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There are three parts to the National Olympiad Examination. You have the option of administering the three parts in any order, and you are free to schedule rest-breaks between parts.

Part I	60 questions	single-answer multiple-choice	1 hour, 30 minutes
Part II	8 questions	problem-solving, explanations	1 hour, 45 minutes
Part III	2 lab problems	laboratory practical	1 hour, 30 minutes

A periodic table and other useful information are provided on page 2 for student reference. Students should be permitted to use non-programmable calculators.

DIRECTIONS TO THE EXAMINEE–PART I

DO NOT TURN THE PAGE UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO. Answers to questions in **Part I** must be entered on a Scantron answer sheet to be scored. Be sure to write your name on the answer sheet; an ID number is already entered for you. **Make a record of this ID number because you will use the same number on both Parts II and III.** Each item in **Part I** consists of a question or an incomplete statement that is followed by four possible choices. Select the single choice that best answers the question or completes the statement. Then use a pencil to blacken the space on your answer sheet next to the same letter as your choice. You may write on the examination, but the test booklet will not be used for grading. Scores are based on the number of correct responses. When you complete **Part I** (or at the end of one hour and 30 minutes), you *must* turn in all testing materials, scratch paper, and your Scantron answer sheet. Do not forget to turn in your U.S. citizenship statement before leaving the testing site today.

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

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1 H 1.008	2 2A											13 3A	14 4A	15 5A	16 6A	17 7A	2 He 4.003
3 Li 6.941	4 Be 9.012											5 B 10.81	6 C 12.01	7 N 14.01	8 O 16.00	9 F 19.00	10 Ne 20.18
11 Na 22.99	12 Mg 24.31	3 3B	4 4B	5 5B	6 6B	7 7B	8 8B	9 8B	10 8B	11 1B	12 2B	13 Al 26.98	14 Si 28.09	15 P 30.97	16 S 32.07	17 Cl 35.45	18 Ar 39.95
19 K 39.10	20 Ca 40.08	21 Sc 44.96	22 Ti 47.88	23 V 50.94	24 Cr 52.00	25 Mn 54.94	26 Fe 55.85	27 Co 58.93	28 Ni 58.69	29 Cu 63.55	30 Zn 65.39	31 Ga 69.72	32 Ge 72.61	33 As 74.92	34 Se 78.96	35 Br 79.90	36 Kr 83.80
37 Rb 85.47	38 Sr 87.62	39 Y 88.91	40 Zr 91.22	41 Nb 92.91	42 Mo 95.94	43 Tc (98)	44 Ru 101.1	45 Rh 102.9	46 Pd 106.4	47 Ag 107.9	48 Cd 112.4	49 In 114.8	50 Sn 118.7	51 Sb 121.8	52 Te 127.6	53 I 126.9	54 Xe 131.3
55 Cs 132.9	56 Ba 137.3	57 La 138.9	72 Hf 178.5	73 Ta 180.9	74 W 183.8	75 Re 186.2	76 Os 190.2	77 Ir 192.2	78 Pt 195.1	79 Au 197.0	80 Hg 200.6	81 Tl 204.4	82 Pb 207.2	83 Bi 209.0	84 Po (209)	85 At (210)	86 Rn (222)
87 Fr (223)	88 Ra (226)	89 Ac (227)	104 Rf (261)	105 Db (262)	106 Sg (263)	107 Bh (262)	108 Hs (265)	109 Mt (266)	110 (269)	111 (272)	112 (277)		114 (2??)				

| 58 Ce 140.1	59 Pr 140.9	60 Nd 144.2	61 Pm (145)	62 Sm 150.4	63 Eu 152.0	64 Gd 157.3	65 Tb 158.9	66 Dy 162.5	67 Ho 164.9	68 Er 167.3	69 Tm 168.9	70 Yb 173.0	71 Lu 175.0
90 Th 232.0	91 Pa 231.0	92 U 238.0	93 Np (237)	94 Pu (244)	95 Am (243)	96 Cm (247)	97 Bk (247)	98 Cf (251)	99 Es (252)	100 Fm (257)	101 Md (258)	102 No (259)	103 Lr (262)

- When you have selected your answer to each question, blacken the corresponding space on the answer sheet using a soft, #2 pencil. Make a heavy, full mark, but no stray marks. If you decide to change an answer, erase the unwanted mark very carefully.

