# Round 36

# 1. BIOLOGY

Writer: Zoe Orlin

Toss Up: Short Answer What are the 5 senses?

Bonus Answer: Taste smell sight hearing touch

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

What is an important component to "taste"?

**Bonus Answer: Smell!** 

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## 2. EARTH and SPACE

Writer: Jan Wojcik
Toss Up: Short Answer

By name or number, which of the following is not a mineral: diamond, gold, coal, silt

Bonus Answer: Coal and silt (accept 3 and 4)

**Bonus: Short Answer** 

The Mohs scale is used to measure mineral hardness. By name or number order the following minerals in increasing

order: Fluorite, Gypsum, Quartz, Talc

Bonus Answer: Talc, Gypsum, Fluorite, Quartz (accept 1 2 3 4, in that order)

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## 3. BIOLOGY

Writer: Zoe Orlin

Toss Up: Short Answer

What is the powerhouse of the cell?

Bonus Answer: Mitochondria!!!

Bonus: Short Answer
What do you use to see?
Bonus Answer: Eyes

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### 4. MATHEMATICS

Writer: Jason Weng Toss Up: Multiple Choice

If x is positive, what is the minimum value of 2x + (2/x)?

W) 1

X) 2

Y) 3

Z) 4

Toss Up Answer: Z

Bonus: Multiple Choice

What is f(15) if  $f(x) = 2\sin(x)\cos(x)$ , where x is in degrees?

W) (√3)/2

X) 1/(√3)

Y) 1/2

Z) 1

**Bonus Answer: Y** 

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#### 5. BIOLOGY

Writer: Olivia Gallager Toss Up: Short Answer

What type of immune cell is involved in humoral immunity?

Bonus Answer: B cells

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

What is the most common type of immunoglobulin?

Bonus Answer: Immunoglobulin G

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#### 6. EARTH and SPACE

Writer: Jan Wojcik
Toss Up: Short Answer

Name the soil horizon that contains a mixture of organic matter and highly altered mineral matter and is dark in color.

**Bonus Answer: A-horizon** 

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

By name or number, which of the following phenomena cause acidification in agricultural soils:

- 1) Leaching of excess nitrate
- 2) Build-up in mostly plant-based organic matter
- 3) Removal of plant and animal products
- 4) Addition of nitrogen based fertilisers

Bonus Answer: All of them (accept 1,2,3,4)

#### 7. BIOLOGY

Writer: Calvin Vuong Toss Up: Multiple Choice

Which of the following hormones does not promote, directly or indirectly, spermatogenesis?

- W) prostaglandins
- X) luteinizing hormone
- Y) follicle stimulating hormone
- Z) gonadotropin releasing hormone

Toss Up Answer: W

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**Bonus: Multiple Choice** 

Which hormone is synthesized in the hypothalamus and released via the anterior pituitary gland?

- W) prolactin
- X) thyroid-stimulating hormone
- Y) adrenocorticotropic hormone
- Z) oxytocin

**Bonus Answer: Z** 

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#### 8. CHEMISTRY

Writer: Raafiul Hossain Toss Up: Short Answer Is HCL a strong acid?

Bonus Answer: Yes

Bonus: Short Answer
Is NAOH a strong base?
Bonus Answer: Yes

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#### 9. MATHEMATICS

Writer: Ashneel Das

Toss Up: Multiple Choice

How many zeroes does the equation  $x^3 + 6x^2 + 11x + 6 = 0$  have?

W) 1

X) 2

Y) 3

Z) 4

Toss Up Answer: Y

**Bonus: Short Answer** 

Find the solution(s) of the following system of linear equations: 2x + 4y = 6, x + 2y = 5

**Bonus Answer: No solutions** 

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#### 10. BIOLOGY

Writer: Calvin Vuong Toss Up: Multiple Choice

Which of the following statements concerning photosynthetic light reactions is false?

W) Photosystem I contains the P700 reaction center.

X) The electron transport chain following photosystem I drives chemiosmosis.

Y) NADPH is the final election acceptor.

Z) Electrons are replenished in photosystem II by the splitting of water.

Toss Up Answer: X

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### **Bonus: Multiple Choice**

Which of the following molecules is not present in the electron transport chain immediately following photosystem II?

W) cytochrome complex

X) plastoquinone

Y) ferredoxin

Z) plastocyanin

Bonus Answer: Y

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### 11. PHYSICS

Writer: Aaron Gee

Toss Up: Multiple Choice

A pendulum which is suspended from the ceiling of a railroad car is observed to hang at an angle of 10 degrees to the right of vertical. Which of the following answers could explain this phenomena?

- W) The railroad car is at rest
- X) The railroad car is accelerating to the left.
- Y) The railroad car is accelerating to the right.

## Toss Up Answer: X

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## **Bonus: Multiple Choice**

Two forces have magnitudes of 11 newtons and 5 newtons. The magnitude of their sum could NOT be equal to which of the following values?

W) 16

X) 5

Y) 9

Z) 7

### **Bonus Answer: X**

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### 12. CHEMISTRY

Writer: Nicholas Adit Toss Up: Multiple Choice

The shape of a PCI3 molecule is described as

W) bent

X) trigonal pyramidal

Y) linear

Z) trigonal planar Toss Up Answer: X

#### **Bonus: Short Answer**

Twenty-five percent of element X exists as 210(superscript) X and 75 percent of it exists as 214(superscript) X. What is the atomic weight of element X?

