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Useful Information: $N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23}/\text{mol}$; $R = 0.0821 \text{ L}\cdot\text{atm}/\text{mol}\cdot\text{K}$; $c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$;
 $1000 \text{ mL} = 1 \text{ L}$; $K = ^\circ\text{C} + 273.15$; $1 \text{ atm} = 760 \text{ mm Hg}$; $1 \text{ Hertz, Hz} = 1/\text{s} = \text{s}^{-1}$

Note: Some problems include the molar mass (molecular weight) of one or more substances. This information appears in parenthesis after the substance's formula. Example: water, H_2O ($\mathcal{M} = 18.0 \text{ g/mol}$).

- One hundred million dozen popsicles are sold annually. This is equivalent to _____ popsicles.
a. 1200 b. 1.2×10^9 c. 100×10^{-6} d. 1.2×10^{-10} e. 120 billion
- A calculator result of 0.0038703365 is obtained from a multi-step calculation. This result when rounded to four (4) significant figures is:
a. 0.0040 b. 0.0039 c. 3.8703×10^3 d. 0.0038703 e. 3.870×10^{-3}
- Sand is primarily silica (SiO_2) in the form of quartz. Geologists define sand as particles ranging in size from 0.0063 cm to 0.20 cm, between silt and gravel on the size scale. 0.0063 cm is equivalent to:
a. 0.063 mm (read: millimeters) b. 630 km (read: kilometers) c. 0.63 m
d. 6.3 μm (read: micrometers) e. 6300 nm (read: nanometers)
- The surface area (SA) to volume (V) ratio is a measurement used to characterize particles. Suppose you determine the $\frac{\text{SA}}{V}$ ratio of a cube having an edge length of 1 cm. What unit does this ratio have? (SA = number of sides x area of each side)
a. cm^6 b. cm^{-3} ($= \frac{1}{\text{cm}^3}$) c. cm^4 d. cm^{-1} ($= \frac{1}{\text{cm}}$) e. no unit (dimensionless)
- Sequestering CO_2 is a possible way to reduce CO_2 emissions. About 45 metric tons of CO_2/year can be sequestered currently, but about 4500 metric tons of CO_2/year need to be sequestered if this approach is to be effective. The needed sequestering capacity is what multiple of the current sequestering capacity?
a. 10^3 b. 10^{-2} c. 100 d. 203,000 e. 4450
- Dry sand has a bulk density of 80 lbs/ft³ (read: pounds/cubic foot). Determine the volume occupied by 2.2×10^3 pounds of sand in cubic yards, yd³ (1 yard = 3 feet)
a. 28 yd³ b. 0.036 yd³ c. 1.1×10^{-3} yd³
d. 7.2×10^3 yd³ e. 1.0 yd³
- The density of cobalt is 8.90 g/cm³ and the density of aluminum is 2.71 g/cm³. The mass of aluminum that occupies the same volume as 66.7 g of cobalt is:
a. 2.77 g b. 20.3 g c. 0.362 g d. 1.61×10^3 g e. 0.00457 g
- Water can be decomposed into hydrogen and oxygen by electrolysis. Knowing that water is 11.2% hydrogen by mass, what mass of hydrogen is produced by the electrolysis of 625 g of water?
a. 7000 g b. 5.58 kg c. 0.558 g d. 70 g e. 0.179 kg
- An intravenous glucose solution is 5.3% glucose by mass. Determine the mass of this solution that contains 74 g of glucose.
a. 1.4 kg b. 3.9 g c. 1.4 mg d. 3.9×10^3 g e. 950 g
- The ion $^{56}\text{Fe}^{3+}$ has ___ protons, ___ neutrons, and ___ electrons.
a. 30, 26, 27 b. 26, 30, 23 c. 20, 36, 23 d. 26, 30, 29 e. 30, 26, 33
- Sodium borate, $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_x\text{O}_7$ has a formula mass of 201.22 amu. $x =$ ___ in sodium borate.
a. 1 b. 3 c. 4 d. 5 e. 7

