## Part A Multiple-Choice Questions Questions 1 to 10

Answer all questions in the Answer Booklet.

## Question 1

Akashi wants to plant a flower garden in his back yard. He wants to choose a soil mixture which has a good buffering capacity.

He prepares and tests four different soil mixtures and measures the pH before and after a 4 week period. The table below shows the results of his experiment.
pH of Soil

| Soil mixture | pH of soil <br> before | pH of soil <br> after 4 weeks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 7.0 | 4.3 |
| B | 7.0 | 6.7 |
| C | 7.0 | 7.7 |
| D | 7.0 | 9.1 |

Which soil mixture should Akashi use in his garden in order to have the best buffering capacity?
A) Soil mixture A
B) Soil mixture $B$
C) Soil mixture C
D) Soil mixture D

## Question 2

Cells are able to produce the proteins they need to function properly.
Listed below are four steps involved in protein synthesis.

| Steps | Protein Synthesis Process |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1 | Translation of mRNA into a protein |
| 2 | Genetic information of DNA copied to mRNA |
| 3 | End of protein synthesis |
| 4 | Attachment of mRNA to ribosome |

Which of the above steps take(s) place in the cytoplasm of the cell?
A) 2 only
B) 1 and 2 only
C) 1, 3 and 4 only
D) 2, 3 and 4 only

## Question 3

A toxicologist must assess the danger related to the human consumption of some rice which may be contaminated with arsenic, As.

Listed below are four possible factors which may affect the toxicity of this rice to humans.

1. Frequency of consumption
2. Volume of container
3. Concentration of arsenic, As, in rice
4. Mass of consumer

Which factors listed above should be assessed?
A) 1 and 3
B) 1,2 and 3
C) 1,3 and 4
D) 2,3 and 4

## Question 4

The graph below represents the melting point of elements 1 to 54 .


Which statement best describes the periodicity of melting point for the first 54 elements of the periodic table?
A) The melting point decreases within a period.
B) The melting point increases within a period.
C) The melting point decreases, then increases within a period.
D) The melting point increases, then decreases within a period.

## Question 5

Farmers use fertilizers to promote the growth of fruits and vegetables. They can use both synthetic and natural fertilizers to achieve this result.

Fertilizer 1: $\quad \mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ is a popular synthetic product used on fields.
Fertilizer 2: $\quad \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ is a common natural product used in agriculture.

Which of the following correctly names the two fertilizers?

Fertilizer 1
Fertilizer 2
A)
B)
C)
D)

| potassium sulphate | diphosphorus pentoxide |
| :---: | :---: |
| dipotassium sulphate | phosphorus oxide |
| potassium sulphide | diphosphorus pentoxide |
| potassium sulphide | phosphorus pentoxide |

## Question 6

Ammonium hydroxide, $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{OH}$, is a common compound found in many glass cleaners.
You made a sample solution of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{OH}$ in the laboratory. You used 6.50 g of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{OH}$.

How many molecules of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{OH}$ are in your sample solution?
A) $3.78 \times 10^{-22}$ molecules
B) $1.85 \times 10^{-1}$ molecules
C) $1.12 \times 10^{23}$ molecules
D) $1.38 \times 10^{26}$ molecules

## Question 7

An engineering student is designing a circuit with a solenoid. The design is such that the circuit uses an acidic solution as shown below.


She wants to vary the intensity of the magnetic field of the solenoid by using three different acidic solutions which are illustrated below.

## Acidic solution 1



Acidic solution 2


Acidic solution 3


Which of the following correctly ranks the intensity of the magnetic field produced, from strongest to weakest, when each acidic solution is used in the circuit?
A) 1, 3 and 2
B) 2, 1 and 3
C) 3, 2 and 1
D) 2, 3 and 1

## Question 8

A compass is placed within a magnetic field as seen in the diagram below.
Which of the diagrams below shows the compass needle pointing in the correct direction?
A)

B)

C)

D)


## Question 9

Nathan is sitting on his sled, sliding down a snowy hill. The hill is angled at $20^{\circ}$ from the ground. Nathan and the sled weigh 350 N .


