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Given the following Critical Section code for two processes:

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Pi do
    flag[i] = TRUE;
    turn = j;
    while(flag[j]&& turn == j);
    critical section....
    flag[i] = FALSE;
    remainder section....
} while (1)

Pj do {
    flag[j] = TRUE;
    turn = i;
    while(flag[i]&& turn == i);
    critical section....
    flag[j] = FALSE;
    remainder section....
} while (1)
```

1. If we both i and j want to enter their critical sections and Process i works first. How will the processes enter their critical sections:  I then J,  J then I,  I but not J,  J but not I  none of the above.
2. If only i wants to enter its critical section (j does not) then allow both processes to work. Mark all that apply:  
 J Can progress if given CPU.  I Can progress if given CPU.  Both Can progress if given CPU.  
 None Can progress if given CPU?
3. If interested, Mark all that apply:  I Can enter its Critical section twice in a row.  
 J Can enter its Critical section twice in a row.  They have to work alternatively: one then the other.
4. If we allow both processes to work and J is not interested then I will wait indefinitely and cannot finish:  True  
 False
5. In Test-and-Set instruction: the old variable is copied, the variable new value is set to 1 **the action is based on the old value of the variable.**  True  False
6. If the cars on an intersection obey the rule: Right of way is given to the car on the right. **Deadlock** (nobody moves) is possible when the intersection has (all that apply)  2 cars  3 cars  4 cars
7. Threads are preferable to processes because: (all that apply)  
 Context switching time is low for threads  
 Process Creation time is low for threads  
 Threads communicate faster than processes  
 Processes use more registers than threads