- There is only one correct answer to each question. Any questions for which more than one response has been blackened **will not be counted**.

- Your score is based solely on the number of questions you answer correctly. **It is to your advantage to answer every question.**

1. In an experiment to determine the percentage of water in a solid hydrate by heating, what is the best indication that all the water has been removed?

   (A) The solid melts.

   (B) The solid changes color.

   (C) Water vapor no longer appears.

   (D) Successive weighings give the same mass.

2. The curve shown results when a liquid is cooled. What temperature is closest to the freezing point of the liquid?
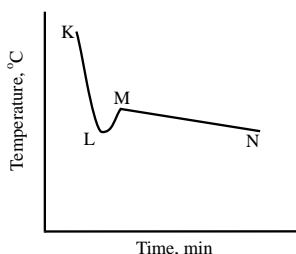
   (A) L   (B) M

   (C) $\dfrac{L + M}{2}$ (D) $\dfrac{M + N}{2}$

3. What is the proper way to dispose of a two milliliter sample of hexane after completing experiments with it?

   (A) Return it to the solvent bottle.

   (B) Place it in a waste bottle with compatible organic materials.

   (C) Flush it down the drain with large quantities of water.

   (D) Pour it on a solid absorbent so it can be thrown away with solid waste.

4. Which anion can undergo both oxidation and reduction?

   (A) $Cr_2O_7^{2-}$ (B) NO_3^-

   (C) OCl^- (D) S^{2-}

5. The mass percentages in a compound are carbon 57.48%, hydrogen 4.22% and oxygen 38.29%. What is its empirical formula?

   (A) C_2H_2O (B) $C_4H_3O_2$

   (C) $C_5H_4O_2$ (D) $C_8H_7O_4$

6. According to the solubility curve shown, how many grams of solute can be recrystallized when 20 mL of a saturated solution at 60 °C are cooled to 0 °C?
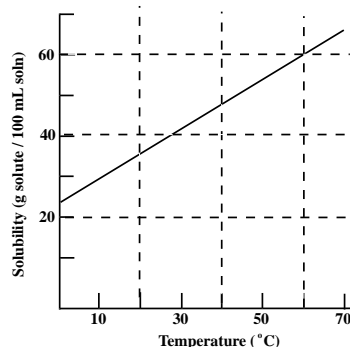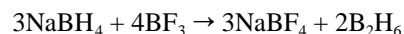
   (A) 7.0   (B) 12   (C) 25   (D) 35

7. Which would produce the largest change in the H_2O level when added to water in a 25 mL graduated cylinder?

   (A) 10.0 g of Hg (d = 13.6 g·mL^{-1})

   (B) 7.42 g of Al (d = 2.70 g·mL^{-1})

   (C) 5.09 g of iron pyrite (d = 4.9 g·mL^{-1})

   (D) 2.68 g of oak (d = 0.72 g·mL^{-1})

8. Diborane, B_2H_6, can be prepared by the reaction;
$$3NaBH_4 + 4BF_3 \rightarrow 3NaBF_4 + 2B_2H_6$$
   If this reaction has a 70 percent yield, how many moles of $NaBH_4$ should be used with excess BF_3 in order to obtain 0.200 mol of B_2H_6?

   (A) 0.200 mol   (B) 0.210 mol

   (C) 0.300 mol   (D) 0.429 mol

9. What volume of 6.0 M H_2SO_4 should be mixed with 10. L of 1.0 M H_2SO_4 to make 20. L of 3.0 M H_2SO_4 upon dilution to volume?

   (A) 1.7 L   (B) 5.0 L   (C) 8.3 L   (D) 10. L

10. An aqueous solution that is 30.0% NaOH by mass has a density of 1.33 g·mL^{-1}. What is the molarity of NaOH in this solution?

