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- W) The decay will speed up
- X) The decay will slow down
- Y) There is no change
- Z) There is an inverse relationship between temperature and fission

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**BONUS** 

- 8) ENERGY Multiple Choice FutureGen 2.0 power plants will reduce carbon dioxide production by burning coal in which of the following ways?
- W) With a mixture of oxygen and carbon dioxide instead of air to produce concentrated carbon dioxide
- X) With an enhanced concentration of oxygen instead of air to produce less carbon dioxide per

ton of coal burned

- Y) In a catalytic chamber that scrubs the carbon dioxide out of the emissions
- Z) Using carbon dioxide reduced coal in an 80% nitrogen and 18% oxygen mixture

ANSWER: W) WITH A MIXTURE OF OXYGEN AND CARBON DIOXIDE INSTEAD OF AIR TO PRODUCE CONCENTRATED CARBON DIOXIDE

**TOSS-UP** 

- 15) PHYSICS Multiple Choice Which of the following particles has an electric charge of zero?
- W) Electron
- X) Quark
- Y) Gluon
- Z) Muon

ANSWER: Y) GLUON

**BONUS** 

15) PHYSICS Short Answer A swimming pool water pump draws about 4.2 amperes when connected to 240 volts. If energy costs 10 cents per kilowatt hour, what is the bill to the nearest cent for running the pump continuously for 1 day?

ANSWER: \$2.42 (ACCEPT: 242 CENTS)

#### TOSS-UP

6) MATH Short Answer In the three by three matrix,

[such that row one

contains negative 2, 2, and 0; row two contains 4, 1, and negative 5; row three contains 8,

3, and 7], which is the

[x sub 2, 3] element?

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ANSWER:

**BONUS** 

6) MATH Short Answer If the squared length of the diagonal of one face of a cube is 162, what is the surface area in square units of the cube?

ANSWER: 486

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- W) Coal
- X) Oil
- Y) Natural gas
- Z) Geothermal energy

ANSWER: X) OIL

**BONUS** 

4) ENERGY Short Answer In what kind of electrochemical cell would copper and zinc plates be lowered into a sulfuric acid solution in order to generate an electric current?

ANSWER: VOLTAIC (ACCEPT: GALVANIC; DO NOT ACCEPT BATTERY)

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- W) Carbon dioxide
- X) Nitrous oxide
- Y) Methane
- Z) Carbon monoxide

ANSWER: Z) CARBON MONOXIDE

**BONUS** 

5) CHEMISTRY Short Answer In a titration experiment, 6.0 milliliters of a 0.05 molar monoprotic weak acid are titrated with 0.10 molar sodium hydroxide. How much base in milliliters will it take to reach the half-equivalence point?

ANSWER: 1.5

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- W) Calcite
- X) Pyrite
- Y) Halite
- Z) Mica [MY-kuh]

ANSWER: Y) HALITE

#### **BONUS**

22) EARTH AND SPACE Short Answer What is the largest sediment particle type a wind of 10 meters per second could transport?

ANSWER: SAND

## **TOSS-UP**

- 23) PHYSICS Multiple Choice An unpowered open truck is coasting horizontally with a constant velocity along a frictionless track underneath a grain bin when grain falls vertically into the truck, partly filling it as it moves along. Which of the following will happen to the horizontal momentum of the truck with the accumulating grain?
- W) It will decrease
- X) It will increase
- Y) It will stay the same
- Z) It will first increase and then decrease

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## **BONUS**

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a distance B beyond their equilibrium length. By number, identify which of the following is true:

1) A is greater than B, 2) A is less than B, 3) A and B are the same distance.

ANSWER: 2

#### **TOSS-UP**

- 19) BIOLOGY Multiple Choice Which of the following statements is NOT true about lichen [LY-kuhn]?
- W) It is a composite organism
- X) It is composed of algae and moss
- Y) It is hardy and slow-growing
- Z) It usually reproduces asexually

ANSWER: X) IT IS COMPOSED OF ALGAE AND MOSS

**BONUS** 

19) BIOLOGY Short Answer Many angiosperms flower at the same time every year, even though they may have started growing at different times. Their flowering is a response to the changing length of day and night. What is the name of this phenomenon?

ANSWER: PHOTOPERIODISM (ACCEPT: PHOTOPERIODICITY)

### **TOSS-UP**

12) MATH Short Answer The perimeters of two similar figures have a ratio of 5:7. What is the ratio of their areas?

ANSWER: 25:49 (ACCEPT: 25/49)

**BONUS** 

12) MATH Short Answer After 40 times at bat, BJ has 9 hits. What is the least number of hits he would need in his next 30 times at bat so that he has hits in at least 31% of his total at-bats? ANSWER: 13

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- W) -4
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- Y) 1
- Z) 4

ANSWER: Z) 4

**BONUS** 

- 4) MATH Multiple Choice If  $f(x) = -2x^2 + 8x 4$ , which of the following is true?
- W) f is not a one to one function
- X) The graph of f opens upward
- Y) The graph of f has no x-intercept
- Z) The maximum value of f(x) is -4

ANSWER: W) f IS NOT A ONE TO ONE FUNCTION

## **TOSS-UP**

- 14) EARTH AND SPACE Multiple Choice The curve that the position of the Sun at noon traces on the sky over the course of a year most closely resembles which of the following?
- W) Line
- X) Figure 8
- Y) Ellipse
- Z) Circle

ANSWER: X) FIGURE 8

**BONUS** 

- 14) EARTH AND SPACE Multiple Choice Which of the following should NEVER occur?
- W) Mercury at inferior conjunction
- X) Venus at opposition
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**BONUS** 

- 21) BIOLOGY Multiple Choice The mRNA codon for methionine [meh-THY-uh-neen] is 5'-A-U-G-3'. From 5 prime to 3 prime, which of the following would be the anticodon present in the cognate tRNA?
- W) 5'-UAC-3'
- X) 5'-GUA-3'

Y) 5'-CAU-3'

Z) 5'-AUG-3'

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[NOTE: 3â€<sup>TM</sup> = THREE PRIME and 5â€<sup>TM</sup> = FIVE PRIME]

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