Dementia Capable Webinar Series Post Test:

"Begin with Good Communication" presented by Laura Bauer

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True or False

- 1. Using baby talk with an individual with dementia is a good strategy for increasing communication.
- 2. Reducing distractions can be helpful when you are trying to give instructions to your loved one with dementia.
- 3. A disruption in the routine of an individual with dementia can cause troublesome behaviors to surface or increase.
- 4. A bedridden, non-vocal individual with late stage dementia is incapable of understanding what you are saying.
- 5. A good strategy when trying to get your loved one with dementia to go to bed is to say something like, "It's 10:00 Grandpa, let's jump into bed."
- 6. Frustration is a common feeling that caregivers of individuals with dementia have.
- 7. Sometimes, your loved one with dementia will purposefully repeat questions over and over to "spite" you.
- 8. Being quiet when others are around is a common coping strategy for individuals with dementia.
- 9. As the disease progresses, your loved one with dementia may use a different word that sounds similar to the word he or she can't remember.

Multiple Choice

- 10. Which of these are symptoms of communication difficulties that your loved one with dementia may exhibit:
 - a. Repeats himself or herself

 - b. Has a hard time understanding humorc. Has difficulty putting together sentences
 - d. Uses hand motions to communicate