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Title: **Quiz 1**

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1.

High-end jewellery is commonly loaned to famous people _____.

Student Response

- A. before they buy it
 - B. because they trade between their friends
 - C. since it is unfashionable to not wear expensive jewellery
 - D. as a favour from the designer
 - E. as a marketing tool for the designer
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2.

Bonding _____.

Student Response

- A. is a unit of measurement for precious metals
 - B. is the fourth element of the Periodic Table
 - C. is the glue that holds matter together
 - D. is a state of matter
 - E. is not present in gemstones or precious metals
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3.

A positively charged atom is called _____.

Student Response

A. a compound

B. a cation

C. an electron

D. a mixture

E. an anion

4.

The two main divisions of igneous rocks are _____.

Student Response

A. mafic and felsic

B. volcanic and sedimentary

C. regional and contact

D. granitic and dioritic

E. intrusive and extrusive

5.

Which of the following describe a mineral by definition?

Student Response

A. crystalline

B. naturally occurring

C. definite chemical composition

D. not lab-grown

E. all

6.

An eight-sided polyhedron is called a _____.

Student Response

- A. Tetrahedron
- B. Cube
- C. Icosahedron
- D. Octahedron
- E. Square

7.

Historically, which country has produced the most gold annually?

Student Response

- A. South Africa
- B. Canada
- C. Venezuela
- D. China
- E. Italy

8.

DeBeers Consolidated Mines is _____.

Student Response

- A. a group devoted to artisanal gold mining in Africa
- B. an association of independent jewellers and gemologists
- C. the company that held much of the diamond monopoly until the mid 1980's
- D. a luxury brand founded in Paris and now present globally
- E. the association that oversees ethical production of platinum group metals from South Africa

9.

Of the emeralds discussed in the lectures, which one remains uncut?

Student Response

1. Mogul Emerald
2. Hooker Emerald
3. Incomparable Emerald
4. Patricia Emerald

10.

Which country produces the best quality emeralds?

Student Response

1. Colombia
2. Egypt
3. India
4. All the above

11.

A “Canadian” diamond according to the Voluntary Code of Conduct for Authenticating Canadian Diamond Claims, is mined in Canada, but can be_____

Student Response

1. Cut and polished in Antwerp
2. Cut and polished in Cairo
3. Cut and polished in Yellowknife
4. All of the above

12.

Which of the following countries have produced historically significant diamonds?

Student Response

1. India, Australia, South Africa

2. US, Australia, Brazil
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. India, South Africa, Congo
4. South Africa, Canada, Australia

13.

What role do institutes such as the GIA play?

Student Response
1. Supply standard certifications of diamonds
2. Protect consumers
3. Protect retailers
4. Provide education
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. All the above

14.

Which diamond has the largest single cut carat size?

Student Response
1. Jubilee
2. Millennium Diamond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Golden Jubilee
4. Cullinan I
5. Cullinan II

15.

Trace elements are always included in mineral formulae

Student Response	Correct Answer
False	False

16.

A volcanic rock ____:

Student Response
1. forms from cooling on the surface of the Earth
2. forms cooling below the surface of the Earth
3. is an igneous rock
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. a+c
5. b+c

17.

Of the following, which are the three main types of tectonic plate boundaries?

- A. Convergent
- B. Asthenospheric
- C. Divergent
- D. Transform
- E. Fracture

Student Response
1. B, C, D
2. A, B, C
3. B, D, E
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. A, C, D
5. C, D, E

18.

Mid-oceanic ridges form at ____:

Student Response
1. convergent plate boundaries
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. divergent plate boundaries

3. mantle plumes
4. both a+b

19.

When magma cools and solidifies under the surface of the Earth, it becomes classified as which type of rock?

Student Response
1. Igneous (extrusive)
2. Sedimentary (chemical precipitate)
3. Metamorphic (high pressure-high temperature)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Igneous (intrusive)
5. Metamorphic (low pressure-low temperature)

20.

If two minerals have the same colour and luster, which of the following are other physical properties that you could test without damaging the mineral?

[Select all that apply - wrong answers will be penalized]

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Specific gravity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Refractive index
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Fluorescence
4. Hardness
5. Bulk chemistry

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1.

Blue colour in diamonds is caused by the presence of:

Student Response
1. Garnet
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Boron
3. Graphite
4. Nitrogen

Score: 1/1

2.

What is the Mohs hardness of diamond?

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. 10
B. 9.5
C. 9
D. 8
E. 7.5

Score: 1/1

3.

Which of the following minerals can scratch diamond?

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. diamond
2. beryl

3. corundum
4. forsterite

Score: 1/1

4.

