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.

Quiz 1 Sample 2

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 three 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) An element forms a stable ionic compound with the formula $X_2(SO_4)_3$. If the <u>ion</u> of element X contains 24 electrons, then what is the identity of element X?
- a) Sc
- b) Cr
- c) Ti
- d) Fe
- e) Co

2. (3 pts) A particular element has three isotopes with relative abundances shown below:

Isotope Mass (g/mol)	Relative Abundance
156.30	52.30%
157.58	26.30%
158.42	21.40%

What is the average molar mass of this element?

- a) 156.88 g/mol
- b) 158.02 g/mol
- c) 157.09 g/mol
- d) 157.58 g/mol
- e) 157.43 g/mol

Calculate the amount (in moles) of O_2 left over when 0.34 moles of SO_2 reacts with 0.22 moles of O_2 . Assume the reaction goes to completion.

- a) 0.17 moles
- b) 0.22 moles
- c) 0 moles
- d) 0.05 moles
- e) 0.34 moles

$$\frac{0.34}{2}$$
 < 0.22, so. limiting

 $\frac{35}{m_Y(N0_2)} \times 6.02 \times 10^{23} \times (1+2)$

0.17



4. (3 pts) Determine the total number of atoms in a 35 gram sample of NO₂.

- a) 1.37×10²⁴
- b) 4.58×10²³
- c) 6.02×10²³
- d) 9.16×10²³
- e) 0.761



5. (4 pts) Consider the following <u>unbalanced</u> reaction: Al + $ZnSO_4 \rightarrow Al_2(SO_4)_3 + Zn$

When 45 grams of Al reacts with 200 grams of $ZnSO_4$, 73 grams of $Al_2(SO_4)_3$ is actually produced. Determine the percent yield for this reaction.

- a) 13%
- b) 52%
- c) 17%
- d) 26%
- e) 30%

6. (3 pts) According to the naming rules discussed in class, how many of the compounds listed below are **correctly** named?

Formula	Name
Na ₂ SO ₄	disodium phosphate
Zn(NO ₃) ₂	zinc(II) nitrate
HBr	bromic acid
NO	nitrogen oxide

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4
- e) 0

Answers:

1) E

2) C

3) D

4) A

5) B

6) E

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