

MHS Round 5

Buzzer test + Ice-breaker question: What is your favorite Ram Ranch song?

TOSS-UP

1) Physics *Multiple Choice* Approximately how many times greater is the electric field due to a Helium atom with charge +1 than a Hydrogen atom with charge +1?

- W) 2
- X) 4
- Y) 8
- Z) 16

ANSWER: Y) 8

BONUS

1) Physics – *Short Answer* What is the maximal angle of an incline, in degrees, such that a box on the incline doesn't slip given that the coefficient of static friction is $\sqrt{3}/3$?

ANSWER: 30

TOSS-UP

2) Earth and Space – *Short Answer*- Name all of the following three rocks that would form an effective aquitard: 1) Shale; 2) Breccia; 3) Pumice.

ANSWER: 1 AND 2

BONUS

2) Earth and Space – *Multiple Choice*- White Asbestos, a naturally occurring crystal also known as chrysotile, is known as a cancer inducing agent, especially when inhaled. This is due to it having which of the following structure?

- W) Tetrahedral
- X) Needle-like
- Y) Triclinic
- Z) Granular

ANSWER: X) NEEDLE-LIKE

TOSS-UP

3) Chemistry – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following options would oxidize 1-butanol into butanoic acid the quickest.

- W) Pyrimidine Chlorochromate
- X) Chromic acid
- Y) Tosylate
- Z) Sodium Borohydride

ANSWER: X) CHROMIC ACID

BONUS

3) Chemistry – *Short Answer* Identify all of the following 3 statements that are true regarding Grignard reagents: 1) They are nucleophilic; 2) They can cleave carbon-oxygen bonds in an ester; 3) They react with nitro groups to form Amides.

ANSWER: 1 AND 2

TOSS-UP

4) Biology – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following depiction of protein structure shows secondary structure the best?

- W) Ribbon
- X) Backbone
- Y) Wire
- Z) Space-filling

ANSWER: W) RIBBON

BONUS

4) Biology – *Short Answer* Identify all of the following 3 hormones that are cholesterol derivatives: 1) Glucocorticoid; 2) Calcitonin; 3) Insulin.

ANSWER: 1 ONLY

TOSS-UP

5) Math – *Short Answer* The positive difference between two consecutive perfect squares is 35. What is the value of the larger square?

ANSWER: 324

BONUS

5) Math – *Short Answer* If the hands of a working clock move continuously, how many times per day are the hour and minute hands perpendicular to each other?

Answer: 44

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## **TOSS-UP**

6) Physics – *Short Answer* What is the resonant angular frequency, in radians per second of an LC circuit with a capacitance of 5 millifarads, and an inductance of 20 millihenrys?

ANSWER: 100

## **BONUS**

6) Physics – *Short Answer* How many times greater is the electric field close to a conductor than a sheet of charge, given they have the same surface charge density?

ANSWER: 2

## **TOSS-UP**

7) Earth and Space -- *Multiple Choice* Yardangs, a form of ventifact, are formed via erosion by which process:

- W) Abrasion
- X) Water
- Y) Solifluction
- Z) Wind

ANSWER: Z) Wind

## **BONUS**

7) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* List the following 3 types of coal that correspond to the correct location that they can be readily found. 1) Anthracite in Central Germany; 2) Anthracite in the Rocky Mountains; 3) Peat coal in the Australian Outback.

ANSWER: 2

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TOSS-UP

8) Chemistry – *Short Answer* Rank the following 3 species in order of increasing standard reduction potential: 1) F₂; 2) 2H⁺; 3) Cl₂

ANSWER: 2,3,1

BONUS

8) Chemistry – *Short Answer* Identify all of the following 3 compounds that are considered internal alkynes: 1) Methylacetylene; 2) Diisopropyl Acetylene; 3) Phenylpropyl Acetylene.

ANSWER: 2 AND 3

TOSS-UP

9) Biology – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following statements of the protein family, serine proteases, is NOT correct?

- W) They all enzymatically cleave the same protein.
- X) They all contain similar three-dimensional conformations.
- Y) They all have very similar primary structures.
- Z) They are all catalytic enzymes.

ANSWER: W) THEY ALL ENZYMATICALLY CLEAVE THE SAME PROTEIN.

