PHYSICS · NEW MEXICO

Physics

Practice Test

Unit 3: Electricity, Magnetism, and Waves

25 Questions

Original practice test based on the New Mexico curriculum. Work through each question, then check your answers at the end.

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Question 1

A current of 3 A flows through a resistor of 4 ohms. The voltage across it is

A) 0.75 V

B) 7 V

C) 1.33 V

D) 12 V

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Question 2

A voltage of 24 V is applied across a 8 ohm resistor. The current is

A) 3 A

B) 192 A

C) 32 A

D) 0.33 A

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Question 3

Resistors of 4 ohms and 6 ohms in series have total resistance

A) 2.4 ohms

B) 24 ohms

C) 10 ohms

D) 1.5 ohms

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Question 4

Resistors of 6 ohms and 3 ohms in parallel have total resistance

A) 9 ohms

B) 2 ohms

C) 18 ohms

D) 0.5 ohms

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Question 5

A device uses current 2 A at voltage 12 V. Its electric power is

A) 6 W

B) 14 W

C) 0.17 W

D) 24 W

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Question 6

If the distance between two point charges doubles, the electric force between them

A) doubles

B) halves

C) becomes one fourth

D) becomes four times

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Question 7

Like electric charges

A) attract

B) repel

C) have no effect

D) always cancel

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Question 8

The electric field at a point is defined as the force per unit

A) mass

B) charge

C) distance

D) time

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Question 9

In a series circuit, the quantity that is the same through every part is the

A) voltage

B) resistance

C) current

D) power

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Question 10

In a parallel circuit, the quantity that is the same across every branch is the

A) current

B) voltage

C) resistance

D) charge

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Question 11

A wave has frequency 5 Hz and wavelength 4 m. Its speed is

A) 1.25 m/s

B) 9 m/s

C) 20 m/s

D) 0.8 m/s

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Question 12

A wave has period 0.2 s. Its frequency is

A) 0.2 Hz

B) 20 Hz

C) 0.04 Hz

D) 5 Hz

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Question 13

Sound travels fastest in

A) a vacuum

B) air

C) water

D) steel

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Question 14

A magnetic field exerts a force on a charged particle only when the particle is

A) at rest

B) moving

C) neutral

D) inside a wire

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Question 15

Changing the magnetic flux through a coil

A) induces a voltage in the coil

B) stops all current

C) has no effect

D) removes the magnetic field

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Question 16

The unit of electric charge is the

A) ampere

B) volt

C) ohm

D) coulomb

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Question 17

A current of 4 A flows for 5 s. The charge transferred, in coulombs, is ____

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Question 18

A voltage of 18 V is applied across a 6 ohm resistor. The current, in amperes, is ____

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Question 19

A wave has speed 300 m/s and frequency 50 Hz. Its wavelength, in meters, is ____

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Question 20

A wave has frequency 20 Hz. Its period, in seconds, is ____

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Question 21

In a transverse wave, particles of the medium move

A) along the wave direction

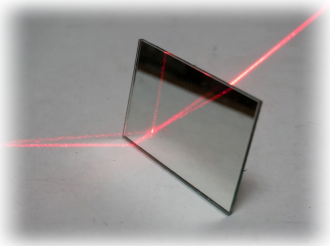
B) perpendicular to the wave direction

C) only at the source

D) not at all

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Question 22

When light reflects from a flat mirror, the angle of reflection compared with the angle of incidence is

A) larger

B) smaller

C) equal

D) twice as large

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Question 23

The speed of light in a vacuum is about

A) 3.0×10^8 m/s

B) 3.0×10^5 m/s

C) 340 m/s

D) 1.5×10^8 m/s

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Question 24

A device uses current 3 A at voltage 10 V. Its power, in watts, is ____

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Question 25

Two resistors of 10 ohms each in series have total resistance, in ohms, of ____

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ANSWER KEY

1. D
2. A
3. C
4. B
5. D
6. C
7. B
8. B
9. C
10. B
11. C
12. D
13. D
14. B
15. A
16. D
17. 20
18. 3
19. 6
20. 0.05
21. B
22. C
23. A
24. 30
25. 20

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