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REGENTS HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION

# PHYSICAL SETTING CHEMISTRY

Wednesday, August 18, 2010 — 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., only

This is a test of your knowledge of chemistry. Use that knowledge to answer all questions in this examination. Some questions may require the use of the *Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Chemistry*. You are to answer *all* questions in all parts of this examination according to the directions provided in the examination booklet.

The answers to *all* questions in this examination are to be written in your separate answer booklet. Be sure to fill in the heading on the front of your answer booklet.

All work should be written in pen, except for graphs and drawings, which should be done in pencil. You may use scrap paper to work out the answers to the questions, but be sure to record all your answers in your answer booklet.

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## Part A

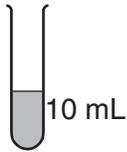
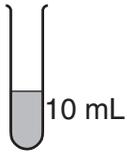
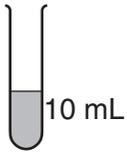
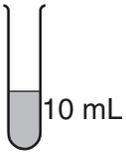
### Answer all questions in this part.

*Directions (1–30):* For *each* statement or question, write in your answer booklet the *number* of the word or expression that, of those given, best completes the statement or answers the question. Some questions may require the use of the *Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Chemistry*.

- What is the total number of valence electrons in a calcium atom in the ground state?  
(1) 8 (3) 18  
(2) 2 (4) 20
- Which subatomic particles are located in the nucleus of an He-4 atom?  
(1) electrons and neutrons  
(2) electrons and protons  
(3) neutrons and protons  
(4) neutrons, protons, and electrons
- In the late 1800s, experiments using cathode ray tubes led to the discovery of the  
(1) electron (3) positron  
(2) neutron (4) proton
- The atomic mass of titanium is 47.88 atomic mass units. This atomic mass represents the  
(1) total mass of all the protons and neutrons in an atom of Ti  
(2) total mass of all the protons, neutrons, and electrons in an atom of Ti  
(3) weighted average mass of the most abundant isotope of Ti  
(4) weighted average mass of all the naturally occurring isotopes of Ti
- An atom of which element has the largest atomic radius?  
(1) Fe (3) Si  
(2) Mg (4) Zn
- Which element requires the *least* amount of energy to remove the most loosely held electron from a gaseous atom in the ground state?  
(1) bromine (3) sodium  
(2) calcium (4) silver
- A balanced equation representing a chemical reaction can be written using  
(1) chemical formulas and mass numbers  
(2) chemical formulas and coefficients  
(3) first ionization energies and mass numbers  
(4) first ionization energies and coefficients
- Every water molecule has two hydrogen atoms bonded to one oxygen atom. This fact supports the concept that elements in a compound are  
(1) chemically combined in a fixed proportion  
(2) chemically combined in proportions that vary  
(3) physically mixed in a fixed proportion  
(4) physically mixed in proportions that vary
- The percent composition by mass of nitrogen in  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (gram-formula mass = 35 grams/mole) is equal to  
(1)  $\frac{4}{35} \times 100$  (3)  $\frac{35}{14} \times 100$   
(2)  $\frac{14}{35} \times 100$  (4)  $\frac{35}{4} \times 100$
- Which Group 15 element exists as diatomic molecules at STP?  
(1) phosphorus (3) bismuth  
(2) nitrogen (4) arsenic
- What is the total number of electrons shared in a double covalent bond?  
(1) 1 (3) 3  
(2) 2 (4) 4