Ideally, what element(s) comprise(s) diamond?

Student Response
1. Only O and C
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Only C
3. C and Cl
4. Au and D

Score: 1/1

5.

The P-T stability field for diamond is sometimes called _____.

Student Response
A. Diamond Pavillion
B. The Kim Zone
C. Craton Door
D. La Ventana
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. The Diamond Window

Score: 1/1

6.

Which of the following best describes the chemical formula of diamond?

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. carbon polymorph

B. moissanite
C. boron nitride
D. titanium chromium oxide
E. carbon oxide

Score: 1/1

7.

Which of the following options lists the common sources of diamond?

- A. kimberlite
- B. granite
- C. pegmatite
- D. placer deposits
- E. lamprophyres

Student Response
1. D
 2. A, D, E
3. A, B, E
4. B, C
5. A, B, C, D, E

Score: 1/1

8.

The type-classification (i.e., Type I / Type II) of diamonds provides an indication of a diamond's value as a gemstone because:

Student Response
1. it is assigned based on carat size and opacity
2. it is assigned based on carat size and luminescence
3. it is assigned based on opacity and inclusions

4. it is assigned based on carat size and chemical purity / impurity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. it is assigned based on chemical purity / impurity

Score: 1/1

9.

An example of a mineral that is a cyclosilicate:

Student Response
A. is beryl
B. has ring structures of SiO ₄ tetrahedra
C. is corundum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. a, b
E. a,b,c

Score: 1/1

10.

Which following statement is true regarding general relative sizes of faceted gem beryl varieties?

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. red beryl < emerald < aquamarine
2. emerald < red beryl < aquamarine
3. red beryl < aquamarine < emerald
4. aquamarine < emerald < red beryl
5. emerald < aquamarine < red beryl

Score: 1/1

11.

Which of the following statements is true, from a mineralogical perspective?

Student Response

1. Emerald is harder than diamond
2. Emerald is harder than corundum
3. Aquamarine is harder than emerald
4. Aquamarine is harder than diamond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. Diamond is harder than emerald

Score: 1/1

12.

A 2 carat cut emerald from Colombia would be _____.

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. of good size
B. of small size
C. of exceptional size
D. so large it would be found in a museum

Score: 1/1

13.

Gota de aceite is a term referring a specific quality of an emerald's _____, meaning _____:

Student Response
1. luster: aggregates of the mineral grow radially, like a star
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. luster: the mineral's sheen is somewhat softened, as if covered in a drop of oil
3. habit: the mineral's sheen is somewhat softened, as if covered in a drop of oil
4. hardness: the mineral is harder (will scratch) acetate
5. habit: aggregates of the mineral grow radially, like a star

Score: 1/1

14.

Where are the most valuable emeralds mined?

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. Colombia
B. Austria
C. Pakistan
D. Brazil
E. Canada

Score: 1/1

15.

Which mineral has historically been sometimes misclassified as ruby?

Student Response
1. red peridot
2. fancy ruby
3. bloodstone
4. red diamond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. red spinel

Score: 1/1

16.

Which of the following is not a variety of gem corundum?

Student Response
A. ruby
B. colourless corundum
C. fancy sapphire
D. sapphire
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. tanzanite

Score: 1/1

17.

Which of the following is NOT a common source of gem corundum?

Student Response

A. Alkali Basalts

B. Granite

C. Dirty Marbles

D. Placer Deposits

Score: 1/1

18.

How would you tell the difference between an uncut blue beryl and an uncut blue corundum?

Student Response

1. corundum is always cloudy until it is cut

2. beryl is harder; beryl has tapered (rather than flat) ends

3. beryl is a hexagonal prism; corundum is tabular

4. corundum is harder; corundum has tapered (rather than flat) ends

5. both are cyclosilicates; that means there's no other way to tell the difference until after cutting and

Score: 1/1

19.

Historically, Sri Lanka (just southeast of India) is known for producing the finest:

Student Response

1. sapphire

2. peridot

3. goethite

4. diamond	
5. rubies	

Score: 1/1

20.

Corundum can only be red or blue.

Student Response	Correct Answer
False	False

Score: 1/1

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1.

The type and quality of display lighting is very important to gemstone retailers. The balanced emittance of natural daylight is hard to reproduce, because compared to it:

Student Response
1. incandescent (tungsten) bulbs burn more intensely across the low-wavelength “blue” range
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. incandescent (tungsten) bulbs burn more intensely across the higher-wavelength “red” range
3. fluorescent bulbs burn more intensely across the low-wavelength “blue” range
4. fluorescent bulbs burn more intensely across the higher-wavelength “red” range
5. none of the above; the type of light source used does not affect the gem’s optical qualities

Score: 1/1

2.