   (A) 8.25   (B) 9.98   (C) 16.0   (D) 33.2

11. Which change increases the solubility of a gas in water?

> 1. an increase in water temperature
>
> 2. a decrease in gas pressure

(A) 1 only   (B) 2 only

(C) both 1 and 2   (D) neither 1 nor 2

12. Benzene melts at 5.50 °C and has a freezing point depression constant of 5.10 °C·m^{-1}. Calculate the freezing point of a solution that contains 0.0500 mole of acetic acid, CH_3COOH, in 125 g of benzene if acetic acid forms a dimer in this solvent.

(A) 3.46 °C   (B) 4.48 °C

(C) 5.24 °C   (D) 6.01 °C

13. A 200. mL sample of a gaseous hydrocarbon has a density of 2.53 g·L^{-1} at 55 °C and 720 mmHg. What is its formula?

(A) C_2H_6 (B) C_4H_{10} (C) C_5H_{12} (D) C_6H_6

14. A liquid has a vapor pressure of 40 mmHg at 19.0 °C and a normal boiling point of 78.3 °C. What is its enthalpy of vaporization in kJ·mol^{-1}?

(A) 42.4   (B) 18.4   (C) 5.10   (D) 1.45

15. Sulfur and fluorine form SF_6 and S_2F_{10}, both of which are gases at 30 °C. When an equimolar mixture of them is allowed to effuse through a pinhole, what is the ratio SF_6/S_2F_{10} in the first sample that escapes?

Molar Mass g·mol^{-1}	
SF_6	146
S_2F_{10}	254

(A) 1.32/1   (B) 1.74/1   (C) 3.03/1   (D) 3.48/1

16. The volumes of real gases often exceed those calculated by the ideal gas equation. These deviations are best attributed to the

(A) attractive forces between the molecules in real gases.

(B) dissociation of the molecules in real gases.

(C) kinetic energy of the molecules in real gases.

(D) volumes of the molecules in real gases.

17. The electrical conductivity of a solid is slight at 25 °C and much greater at 125 °C. The solid is most likely a(n)

(A) ionic compound   (B) insulator

(C) metal   (D) semiconductor

18. According to the phase diagram, what would be the effect of increasing the pressure on this substance?
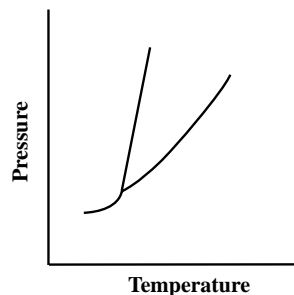
(A) decrease both the melting and boiling points

(B) increase both the melting and boiling points

(C) increase the melting point and decrease the boiling point

(D) decrease the melting point and increase the boiling point

19. When the substances below are arranged in order of increasing entropy values, S°, at 25 °C which is the correct order?

(A) $CO_2(s) < CO_2(aq) < CO_2(g)$

(B) $CO_2(g) < CO_2(aq) < CO_2(s)$

(C) $CO_2(s) < CO_2(g) < CO_2(aq)$

(D) $CO_2(g) < CO_2(s) < CO_2(aq)$

20. When 50. mL of 0.10 M HCl is mixed with 50. mL of 0.10 M NaOH the temperature of the solution increases by 3.0 °C. Calculate the $\Delta H_{neutralization}$ per mole of HCl. (The solution has a density = 1.0 g·mL^{-1} and $C_p = 4.2$ J·g^{-1}·$°C^{-1}$)

(A) 1.3×10^3 kJ   (B) -1.3×10^2 kJ

(C) -2.5×10^2 kJ   (D) -1.3×10^3 kJ

21. The combustion of 0.200 mol of liquid carbon disulfide, CS_2, to give $CO_2(g)$ and $SO_2(g)$ releases 215 kJ of heat. What is $\Delta H_f°$ for $CS_2(l)$ in kJ·mol^{-1}?

$\Delta H_f^{\bullet}$	kJ·mol^{-1}
$CO_2(g)$	-393.5
$SO_2(g)$	-296.8

(A) 385   (B) 87.9   (C) -385   (D) -475

22. For the reaction: $2NO_2(g) \rightarrow N_2O_4(g)$ $\Delta H < 0$. What predictions can be made about the sign of ΔS and the temperature conditions under which the reaction would be spontaneous?