- 12 Given the balanced equation representing a reaction:
- $$\text{Br}_2 + \text{energy} \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{Br}$$
- Which statement describes the energy change and bonds in this reaction?
- (1) Energy is released as bonds are broken.
  - (2) Energy is released as bonds are formed.
  - (3) Energy is absorbed as bonds are broken.
  - (4) Energy is absorbed as bonds are formed.
- 13 Which substance can *not* be broken down by a chemical change?
- (1) methane
  - (2) propanal
  - (3) tungsten
  - (4) water
- 14 Object *A* at 40.°C and object *B* at 80.°C are placed in contact with each other. Which statement describes the heat flow between the objects?
- (1) Heat flows from object *A* to object *B*.
  - (2) Heat flows from object *B* to object *A*.
  - (3) Heat flows in both directions between the objects.
  - (4) No heat flow occurs between the objects.
- 15 Which unit can be used to express the concentration of a solution?
- (1) L/s
  - (2) J/g
  - (3) ppm
  - (4) kPa
- 16 Which formula represents a mixture?
- (1)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6(\ell)$
  - (2)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6(\text{s})$
  - (3)  $\text{LiCl}(\text{aq})$
  - (4)  $\text{LiCl}(\text{s})$
- 17 Which sample has particles with the *lowest* average kinetic energy?
- (1) 1.0 g of  $\text{I}_2$  at 50.°C
  - (2) 2.0 g of  $\text{I}_2$  at 30.°C
  - (3) 7.0 g of  $\text{I}_2$  at 40.°C
  - (4) 9.0 g of  $\text{I}_2$  at 20.°C
- 18 Which gas sample at STP has the same total number of molecules as 2.0 liters of  $\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$  at STP?
- (1) 5.0 L of  $\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$
  - (2) 2.0 L of  $\text{Cl}_2(\text{g})$
  - (3) 3.0 L of  $\text{H}_2\text{S}(\text{g})$
  - (4) 6.0 L of  $\text{He}(\text{g})$
- 19 Petroleum can be separated by distillation because the hydrocarbons in petroleum are
- (1) elements with identical boiling points
  - (2) elements with different boiling points
  - (3) compounds with identical boiling points
  - (4) compounds with different boiling points
- 20 Which compound is insoluble in water?
- (1) KOH
  - (2)  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
  - (3)  $\text{Na}_3\text{PO}_4$
  - (4)  $\text{PbSO}_4$
- 21 A gas sample is at 25°C and 1.0 atmosphere. Which changes in temperature and pressure will cause this sample to behave more like an ideal gas?
- (1) decreased temperature and increased pressure
  - (2) decreased temperature and decreased pressure
  - (3) increased temperature and increased pressure
  - (4) increased temperature and decreased pressure
- 22 The isotopes K-37 and K-42 have the same
- (1) decay mode
  - (2) bright-line spectrum
  - (3) mass number for their atoms
  - (4) total number of neutrons in their atoms
- 23 Which element is present in all organic compounds?
- (1) carbon
  - (2) hydrogen
  - (3) nitrogen
  - (4) oxygen

24 Each of four test tubes contains a different concentration of  $\text{HCl(aq)}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . A 1-gram cube of  $\text{Zn}$  is added to each test tube. In which test tube is the reaction occurring at the fastest rate?

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 M<br>$\text{HCl(aq)}$   | 0.1 M<br>$\text{HCl(aq)}$   | 0.01 M<br>$\text{HCl(aq)}$  | 0.001 M<br>$\text{HCl(aq)}$   |
|  |  |  |  |
| (1)   | (2)   | (3)   | (4)   |

25 Which energy conversion occurs during the operation of an electrolytic cell?

- (1) chemical energy to electrical energy
- (2) electrical energy to chemical energy
- (3) nuclear energy to electrical energy
- (4) electrical energy to nuclear energy

26 Which compound is an Arrhenius acid?

- (1)  $\text{CaO}$
- (2)  $\text{HCl}$
- (3)  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$
- (4)  $\text{NH}_3$

27 Based on the results of testing colorless solutions with indicators, which solution is most acidic?

- (1) a solution in which bromthymol blue is blue
- (2) a solution in which bromcresol green is blue
- (3) a solution in which phenolphthalein is pink
- (4) a solution in which methyl orange is red

28 According to one acid-base theory, water acts as an acid when an  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecule

- (1) accepts an  $\text{H}^+$
- (2) donates an  $\text{H}^+$
- (3) accepts an  $\text{H}^-$
- (4) donates an  $\text{H}^-$

29 In which type of reaction is an atom of one element converted to an atom of a different element?

- (1) decomposition
- (2) neutralization
- (3) saponification
- (4) transmutation

30 Which nuclide is listed with its half-life and decay mode?

- (1)  $\text{K-37}$ , 1.24 h,  $\alpha$
- (2)  $\text{N-16}$ , 7.2 s,  $\beta^-$
- (3)  $\text{Rn-222}$ ,  $1.6 \times 10^3$  y,  $\alpha$
- (4)  $\text{U-235}$ ,  $7.1 \times 10^8$  y,  $\beta^-$

Part B-1

Answer all questions in this part.

Directions (31–50): For each statement or question, write in your answer booklet the number of the word or expression that, of those given, best completes the statement or answers the question. Some questions may require the use of the Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Chemistry.

