

**Tossup**

- 1) *Biology – Short Answer:* Deficiency in what vitamin leads to pellagra?

ANSWER: Niacin (ACCEPT: B3)

**Bonus**

- 1) *Biology – Short Answer:* Identify all of the following 4 conditions that would result in a Bohr shift of the hemoglobin-oxygen dissociation curve:

- I) Increased partial pressure of CO<sub>2</sub>
- II) Increased partial pressure of O<sub>2</sub>
- III) Increased concentration of 2,3 BPG in the blood
- IV) Increased concentration of lactic acid in the blood

ANSWER: I, III, IV

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- 2) *Chemistry – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following compounds would cause the greatest boiling point elevation when added to water?

- W) Rh<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
- X) Mg<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>
- Y) CH<sub>2</sub>O
- Z) CsCl

ANSWER: X) Mg<sub>3</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

**Bonus**

- 2) *Chemistry – Short Answer:* Order the following 4 elements in terms of increasing first electron affinity:

- 1) Oxygen
- 2) Lithium
- 3) Boron
- 4) Sodium

ANSWER: 4, 2, 3, 1

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- 3) *Earth and Space – Short Answer:* Occasionally, two separate crystals in a mineral can grow in such a way that they intersect each other and share a crystallographic plane. What is the name of this phenomenon?

ANSWER: Twinning

**Bonus**

- 3) *Earth and Space – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following radioactive isotopes would be most appropriate for dating a sample of age 140 million years?

- W) Uranium-235
- X) Samarium-147
- Y) Rubidium-87
- Z) Uranium-238

ANSWER: W) Uranium-235

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- 4) *Physics – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following reasons best describes why birds are able to sit on a power line without being electrocuted, while humans can die from standing on the ground near a lightning strike?

- W) The outer coating of power lines protects the birds' feet, but there is no protective coating on the ground
- X) Humans are much less resistive than birds, causing more current to flow through them
- Y) The ground has a much higher resistance than a power line, causing a greater voltage difference per unit distance
- Z) The ground the human is standing on is grounded, leading to a greater voltage difference between the human and the ground

ANSWER: Y

**Bonus**

- 4) *Physics – Short Answer:* Consider a system of levers where a lever of length 4 meters is connected to the left side of a lever of length 7 meters. If the system has an efficiency of 80%, what is the output torque measured at the far right side if an input torque of 40 Newton-meters is applied?

ANSWER: 32 Nm

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5) *Chemistry – Multiple Choice:* Identical volumes of two solutions, A and B, are prepared. Solution A is made of pure water and Solution B is made of 0.5 Molar NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. Which of the following statements about the solutions is true?

- W) A has a higher vapor pressure and B has a higher boiling point
- X) B has a higher vapor pressure and A has a higher boiling point
- Y) A has a higher vapor pressure and boiling point
- Z) B has a higher vapor pressure and boiling point

ANSWER: W) A has a higher vapor pressure and B has a higher boiling point

### **Bonus**

5) *Chemistry – Short Answer:* Order the following 4 atoms by increasing number of neutrons:

- 1) Technetium
- 2) Platinum
- 3) Tungsten
- 4) Silver

ANSWER: 1, 4, 3, 2

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### **Tossup**

6) *Math – Short Answer:* Enloe Science Bowl needs to select new board members for their 2022-2023 season. If there are 15 ways they can choose a 2 person board, how many different ways can they select a 3 person board?

ANSWER: 20

### **Bonus**

6) *Math – Short Answer:* Providing your answer in base 8, add the following numbers in different bases [READ AS DIGITS]: 101011 in base 2, 221 in base 4, 14 in base 8, A in base 16?

ANSWER: 150

### **Tossup**

7) *Physics – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following changes would increase the number of electrons being emitted from a metal due to an incident light source?

- W) Increasing the frequency of the light source
- X) Decreasing the frequency of the light source
- Y) Making the light waves travel in phase with each other
- Z) Increasing the intensity of the light

ANSWER: Z) Increasing the intensity of the light

### **Bonus**

7) *Physics – Short Answer:* Vedang is riding a bike at a constant speed of 7.4 m/s while he pedals with a power of 200 Watts. If the wheels of the bike are changed to be 1.5 times larger in diameter while Vedang pedals with the same power, what is the new speed of the bike in meters per second?

ANSWER: 7.4

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### **Tossup**

8) *Energy – Short Answer:* Researchers at the Office of Fossil Energy are studying ways to improve the transportation of liquified natural gas. What is the term for the process of converting liquified natural gas back to its gaseous state?

ANSWER: Regasification

### **Bonus**

8) *Energy – Short Answer:* Researchers at the Office of Fossil Energy are studying ways to improve the processing of natural gas. If the first step in a purification process has an activation energy of 830 kJ, what is the natural log of the ratio between the reaction rate constants at 800 Kelvin and 400 Kelvin?