Which of the arrows below best represents the direction of the effective force acting on Nathan and the sled?
A)
$\longrightarrow$
B)

C)

D)


## Question 10

Catyra is designing a circuit for a go-cart track.
She must use a switch that will turn on either the green or red light.
She has constructed the circuit shown below.


Which of the switches must Catyra use?
A)

B)

C)

D)


## Part B Constructed-Response Questions Questions 11 to 20

Answer all questions in the Answer Booklet.

## Question 11

Sodium and oxygen atoms react to form a chemical bond producing sodium oxide, $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{O}$.
a) Draw a schematic diagram to show the formation $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{O}$.
b) What type of bond is formed in $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ? How do you know?

## Question 12

Barium chloride, $\mathrm{BaCl}_{2}$, is used in fireworks to produce a bright green color. Gary tried to produce $\mathrm{BaCl}_{2}$ by reacting hydrochloric acid, HCl , with barium hydroxide, $\mathrm{Ba}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$, according to the chemical reaction below.

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2 \mathrm{HCl}_{(\mathrm{aq})}+\mathrm{Ba}(\mathrm{OH})_{2(\mathrm{aq})} \rightarrow \mathrm{BaCl}_{2(\mathrm{~s})}+2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{(\mathrm{l})}
$$

Gary used 100.0 mL of a HCl solution and obtained 7.8 g of $\mathrm{BaCl}_{2}$.
What was the molar concentration of the HCl solution used in this reaction?
Note: Significant figures will be evaluated in this question.

## Question 13

A nuclear plant in Chalk River, Ontario is responsible for producing $40 \%$ of the world's supply of medical isotopes.

At the facility, uranium-235 is used to produce molybdenum, Mo, as well as other products. One of the isotopes of molybdenum produced at Chalk River is Mo-99.

Possible isotopes of the element are:
${ }_{42}^{96} \mathrm{Mo} \quad{ }_{42}^{99} \mathrm{Mo}$
a) List the number of protons and neutrons found in each isotope of molybdenum.
b) What type of nuclear transformation does the production of Mo-99 represent?

Explain your answer.

## Question 14

Stephanie has constructed the circuit below.


What is the equivalent resistance of the circuit above?
Note: Significant figures will be evaluated in this question.

## Question 15

Coulomb's law states that there is force of attraction and repulsion between two electrically charged particles at rest.

Two positively charged particles at rest exert a force of $4.6 \times 10^{3} \mathrm{~N}$ on one another. The charge of the first particle is $6.0 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{C}$ and the charge of the second particle is $2.0 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{C}$.

What is the distance between the two charged particles?

## Question 16

At the playground, Joseph is swinging on a wooden swing. When the height of the swing rose to 56 cm above the initial position, Joseph's velocity was $4.0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$. His mass is 45 kg .


Initial Position
Height Increases 56 cm
Maximum Height
What is the maximum height above the initial position that Joseph will reach?
Assume there is no friction.
Note: Significant figures will be evaluated in this question.

## Question 17

Jasmine and Andrew are examining an ear of corn which was produced through the fertilization of a female flower by pollen from another plant.

- Each kernel of corn is considered to be an individual offspring, F1, of the cross.
- They notice that about half the offspring kernels are golden and half are blue.
- Blue kernel colour is a recessive trait.


What is the genotype and phenotype of each parent? Draw a Punnett square to support your answer.

## Question 18

Germain and Lucy live with their three children.
Their daily tasks are divided so that each family member contributes to the smooth running of the household.

Below is a list of their household chores.

- They live in a 5 bedroom house.
- They have a big back yard with a swimming pool.
- Germain is in charge of doing groceries. He takes the only family vehicle, a van, to the corner market, where he buys local produce. He also goes to the nearby farm to buy organic beef and chicken.
- Lucy is in charge of keeping the kitchen clean. She uses the dishwasher at least once a day to save time washing the dishes herself. Since cooking is time consuming and both parents work, the family goes out to a restaurant or orders out two or three times a week.
- Sophie, the youngest daughter, takes care of the garden where they grow some of their own vegetables.
- Samuel likes to keep the bathroom clean. He often cleans up after his quick morning shower.
- Annie, the eldest daughter, is in charge of taking out the recycling, compost and garbage.

