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Bending the Beam: 10th Grade Geometric Optics Quiz

Calculate angles of incidence and identify image properties from dental mirrors to fiber optic cables.

1. When light travels from air into a diamond, it slows down significantly. Which optical phenomenon causes the light path to change direction at the boundary?

- A. Specular Reflection
- B. Refraction
- C. Diffraction
- D. Total Internal Reflection

2. According to the Law of Reflection, if a laser hits a smooth surface at an angle of 25 degrees to the normal, the reflected ray will also be at 25 degrees to the normal.

- A. True
- B. False

3. A security mirror found in the corner of a grocery store aisle is typically a ____ mirror because it provides a wider field of view.

- A. Concave
- B. Plane
- C. Convex
- D. Converging

4. Which type of lens is thinner in the middle than at the edges and is commonly used to correct nearsightedness (myopia)?

- A. Converging lens
- B. Biconvex lens
- C. Diverging lens
- D. Cylindrical lens

5. Total internal reflection is the principle that allows high-speed data to travel through fiber optic cables.

- A. True
- B. False

6. When an object is placed very close to a _____ mirror, such as a dentist's tool, the image appears magnified and upright.

- A. Convex
- B. Plane
- C. Concave
- D. Diverging

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7. The 'Index of Refraction' (n) is a dimensionless number that describes how much light bends. What is the formula used to calculate 'n' based on the speed of light?

- A. $n = \text{speed of light in vacuum} / \text{speed of light in medium}$
- B. $n = \text{speed of light in medium} / \text{speed of light in vacuum}$
- C. $n = \text{angle of incidence} + \text{angle of refraction}$
- D. $n = \text{mass} / \text{volume}$

8. A magnifying glass uses a diverging lens to make small text appear larger.

- A. True
- B. False

9. If you are standing 2 meters in front of a flat plane mirror, how far away from you does your image appear to be?

- A. 1 meter
- B. 2 meters
- C. 4 meters
- D. 8 meters

10. The point on the principal axis where parallel light rays meet after passing through a converging lens is called the _____.

- A. Optical Center
- B. Focal Point
- C. Radius of Curvature
- D. Critical Angle