

8th Grade Midterm Review Sheet 2**Multiple Choice**

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- _____ 1. Newton's third law of motion states that for every action there is an
a. eventual and opposing action. c. equal and opposite reaction.
b. unknown reaction. d. explosive action.
- _____ 2. Which planet has greenhouse gases like Earth?
a. Neptune c. Mercury
b. Mars d. Venus
- _____ 3. The color of a star depends on its
a. size. c. shape.
b. temperature. d. magnitude.
- _____ 4. What can a scientist learn about a star from its spectrum?
a. its color c. its composition and temperature
b. its size d. its age
- _____ 5. What color are the hottest stars?
a. red c. orange
b. yellow d. blue
- _____ 6. The H-R diagram shows the relationship of a star's surface temperature and its
a. color. c. apparent magnitude.
b. size. d. absolute magnitude.
- _____ 7. What objects are formed from the materials in the core of a supernova?
a. black holes and supergiants c. black holes and neutron stars
b. red giants and white dwarfs d. neutron stars and white dwarfs
- _____ 8. Which of the following shows the sequence of a star's life cycle from its earliest stage to its latest stage?
a. white dwarf, main sequence, red giant c. red giant, white dwarf, main sequence
b. main sequence, red giant, white dwarf d. main sequence, white dwarf, red giant
- _____ 9. All of the following are major types of galaxies EXCEPT
a. spiral galaxy. c. elliptical galaxy.
b. irregular galaxy. d. triangular galaxy.
- _____ 10. Scientists think that the Milky Way probably is
a. an irregular galaxy. c. a spiral galaxy.
b. an elliptical galaxy. d. a nebula.
- _____ 11. Which of the following is the largest?
a. a nebula c. a neutron star
b. a galaxy d. a globular cluster

- _____ 12. What are the three major types of galaxies identified by Edwin Hubble?
a. spiral, triangular, irregular c. spiral, triangular, elliptical
b. spiral, elliptical, irregular d. triangular, elliptical, irregular
- _____ 13. What type of star has used up all of its hydrogen and is the leftover center of an older star?
a. red giant c. white dwarf
b. supernova d. main sequence
- _____ 14. Which of the following magnitudes indicates the brightest star?
a. -1 c. -0.11
b. 0 d. +4
- _____ 15. Which of the following are large clouds of gas and dust?
a. a nebula c. a neutron star
b. a galaxy d. a globular cluster
- _____ 16. The spectrum of a star gives information about its
a. composition and temperature. c. age.
b. size. d. age and temperature.
- _____ 17. What classification do astronomers use for galaxies?
a. size c. color
b. age d. shape
- _____ 18. How do scientists tell if a star is cool or warm?
a. by its size c. by its color
b. by its age d. by its shape
- _____ 19. What type of galaxy is the Milky Way?
a. a spiral galaxy c. an elliptical galaxy
b. an irregular galaxy d. an odd-shaped galaxy
- _____ 20. The H-R diagram graphs what two things?
a. a star's temperature and brightness c. a star's temperature and age
b. a star's temperature and color d. a star's temperature and size
- _____ 21. What is cosmology?
a. the study of the solar system
b. the study of the universe's origin, structure, and future
c. the study of the makeup of stars
d. the study of space travel
- _____ 22. Which of the following big bang theories explains how the universe began?
a. as a cloud of gases c. with a small explosion
b. as a sea of gases d. with a big explosion