

## Physics

## Released Test Questions

**38** A heated gas expands, raising a piston. Which of the following describes the energy exchanges of this process?

- A Energy is transferred to the gas by the piston, and to the piston from the heat source.
- B Energy is transferred to the gas from the heat source, and to the raised piston from the gas.
- C Energy is transferred to the gas in the form of heat and work done by the piston.
- D Energy is transferred directly to the piston from the heat source.

CSP20508

**39** An engine has an input of heat energy of 10,750 J and does 2420 J of work. Which of the following is the heat loss?

- A 0.225 J
- B 4.44 J
- C 8330 J
- D 13,170 J

CSP00304

**40** A proposed ideal heat engine would run with a high temperature reservoir at 800 kelvin and a low temperature reservoir at 300 kelvin. When the engine is running, it extracts 400 joules of energy from the hot reservoir and does 250 joules of work each minute. How much energy is expelled to the low temperature reservoir each minute?

- A 150 J
- B 250 J
- C 300 J
- D 400 J

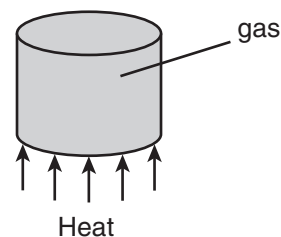
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**41** The pressure of a gas inside a closed, rigid container will increase when the gas temperature increases. The pressure of the gas increases because the

- A density of the gas decreases.
- B rate of collisions of gas molecules with the surface increases.
- C container expands in size when heated.
- D gas molecules bond together to form more massive molecules.

CSP00149

**42** A gas in a sealed cylinder is heated.



Which of the following does *not* increase as the gas is heated?

- A the average number of gas molecules hitting the cylinder walls per second
- B the average kinetic energy of the gas molecules
- C the average speed of the gas molecules
- D the average distance between the gas molecules

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- 43** When a gas is heated in a closed container, the internal pressure increases. Which *best* describes the reason for the increase in pressure?
- A The average kinetic energy of the gas molecules decreases.
  - B The potential energy of the gas increases.
  - C The average kinetic energy of the gas molecules increases.
  - D The potential energy of the gas decreases.

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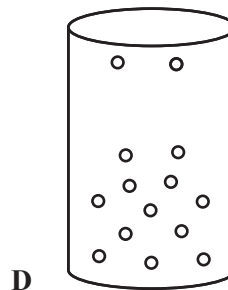
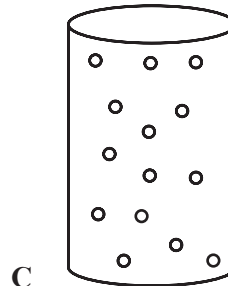
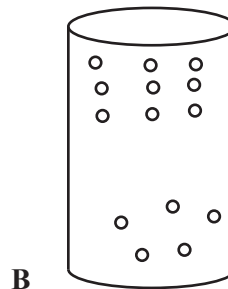
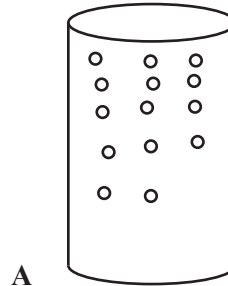
- 44** In which of the following processes is the order of the system increasing?
- A shaking a jar containing separate layers of salt and pepper
  - B smashing a coffee cup with a hammer
  - C adding cold milk to a cup of hot coffee
  - D forming crystals in a solution

CSP10109

- 45** A container of cold water is dumped into a larger container of hot water. It is mixed and then left alone for a long time interval. The water temperature is found to
- A randomly vary from region to region in the container.
  - B be uniform throughout the container.
  - C fluctuate at all positions in the container.
  - D be greater at the bottom of the container.

CSP00116

- 46** Nitrogen molecules within a glass tube are allowed to move randomly. Which figure shows the molecules in a state of greatest entropy?



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**47** Entropy decreases when

- A wood burns.
- B water freezes.
- C a snowball melts.
- D an iron nail rusts.

