



Preparation Assignment  
SEASON 2023, EPISODE FIVE  
March 8, 2023  
FAR PARTS 8, 38, 39, AND 51:  
SELECTING SOURCES

Preparation Assignment (20 points each)

Fill In the Blank Questions:

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ program is directed and managed by GSA and provides \_\_\_\_\_ (see [8.004](#)) with a simplified process for obtaining \_\_\_\_\_ *supplies* and \_\_\_\_\_ *services* at prices associated with \_\_\_\_\_. [Hint: Check out **FAR 8.402**]
2. By placing an order against a \_\_\_\_\_ using the procedures in [8.405](#), the \_\_\_\_\_ has concluded that the order represents the \_\_\_\_\_ (as defined in FAR [2.101](#)) and results in the \_\_\_\_\_ (considering \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, etc.) to meet the Government's needs. [Hint: Check out **FAR 8.404**]
3. A time-and-materials or labor-hour order \_\_\_\_\_ be used for the *acquisition* of commercial \_\_\_\_\_ only when it is not possible at the time of placing the order to estimate accurately the \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ of the work or to anticipate \_\_\_\_\_ s with any reasonable \_\_\_\_\_. [Hint: Check out **FAR 8.404(h)**]
4. Prior to entering into a contract for \_\_\_\_\_, an agency *should* analyze \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. [Hint: Check out **FAR 39.102**]
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ *shall* insert a clause substantially the same as the clause at \_\_\_\_\_, in solicitations and contracts for information technology which require \_\_\_\_\_ of *information technology*, and/or are for the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ using commercial *information technology* services or support services. [Hint: Check out **FAR 39.106**]

“Look ‘Em Ups” (Enter the FAR cite and Answer)

1. As a general rule, FAR Part 8 MUST be used as a mandatory source of “supply” for the U.S. Government. What are the six enumerated exceptions to this general rule.
2. According to the FAR Council, what specific types of risks should a contracting officer assess and try to mitigate in an acquisition for information technology?

**FAR Question:** As a general rule, the General Services Administration is responsible for the administration of all Federal Supply Schedules for supplies and services. Which federal agency has GSA delegated the administration of a Federal Supply Schedule for certain medical supplies and nonperishable subsistence items?

**FUN Question:** Speaking about all things “medical”, one of my favorite soap operas growing up involved a hospital and two characters named “Luke” and “Laura”. What was the name of that soap opera. For an additional twenty (20) “fun” points, tell me the year that these two characters were married on the show.