# **Using Practice Quizzes Effectively**

This practice quiz contains **actual questions** that have been asked on one of my quizzes in a previous quarter. This can be a useful studying tool if used properly.

## Important notes about the practice quiz:

- This practice quiz should not be the only studying tool you are using, because the practice quizzes only show a small subset of the possible questions that could be tested.
- Work the recommended book problems to make sure that you fully understand all of the concepts that might be on the actual quiz.
  - You need to be able to explain why every step is done in solving all of the recommended book problems (without looking at the solutions). Do not memorize the answers – this will not work.
  - Work problems multiple times to build skill and efficiency (but do not memorize).
- The actual quiz will contain questions that differ from the practice quizzes. They are not necessarily any easier or harder; they are just different.
  - o It would be pointless to give a quiz with the exact same questions as the practice, because it would mean the quiz is testing your memorization skills instead of your actual understanding of the material.
  - To prepare for this, make sure you understand how to do all of the recommended book problems as discussed above.

## What this practice quiz is intended to do:

- Help you diagnose general areas of strength/weakness and determine what you need to spend more time studying before the quiz
- Allow you to check if you are answering questions quickly enough to complete the actual quiz within the time limit
- Give you an idea of the general format of a multiple-choice quiz

#### While taking the quiz:

- Take this with a 25 minute time limit, including the time it would take you to fill out a parscore
- Do not use any outside notes or help
- Do not look at any of the answers until you have completed the entire quiz

### After you complete the quiz, check your answers against the key. For any problems you miss:

- Go through the worked-out solutions to see how to answer each question correctly
- Make sure you understand why every step is done in solving the problems you miss
- Rework book problems that are related to the questions you missed. This will help to strengthen your
  understanding of the topic. Without this, you will not gain a full understanding of the topic and risk missing similar
  questions on the actual quiz.

**Instructions:** No hats or hoods allowed. No books or notes allowed. No sharing of calculators. Cell phones, iPods, headsets/headphones, and any other electronic devices must be turned off and put away.

There are a total of two pages (6 questions) on the quiz. **Not every question is worth the same number of points**--point values are indicated for each question.

You may work out the problems and write your answers on this quiz; however, you must completely fill in the appropriate bubble(s) on your ParSCORE form. Turn in the ParSCORE form only. **Only the answers indicated on your ParSCORE will be graded**, so please be very careful bubbling in your ParSCORE. No credit will be awarded for an incorrectly-bubbled answer. The correct answers to the quiz will be posted on our course web page.

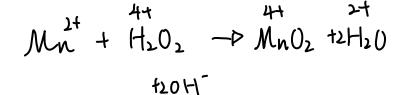
- 1. (3 pts) Which of the following is the highest in energy?
- a) Blue light ( $\lambda$  = 450 nm)
- b) Red light ( $\lambda$  = 650 nm)
- c) Yellow light ( $\lambda = 550 \text{ nm}$ )



2. (3 pts) Consider the following reaction occurring in <u>basic</u> solution:  $Mn^{2+} + H_2O_2 ---> MnO_2 + H_2O$ Determine the <u>SUM of ALL</u> coefficients when the equation is properly balanced. Include coefficients of 1.

- a) 4
- b) 5c) 6
- d) 7
- e) 9





3. (3 pts) Increasing the temperature of a gas at constant pressure will \_\_\_\_\_\_ the density of the gas.

- a) decrease
- b) increase
- c) not change



- 4. (3 pts) A gas sample at 27°C has a pressure of 0.969 atm. If the flask is heated to 81°C at constant volume, what is the pressure of the gas?
- a) 0.821 atm
- b) 1.58 atm
- c) 1.14 atm
- d) 2.91 atm
- e) 3.45 atm
- P2 = 1.14

P1 = P2

(4 pts) Iron is reacted with excess HCl according to the following equation:

If 430 mL of H<sub>2</sub> gas is collected over water at 747 torr total pressure and 25°C, how many grams of iron reacted? The vapor pressure of water at 25°C is 23.8 torr.

- 6. (4 pts) The energy required to remove electrons from the surface of a metal is 229 kJ/mol. If the metal is exposed to light of an unknown wavelength, and each ejected electron has a kinetic energy of 7.6x10<sup>-19</sup> J, then what is the wavelength of the light?
- a)  $2.6 \times 10^{-7}$  m
- b)  $8.7x10^{-31}$  m
- c)  $5.2x10^{-7}$  m
- d) 4.6x10<sup>-31</sup> m
- e)  $1.7x10^{-7}$  m

$$\frac{hC}{\lambda} = \frac{229 \times 10^3}{6.02 \times 10^{23}} + 7.6 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$\lambda = 1.743 \times 10^{-7}$$

Answers:

1) A

2) D

3) A

4) C

5) E

6) E

For more practice, work the assigned problems from the textbook! Lists of problems and solutions are on Gauchospace.