31 The table below shows the number of subatomic particles in atom X and in atom Z.

Subatomic Particles in Two Atoms

| Atom | Number of Protons | Number of Neutrons | Number of Electrons |
|------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| X    | 6                 | 6                  | 6                   |
| Z    | 6                 | 7                  | 6                   |

Atom X and atom Z are isotopes of the element

- (1) aluminum (3) magnesium  
(2) carbon (4) nitrogen

32 The greatest composition by mass in an atom of  $^{17}_8\text{O}$  is due to the total mass of its

- (1) electrons (3) positrons  
(2) neutrons (4) protons

33 The bond between which two atoms is most polar?

- (1) Br and Cl (3) I and Cl  
(2) Br and F (4) I and F

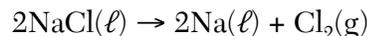
34 In the formula  $X_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$ , the X represents a metal. This metal could be located on the Periodic Table in

- (1) Group 1 (3) Group 13  
(2) Group 2 (4) Group 14

35 At STP, which element is solid, brittle, and a poor conductor of electricity?

- (1) Al (3) Ne  
(2) K (4) S

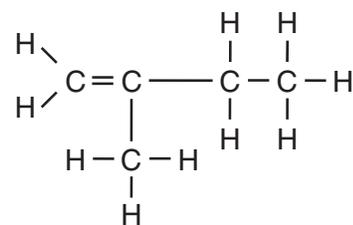
36 Given the balanced equation representing a reaction:



A 1170.-gram sample of  $\text{NaCl}(\ell)$  completely reacts, producing 460. grams of  $\text{Na}(\ell)$ . What is the total mass of  $\text{Cl}_2(\text{g})$  produced?

- (1) 355 g (3) 1420. g  
(2) 710. g (4) 1630. g

37 Given the formula representing a hydrocarbon:



The molecular formula and the empirical formula for this hydrocarbon are

- (1)  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}$  and  $\text{CH}_2$  (3)  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8$  and  $\text{CH}_2$   
(2)  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}$  and  $\text{CH}_3$  (4)  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8$  and  $\text{CH}_3$

- 38 Which element forms an ionic compound when it reacts with lithium?
- (1) K (3) Kr  
(2) Fe (4) Br
- 39 Given the formula representing a molecule:
- $$\text{H} - \text{C} \equiv \text{C} - \text{H}$$
- The molecule is
- (1) symmetrical and polar  
(2) symmetrical and nonpolar  
(3) asymmetrical and polar  
(4) asymmetrical and nonpolar
- 40 Which compound has both ionic and covalent bonds?
- (1)  $\text{CO}_2$  (3) NaI  
(2)  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (4)  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$
- 41 A cylinder with a movable piston contains a sample of gas having a volume of 6.0 liters at 293 K and 1.0 atmosphere. What is the volume of the sample after the gas is heated to 303 K, while the pressure is held at 1.0 atmosphere?
- (1) 9.0 L (3) 5.8 L  
(2) 6.2 L (4) 4.0 L
- 42 What is the minimum amount of heat required to completely melt 20.0 grams of ice at its melting point?
- (1) 20.0 J (3) 6680 J  
(2) 83.6 J (4) 45 200 J
- 43 As the temperature of a chemical reaction in the gas phase is increased, the rate of the reaction increases because
- (1) fewer particle collisions occur  
(2) more effective particle collisions occur  
(3) the required activation energy increases  
(4) the concentration of the reactants increases
- 44 The entropy of a sample of  $\text{CO}_2$  increases as the  $\text{CO}_2$  changes from
- (1) gas to liquid (3) liquid to solid  
(2) gas to solid (4) solid to gas
- 45 Which two factors must be equal when a chemical reaction reaches equilibrium?
- (1) the concentration of the reactants and the concentration of the products  
(2) the number of reactant particles and the number of product particles  
(3) the rate of the forward reaction and the rate of the reverse reaction  
(4) the mass of the reactants and the mass of the products
- 46 Which formula represents an unsaturated hydrocarbon?
- (1)  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{12}$  (3)  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{16}$   
(2)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}$  (4)  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{14}$
- 47 The reaction between an organic acid and an alcohol produces
- (1) an aldehyde (3) an ether  
(2) a ketone (4) an ester
- 48 Which balanced equation represents a redox reaction?
- (1)  $\text{AgNO}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{NaCl}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{AgCl}(\text{s}) + \text{NaNO}_3(\text{aq})$   
(2)  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell) + \text{CO}_2(\text{g})$   
(3)  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq}) + \text{HCl}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{NaCl}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\ell)$   
(4)  $\text{Mg}(\text{s}) + 2\text{HCl}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_2(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2(\text{g})$
- 49 A solution with a pH of 2.0 has a hydronium ion concentration ten times greater than a solution with a pH of
- (1) 1.0 (3) 3.0  
(2) 0.20 (4) 20.
- 50 Which isotope is used to treat cancer?
- (1) C-14 (3) Co-60  
(2) U-238 (4) Pb-208

## Part B–2

### Answer all questions in this part.

*Directions (51–63):* Record your answers in the spaces provided in your answer booklet. Some questions may require the use of the *Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Chemistry*.

