

- 29** The fusion of two deuterium nuclei produces a nuclide of helium and a neutron. The reaction liberates 3.27 MeV of energy.

How does the combined mass of the two deuterium nuclei,  $\Sigma M_{\text{Reactants}}$ , compare with the combined mass of the helium nucleus and neutron,  $\Sigma M_{\text{Products}}$ ?

- A**  $\Sigma M_{\text{Reactants}}$  is  $5.8 \times 10^{-30}$  kg greater than  $\Sigma M_{\text{Products}}$ .
- B**  $\Sigma M_{\text{Reactants}}$  is  $5.8 \times 10^{-30}$  kg smaller than  $\Sigma M_{\text{Products}}$ .
- C**  $\Sigma M_{\text{Reactants}}$  is  $5.8 \times 10^{-36}$  kg greater than  $\Sigma M_{\text{Products}}$ .
- D**  $\Sigma M_{\text{Reactants}}$  is  $5.8 \times 10^{-36}$  kg smaller than  $\Sigma M_{\text{Products}}$ .