CHAPTER 3 QUESTIONS

Multiple-Choice Questions

Use the PES spectra below to answer questions 1-4.



- 5. Why does an ion of phosphorus, P³⁻, have a larger radius than a neutral atom of phosphorus?
 - (A) There is a greater Coulombic attraction between the nucleus and the electrons in P^{3-} .
 - (B) The core electrons in P^{3-} exert a weaker shielding force than those of a neutral atom.
 - (C) The nuclear charge is weaker in P^{3-} than it is in P.
 - (D) The electrons in $\overline{P^{3-}}$ have a greater Coulombic repulsion than those in the neutral atom.
- 6. Which neutral atom of the following elements would have the most unpaired electrons?
 - (A) Titanium
 - (B) Manganese
 - (C) Nickel
 - (D) Zinc
- 7. The diagram below shows the relative atomic sizes of three different elements from the same period. Which of the following statements must be true?



- (A) The effective nuclear charge will be the greatest in element X.
- (B) The first ionization energy will be greatest in element X.
- (C) The electron shielding effect will be greatest in element Z.
- (D) The electronegativity value will be greatest in element Z.
- 8. The first ionization energy for a neutral atom of chlorine is 1.25 MJ/mol and the first ionization energy for a neutral atom of argon is 1.52 MJ/mol. How would the first ionization energy value for a neutral atom of potassium compare to those values?
 - (A) It would be greater than both because potassium carries a greater nuclear charge then either chlorine or argon.
 - (B) It would be greater than both because the size of a potassium atom is smaller than an atom of either chlorine or argon.
 - (C) It would be less than both because there are more electrons in potassium, meaning they repel each other more effectively and less energy is needed to remove one.
 - (D) It would be less than both because a valence electron of potassium is farther from the nucleus than one of either chlorine or argon.
- 9. Which of the following isoelectric species has the smallest radius?
 - (A) S²⁻
 - (B) Cl-
 - (C) Ar
 - (D) K⁺

10. What is the most likely electron configuration for a sodium ion?

- (A) $1s^22s^22p^5$
- (B) $1s^22s^22p^6$
- (C) $1s^22s^22p^63s^1$
- (D) $1s^22s^22p^53s^2$

- 11. Which of the following statements is true regarding sodium and chlorine?
 - (A) Sodium has greater electronegativity and a larger first ionization energy.
 - (B) Sodium has a larger first ionization energy and a larger atomic radius.
 - (C) Chlorine has a larger atomic radius and a greater electronegativity.
 - (D) Chlorine has greater electronegativity and a larger first ionization energy.
- 12. An atom of silicon in its ground state is subjected to a frequency of light that is high enough to cause electron ejection. An electron from which subshell of silicon would have the highest kinetic energy after ejection?
 - (A) 1s
 - (B) 2*p*
 - (C) 3*p*
 - (D) 4s
- 13. The wavelength range for infrared radiation is 10^{-5} m, while that of ultraviolet radiation is 10^{-8} m. Which type of radiation has more energy, and why?
 - (A) Ultraviolet has more energy because it has a higher frequency.
 - (B) Ultraviolet has more energy because it has a longer wavelength.
 - (C) Infrared has more energy because it has a lower frequency.
 - (D) Infrared has more energy because it has a shorter wavelength.
- 14. Which of the following nuclei has 3 more neutrons than protons? (Remember: The number before the symbol indicates atomic mass.)
 - $(A)^{-11}B$
 - (B) ³⁷Cl
 - (C) ²⁴Mg
 - (D) ⁷⁰Ga
- 15. Examining data obtained from mass spectrometry supports which of the following?
 - (A) The common oxidation states of elements
 - (B) Atomic size trends within the periodic table
 - (C) Ionization energy trends within the periodic table
 - (D) The existence of isotopes
- 16. In general, do metals or nonmetals from the same period have higher ionization energies? Why?
 - (A) Metals have higher ionization energies because they usually have more protons than nonmetals.
 - (B) Nonmetals have higher ionization energies because they are larger than metals and harder to ionize.
 - (C) Metals have higher ionization energies because there is less electron shielding than there is in nonmetals.
 - (D) Nonmetals have higher ionization energies because they are closer to having filled a complete energy level.
- 17. The ionization energies for an element are listed in the table below.

First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
8 eV	15 eV	80 eV	109 eV	141 eV

Based on the ionization energy table, the element is most likely to be

- (A) Sodium
- (B) Magnesium
- (C) Aluminum
- (D) Silicon

Use the following information to answer questions 18-20.