The VISIBLE portion of the electromagnetic spectrum is in the _____ range.

Student Response
A. 260 - 350 cm
B. 260 - 350 nm
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. 400 - 700 nm
D. 400 - 700 m
E. 1 - 100 km

Score: 1/1

3.

Strongly pleochroic gemstones have:


Student Response
1. the full range of colours when viewed from different angles, like opal
2. two or even three different colours when viewed from different angles, such as spinel
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. two or even three different colours when viewed from different angles, such as tanzanite
4. the best dispersion qualities due to high refractive indices, such as diamond
5. the worst dispersion qualities due to high reflective indices, such as opal

Score: 1/1

4.

The visible portion of the electromagnetic spectrum is:

Student Response
1. at the high intensity end of the spectrum: low frequency, long wavelength
2. at the low intensity end of the spectrum: low frequency, long wavelength
3. at the high intensity end of the spectrum: high frequency, short wavelength
4. at the low intensity end of the spectrum: high frequency, short wavelength

 5. the middle portion; neither high nor low intensity; medium frequencies and wavelengths

Score: 1/1

5.


Internal reflection_____:

Student Response

1. is sought after when cutting diamonds

2. occurs when much of the light that enters a cut gem is returned through the table to your eye

3. is a flaw created when cutting diamonds

 4. 1 and 2

5. 2 and 3

Score: 1/1

6.

Reflection and refraction are the same phenomenon

Student Response

Correct Answer

False

False

Score: 1/1

7.

A gem viewed under fluorescent light will:

Student Response

1. look the same when it is viewed under natural sunlight

2. look the same when it is viewed under incandescent light

3. look different when it is viewed under natural sunlight

4. look different when it is viewed under incandescent light

 5. look different when it is viewed under natural or incandescent light

Score: 1/1

8.

Bicoloured tourmaline crystals develop because:

Student Response

- 1. the magma that the crystal is growing from runs out of the first and atomic-site-preferential chromophore begins to substitute in the crystal lattice after this happens
- 2. the development of the crystal from one chromophore makes a crystal that only has room later for another
- 3. the crystallography is fixed upwards with regard to colouration
- 4. none of the above; there's no such thing as bicolouration in tourmaline
- 5. the crystallographic orientation requires different chromophores at each end

Score: 1/1

9.

Pegmatites usually form as dykes, which are:

Student Response

- 1. relatively thin (1-100 m) linear (planar in 3D) intrusive bodies injected into the rock around an intrusion
- 2. thick (500m – 3 km) linear (planar in 3D) intrusive bodies injected into the rock around an intrusion
- 3. large circular to semi-round intrusions inside the Earth's crust
- 4. sedimentary beds which have been tipped into vertical position by tectonic stresses in the crust
- 5. volcanic edifices

Score: 1/1

10.

Corrosion is a problem for gemstone development in pegmatites. Corrosion is when:

Student Response

- 1. another prospector takes over the claim on a pegmatite because the claim was not renewed immediately
- 2. leftover volatiles like carbonate and fluorine dissolve portions of mineral crystals after they form
- 3. the magma becomes enriched in certain elements because of early crystallization of other elements

4. rainwater dissolves part of the mineral crystal, such as acid rain
5. water in the magma dissolves part of the mineral crystal after it formed

Score: 1/1

11.

Which element is considered “essential” to the crystallographic structure of tourmaline:

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Boron (B)
2. Thorium (Th)
3. Beryllium (Be)
4. Argon (Ar)
5. Thulium (Tl)

Score: 1/1

12.

Of the following, which is NOT a gem variety found in pegmatites?

Student Response
A. Tourmaline
B. Emerald
C. Sapphire
D. Spodumene
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. Diamond

Score: 1/1

13.

The open spaced areas in pegmatites that house many gem specimens are often called _____.

Student Response

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. pockets
B. corrosion zones
C. cores
D. roots
E. hot spots

Score: 1/1

14.

The geochemistry of most pegmatites is normally closely related to _____.

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. granite
B. gneiss
C. kimberlite
D. basalt
E. shale

Score: 1/1

15.

Tourmaline has as its base the silicate structure of:

Student Response
1. Si8O22
2. Si2O3
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Si6O18
4. SiO4
5. SiO2

Score: 1/1

16.

A fluxing agent helps pegmatites to grow bigger crystals because:

Student Response
A. it keeps the liquid moving, which slows the startup of new crystals so the existing ones are forced u
B. it keeps the liquid moving, which ensures that magma containing needed elements keep washing u
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. it lowers the crystallization (freezing) point of the magma so there is more time for crystals to grow
D. all of the above
E. B and C above

Score: 0/1

17.

