1. Which element is critical to the formation of the volcanic surface of lo?
A) iron
B) carbon
C) silicon
D) phosphorus
E) sulfur
2. What is thought to cause lo's volcanism?
A) Jupiter's gravity
B) impact energy left over from SL-9
C) radioactive decay of Uranium in its dense core
D) Jupiter's magnetosphere
E) tidal stresses from both Jupiter and Europa
3. Which of the Galilean moons is densest and most geologically active?
A) Callisto
B) 10
C) Europa
D) Ganymede
E) Titan
4. Which are the four Galilean moons of Jupiter?
A) Io, Titan, Triton, and Charon
B) Io, Ganymede, Callisto, and Titan
C) Europa, Titan, Ganymede, and Callisto
D) Europa, Ganymede, Io, and Triton
E) Io, Europa, Ganymede, and Callisto
5. The surface of Europa is most like the earth's
A) tundra.
B) Arctic Ocean.
C) Himalayan peaks.
D) South Pole.
E) deserts.
6. The weak magnetic fields around Europa and Ganymede were found during flybys of
A) Cassini.
B) Voyager 1.
C) Galileo.
D) Pioneer 10.
E) Stardust.
7. In size and density, both lo and Europa resemble
A) Mercury.
B) Pluto.
C) Mars.
D) our Moon.
E) Charon.
8. The mare on Ganymede were formed by
A) basalt erupting onto the surface.
B) sulfur spewed from volcanoes.
C) water erupting and spreading over the surface.
D) plate tectonics.
E) gravitational interactions with Callisto and Europa.
9. In terms of dark, smoother mare and cratered highlands, which Jovian moon most resembles the near side of our own?
A) Europa
B) Triton
C) 10
D) Ganymede
E) Titan
10. Of the Jovian satellites, which shows the oldest, most cratered surface?
A) Triton
B) Callisto
C) Miranda
D) Enceladus
E) Ganymede
11. The largest moon in the solar system, bigger but not as massive as Mercury, is
A) Europa.
B) Triton.
C) Titan.
D) Ganymede.
E) Callisto.
12. A moon with a smooth, uncratered surface would imply
A) the surface is completely liquid.
B) a strong magnetic field surrounds the moon.
C) the surface is very young.
D) the moon lies within the planet's Roche Limit.
E) meteorites have never struck the moon.
13. Which of these moons has the densest
atmosphere?
A) lo
B) Triton
C) Callisto
D) Titan
E) Europa
14. Which of these moons are most interesting to exobiologists?
A) lo and Enceladus
B) Europa and Miranda
C) Europa and Titan
D) Titan and Triton
E) Triton and Charon
15. At Titan, the oceans are made of liquid
A) carbon dioxide.
B) metallic hydrogen.
C) ethane.
D) nitrogen.
E) water.
16. The Huygens probe of the ESA made a successful landing on
A) Titan.
B) Saturn.
C) Triton.
D) Europa.
E) Mars.
17. The atmosphere of Titan is composed mainly of
A) hydrogen and helium.
B) nitrogen.
C) hydrogen sulfide.
D) carbon dioxide.
E) methane.
18. The grooves and ridges on Ganymede are thought to
A) be due to the moon's rapid rotation.
B) have formed within the last thousand years.
C) have grown considerably larger since the Voyager spacecraft discovered them.
D) be part of an ongoing volcanic process.
E) be due to crustal tectonics motion (plate tectonics)
19. What is true of Titan's atmosphere?
A) It has produced a runaway greenhouse effect.
B) It was discovered by the Voyager 1 spacecraft.
C) It is similar to Earth's in composition and density.
D) It is oxygen rich.
E) It is primarily hydrogen.
20. The erupting geysers of nitrogen gas on Triton
A) are increasing the moon's rotation rate.
B) produced the large liquid oceans.
C) produced the frozen nitrogen surface.
D) are caused by a not yet determined internal energy source.
E) can be viewed by the Hubble Space Telescope.
21. Voyager 1 was unable to image Titan's surface because
A) the moon was in shadow during the mission.
B) of Titan's high reflectivity.
C) the cameras were damaged by Saturn's magnetic field.
D) volcanic activity spewed sulfur clouds, obscuring the surface.
E) of "smog" in Titan's atmosphere.
22. The brightest and probably youngest surface of any moon of Saturn belongs to
A) Mimas.
B) Tethys.
C) Titan.
D) Enceladus.
E) lapetus.
23. Which Jovian moon shows the most diverse terrain, suggesting a violent impact broke it into many pieces, some of which reformed it as a jumbled puzzle?
