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## Stepping Up to the Plate: How to Become a Professional Softball Player

### Multiple Choice Questions

1. What is one important piece of advice for becoming a professional softball player?
  - a) Start playing softball in high school.
  - b) Develop good academic standing in college.
  - c) Avoid playing on travel teams.
  - d) Never seek guidance from experienced players.
  
2. Why is playing at the collegiate level considered a significant step toward becoming a professional softball player?
  - a) College teams provide free equipment.
  - b) College teams have the easiest competition.
  - c) College teams offer specialized training.
  - d) College teams provide valuable exposure and access to expert coaching.
  
3. How can showcases be helpful for aspiring professional softball players?
  - a) They provide opportunities to relax and take a break.
  - b) They are a chance to meet famous athletes.
  - c) They allow players to showcase their skills in front of scouts.
  - d) They offer free food and entertainment.
  
4. Why is maintaining good academic standing important for aspiring athletes?
  - a) It's not important; only athletic skills matter.
  - b) Good academics can lead to scholarships.
  - c) Academic standing has no impact on future opportunities.
  - d) Colleges do not accept athletes with good academic standing.
  
5. What is an essential attribute for an athlete to develop, according to the passage?
  - a) Weakness
  - b) Mental toughness
  - c) Laziness
  - d) Lack of dedication