	ΔS_{rxn}	Temperature Condition
(A)	negative	low temperatures
(B)	negative	high temperatures
(C)	positive	high temperatures
(D)	positive	low temperatures

23. As $\Delta G°$ for a reaction changes from a large negative value to a large positive value, K for the reaction will change from

(A) a large positive value to a large negative value.

(B) a large positive value to a small positive value.

(C) a large negative value to a large positive value.

(D) a large negative value to a small negative value.

24. $\Delta E°$ is measured at constant volume and $\Delta H°$ is measured at constant pressure. For the reaction;

$2C(s) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2CO(g)$ $\Delta H° < 0$ kJ

How do the $\Delta E°$ and $\Delta H°$ compare for this reaction?

(A) $\Delta E° < \Delta H°$

(B) $\Delta E° > \Delta H°$

(C) $\Delta E° = \Delta H°$

(D) Impossible to tell from this information.

25. Which statement about second order reactions is correct?

(A) Second order reactions require different reactants.

(B) Second order reactions are faster than first order reactions.

(C) Second order reactions are unaffected by changes in temperature.

(D) The half-life of a second order reaction depends on the initial reactant concentration.

26. A first order reaction has a rate constant of 0.0541 s^{-1} at 25 °C. What is the half-life for this reaction?

(A) 18.5 s

(B) 12.8 s

(C) 0.0781 s

(D) 0.0375 s

27. The reaction between NO and I_2 is second-order in NO and first-order in I_2. What change occurs in the rate of the reaction if the concentration of each reactant is tripled?

(A) 3-fold increase

(B) 6-fold increase

(C) 18-fold increase

(D) 27-fold increase

28. For the rate equation,

$$Rate = k[A][B]^2,$$

what are the units for the rate constant, k, if the rate is given in $mol \cdot L^{-1} \cdot sec^{-1}$?

(A) $L \cdot mol \cdot sec$

(B) $L \cdot mol^{-1} \cdot sec^{-1}$

(C) $L^2 \cdot mol^{-2} \cdot sec^{-1}$

(D) $L^3 \cdot mol^{-3} \cdot sec^{-2}$

29. For the reaction

$2A + 2B \rightarrow$ Product

the rate law is Rate = $k[A][B]^2$. Which mechanism is consistent with this information?

(A) $B + B \rightleftharpoons C$

$C + A \rightarrow$ Product (slow)

(B) $A + B \rightarrow C$ (slow)

$C + B \rightarrow$ product

(C) $A + A \rightleftharpoons C$

$B + B \rightleftharpoons D$

$C + D \rightarrow$ Product (slow)

(D) $A + B \rightleftharpoons C$

$B + C \rightarrow D$ (slow)

$D + A \rightarrow$ product

30. Which straight line gives the activation energy for a reaction?

(A) rate constant vs T

(B) ln (rate constant) vs T

(C) rate constant vs T^{-1}

(D) ln (rate constant) vs T^{-1}

31. Based on the equilibrium constant for the reaction below,

$2SO_3(g) \rightleftharpoons 2SO_2(g) + O_2(g)$ $K = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$

what is the equilibrium constant for the reaction

$SO_2(g) + 1/2 O_2(g) \rightleftharpoons SO_3(g)$ $K = ?$

(A) 2.1×10^{-3}

(B) 4.2×10^{-3}

(C) 2.4×10^2

(D) 5.6×10^4

32. $CO(g) + Cl_2(g) \rightleftharpoons COCl(g) + Cl(g)$ $K_{eq} = 1.5 \times 10^{-39}$

If the rate constant, k, for the forward reaction above is 1.4×10^{-28} $L \cdot mol^{-1} \cdot sec^{-1}$ what is k (in $L \cdot mol^{-1} \cdot sec^{-1}$) for the backward reaction?

