rifle?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
2. What are the four major parts of a rifle stock?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
3. Rifling causes the bullet to spin. What are the spiral grooves called inside the barrel that make up the rifling?
 - 1.
 - 2.
4. The opening through which the projectile leaves the barrel is called the _____.
5. The part of the barrel in which a round of ammunition is placed for firing is called the _____.
6. The _____ allows the shooter to load, shoot, and unload the rifle.

7. The _____ is a mechanical device. It must *never* be depended on as a replacement for following safety rules, even on new rifles.
8. The six most popular types of cartridge rifle actions are:
- 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6.
9. The _____ action rifle is considered the most common, strongest, and most accurate.
10. The _____ action rifle operates using energy from the fired cartridge.
11. The three types of rifle sights are:
- 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
12. A peep sight is an example of an _____ sight.

Part 1, Chapter 2

13. The four parts of a rifle cartridge are:
- 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
14. The _____ is the projectile that is shot from the rifle to the target.

Part 1, Chapter 3

15. The most important element to being safe with firearms is _____.
16. There are basic gun safety rules that must always be applied. They fall into two major categories: those you follow when _____ a rifle and those you must follow when _____ one. They are not the same thing.
17. The Golden Rule of Gun Safety is "Always point the _____ in a safe direction." This best expresses safe rifle handling.
18. You should always be sure of your _____ and what is beyond.
19. When shooting you should use _____ and _____ protection.
20. Whether in the home, at the range, or in the field, _____ are the one most responsible for rifle safety.
21. " _____ " means stop shooting immediately.

Part 2, Chapter 1

22. The rifle shooting fundamentals are:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

23. _____ is the process of lining up the rifle with the target.

24. _____ is the relationship between the aligned sights and the target. It is not the same as aiming.

25. When firing a shot you must learn to concentrate totally on _____.

Part 2, Chapter 2

26. The _____ position should be used for sighting in a rifle.

27. The standard rule for sight adjustment is move the rear sight in the _____ direction you want to move the location of the shot on the target.

Part 2, Chapter 3

28. The _____ position is the most challenging to master.

Part 3, Chapter 2

29. Selection of a proper fitting rifle centers on the _____.