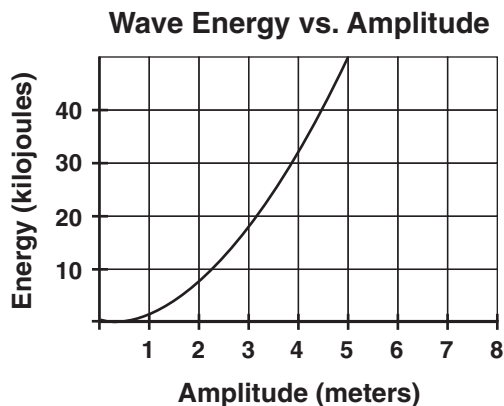
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**48** A sound wave is produced in a metal cylinder by striking one end. Which of the following occurs as the wave travels along the cylinder?

- A Its amplitude increases.
- B Its frequency increases.
- C It transfers matter.
- D It transfers energy.

CSP10246

**49** The graph below depicts the relationship between wave energy and wave amplitude.



How is the energy of the wave affected if the amplitude of the wave increases from 2 meters to 4 meters?

- A It is halved.
- B It is doubled.
- C It is quadrupled.
- D It remains the same.

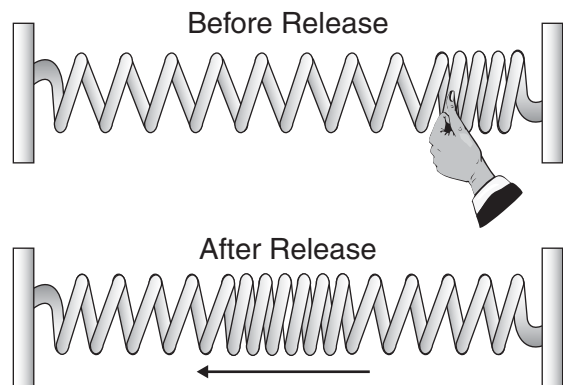
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**50** A radio station transmits to a receiving antenna. The radio wave sent is a

- A sound wave.
- B torsional wave.
- C longitudinal wave.
- D transverse wave.

CSP00303

**51** A stretched spring attached to two fixed points is compressed on one end and released, as shown below.



The resulting wave travels back and forth between the two fixed ends of the spring until it comes to a stop. This mechanical wave is an example of a

- A transverse wave.
- B longitudinal wave.
- C superpositioned wave.
- D refracted wave.

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**52** A sound wave traveling through a solid material has a frequency of 500 hertz. The wavelength of the sound wave is 2 meters. What is the speed of sound in the material?

- A  $250 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$
- B  $500 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$
- C  $1000 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$
- D  $250,000 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

CSP00159

**53** A tuning fork is used to produce sound waves with a frequency of 440 hertz. The waves travel through the air at  $344 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$ . What is the wavelength of the sound waves?

- A 0.15 m
- B 0.39 m
- C 0.78 m
- D 1.28 m

CSP00227

**54** A student shakes the end of a rope with a frequency of 1.5 Hz, causing waves with a wavelength of 0.8 m to travel along the rope. What is the velocity of the waves?

- A  $1.9 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$
- B  $1.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$
- C  $1.2 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$
- D  $0.53 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

CSP10461

**55** What is the wavelength of a 264-Hz sound wave when the speed of sound is  $345 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$ ?

- A 0.77 m
- B 1.31 m
- C 6.09 m
- D 9.11 m

CSP10247

**56** Astronauts on the Moon would *not* be able to hear a landslide because

- A the lunar dust deadens sounds.
- B intensive sunlight destroys sound waves.
- C the magnetic field of the Moon is too weak to carry sound.
- D air molecules on the Moon are too far apart to carry sound.

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**57** Sound waves cannot carry energy through

- A water.
- B air.
- C a mirror.
- D a vacuum.