The outermost electron of an atom has a binding energy of 2.5 eV. The atom is exposed to light of a high enough frequency to cause exactly one electron to be ejected. The ejected electron is found to have a KE of 2.0 eV.

- 18. How much energy did photons of the incoming light contain?
 - (A) 0.50 eV
 - (B) 0.80 eV
 - (C) 4.5 eV
 - (D) 5.0 eV
- 19. If the wavelength of the light were to be shortened, how would that effect the kinetic energy of the ejected electron?
 - (A) A shorter wavelength would increase the kinetic energy.
 - (B) A shorter wavelength would decrease the kinetic energy.
 - (C) A shorter wavelength would stop all electron emissions completely.
 - (D) A shorter wavelength would have no effect on the kinetic energy of the ejected electrons.
- 20. If the intensity of the light were to be decreased (that is, if the light is made dimmer), how would that affect the kinetic energy of the ejected electron?
 - (A) The decreased intensity would increase the kinetic energy.
 - (B) The decreased intensity would decrease the kinetic energy.
 - (C) The decreased intensity would stop all electron emissions completely.
 - (D) The decreased intensity would have no effect.
- 21. Which type of radiation would be most useful in examining the dimensionality of molecules?
 - (A) Ultraviolet
 - (B) Visible
 - (C) Infrared
 - (D) Microwave

22. Which of the following ions would have the most unpaired electrons?

- (A) Mn²⁺
- (B) Ni³⁺
- (C) Ti²⁺
- (D) Cr⁶⁺

23. Two alloys are shown in the diagrams below—bronze and steel. Which of the following correctly describes the malleability of both alloys compared to their primary metals?



- (A) Bronze's malleability would be comparable to that of copper, but steel's malleability would be significantly lower than that of iron.
- (B) Bronze's malleability would be significantly higher than that of copper, but steel's malleability would be comparable to that of iron.
- (C) Both bronze and steel would have malleability values similar to those of their primary metals.
- (D) Both bronze and steel would have malleability values lower than those of their primary metals.

Free-Response Questions

- 1. Explain each of the following in terms of atomic and molecular structures and/or forces.
 - (a) The first ionization energy for magnesium is greater than the first ionization energy for calcium.
 - (b) The first and second ionization energies for calcium are comparable, but the third ionization energy is much greater.
 - (c) There are three peaks of equal height in the PES of carbon, but on the PES of oxygen the last peak has a height twice as high as all the others.
 - (d) The first ionization energy for aluminum is lower than the first ionization energy for magnesium.



- 2. The above mess spectra is for the hypochlorite ion, ClO⁻. Oxygen has only one stable isotope, which has a mass of 16 amu.
 - (a) How many neutrons does the most common isotope of chlorine have?
 - (b) Using the spectra, calculate the average mass of a hypochlorite ion.
 - (c) Does the negative charge on the ion affect the spectra? Justify your answer.
 - (d) The negative charge in the ion is located around the oxygen atom. Speculate as to why.

3. The table below gives data on four different elements, in no particular order:

	Atomic radius (pm)	First Ionization Energy (kJ/mol ⁻¹)
Element 1	170	1086.5
Element 2	180	1011.8
Element 3	175	1251.2
Element 4	152	1313.9

Carbon, Oxygen, Phosphorus, and Chlorine

- (a) Which element is number 3? Justify your answer using both properties.
- (b) What is the outermost energy level that has electrons in element 2? How many valence electrons does element 2 have?
- (c) Which element would you expect to have the highest electronegativity? Why?
- (d) How many peaks would the PES for element 4 have and what would the relative heights of those peaks be to each other?



Binding Energy (MJ/mol)

- 4. The above PES belongs to a neutral chlorine atom.
 - (a) What wavelength of light would be required to eject a 3*s* electron from chlorine?
 - (b) For the PES of a chloride ion, how would the following variables compare to the peaks on the PES above? Justify your answers.
 - (i) Number of peaks
 - (ii) Height of the peaks

5. The photoelectron spectrum of an element is given below:



- (a) Identify the element this spectra most likely belongs to and write out its full electron configuration.
- (b) Using your knowledge of atomic structure, explain the following:
 - (i) The reason for the three discrete areas of ionization energies
 - (ii) The justification for there being a total of five peaks
 - (iii) The relative heights of the peaks when compared to each other