26. Beryllium carbide can be made by the reaction: $2\text{BeO} + 3\text{C} \rightarrow \text{Be}_2\text{C} + 2\text{CO}_2$. If 37.7 g of Be_2C ($\mathcal{M} = 30.04 \text{ g/mol}$) is obtained by the reaction of 251 g of BeO ($\mathcal{M} = 25.01 \text{ g/mol}$) and excess carbon, the percent yield is:
 a. 12.5 b. 15.0 c. 17.7 d. 25.0 e. 29.9
27. The compound SeF_4 can be made by the reaction: $3\text{Se} + 4\text{ClF}_3 \rightarrow 3\text{SeF}_4 + 2\text{Cl}_2$. If 5.0 mol of Se and 6.0 mol of ClF_3 are reacted, the maximum number of moles of SeF_4 that can produced is:
 a. 5.0 b. 4.5 c. 8.0 d. 15 e. 2.5
28. Which of the following is a weak acid in water?
 a. HNO_3 b. acetic acid c. sulfuric acid d. HCl e. all are weak acids
29. 1.0 L of 1.0 M KBr (aq) solution contains _____ solute particles as 1.0 L of 1.0 M sucrose solution ($\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_{11}$ (aq)) and _____ solute particles as 1.0 L of 1.0 M FeCl_3 (aq) solution.
 a. twice as many, half as many b. the same number of, half as many
 c. twice as many, twice as many d. half as many, the same number of
 e. the same number of, the same number of
30. A solution of NiCl_2 ($\mathcal{M} = 129.6 \text{ g/mol}$) is prepared by dissolving 4.86 g of NiCl_2 in enough water to make 125.0 mL of solution. The molarity of NiCl_2 in this solution is:
 a. 3.33 M b. 0.0188 M c. 0.0750 M d. 5.04 M e. 0.300 M
31. The concentration of sugar in a particular juice drink is 0.41 M. If the sugar is glucose ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$, $\mathcal{M} = 180.15 \text{ g/mol}$), how many moles of carbon atoms from glucose are in 177 mL of this drink?
 a. 0.073 mol b. 0.44 mol c. 0.86 mol d. 2.3 mol e. 28 mol
32. Muriatic acid is a solution of hydrochloric acid sold in hardware stores for cleaning brick and tile. It is a 5.0 M HCl solution. The directions for cleaning tile with muriatic acid say to dissolve 60 mL ($\frac{1}{4}$ cup) of muriatic acid in enough water to make 3.8 L (1 gallon) solution. Determine the molarity of hydrochloric acid in a solution prepared in this manner.
 a. 0.079 M b. 0.32 M c. 3.2 M d. 1.3 M e. 79 M
33. One mole of an ideal gas is placed in a cylinder with a moveable piston. Which of the following properties of the confined gas does not change as the piston is compressed:
 a. volume b. mass and volume c. mass
 d. density e. volume and density
34. Under which conditions will 1.0 mole of an ideal gas be at the lowest pressure?
 a. $V = 100 \text{ mL}$, $T = 300 \text{ K}$ b. $V = 10.0 \text{ L}$, $T = 125 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ c. $V = 1.0 \text{ L}$, $T = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 d. $V = 10.0 \text{ L}$, $T = 300 \text{ K}$ e. $V = 100 \text{ mL}$, $T = 500 \text{ K}$
35. A 2.48 g sample of an unknown gas occupies 1.07 L at 2.0 atm and 373 K. This gas is:
 a. H_2 b. N_2 c. O_2 d. F_2 e. Cl_2
36. Lithium metal reacts with water to form hydrogen gas: $2\text{Li} (\text{s}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} (\text{l}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2 (\text{g}) + 2\text{LiOH} (\text{aq})$. How many grams of Li are needed to generate 48.0 L of H_2 gas at a pressure of 0.995 atm and a temperature of $32.0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.
 a. 26.5 g b. 13.2 g c. 6.63 g d. 126 g e. 0.275 g
37. One mole of which gas molecules or atoms would have the greatest average kinetic energy (KE) at $25.0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and 1 atm.
 a. $\text{F}_2 (\text{g})$ b. $\text{Ar} (\text{g})$ c. $\text{CH}_4 (\text{g})$ d. $\text{N}_2 (\text{g})$ e. all have the same KE
38. The _____ subshell contains only one orbital.
 a. 5d b. 6f c. 4s d. 3d e. 1p