CSP20090

**58** Where does visible light fall on the electromagnetic spectrum?

- A between x-rays and gamma rays
- B between short-wave radio and television
- C between infrared and ultraviolet
- D between microwaves and infrared

CSP00181

**59** Objects appear different in size and shape in a container of water due to

- A refraction of the light waves.
- B interference of the water and light waves.
- C polarization of the light waves.
- D diffraction of the light waves.

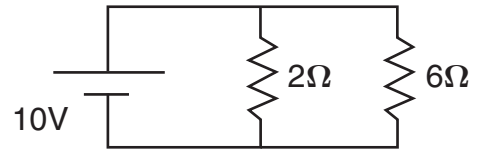
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**60** An engineer in a moving train blows the train's horn. The train is moving away from a person standing on the ground. Compared to the frequency of the sound that the engineer hears, the person standing on the ground hears a sound with

- A the same wavelength.
- B more variation in tone.
- C greater amplitude.
- D a lower frequency.

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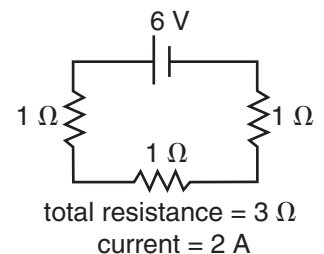
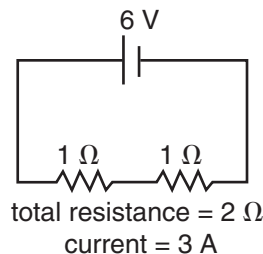
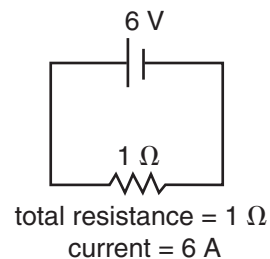


In this circuit, what is the current through the 2-ohm resistor?

- A 0.2 A
- B 0.8 A
- C 5.0 A
- D 8.0 A

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How many amperes of current will flow when four 1-ohm resistors are in this series circuit?

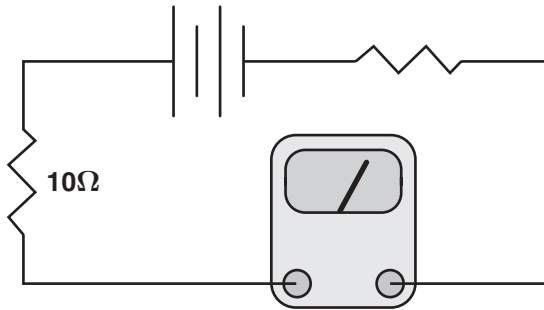
- A 0.5 ampere
- B 1.0 ampere
- C 1.5 amperes
- D 2.0 amperes

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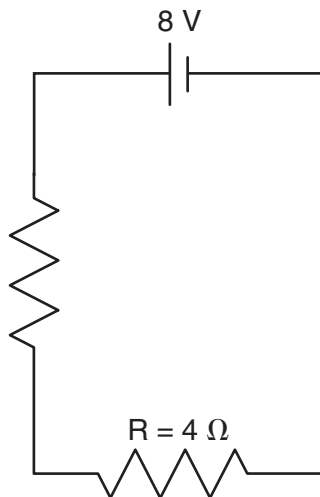


In the circuit shown above, the meter registers 1.5 amperes. The voltage across the 10.0-ohm resistor is about

- A 1.5 V.
- B 6.7 V.
- C 8.5 V.
- D 15.0 V.

CSP00185

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What is the current through the battery?

- A 1 A
- B 2 A
- C 4 A
- D 8 A

CSP00117

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A 9-V battery is connected to a light bulb with a resistance of  $3\ \Omega$ . What is the current in the circuit?

- A 27 A
- B 3.0 A
- C 1.0 A
- D 0.3 A

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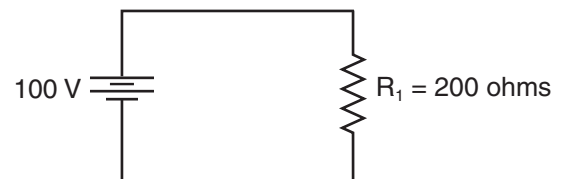
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An electric appliance draws 1.5 amperes of current when it is connected to a 24-volt source. What is the resistance of this appliance?