Based on what you know about the family,
a) Identify one aspect of their lifestyle that helps to reduce their ecological footprint.

Explain how this aspect reduces their ecological footprint.
b) Identify one aspect of their lifestyle that could be changed to further reduce their ecological footprint.
Explain how changing this aspect would further reduce their ecological footprint.

## Question 19

Fertilizers are widely used in agriculture.
Farm \#1 only uses potassium chloride, KCl , to fertilize the land. Farm \#2 applies only potassium dihydrogen phosphate, $\mathrm{KH}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$, as a fertilizer. Both farms are located on opposite sides of a very large lake.

Since farming can have an effect on the lake ecosystem, measurements have been taken over the past several years to record the changes in the depth of the lakeshore.

** Diagram not to scale **
a) Which farm will NOT contribute to the effect of eutrophication?

Explain your answer.
b) Which side of the lake will become shallower more quickly after several years of fertilizer usage?
Explain your answer.

## Question 20

Sandy is pulling a toy cart on a varnished hardwood floor.
The wheels of the cart are made out of wood and are meant to rotate on an axle when the toy is pulled.

When Sandy pulls the toy, the wheels slide on the floor instead of rotating.


Using the concepts of friction and adhesion, identify two actions you could do to help the wheels on Sandy's toy cart roll instead of slide.
Explain your answer.

Appendix 1

| FORMULAS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $C=\frac{m}{v}$ | $\begin{aligned} & C: \\ & m: \\ & V: \end{aligned}$ | concentration mass volume | $W=\Delta E$ | W | work variation in energy |
| $V=R I$ |  | potential difference resistance electric current intensity | $W=F \Delta d$ | $W$ $F$ S $\Delta$ | work <br> force <br> distance travelled |
| $R_{\text {eq }}=R_{1}+R_{2}+\ldots$ | $R_{\text {eq }}$ : | equivalent resistance | $F_{\mathrm{g}}=m g$ | $F_{g}$ $m$ m g | gravitational force mass <br> gravitational field intensity |
| $\frac{1}{R_{\mathrm{eq}}}=\frac{1}{R_{1}}+\frac{1}{R_{2}}+\ldots$ | $R_{\text {eq }}$ : | equivalent resistance | $E_{\mathrm{p}}=m g h$ | $E_{p}$ $m:$ $m:$ $h:$ | gravitational potential energy mass gravitational field intensity height |
| $E=P \Delta t$ | $\begin{aligned} & E: \\ & P: \\ & \Delta t: \end{aligned}$ | energy consumed power change in time | $E_{\mathrm{k}}=\frac{1}{2} m v^{2}$ | $E_{k}$ $m:$ $v:$ | kinetic energy mass velocity |
| $P=V I$ | $\begin{aligned} & P: \\ & V: \\ & I: \end{aligned}$ | power <br> potential difference <br> electric current <br> intensity | $Q=m c \Delta T$ | $Q$ <br>  <br> $C$ <br> $C$ <br> : | quantity of heat mass specific heat capacity change in temperature |
| $F_{\mathrm{e}}=\frac{k q_{1} q_{2}}{r^{2}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & F_{\mathrm{e}}: \\ & k: \\ & q: \\ & r: \end{aligned}$ | electrical force Coulomb's constant charge of particle distance between two particles |  |  |  |

Appendix 2

| QUANTITIES |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| NAME | SYMBOL | VALUE |
| Coulomb's constant | $k$ | $9 \times 10^{9} \frac{\mathrm{Nm}^{2}}{\mathrm{C}^{2}}$ |
| Gravitational field intensity on earth | $g$ | $9.8 \mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{kg}$ |
| Specific heat capacity for water | $c$ | $4.19 \mathrm{~J} / \mathrm{g}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS


