

## Chemistry sample question

### 1. Which atomic model is represented in the image?

- a) Dalton model
- b) Rutherford model
- c) Bohr model ☒
- d) Balmer model

☒ Answer: c) Bohr model

(Note: The Bohr model shows electrons orbiting the nucleus in fixed energy levels.)

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### 2. An increase in frequency represents a decrease in which of the following?

- a) Wave number
- b) Wavelength ☒
- c) Energy
- d) Quantum

☒ Answer: b) Wavelength

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### 3. Which one of the following expressions represents Planck's equation?

- a)  $E = mc^2$
- b)  $E = h\nu$  ☒
- c)  $F = ma$
- d)  $V = IR$

☒ Answer: b)  $E = h\nu$

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### 4. Which one of the following expressions represents Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle?

- a)  $E = h\nu$
- b)  $\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \hbar/2$  ☒
- c)  $F = ma$
- d)  $E = mc^2$

☒ Answer: b)  $\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \hbar/2$

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### 5. Which one of the following sets of quantum numbers is possible?

- a)  $n = 2, l = 2, m_l = 0, m_s = +1/2$
- b)  $n = 3, l = 1, m_l = 0, m_s = -1/2$  ☒
- c)  $n = 1, l = 1, m_l = 0, m_s = +1/2$
- d)  $n = 4, l = 3, m_l = 4, m_s = -1/2$

☒ Answer: b)  $n = 3, l = 1, m_l = 0, m_s = -1/2$

(Explanation:  $l$  must be  $< n$ , and  $m_l$  should be between  $-l$  to  $+l$ .)

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**6. The reaction:  $\text{MgCl}_2 + 2\text{AgNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{Mg}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + 2\text{AgCl}$  is an example of which type of reaction?**

- a) Redox
- b) Precipitation ☒
- c) Neutralization
- d) Acid-base

☒ Answer: b) Precipitation

(Explanation:  $\text{AgCl}$  is an insoluble salt that precipitates out.)

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**7. According to bond order, a molecule is stable when the number of bonding electrons ( $N_b$ ) is \_\_\_\_\_ the number of antibonding electrons ( $N_a$ ).**

- a) Greater than ☒
- b) Equal to
- c) Less than
- d) None

☒ Answer: a) Greater than

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**8. A reducing agent is a species that loses electrons and \_\_\_\_\_ another species, but itself gets \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Oxidizes, oxidized
- b) Reduces, oxidized ☒
- c) Reduces, reduced
- d) Oxidizes, reduced

☒ Answer: b) Reduces, oxidized

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**9. According to Brønsted-Lowry concept, a base is any molecule that can:**

- a) Donate electrons
- b) Donate proton
- c) Accept proton ☒
- d) Accept electron pair

☒ Answer: c) Accept proton

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**10. Which one of the following elements is an example of a metalloid?**

- a) Oxygen
- b) Silicon ☒
- c) Fluorine
- d) Chlorine

☒ Answer: b) Silicon

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**11. The period number equals the \_\_\_\_\_ quantum number of the valence shell.**

- a) Principal ☒
- b) Subsidiary
- c) Magnetic
- d) Spin

☒ Answer: a) Principal

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**12. Mendeleev's statement of the law of periodicity depends on which physical constant?**

- a) Atomic number
- b) Atomic weight ☒
- c) Both
- d) None

☒ Answer: b) Atomic weight

(Explanation: Mendeleev arranged elements by increasing atomic weight.)

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**13. A coordination bond is formed by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Exchange of electrons
- b) Equal sharing of electrons
- c) One-way sharing of electrons ☒
- d) Equal electronegativity

☒ Answer: c) One-way sharing of electrons

(Explanation: Also known as a dative bond—both electrons come from the same atom.)

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**Essay Type: [Answer any three in your answer script]**

**2.**

- a. Discuss in your own words the contributions and limitations of the three atomic models.
  - b. Show the derivation of the Bohr's radius calculation for a hydrogen atom.
  - c. What is a spectrum? Calculate the wavelength of the line in the Balmer series that is associated with the drop of an electron from the fifth orbit. (Rydberg constant =  $109,677\text{ cm}^{-1}$ )
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**3.**

- a. What are quantum numbers? Explain the significance of the quantum numbers to clearly define the inner structure of the atom.
- b. Prove by showing the mathematical derivation that the momentum of a particle in motion is inversely proportional to its wavelength.
- c. Write the statement of Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle. The uncertainty in the position

of a moving bullet of mass 0.35 kg is  $1.25 \times 10^{-8}$  cm. Calculate the uncertainty in its velocity.  
( $h = \text{Planck's constant}$ )

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**4.**

- a.** Describe the modern periodic table by highlighting the main features.
  - b.** Write short notes on any two of the following (1.5 + 1.5):
    - i. Transition metals
    - ii. Halogens
    - iii. Noble gases
  - c.** Explain Brønsted-Lowry concepts of acids and bases with the reasons for its superiority over the Arrhenius concept.
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**5.**

- a.** What is an ionic bond? Illustrate with a suitable example the formation of an ionic bond by dot and cross diagrams.
- b.** Why is it important for engineers to understand the thermal and electrical conductivity of materials? Explain conductivity of matter using the electron sea model.
- c.** Show the construction of the  $\text{N}_2$  molecule by molecular orbital diagrams and find the bond order, magnetic properties, and electronic configuration of  $\text{N}_2$  molecules.