

2017 Chinook Invitational **Division B**

Wind Power Written Test

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Instructions:

- Sheets may be double sided, check both sides.
- · Circle the correct answer, if it is unclear which answer has been selected, points may not be given.
- Calculators are allowed.
- This packet may be unstapled and divided, but if you chose to do this, make sure each page has your team information.





- 1. The theoretical limit for the efficiency of a wind turbine is 59.3%, what is this ceiling called?
 - A. Ohm's Limit, or Ohm's Law
 - B. Joule's Limit, or Joule's Law
 - C. Edison's Limit, or Edison's Law
 - D. Betz's Limit, or Betz's Law
 - E. Murphy's Limit, or Murphy's Law
- 2. Identify the type of wind turbine pictured below:



- A. Giromill
- B. Darius
- C. Savorious
- D. Saphonian
- E. Piezoelectric
- 3. What kind of energy do wind turbines convert into electromagnetic energy?
 - A. Potential
 - B. Chemical
 - C. Thermal
 - D. Gravitational
 - E. Kinetic
- 4. What's the most aerodynamically efficient number of blades for a practical wind turbine?
 - A. 1
 - B. 2
 - C. 3
 - D. 4
 - E. 5

5. How much power is available in the wind with a wind speed of 78.2m/s and an air density of 0.408Kg/m³, and a turbine sweep area of 1330m²?

- A. 40 MW
- B. 70 MW
- C. 100 MW
- D. 130 MW
- E. 160 MW
- 6. What is the effect of temperature on power transmission?

A. Lower losses, because as metal's temperature increases, its resistance decreases.

- B. Lower losses, because as metal's temperature increases, so does its conductivity.
- C. Greater losses, because the higher temperature requires a lower current to avoid melting the line.
- D. Greater losses, because as metal's temperature increases so does its resistance.
- E. No effect.
- 7. Identify the equation for power loss
 - A. $P_L = I/R^2$
 - B. $P_L = I^2 R$
 - C. $P_L = IR$
 - D. $P_L = IR^2$
 - E. $P_L=R/I^2$
- 8. Which of the following is the SI unit of resistance?
 - A. Amps
 - B. Farads
 - C. Ohms
 - D. Coulombs
 - E. Hertz
- 9. What's the most commonly-used conductor metal for overhead power lines?
 - A. Copper
 - B. Silver
 - C. Gold
 - D. Zinc
 - E. Aluminum

10. What is the primary disadvantage of HVDC over AC for long distance power transmission.

- A. Greater construction cost
- B. High power loss in transmission
- C. Danger to birds
- D. Difficulty to integrate with renewable energy sources
- E. Expensive conversion stations

11. If coal with an energy density of 24MJ/kg is burned in a power plant with an overall conversion efficiency of 33%, how much coal per second will be needed to produce 100MW of electricity?

- A. 4 kg/s
- B. 13 kg/s
- C. 15 kg/s
- D. 25 kg/s
- E. 55 kg/s

12. Assuming an efficiency of 100%, using 9.81m/s^2 as an approximation for gravity, for a dam producing 1MW of electricity with a flow rate of 10000 L/s what is the required head?

- A. 1 m
- B. 10 m
- C. 50 m
- D. 100 m

E. 1000 m

13. What is the ultimately the source of all "renewable energy"?

- A. Fission
- B. Fusion
- C. Earth's Gravity
- D. Earth's Core
- E. A Giant Battery

14. Which of the following is not a nuclear reactor accident?

- A. Three Mile Island Accident
- B. Chernobyl Disaster
- C. Fukushima Disaster
- D. Tunguska Incident
- E. K-19 Accident

15. Hydroelectric power plants convert _____ energy and _____ energy into electromagnetic energy?

- A. Potential, Kinetic
- B. Chemical, Thermal
- C. Potential, Thermal
- D. Thermal, Kinetic
- E. Chemical, Kinetic

16. Which of the following energy transfer chains best represents pumped-storage hydroelectricity.

- A. Potential > Kinetic > Thermal > Electromagnetic
- B. Potential > Kinetic > Electromagnetic
- C. Electromagnetic > Kinetic > Potential >Kinetic > Electromagnetic
- D. Electromagnetic > Thermal > Kinetic > Electromagnetic
- E. Electromagnetic > Chemical > Thermal > Kinetic > Electromagnetic

17. Which of the following types of batteries is non-rechargeable?

- A. Nickel-cadmium
- B. Nickel-metal hydride
- C. Zinc-carbon
- D. Lithium-ion
- E. Lead-acid

18. What's the main source of energy loss for flywheel storage?

- A. Inertia
- B. Friction
- C. Temperature
- D. Flux-Capacitation
- E. Resistance

19. Which of the following has the lowest specific energy density?

- A. Silicon
- B. Hydrazine
- C. Glucose
- D. Methanol
- E. Butanol

20. Worldwide, the largest-capacity form of grid energy storage is

- A. Lithium-ion Batteries
- B. Thermal Storage
- C. Flywheels
- D. Pumped Storage Hydroelectricity
- E. Hydrogen Storage
- 21. Washington's largest wind farm, Windy Point Wind Farm, is located in
 - A. Klickitat County

 - B. King County C. Walla Walla County
 - D. Columbia County
 - E. Snohomish County

22. The number of wind-powered mills peaked around

- A. 1820
- B. 1830
- C. 1840
- D. 1850
- E. 1860

23. Which state generates the most electricity from wind power?

- A. California
- B. Texas
- C. New Mexico
- D. Washington
- E. Nebraska

24. What was approximately the cumulative global wind power installed capacity in 2016?

- A. 275 GW
- B. 335 GW
- C. 375 GW
- D. 435 GW
- E. 475 GW

25. Windmills began to appear in Europe in which century?

- A. Eleventh
- B. Twelfth
- C. Thirteenth

- D. Fourteenth
- E. Fifteenth