BONUS

9) Biology – *Multiple Choice* List the following four structures from the most lateral to the most medial in a woody eudicot stem: 1) Primary Xylem 2) Primary Phloem 3) Secondary Xylem 4) Secondary Phloem

Answer: 4, 2, 3, 1 (ACCEPT: Secondary Phloem, Primary Phloem, Secondary Xylem, Primary Xylem)



TOSS-UP

10) Math – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following statements about triangles is not correct?

- W) The sum of the exterior angles is twice the sum of the interior angles of the triangles
- X) The circumradius must be greater than or equal to twice the inradius
- Y) Drawing the medians of each side of a triangle splits the triangle into 6 equal areas
- Z) The area of a triangle is equal to the inradius times the perimeter of the triangle

ANSWER: Z) The area of a triangle is equal to the inradius times the perimeter of the triangle

BONUS

10) Math – *Short Answer* Find the infinite sum of 1 over 1 factorial minus 2 over 2 factorial plus 4 over 3 factorial, minus 8 over 4 factorial, etc, where the numerators are integer powers of two.

ANSWER: E TO THE MINUS 2 (ACCEPT ONE OVER E SQUARED)

TOSS-UP

11) Physics – *Multiple Choice* Quantum Chromodynamics exhibits two properties. Name both of them.

ANSWER: COLOR CONFINEMENT AND ASYMPTOTIC FREEDOM

BONUS

11) Physics – *Short Answer* In extremely small spherical objects such as raindrops, an approximation for the force of air resistance is proportional to velocity to what power?

ANSWER: 1

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## **TOSS-UP**

12) Earth and Space – *Multiple Choice* Glaciers can form all of the following except:

- W) Chatter Marks
- X) Rock Flour
- Y) Tombolo
- Z) Arête (pronounced ah- ret)

ANSWER: Y) Tombolo

## **BONUS**

12) Earth and Space – *Short Answer* What track is followed by protostars as they follow the HR Diagram and relates temperature and luminosity.

ANSWER: HAYASHI TRACK

## **TOSS-UP**

13) Biology – *Multiple Choice* What evolutionary factor is primarily responsible for producing adaptive evolutionary changes?

- W) Random Mutation
- X) Natural Selection
- Y) Emigration
- Z) Genetic drift

ANSWER: X) NATURAL SELECTION

## **BONUS**

13) Biology – *Multiple Choice* In an isometric contraction of a skeletal muscle, the force of contraction cannot be altered by:

- W) Changing the resting length of the muscle.
- X) Increasing stimulation frequency.
- Y) Increasing the number of sarcomeres in parallel in the muscle
- Z) Increasing the number of sarcomeres in series in the muscle.

ANSWER: Z) INCREASING THE NUMBER OF SARCOMERES IN SERIES IN THE MUSCLE

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## **TOSS-UP**

14) Chemistry – *Short Answer* Identify all of the following 3 solvents that would be favored in an SN2 reaction pathway: 1) DMSO; 2) EtSH; 3) THF

ANSWER: 1, 3

## **BONUS**

14) Chemistry – *Short Answer* What is the overall order of the reaction with elementary reactions: A plus B yields C slowly, and C+B is in equilibrium with D quickly.

ANSWER: 2

## **TOSS-UP**

15) Math – *Multiple Choice* What is the remainder when 19 to the tenth power is divided by 11?

- W) 1
- X) 5
- Y) 8
- Z) 10

ANSWER: W) 1

## **BONUS**

15) Math – *Short Answer* You have 2 types of coins, 7-cent coins, and 11-cent coins. You go to a store that sells pencils and you realize that you cannot buy a pencil without the cashier having to give you change. What is the number of possible positive-integer values that could represent the cost of a pencil?

ANSWER: 30

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## **TOSS-UP**

16) Physics – *Short Answer* What theorem in Physics states that no particle can be in stable equilibrium under the action of electrostatic forces alone?

ANSWER: Earnshaw's Theorem

## **BONUS**

16) Physics – *Multiple Choice* How much torque is experienced by an electric dipole with a positive charge and negative charge of magnitude 10 coulombs each, separated by 1 meter, given that the uniform electric field of 10 newtons per coulomb is pointing 30 degrees counterclockwise from the dipole?

- W)  $-5\sqrt{3}$
- X) -5
- Y) 5
- Z)  $5\sqrt{3}$

ANSWER: Y) 5

## **TOSS-UP**

17) Chemistry – *Short Answer* What process is defined as the transformation of a substance that turns into a glass..