- 51 *In your answer booklet*, write an electron configuration for a silicon atom in an excited state. [1]

Base your answers to questions 52 and 53 on the information below.

### Densities of Group 14 Elements

| Element | Density at STP<br>(g/cm <sup>3</sup> ) |
|---------|--|
| C       | 3.51                                   |
| Si      | 2.33                                   |
| Ge      | 5.32                                   |
| Sn      | 7.31                                   |
| Pb      | 11.35                                  |

- 52 Identify *one* element from this table for *each* type of element: metal, metalloid, and nonmetal. [1]
- 53 Calculate the volume of a tin block that has a mass of 95.04 grams at STP. Your response must include *both* a numerical setup and the calculated result. [2]
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Base your answers to questions 54 through 56 on the elements in Group 2 on the Periodic Table.

- 54 State the general trend in first ionization energy for the elements in Group 2 as these elements are considered in order from top to bottom in the group. [1]
- 55 State, in terms of the number of electron shells, why the radius of a strontium atom in the ground state is larger than the radius of a magnesium atom in the ground state. [1]
- 56 Explain, in terms of atomic structure, why the elements in Group 2 have similar chemical properties. [1]
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Base your answers to questions 57 and 58 on the information below.

Heat is added to a sample of liquid water, starting at 80.°C, until the entire sample is a gas at 120.°C. This process, occurring at standard pressure, is represented by the balanced equation below.



- 57 In the box *in your answer booklet*, using the key, draw a particle diagram to represent *at least five* molecules of the product of this physical change at 120.°C. [2]
- 58 On the diagram *in your answer booklet*, complete the heating curve for this physical change. [1]
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Base your answers to questions 59 and 60 on the information below.

In the gold foil experiment, a thin sheet of gold was bombarded with alpha particles. Almost all the alpha particles passed straight through the foil. Only a few alpha particles were deflected from their original paths.

- 59 State *one* conclusion about atomic structure based on the observation that almost all alpha particles passed straight through the foil. [1]
- 60 Explain, in terms of charged particles, why some of the alpha particles were deflected. [1]
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Base your answers to questions 61 through 63 on the information below.

**Some Properties of Three Compounds at Standard Pressure**

| Compound          | Boiling Point (°C) | Solubility in 100. Grams of H <sub>2</sub> O at 20.°C (g) |
|-------------------|--------------------|---|
| ammonia           | -33.2              | 56  |
| methane           | -161.5             | 0.002   |
| hydrogen chloride | -84.9              | 72  |

- 61 Convert the boiling point of hydrogen chloride at standard pressure to kelvins. [1]
- 62 Explain, in terms of molecular polarity, why hydrogen chloride is more soluble than methane in water at 20.°C and standard pressure. [1]
- 63 Explain, in terms of intermolecular forces, why ammonia has a higher boiling point than the other compounds in the table. [1]
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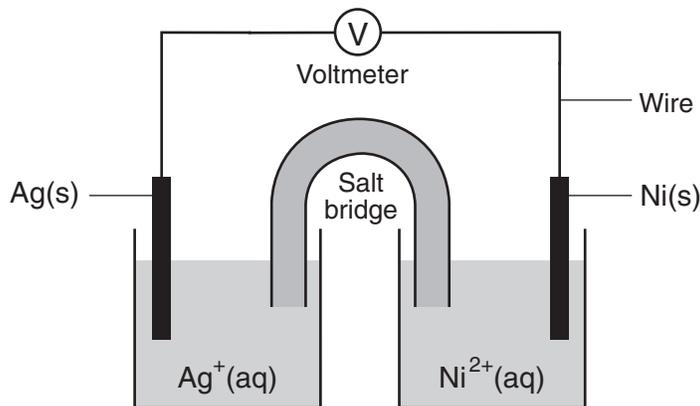
### Part C

#### Answer all questions in this part.

*Directions (64–81):* Record your answers in the spaces provided in your answer booklet. Some questions may require the use of the *Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Chemistry*.

Base your answers to questions 64 through 66 on the information below.

The diagram below represents an operating voltaic cell at 298 K and 1.0 atmosphere in a laboratory investigation. The reaction occurring in the cell is represented by the balanced ionic equation below.



- 64 Identify the anode in this cell. [1]
- 65 Determine the total number of moles of  $\text{Ni}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  ions produced when 4.0 moles of  $\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq})$  ions completely react in this cell. [1]
- 66 Write a balanced half-reaction equation for the reduction that occurs in this cell. [1]
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Base your answers to questions 67 through 69 on the information below.

