2008 AP® CHEMISTRY FREE-RESPONSE QUESTIONS

- (c) For the reaction mixture at equilibrium at 1,160 K, the partial pressure of the $CO_2(g)$ is 1.63 atm. Calculate
 - (i) the partial pressure of CO(g), and
 - (ii) the value of the equilibrium constant, K_p .
- (d) If a suitable solid catalyst were placed in the reaction vessel, would the final total pressure of the gases at equilibrium be greater than, less than, or equal to the final total pressure of the gases at equilibrium without the catalyst? Justify your answer. (Assume that the volume of the solid catalyst is negligible.)

In another experiment involving the same reaction, a rigid 2.00 L container initially contains 10.0 g of C(s), plus CO(g) and $CO_2(g)$, each at a partial pressure of 2.00 atm at 1,160 K.

(e) Predict whether the partial pressure of $CO_2(g)$ will increase, decrease, or remain the same as this system approaches equilibrium. Justify your prediction with a calculation.