

NOTE ON GRADING

Question 19 was particularly difficult, so I decided to throw out this question and add 2 points to every student's grade. The question is shown below, with the correct answer highlighted in red.

19. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of asthma?

- a. airway hyperresponsiveness
- b. damage to alveolar tissue**
- c. increased mucus secretion
- d. increased resistance to airflow in the airways
- e. inflammation

In my teaching, I didn't put enough emphasis on the fact that asthma is a disease of the airways that doesn't lead to alveolar damage.