(A) 2.1×10^{-67}

(B) 1.0×10^{-11}

(C) 9.3×10^{10}

(D) 7.1×10^{27}

33. Calculate the $[H^+]$ in a 0.25 M solution of methylamine, CH_3NH_2 ($K_b = 4.4 \times 10^{-4}$).

(A) 1.1×10^{-4}

(B) 1.0×10^{-2}

(C) 9.1×10^{-11}

(D) 9.5×10^{-13}

34. A 0.010 M solution of a weak acid, HA, is 0.40% ionized. What is its ionization constant?

(A) 1.6×10^{-10}

(B) 1.6×10^{-7}

(C) 4.0×10^{-5}

(D) 4.0×10^{-3}

35. 1.0 L of an aqueous solution in which
$[H_2CO_3] = [HCO_3^-] = 0.10$ M, has $[H^+] = 4.2 \times 10^{-7}$. What is the $[H^+]$ after 0.005 mole of NaOH has been added?

(A) 2.1×10^{-9} M (B) 2.2×10^{-8} M

(C) 3.8×10^{-7} M (D) 4.6×10^{-7} M

36. A solution of $Pb(NO_3)_2$ is added dropwise to a second solution in which $[Cl^-] = [F^-] = [I^-] = [SO_4^{2-}] = 0.001$ M. What is the first precipitate that forms?

(A) $PbCl_2$ ($K_{sp} = 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$)

(B) PbF_2 ($K_{sp} = 3.7 \times 10^{-8}$)

(C) PbI_2 ($K_{sp} = 8.5 \times 10^{-9}$)

(D) $PbSO_4$ ($K_{sp} = 1.8 \times 10^{-8}$)

37.
$$Cl_2 + OH^- \rightarrow Cl^- + ClO_3^-$$
What is the coefficient for OH^- when this equation is balanced with the smallest integer coefficients?

(A) 2 (B) 3 (C) 4 (D) 6

38. Use the standard reduction potentials;
$$Sn^{2+}(aq) + 2e^- \rightarrow Sn(s) \quad E° = -0.141 \text{ V}$$
$$Ag^+(aq) + e^- \rightarrow Ag(s) \quad E° = 0.800 \text{ V}$$
to calculate E° for the reaction;
$$Sn(s) + 2Ag^+(aq) \rightarrow Sn^{2+}(aq) + 2Ag(s)$$

(A) 0.659 V (B) 0.941 V

(C) 1.459 V (D) 1.741 V

39. Which of the processes happen during the discharging of a lead storage battery?

1. $H_2(g)$ is produced
2. PbO_2 is converted to $PbSO_4$
3. The density of the electrolyte solution decreases

(A) 1 only (B) 2 only

(C) 1 and 3 only (D) 2 and 3 only

40. What is the value of $\Delta G°$ for the reaction?
$$2Al(s) + 3Cu^{2+}(aq)$$
$$\rightarrow 2Al^{3+}(aq) + 3Cu(s) \quad E° = 2.02 \text{ V}$$

(A) -1170 kJ (B) -585 kJ

(C) -390 kJ (D) -195 kJ

41. The voltage for the cell
Fe | Fe^{2+}(0.0010 M) || Cu^{2+}(0.10 M) | Cu
is 0.807 V at 25 °C. What is the value of E°?

(A) 0.629 V (B) 0.689 V

(C) 0.748 V (D) 0.866 V

42. A current of 2.0 A is used to plate Ni(s) from 500 mL of a 1.0 M Ni^{2+}(aq) solution. What is the $[Ni^{2+}]$ after 3.0 hours?

