- 25. Which of the following statements with regard to resection of rectal cancers is/are true?
- a) A distal margin of 5 cm should be obtained because 42% of patients have microscopic evidence of intramural spread beyond 3 cm from the palpable tumor
- b) A distal margin of 3 cm should be obtained because only 3% of patients have microscopic evidence of intramural spread beyond 2 cm from the palpable tumor
- c) Local recurrence rates correlate strongly with distal margins less than 4 cm
- d) There is no correlation between local recurrence and distal margins beyond 2 cm
- 26.An asymptomatic 52-year-old man is undergoing screening sigmoidoscopy. In the rectum, at 6 cm from the anal verge, a 2 cm yellow, submucosal nodule is noted. Deep endoscopic biopsies are consistent with carcinoid. Appropriate management includes which of the following?
  - a) Observation
  - b) Transanal excision
  - c) Low anterior resection
  - d) Abdominoperineal resection
- 27. The most common benign tumor of the small intestine is:
- a) Adenoma.
- b) Hemangioma.
- c) Leiomyoma.
- 28. Meckel's diverticulum most commonly presents as:
- a) Gastrointestinal bleeding.
- b) Obstruction.
- c) Diverticulitis.
- d) Intermittent abdominal pain.