ANSWER: 125

### **Tossup**

9) *Chemistry – Multiple Choice:* Emission and absorption spectra provide evidence for all except which of the following?

- W) Lepton-boson interactions
- X) The Bohr model of the atom
- Y) A universally constant speed of light
- Z) Quantization of electron energy

ANSWER: Y) A universally constant speed of light

### **Bonus**

9) *Chemistry – Short Answer:* Order the following 4 gaseous molecules from highest to lowest velocity at 273 Kelvin:

- 1) Ammonia
- 2) Nitrogen
- 3) Oxygen
- 4) Carbon monoxide

ANSWER: 1,4,2,3

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### **Tossup**

10) *Earth and Space – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following minerals has the fewest planes of cleavage?

- W) Biotite
- X) Calcite
- Y) Lepidolite [lep-i-dol-ite]
- Z) Quartz

ANSWER: Quartz

### **Bonus**

10) *Earth and Space – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following rocks displays compositional layering?

- W) Andesite
- X) Shale
- Y) Quartzite
- Z) Gneiss [nie-ce]

ANSWER: Z) Gneiss

### **Tossup**

11) *Biology – Short Answer:* The contraction of muscles in the human body is stimulated by the release of what ion?

ANSWER:  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  (ACCEPT: calcium, calcium ion)

### **Bonus**

11) *Biology – Multiple Choice:* Cyclic electron flow in photosynthesis excludes what photosystem and serves to primarily produce what substance, respectively?

- W) Photosystem I, NADPH
- X) Photosystem I, ATP
- Y) Photosystem II, NADPH
- Z) Photosystem II, ATP

ANSWER: Z) Photosystem II, ATP

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### **Tossup**

12) *Math – Short Answer:* A tetrahedron of volume 1 is removed from each vertex of a tetrahedron of volume 17. How many edges does the new solid have?

ANSWER: 18

### **Bonus**

12) *Math – Short Answer:* A Pythagorean Quadruple is a set of 4 numbers a, b, c, d, such that  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = d^2$  [**READ: a squared plus b squared plus c squared equals d squared**]. Identify all of the following 3 sets of numbers that will form a Pythagorean Quadruple.

- I) (3, 4, 12, 13)
- II) (6, 10, 15, 17)
- III) (8, 9, 12, 17)

ANSWER: I and III

### **Tossup**

13) *Physics – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following is true of the frequency of a damped spring system compared to an undamped one with the same spring constant and mass?

- W) It is larger
- X) It is smaller
- Y) It is the same
- Z) It depends on the value of the spring constant

ANSWER: X) It is smaller

### **Bonus**

13) *Physics – Multiple Choice:* A regular hexagonal prism is laying on its side on an inclined plane with a very high coefficient of friction. Which of the following is closest to the incline angle needed for the heptagonal prism to begin to roll?

- W) 10
- X) 20
- Y) 30
- Z) 40

ANSWER: Y) 30

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14) *Earth and Space – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following best explains why the Moon is red on a lunar eclipse?

- W) Neutrinos traveling through the Earth illuminate the moon at low frequencies
- X) Red light gets refracted at the largest angle by the Earth's atmosphere to illuminate the moon.
- Y) Blue light gets absorbed by the Earth's oceans preventing it from reaching the moon
- Z) Blue light gets scattered by the Earth's atmosphere to the greatest degree, preventing it from reaching the moon.

ANSWER: Z

### **Bonus**

14) *Earth and Space – Multiple Choice:* In which of the following regions of the electromagnetic spectrum does the sun emit the largest amount of energy?

- W) 200-380 nanometers
- X) 380-780 nanometers
- Y) 780 - 2500 nanometers
- Z) 2500-30000 nanometers

ANSWER: X) 380-780 nm

### **Tossup**

15) *Math – Multiple Choice:* The circumcenter of an equilateral triangle is 3 units above its bases. Which of the following is the area of the equilateral triangle?

- W)  $9\sqrt{3}$
- X)  $12\sqrt{3}$
- Y)  $18\sqrt{3}$
- Z)  $27\sqrt{3}$

ANSWER: Z)  $27\sqrt{3}$

### **Bonus**

15) *Math – Short Answer:* Identify all of the following four numbers in base 13 that are divisible by 4 [READ DIGITS INDIVIDUALLY]:

- I) B36
- II) 259
- III) 435

ANSWER: ALL

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### **Tossup**

16) *Biology – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following is not a requirement of Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium?

- W) Random mating
- X) No Gene Flow
- Y) No Selection
- Z) Small Population Size

ANSWER: Z) Small Population Size

### **Bonus**

16) *Biology – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following DNA repair pathways would be used to repair pyrimidine [pi-ri-mid-een] dimers?

