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- _____ 14. If a neutron begins a nuclear chain reaction, then one product of that reaction must be _____.
a. a gamma ray c. a uranium-235 nucleus
b. a neutron d. a uranium-238 nucleus
- _____ 15. Who of the following was not important in the discovery of radiation?
a. Henri Becquerel c. Pierre Curie
b. Neils Bohr d. Marie Curie
- _____ 16. $^{235}_{92}\text{U}$ and $^{238}_{92}\text{U}$ are examples of _____.
a. particles of radiation c. isotopes
b. allotropes d. tracers
- _____ 17. When $^{238}_{92}\text{U}$ becomes $^{234}_{90}\text{Th}$, what type of decay has taken place?
a. positron c. alpha
b. beta d. gamma
- _____ 18. Which of the following isotopes is not commonly used for dating objects?
a. rubidium-87 c. carbon-14
b. phosphorus-32 d. potassium-40
- _____ 19. In a reactor, nuclear energy is produced in the _____.
a. turbine c. coolant
b. fuel rods d. moderator
- _____ 20. Which of the following could be dated using carbon-14?
a. glacial deposits c. ashes from a fire
b. lava fields d. a rock
- _____ 21. The most difficult radiation to block out is _____.
a. beta particles c. alpha particles
b. visible light rays d. gamma rays
- _____ 22. Which is the only type of radiation that might penetrate the walls of a house?
a. alpha c. gamma
b. beta d. All will penetrate.
- _____ 23. The greatest source of radiation most humans are exposed to is _____.
a. medical X rays c. radon
b. rocks and soil d. cosmic rays
- _____ 24. The correct nuclear notation for the isotope oxygen-15 is _____.
a. $^{15}_8\text{O}$ c. ${}_8\text{O}^{15}$
b. $^{15}\text{O}_8$ d. $^{15}_8\text{O}$
- _____ 25. When one large nucleus is split into two smaller nuclei, the process is nuclear _____.
a. decay c. tracing
b. fusion d. fission

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