ANSWER: VITRIFICATION

## **BONUS**

17) Chemistry – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following statements regarding the reaction of an alkene with osmium tetroxide and sodium hydrogen sulfite is NOT true.

- W) It is a syn addition
- X) It is a dihydroxylation reaction
- Y) Sodium hydrogen sulfite breaks down cyclic osmium compounds
- Z) It has an osmonium ion intermediate.

ANSWER: Z) IT HAS AN OSMONIUM ION INTERMEDIATE

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## **TOSS-UP**

18) Biology – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following is NOT a means of endocytosis?

- W) Pinocytosis
- X) Potocytosis
- Y) Macrocystosis
- Z) Phagocytosis

ANSWER: Y) MACROCYTOSIS

## **BONUS**

18) Biology – *Short Answer* Identify all of the following 3 mechanisms that are methods of transport in plants: 1) Cohesion-Tension Mechanism 2) Concentration-Reduction Mechanism 3) Recurrent Osmosis Mechanism.

ANSWER: 1 ONLY

## **TOSS-UP**

19) Earth and Space – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following defines the space between stars and other celestial bodies:

- W) Interstellar Medium
- X) Vacuum
- Y) Stardust
- Z) Molecular Cloud

ANSWER: W) Interstellar Medium

## **BONUS**

19) Earth and Space – *Multiple Choice* - A playa lake can be found at which regularity:

- W) Year- Round
- X) None of the year
- Y) Part of the year
- Z) Whenever there's snowfall

ANSWER: Y) PART OF THE YEAR



## **TOSS-UP**

20) Math – *Short Answer* What type of Diophantine Equation is  $x^2 - dy^2 = 1$ ?

Answer: PELL'S EQUATIONS

## **BONUS**

20) Math – *Short Answer* On a given day, the probability that it snows given that school is canceled is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . The probability that it snows is  $\frac{1}{4}$  and the probability that school is canceled is  $\frac{1}{3}$  given that it snows that day. What is the probability that on that day, school is canceled?

ANSWER:  $\frac{1}{6}$

## **TOSS-UP**

21) Biology – *Multiple Choice* Which of the following statements is not true regarding the diseases diabetes insipidus and type 1 Diabetes Mellitus:

- W) Both diseases are caused by the malfunction of the islets of langerhans.
- X) Both diseases increase the amount of urine secretion of the human.
- Y) Both diseases can lead to the degradation of vision.
- Z) Type 1 diabetes mellitus is tested by blood glucose levels, while insipidus is tested by blood sodium levels.

ANSWER: W) BOTH DISEASES ARE CAUSED BY THE MALFUNCTION OF THE PANCREATIC ISLETS.

## **BONUS**

21) Biology – *Short Answer* Given the data points of arterial blood, which of the following statements are true about the patient: pH=7.31, Pressure of CO<sub>2</sub>=35 milimeters of Mercury, and Bicarbonate concentration = 17 miliequivalent per liter:

- W) Uncompensated respiratory alkalosis
- X) Uncompensated metabolic acidiosis;
- Y) Partially compensated respiratory alkalosis;
- Z) Partially compensated metabolic acidiosis

ANSWER: Z) PARTIALLY COMPENSATED METABOLIC ACIDOSIS.

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## **TOSS-UP**

22) Chemistry – *Short Answer* Identify all of the following statements that are true about reversible processes: 1) dG must be zero; 2) Cleavage reactions are generally reversible; 3) Reversible reactions proceed towards equilibrium.

ANSWER: 1 and 3

## **BONUS**

22) Chemistry – *Multiple Choice* Rank the following 3 molecules from least to greatest in terms of degree of unsaturation: 1) Cubane; 2) Acetonitrile; 3) Cyclohexane

ANSWER: 3, 2, 1

## **TOSS-UP**

23) Math – *Short Answer* For the set of numbers {5,10,15,20,25} rank the following 4 means from least to greatest: 1) Arithmetic; 2) Geometric; 3) Harmonic; 4) Quadratic.

ANSWER: 3, 2, 1, 4

## **BONUS**

23) Math – *Short Answer* How many 2 digit numbers have a sum of digits of a perfect square?

ANSWER: 17