What are the two main colours of gem varieties of spodumene:

Student Response
1. pink and yellow
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. pink and green
3. blue and green
4. blue and brown
5. blue and pink

Score: 1/1

18.

What is the gem variety of the mineral zoisite?

Student Response
A. garnet
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. tanzanite
C. peridot
D. opal
E. kunzite

Score: 1/1

19.

Which colour of topaz is most desirable (and hence, fetches the highest prices):

Student Response
1. orange-red
2. blue-green
3. yellow-orange
4. orange-brown
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. pink to red

Score: 1/1

20.

What is the chromophore for alexandrite?

Student Response
A. Ti
B. Co
C. Cr
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Fe
E. Cu

Score: 0/1

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Title: **Quiz 4**

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1.

What type of mine would be chosen if a deposit has a high grade, is far below the surface, and has complex geological geometry?

Student Response

1. underground mine

2. placer mine

3. open pit mine

4. none of the above

2.

What are BC's top two commodities?

Student Response

A. silver and gold

B. jade and coal

C. copper and gold

D. coal and copper

E. diamonds and gold

3.

Mesothermal deposits _____.

Student Response

A. typically form at shallow depths

B. are associated with volcanoes

C. are the least important of Canada's gold deposits

D. all of these

E. none of these

4.

Different colours of gold are produced primarily from _____.

Student Response

A. inclusions of other minerals

B. heating and quenching

C. its opaque nature

D. alloying with other elements

E. the temperature of gold formation

5.

As a mineral, gold belongs to which crystal system?

Student Response

A. monoclinic

B. hexagonal

C. isometric

D. triclinic

E. tetragonal

6.

The most significant lode gold district in Canada by historical production is _____.

Student Response

A. Yellowknife

B. Hemlo

C. Bridge River

D. Timmins

E. Hope Bay

7.

Gold classifies as _____.

Student Response

A. a mineral

B. a metal

C. an element

D. all of these

8.

Most lode gold deposits have a grade, in g/t, between _____.

Student Response

A. 0.05 and 0.5

B. 2 and 15

C. 1 and 5

D. 10 and 100

E. 0.1 and 1

9.

The alchemical symbol for gold alludes to the _____.

Student Response

A. ocean

B. sky

C. sun

D. flowers

E. king

10.

Fair Trade jewellery and gems ensure responsible _____.

Student Response
A. social practices
B. environmental practices
C. labour practices
D. chains of custody
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. all of the above

11.

Ethical, Green, and Fair Trade practices are too costly to implement widely in the gem and jewellery industry.

Student Response	Correct Answer
False	False

12.

The film "Red Gold" was produced by _____.

Student Response
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. independent film makers
B. the State of Alaska
C. the Pebble Partnership
D. Northern Dynasty Minerals
E. the community of Bristol Bay

13.

The Pebble Deposit is _____.

Student Response

A. a kimberlite pipe
B. the location of a meteorite impact
C. a mesothermal lode gold vein system
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. a copper-gold porphyry system
E. a placer gold pay dirt lens

14.

Cawthorn suggests the Bushveld Complex could supply the world's PGE demand for _____.

Student Response
A. 10 years
B. indefinitely
C. 90 years
D. 5 years
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. 40 years

15.

Common ore grade of a platinum deposit is only approximately _____.

Student Response
A. 15 g/t
B. 0.4 g/t
C. 4%
D. 40 g/t
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. 4 g/t

16.

The Platinum Group Elements refers to which complete set of elements?

Student Response

- A. Ru, Rh, Pd, Os, Ir, Pt
- B. Pt, Pd, Au
- C. Pt, Pd, Ni
- D. Rh, Rd, Ir, Pt
- E. Ru, Rh, Pd, Os, Ir, Pt, Ag, Au

17.

The total supply of platinum in 2008 was approximately _____.

Student Response

- A. 1 tonne
- B. 55 million oz
- C. 0.5 tonnes
- D. 2 million oz
- E. 6 million oz

18.


The word platinum is derived from _____.

Student Response

- A. a tribute to Plato
- B. the Greek word platalia
- C. an allusion to silver
- D. its characteristic plate like form
- E. the Italian town Plata


19.

Which historically-important producing geological environment is now a minor player with respect to silver production in Canada:

Student Response
1. VMS deposits
2. porphyry deposits
 3. vein deposits
4. placer deposits
5. SED-EX deposits

20.

Two of the four most useful properties that silver shares with gold are:

Student Response
1. electrical conductivity; boiling point
 2. malleability; electrical conductivity
3. atomic weight; malleability
4. malleability; boiling point
5. ductility; boiling point