(A) 0.39 M (B) 0.46 M (C) 0.78 M (D) 0.89 M

43. Which region of the electromagnetic spectrum is capable of inducing electron transitions with the greatest energy?

(A) infrared (B) microwave

(C) ultraviolet (D) visible

44. All of the following possess complete d shells EXCEPT

(A) Ag^+ (B) Cu^{2+} (C) Ga^{3+} (D) Zn^{2+}

45. Which orbital fills completely immediately before the 4f?

(A) 6s (B) 5p (C) 5d (D) 4d

46. Which set of quantum numbers (n, l, m_l, m_s) is permissible for an electron in an atom?

(A) 1, 0, 0, -1/2 (B) 1, 1, 0, +1/2

(C) 2, 1, 2, +1/2 (D) 3, 2, -2, 0

47. When the elements Li, Be, and B, are arranged in order of increasing ionization energy, which is the correct order?

(A) Li, B, Be (B) B, Be, Li

(C) Be, Li, B (D) Li, Be, B

48. Which forms the most alkaline solution when added to water?

(A) Al_2O_3 (B) B_2O_3 (C) CO_2 (D) SiO_2

49. What is the total number of valence electrons in the peroxydisulfate, $S_2O_8^{2-}$, ion?

(A) 58 (B) 60 (C) 62 (D) 64

50. For which species are both bonds of equal length?

> 1. ClO_2^-
> 2. NO_2^-

(A) 1 only   (B) 2 only

(C) both 1 and 2   (D) neither 1 nor 2

51. Which compound has the highest melting point?

(A) MgO   (B) KCl   (C) NaCl   (D) CaO

52. Which molecular geometry is least likely to result from a trigonal bipyramidal electron geometry?

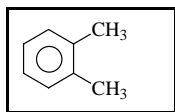(A) trigonal planar   (B) see-saw

(C) linear   (D) t-shaped

53. Which diatomic species has the greatest bond strength?

(A) NO   (B) NO^+ (C) O_2 (D) O_2^-

54. During the complete combustion of methane, CH_4, what change in hybridization does the carbon atom undergo?

(A) sp^3 to sp (B) sp^3 to sp^2

(C) sp^2 to sp (D) sp^2 to sp^3

55. What is the formula for the compound?

(A) C_8H_{10} (B) C_8H_{12}

(C) C_8H_{14} (D) C_8H_{16}

56. Which is most likely to react by an S_N1 mechanism?

(A) CH_3Cl (B) $CH_3CHClCH_3$

(C) $(CH_3)_3CCl$ (D) C_6H_5Cl

57. Which substance will react most rapidly with $Br_2(aq)$?

(A) benzene   (B) chloropropane

(C) propanone   (D) propene

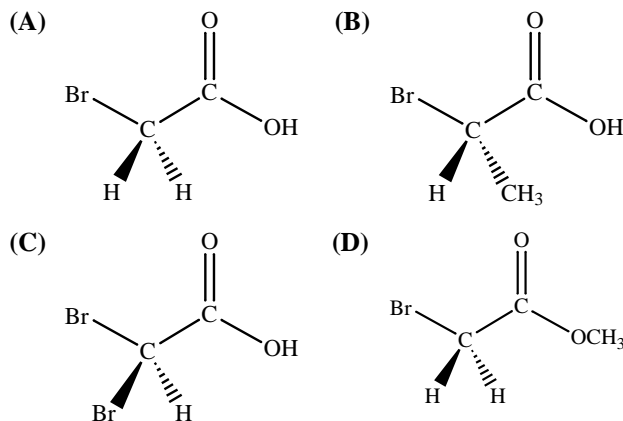**58.** Which compound includes a carbon atom with an sp hybridized orbital?

(A) benzene   (B) butyne

(C) methyl chloride   (D) phenol

59. Which compound has the highest vapor pressure at 25 °C?

(A) $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$ (B) $CH_3CH_2CH_2OCH_3$

(C) $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2NH_2$ (D) $(CH_3)_3COH$

60. Which of the molecules can exist as optical isomers?

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PART 1— KEY

Number	Answer		Number	Answer
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2.	B		32.	C
3.	B		33.	D
4.	C		34.	B
5.	D		35.	C
6.	A		36.	D
7.	B		37.	D
8.	D		38.	B
9.	C		39.	D
10.	B		40.	A
11.	D		41.	C
12.	B		42.	C
13.	C		43.	C
14.	A		44.	B
15.	A		45.	A
16.	D		46.	A
17.	D		47.	A
18.	B		48.	A
19.	A		49.	C
20.	C		50.	C
21.	B		51.	A
22.	A		52.	A
23.	B		53.	B
24.	A		54.	A
25.	D		55.	A
26.	B		56.	C
27.	D		57.	D
28.	C		58.	B
29.	D		59.	B
30.	D		60.	B