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Knowledge Check: Excavations

Answer Key

1. What is the minimum distance that excavation materials, tools, and other supplies be kept back from the excavation's edge?
 - a. 1 foot
 - b. 2 feet**
 - c. 7.5 feet
 - d. 25 feet

2. At what depth must a ladder, ramp, steps, or runway be present for quick worker exit?
 - a. 4 feet**
 - b. 5 feet
 - c. 10 feet
 - d. It is never required

3. What is the greatest hazard facing a worker while working in a trench?
 - a. Hazardous atmospheres
 - b. Falls
 - c. Cave-ins**
 - d. Falling objects

4. Unless made in entirely stable rock, at what depth is a protective system required for a trench?
 - a. Any depth if the competent person says so
 - b. 5 feet and greater
 - c. Only at depths greater than 10 feet
 - d. Both a and b**