A) Enceladus
B) Miranda
C) Triton
D) lo
E) Ganymede
24. What statistic below has changed the most in the last decade?
A) the number of known Jovian moons
B) the masses of the Galilean moons
C) the densities of the larger moons
D) the compositions of moons of Uranus
E) the rotational period of the Jovian moons
25. Which moon of Saturn shows the largest impact crater, relative to its size?
A) Mimas
B) Callisto
C) Miranda
D) Enceladus
E) Titan
26. For a moon the same density as its planet, the Roche limit lies at $\qquad$ times the radius of its planet.
A) 1.4
B) 2.5
C) 3.6
D) 5.2
E) 7
27. Why are the rings of Saturn so bright?
A) Light reflected off of gigantic Titan reinforces the sunlight.
B) They are made of metallic iron, never rusted by exposure to oxygen.
C) They are made of young, fresh water ice.
D) They are made of glassy beads expelled by the volcanoes of Enceladus.
E) They are made of frozen metallic hydrogen.
28. Which statement about Jupiter's rings is true?
A) They lie inside Jupiter's Roche Limit.
B) They are made, in part, of material ejected by Europa's volcanoes.
C) They are larger than Saturn's, but darker.
D) They are dark because their ices are dirtier than Saturn's.
E) They were discovered by Galileo at the same time he discovered the moons.
29. When Saturn is at Equinox, its rings will
A) double the planet's brightness.
B) appear face-on to the earth.
C) lie perpendicular to the plane of the ecliptic.
D) lie in the plane of the ecliptic.
E) contract closer to the planet's surface.
30. What best explains the darkness of the rings beyond Saturn's?
A) Water ice reflects light poorly at the low temperatures beyond Saturn.
B) They are pieces of captured comets.
C) Rocky debris doesn't reflect as well as water ice.
D) old, sooty debris and radiation darkening
E) The sunlight is much fainter out there.
31. The Cassini Division is a gap in Saturn's rings caused by
A) Saturn's excess heat.
B) two shepherding moons.
C) the icy ring particles melting.
D) gravitational interaction with Mimas.
E) Saturn's magnetic field.
32. Inside the Roche Limit
A) ring systems cannot exists.
B) large moons are torn apart.
C) there is a gap in a planet's magnetic field.
D) is where large moons form.
E) hydrogen can only exist in its liquid metallic form.
33. If Saturn takes about 30 years to orbit the Sun, and its rings were seen edge-on in 1995, when will they appear most open at solstice?
A) 1998
B) 2002
C) 2005
D) 2007
E) 2010
34. If Uranus takes 84 years to orbit the Sun, and Voyager 2 found its rings wide open at solstice in 1989, when will they appear edge on, as seen from Earth?
A) 1995
B) 2003
C) 2010
D) 2025
E) They can never appear edge on, due to Uranus' 98 degree axial tilt.
35. Which was not a Voyager discovery about the rings of Saturn?
A) They are made of tens of thousands of narrow ringlets.
B) The F ring particles are herded by two shepherd moons.
C) There are hundreds of smaller moons imbedded, creating the gaps.
D) The E ring may have been made by volcanic eruptions from Enceladus.
E) They have dark spokes that defy gravity.
36. Which of the following rings of Saturn lies closest to the planet?
A) the A ring
B) the B ring
C) the C ring
D) the E ring
E) the F ring
37. Which moon orbits a planet only twice as big as it is?
A) Triton
B) Charon
C) Miranda
D) Mimas
E) our Moon
38. Pluto's density is most similar to
A) Saturn, but not Jupiter, Uranus, or Neptune.
B) moons of the jovian planets.
C) the jovian planets.
D) the terrestrial planets.
E) Mercury, but nor Venus, Earth, or Mars.
39. Pluto was discovered in
A) ancient times.
B) 1789 .
C) 1859 .
D) 1930 .
E) 1992.
40. The two names most associated with the discovery of Pluto are
A) Kuiper and Whipple.
B) Herschel and Bode.
C) Adams and Leverrier.
D) Lowell and Tombaugh.
E) Shoemaker and Levy.
41. Charon's orbit
A) has not been determined yet.
B) lies exactly in Pluto's orbital plane.
C) is perpendicular to Pluto's equator.
D) is highly inclined to Pluto's orbital plane.
E) is retrograde.
42. Pluto is most similar to
A) Europa.
B) Miranda.
C) Mercury.
D) our Moon.
E) Triton.
43. What is so unusual about Pluto's orbit?
A) It has an unexpectedly short orbital period.
B) It's orbital period is exactly twice that of Neptune's.
C) It is the most inclined to the ecliptic of the 9 planets.
D) It has the lowest eccentricity of any planet's orbit.
E) It lies exactly on the ecliptic.
