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# MED-04 START Triage — Practicum Answer Key

Distribution: Minor ×5 · Expectant ×3 · Immediate ×9 · Delayed ×3

| # | AGE | TAG | KEY REASONING | JUMPSTART? |
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| 1 | Adult | Minor | Can walk — global sort ends immediately, no further RPM needed. | No |
| 2 | Adult | Expectant | Not breathing after airway reposition. | No |
| 3 | Adult | Immediate | No radial pulse — fails perfusion. (Hemorrhage control is the permitted mid-sort action here.) | No |
| 4 | Adult | Delayed | Can't walk, but passes breathing, perfusion, and mental status. | No |
| 5 | Child, ~6 yrs | Minor | Can walk — global sort ends immediately. | No (global sort is the same for both methods) |
| 6 | Adult | Immediate | Breathing resumes after reposition at 36/min — fails the adult 30/min ceiling. | No |
| 7 | Adult | Minor | Can walk — global sort ends immediately. | No |
| 8 | Child, ~4 yrs | Immediate | Apneic, still apneic after airway opened, breathing resumes after 5 rescue breaths — JumpSTART tags this Immediate. | Yes |
| 9 | Adult | Immediate | Breathing and pulse pass, but fails mental status — no response to voice or touch. | No |
| 10 | Adult | Minor | Can walk — global sort ends immediately. | No |
| 11 | Adult | Expectant | Not breathing after airway reposition. | No |
| 12 | Child, ~9 yrs | Delayed | GOTCHA CARD: 36/min would be Immediate under the ADULT rule (≥30), but JumpSTART's band is 15–45/min, so 36 is fine. Passes perfusion and mental status too. | Yes — tests whether the learner wrongly applies the adult threshold |
| 13 | Adult | Immediate | No radial pulse — fails perfusion. | No |
| 14 | Adult | Immediate | Capillary refill over 2 seconds — fails perfusion. | No |
| 15 | Child, ~2 yrs | Expectant | Apneic, still apneic after airway opened, no pulse — JumpSTART tags this Expectant without rescue breaths (no pulse to circulate them). | Yes |
| 16 | Adult | Minor | Can walk — global sort ends immediately. | No |
| 17 | Adult | Immediate | 32/min — fails the adult 30/min ceiling on breathing rate alone. | No |
| 18 | Adult | Immediate | Breathing and pulse pass, but fails mental status — no response to name or shake. | No |
| 19 | Child, ~7 yrs | Immediate | GOTCHA CARD: 12/min is UNDER JumpSTART's 15/min floor — easy to misread as "slow but fine" if only thinking about the adult rule's upper limit. Immediate on rate alone. | Yes — tests the low-end pediatric threshold, which the adult rule doesn't have framed the same way |
| 20 | Adult | Delayed | Can't walk, but passes breathing (14/min), perfusion, and mental status. | No |