Bonus Answer: 211

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## 13. PHYSICS

Writer: Aaron Gee

### Toss Up: Multiple Choice

The work done by a friction force is

W) always -

X) always 0

Y) either positive or negative depending upon the situation.

Z) always +

## Toss Up Answer: W

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### **Bonus: Multiple Choice**

: As defined in physics, work is:

W) scalar quantity

X) always a positive quantity

Y) a vector quantity

Z) always 0

Bonus Answer: W

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## 14. MATHEMATICS

Writer: Andrew Chen Toss Up: Short Answer

How many ways are there to distribute 4 identical blue balls and 3 identical red balls among 3 people?

Bonus Answer: 315 (accept 21\*15)

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

What are all possible shapes that are yielded by inverting a circle across another circle?

Bonus Answer: circle, line

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### 15. BIOLOGY

Writer: Calvin Vuong Toss Up: Multiple Choice

Which of the following is a storage protein?

W) aquaporin

X) actin

Y) ovalbumin

Z) AP2

Toss Up Answer: Y

**Bonus: Short Answer** 

Which of the following amino acids has a sulfhydryl group in its side chain?

**Bonus Answer: cysteine** 

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### 16. EARTH and SPACE

Writer: Shamaul Dilmohamed Toss Up: Short Answer

In which atmospheric level does the "good" ozone preside?

**Bonus Answer: Stratosphere** 

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

In which atmospheric level does the "bad" ozone preside?

**Bonus Answer: Troposphere** 

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## 17. MATHEMATICS

Writer: Andrew Chen Toss Up: Short Answer Prime factorize 273. Bonus Answer: 3\*7\*13

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**Bonus: Multiple Choice** 

Which of the following numbers is a root of unity?

W) 1 + i

X) 1/2 + (1/2)(root3)(i)

Y) 3 + 4i

Z) (1/2)(root2) + (3/2)(root2)(i)

**Bonus Answer: X** 

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Writer: Calvin Vuong Toss Up: Multiple Choice

Introns are hydrolyzed and removed from pre-mRNA by

W) exons

X) spliceosomes

Y) small nuclear ribonucleoproteins

Z) nucleotide-pair substitution

Toss Up Answer: X

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

Okazaki fragments on the lagging strand of DNA are joined by which protein?

Bonus Answer: DNA ligase (ACCEPT: ligase)

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#### 19. CHEMISTRY

Writer: Olivia Gallager Toss Up: Short Answer

What are the numbers of sigma bonds and pi bonds, in ethyne, respectively?

Bonus Answer: 3 sigma bonds, 2 pi bonds

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

Pi bonds are created by the overlap of what type of orbital?

Bonus Answer: p, p orbitals

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### 20. BIOLOGY

Writer: Calvin Vuong Toss Up: Multiple Choice

Of the following, which is a second messenger used in cell signaling?

W) G protein

X) Protein kinase A

Y) adenylyl cyclase

Z) cAMP

Toss Up Answer: Z

**Bonus: Short Answer** 

Adjacent plant cells most commonly communicate via what intercellular junction?

Bonus Answer: Plasmodesmata (ACCEPT: desmotubule)

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# 21. CHEMISTRY

Writer: Olivia Gallager Toss Up: Multiple Choice

Which of the following has the largest ionic radius?

W) Li X) Be Y) Na

Z) Mg

Toss Up Answer: X

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

Why does Oxygen have a smaller atomic radius than boron?

Bonus Answer: Effective nuclear charge

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### 22. PHYSICS

Writer: Sean Vaysburd Toss Up: Short Answer

If the acceleration is always perpendicular to an object's velocity, what can be deduced about the object's motion?

Bonus Answer: It is circular motion.

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#### **Bonus: Short Answer**

If the acceleration of an object is opposite its velocity, what can be said about the object's velocity over time? Assume that the direction of the velocity is positive.

Bonus Answer: It is decreasing.

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#### 23. CHEMISTRY

Writer: Olivia Gallager Toss Up: Multiple Choice

Which of the following describes the reaction that involves a hydrocarbon chain and H2 gas yielding two shorter hydrocarbon chains?

W) Synthesis

X) Cracking

Y) Hydrocracking

Z) Substitution

Toss Up Answer: Y

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**Bonus: Short Answer** 

What electron geometry does ammonia(NH3) have? Bonus Answer: tetrahedral, tetrahedron also accepted

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#### 24. PHYSICS

Writer: Sean Vaysburd Toss Up: Short Answer

A car with a mass of one ton collides with a truck with a mass of ten tons. Which applies the greatest force on the

other, in Newtons?

Bonus Answer: They both apply an equal force.

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#### **Bonus: Short Answer**

Which experiences greater acceleration in the collision from a car with a mass of one ton colliding with a truck with a mass of ten tons, and by how many times greater.

Bonus Answer: The car, it will accelerate ten times as much.

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## 25. PHYSICS

Writer: Ahmad Alnasser Toss Up: Short Answer

A car accelerates from rest at 4 (m/s)^2. What is the distance traveled by the car in 3 seconds?

Bonus Answer: 18 meters (m)

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# **Bonus: Multiple Choice**

A motor scooter travels east at a speed of 13 m/s. The driver then reverses direction and heads west at 17 m/s. What was the change in velocity of the scooter?

W) 13 m/s X) 17 m/s Y) 30 m/s Z) 4 m/s

Bonus Answer: Y

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