Gasoline is a mixture composed primarily of hydrocarbons such as isooctane, which is also known as 2,2,4-trimethylpentane.

Gasoline is assigned a number called an octane rating. Gasoline with an octane rating of 87 performs the same as a mixture that consists of 87% isooctane and 13% heptane.

An alternative fuel, E-85, can be used in some automobiles. This fuel is a mixture of 85% ethanol and 15% gasoline.

67 State the octane rating of a gasoline sample that performs the same as a mixture consisting of 92% isooctane and 8% heptane. [1]

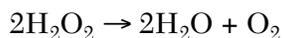
68 In the space *in your answer booklet*, draw a structural formula for a molecule of 2,2,4-trimethylpentane. [1]

69 Identify the functional group in a molecule of ethanol in the alternative fuel E-85. [1]

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Base your answers to questions 70 through 72 on the information below.

Hydrogen peroxide,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ , is a water-soluble compound. The concentration of an aqueous hydrogen peroxide solution that is 3% by mass  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  is used as an antiseptic. When the solution is poured on a small cut in the skin,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  reacts according to the balanced equation below.



70 Identify the type of chemical reaction represented by the balanced equation. [1]

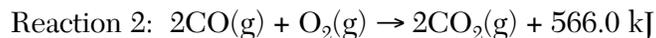
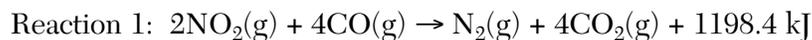
71 Calculate the total mass of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  in 20.0 grams of an aqueous  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  solution that is used as an antiseptic. Your response must include *both* a numerical setup and the calculated result. [2]

72 Determine the gram-formula mass of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ . [1]

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Base your answers to questions 73 and 74 on the information below.

The catalytic converter in an automobile changes harmful gases produced during fuel combustion to less harmful exhaust gases. In the catalytic converter, nitrogen dioxide reacts with carbon monoxide to produce nitrogen and carbon dioxide. In addition, some carbon monoxide reacts with oxygen, producing carbon dioxide in the converter. These reactions are represented by the balanced equations below.



73 The potential energy diagram *in your answer booklet* represents reaction 1 without a catalyst. On the same diagram, draw a dashed line to indicate how potential energy changes when the reaction is catalyzed in the converter. [1]

74 Determine the oxidation number of carbon in *each* carbon compound in reaction 2. Your response must include *both* the sign and value of *each* oxidation number. [1]

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Base your answers to questions 75 through 78 on the information below.

In one trial of an investigation, 50.0 milliliters of  $\text{HCl}(\text{aq})$  of an unknown concentration is titrated with 0.10 M  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ . During the titration, the total volume of  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$  added and the corresponding pH value of the reaction mixture are measured and recorded in the table below.

**Titration Data**

| Total Volume of $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ Added (mL) | pH Value of Reaction Mixture |
|---|------------------------------|
| 10.0  | 1.6                          |
| 20.0  | 2.2                          |
| 24.0  | 2.9                          |
| 24.9  | 3.9                          |
| 25.1  | 10.1                         |
| 26.0  | 11.1                         |
| 30.0  | 11.8                         |

- 75 On the grid *in your answer booklet*, plot the data from the table. Circle and connect the points. [1]
- 76 Determine the total volume of  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$  added when the reaction mixture has a pH value of 7.0. [1]
- 77 Write a balanced equation that represents this neutralization reaction. [1]
- 78 In another trial, 40.0 milliliters of  $\text{HCl}(\text{aq})$  is completely neutralized by 20.0 milliliters of this 0.10 M  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$ . Calculate the molarity of the titrated acid in this trial. Your response must include *both* a numerical setup and the calculated result. [2]
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Base your answers to questions 79 through 81 on the information below.

The radioisotope uranium-238 occurs naturally in Earth's crust. The disintegration of this radioisotope is the first in a series of spontaneous decays.

The sixth decay in this series produces the radioisotope radon-222. The decay of radon-222 produces the radioisotope polonium-218 that has a half life of 3.04 minutes. Eventually, the stable isotope lead-206 is produced by the alpha decay of an unstable nuclide.

79 Explain, in terms of electron configuration, why atoms of the radioisotope produced by the sixth decay in the U-238 disintegration series do not readily react to form compounds. [1]

80 Complete the nuclear equation *in your answer booklet* for the decay of the unstable nuclide that produces Pb-206, by writing a notation for the missing nuclide. [1]

81 Determine the original mass of a sample of Po-218, if 0.50 milligram of the sample remains unchanged after 12.16 minutes. [1]

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