- A 0.063 ohm
- B 11 ohms
- C 16 ohms
- D 54 ohms

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How much power is dissipated by the resistor in the circuit above?

- A 25 watts
- B 50 watts
- C 100 watts
- D 800 watts

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**68** A transistor circuit is used as an amplifier. When a signal is applied to the input of the transistor, the output signal is

- A a smaller amplitude.
- B an equal amplitude.
- C a larger amplitude.
- D zero amplitude.

CSP00057

**69** Two oppositely charged particles are held in place near each other. When the particles are released, they will *most likely*

- A accelerate away from each other.
- B accelerate toward each other.
- C rotate in a clockwise direction.
- D rotate in a counterclockwise direction.

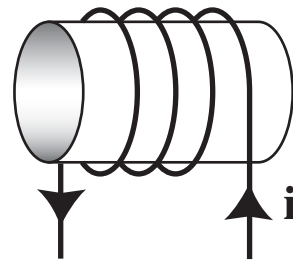
CSP20654

**70** A metal bar magnet has a magnetic field in the region of space around it. The magnetic field is due to

- A magnetic monopoles embedded in the metal.
- B a hidden voltage source in the metal.
- C the motion of charged particles in the metal.
- D an electric current that runs along the length of the magnet.

CSP00008

**71**



A coil with a current is shown above. In the center of the coil, a magnetic field points

- A to the right.
- B to the left.
- C upward.
- D downward.

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**72**

The diagram below shows current flow through a wire.



Which of the following represents the magnetic field resulting from the current?

- A
- B
- C
- D

CSP20176

- 73** In order to turn neon gas into neon plasma,
- A energy must be removed from the neon gas.
  - B energy must be supplied to the neon gas.
  - C the neon gas must be ignited with a flame.
  - D the neon gas must become a superconductor.

CSP00110

- 74** Extremely high temperatures are needed for fusion reactors to function efficiently. What state of matter is *most* common at these temperatures?

- A plasma
- B gas
- C liquid
- D solid

CSP10464

## Formulas

**Average Speed:**  $v = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$

**Uniformly Accelerated Motion:**  $v = v_o + at$

$$x = x_o + v_o t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

**Newton's Second Law:**  $F = ma$

**Centripetal Force:**  $F = \frac{mv^2}{r}$

**Law of Universal Gravitation:**  $F = \frac{Gm_1m_2}{r^2}$

**Force Due to Gravity:**  $F = w = mg$

**Work:**  $W = Fd$

**Kinetic Energy:**  $E = \frac{1}{2} mv^2$

**Gravitational Potential Energy:**  $E = mgh$

**Momentum:**  $p = mv$

**Collision in One Dimension:**  $[m_1v_1 + m_2v_2]_{initial} = [m_1v_1 + m_2v_2]_{final}$

**Heat Energy:**  $Q = mc\Delta T$

**First Law of Thermodynamics:**  $\Delta U = Q + W_{(on\ the\ system)}$

$$\Delta U = Q - W_{(by\ the\ system)}$$

**Work by a Heat Engine:**  $W = Q_H - Q_L$

**Change in Entropy:**  $\Delta S = \frac{Q}{T}$

**Wave Speed:**  $v = f\lambda$

**Current:**  $I = \frac{q}{t}$

**Ohm's Law:**  $V = IR$

**Power Dissipated in a DC Circuit:**  $P = IV$

**Power Dissipated in a Resistor:**  $P = I^2R$

## Units

**Force:**  $1\text{ N} = 1 \frac{\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$

**Energy:**  $1\text{ J} = 1\text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$

**Power:**  $1\text{ W} = 1 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{s}}$

## Constants

**Gravitational Constant:**  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2}{\text{kg}^2}$

**Acceleration Due to Gravity:**  $g = 9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$

**Speed of Light in a Vacuum:**  $c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$