- W) Mismatch Repair
- X) Base Excision Repair
- Y) Nucleotide Excision Repair
- Z) Homology Directed Repair

ANSWER: Y) Nucleotide Excision Repair

### **Tossup**

- 17) *Energy – Short Answer:* Researchers at the Brookhaven National Laboratory are studying the ways that plant seeds get energy from the endosperm. One of these ways includes synthesizing sugars from lipids, and occurs in a specialized version of a peroxisome. What is the name of this anabolic pathway?

ANSWER: glyoxylate cycle

### **Bonus**

- 17) *Energy – Short Answer:* Scientists at SLAC National Accelerator Facility are leading the creation of new laser technologies. So far, they have succeeded in producing lasers that emit highly cohesive radiation as well as lasers that emit very short pulses of strong radiation, but have not been able to create a laser that accomplishes both of these. What scientific principle is preventing them from making advancements towards this?

ANSWER: Heisenburg uncertainty principle

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### **Tossup**

- 18) *Physics – Short Answer:* Impedance is a combination of what two electrical quantities?

ANSWER: Resistance and Reactance

### **Bonus**

- 18) *Physics – Short Answer:* What is the magnitude of the impedance of a circuit with resistance of 7 ohms, capacitance reactance of 30 ohms, and inductive reactance of 6 ohms?

ANSWER: 25

### **Tossup**

19) *Math – Multiple Choice:* Thanush has a list of eight integers. He calculates the average of the numbers, and rounds his answer to the nearest tenth. Which one of the following values could not possibly be his result?

- W) 2.5
- X) 2.6
- Y) 2.7
- Z) 2.8

ANSWER: 2.7

### **Bonus**

19) *Math – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following operations between two numbers a and b is commutative?

- W)  $a / (b + a)$  [READ: a divided by the quantity of b plus a]
- X)  $3a + 4b$
- Y)  $(a + b)^2 + (a - b)^2$  [READ: open parenthesis a plus b close parentheses squared plus open parentheses a minus b close parentheses squared]
- Z)  $\ln(a/b)$  [READ: natural log of open parenthesis a divided by b close parenthesis]

ANSWER: Y

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### **Tossup**

20) *Biology – Short Answer:* Identify all of the following 3 hormones that are produced by the anterior pituitary [pit-oo-i-tar-ee] gland:

- I) Oxytocin
- II) Luteinizing [loo-tee-in-izing] Hormone
- III) Antidiuretic [anti-di-yur-etic] Hormone

ANSWER: II only

### **Bonus**

20) *Biology – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following incorrectly matches a glial cell with its function?

- W) Microglia - immune cell
- X) Ependymal cells - circulate cerebrospinal fluid
- Y) Astrocytes - myelinate central nervous system
- Z) Schwann cells - myelinate peripheral nervous system

ANSWER: Y) Astrocytes - myelinate central nervous system

### **Tossup**

21) *Energy – Multiple Choice:* Researchers in Anirudh's basement are studying the digestive tracts of various mammals. Which of the following statements is not true of digestive systems in relation to dietary preference?

- W) Frugivores tend to have larger intestinal surface areas
- X) Carnivores tend to have shorter intestines
- Y) Herbivores tend to have multiple stomachs to process fiber
- Z) Omnivores tend to eat more animal than plant matter.

ANSWER: Z) Omnivores tend to eat more animal than plant matter.

### **Bonus**

21) *Energy – Short Answer:* Researchers at Sandia National Labs are studying the ways that semiconducting materials can be improved. What is the name of the positive charge carrier in a doped semiconductor which represents the absence of an electron?

ANSWER: Hole

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### **Tossup**

22) *Chemistry – Short Answer:* What term describes a solution that rotates the polarization angle of light that travels through it?

ANSWER: Optically active

### **Bonus**

22) *Chemistry – Short Answer:* Identify all of the following 3 terms that are used to describe types of metal alloys:

- I) Smectic
- II) Interstitial
- III) Substitutional

ANSWER: II and III

**Tossup**  
Stars/Cosmo

23) *Earth and Space – Multiple Choice:* In which of the following areas on the H-R diagram would you find Delta Cephei?

- W) Main Sequence
- X) Horizontal Branch
- Y) Turnoff Point
- Z) Instability Strip

ANSWER: Z) Instability Strip

**Bonus**

23) *Earth and Space – Multiple Choice:* Which of the following best describes a single degenerate progenitor [pro-jen-i-tor] supernova?

- W) Type 1A supernova involving a white dwarf and a larger star
- X) Type 1B supernova involving a single massive star
- Y) Type 1A supernova involving two white dwarfs
- Z) Type 1B supernova involving a single white dwarf

ANSWER: W