MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. Which of the following statements about atomic orbitals is *false*?
   a. A 1*s* orbital is spherically symmetrical.
   b. An atomic orbital may contain zero, one, or two electrons.
   c. A 2*s* orbital and a 2*p* orbital are equal in energy.
   d. A $2p_x$ orbital and a $2p_y$ orbital are equal in energy.
   e. A 2*p* orbital is not spherically symmetrical.

   ANS: C DIF: Easy REF: 1.1
   OBJ: Understand properties of atomic orbitals MSC: Remembering

2. Which of the following statements is true?
   a. Ionization potential decreases going across a row left to right.
   b. Ionization potential increases going down a group.
   c. Electron affinity increases going across a row left to right.
   d. Electron affinity increases going down a group.
   e. Atoms with high ionization potentials have correspondingly high electron affinities.

   ANS: C DIF: Easy REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Evaluate trends in IP, EA in periodic table MSC: Remembering

3. What is the total number of occupied *p* orbitals in a neutral phosphorus atom?
   a. 2
   b. 3
   c. 6
   d. 9
   e. 12

   ANS: C DIF: Easy REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Determine atomic orbital structure MSC: Analyzing

4. Which one of the following sets of quantum numbers is impossible?
   a. $n = 1, l = 0, m_l = 0, s = +½$
   b. $n = 1, l = 1, m_l = 0, s = +½$
   c. $n = 2, l = 1, m_l = 1, s = +½$
   d. $n = 2, l = 1, m_l = -1, s = -½$
   e. $n = 3, l = 0, m_l = 0, s = -½$

   ANS: B DIF: Easy REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Apply rules for quantum numbers MSC: Applying

5. Which of these sets of quantum numbers would define an electron in the 5*d* subshell?
   a. $n = 5; l = 2, m_l = -3, s = ½$
   b. $n = 5; l = 2, m_l = -2, s = ½$
   c. $n = 5; l = 4, m_l = -2, s = -½$
   d. $n = 5; l = 2, m_l = -2, s = 1$
   e. $n = 5; l = 1, m_l = 0, s = -½$

   ANS: B DIF: Easy REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Apply rules for quantum numbers MSC: Applying

6. The rule or principle that states that the electronic state with the greatest number of unpaired spins will have the lowest energy is called
   a. the Pauli principle
   b. the aufbau principle
   c. the Heisenberg uncertainty principle
   d. Hund's rule
   e. the octet rule

   ANS: D DIF: Easy REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Understand the rules for quantum mechanics MSC: Remembering

7. *d*-orbitals have two nodal planes. How many *spherical* nodes will a 5*d* orbital contain?
   a. 1
   b. 2
   c. 3
   d. 4
   e. 5

   ANS: B DIF: Difficult REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Derive nodes based on quantum numbers MSC: Analyzing

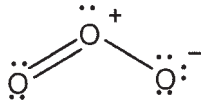
8. Which of the following statements accurately describes the node(s) in a 2*s* orbital?
   a. There are zero nodes in a 2*s* orbital.
   b. A 2*s* orbital has one spherical node.
   c. A 2*s* orbital has one nodal plane.
   d. A 2*s* orbital has one spherical node and one nodal plane.
   e. A 2*s* orbital has two spherical nodes.

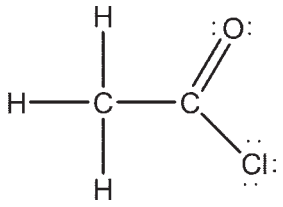
   ANS: B DIF: Medium REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Derive nodes based on quantum numbers MSC: Analyzing

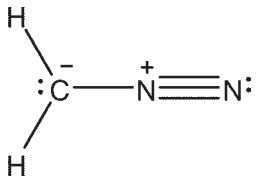
9. Which of the following statements accurately describes the node(s) in a 2*p* orbital?
   a. There are zero nodes in a 2*p* orbital.
   b. A 2*p* orbital has one spherical node.
   c. A 2*p* orbital has one nodal plane.
   d. A 2*p* orbital has one spherical node and one nodal plane.
   e. A 2*p* orbital has two spherical nodes.

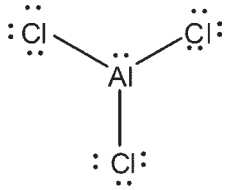
   ANS: C DIF: Medium REF: 1.2
   OBJ: Derive nodes based on quantum numbers MSC: Analyzing

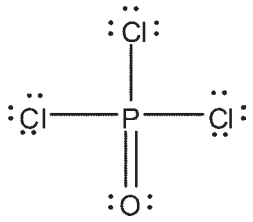
10. Which of the Lewis structures shown below is *incorrect*?

a. 

b. 

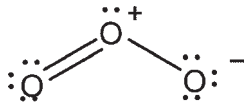
c. 

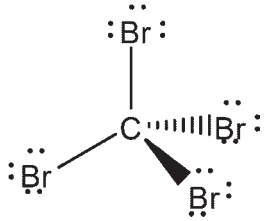
d. 

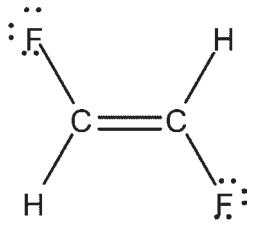
e. 

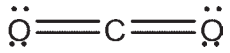
ANS: D DIF: Medium REF: 1.3
OBJ: Apply rules for Lewis structures MSC: Analyzing

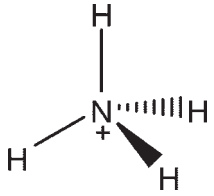
11. Indicate which of the species shown are expected to have a net dipole moment.

a. 

b. 

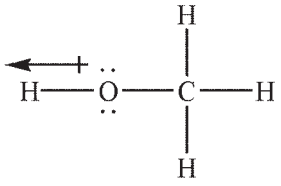
c. 

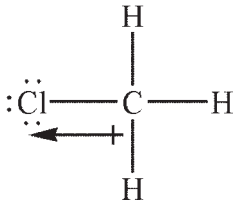
d. 

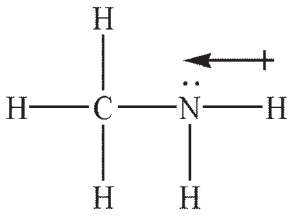
e. 

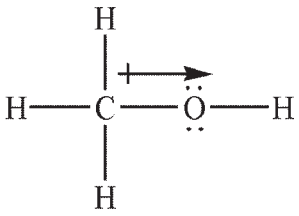
ANS: A DIF: Difficult REF: 1.3
OBJ: Determine polarity based on 3D structure, bond dipoles MSC: Analyzing

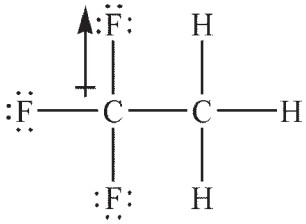
12. Which of the following Lewis structures shows an *incorrectly* drawn bond dipole?

a. 

d. 

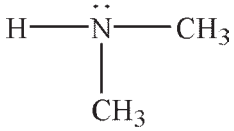
b. 

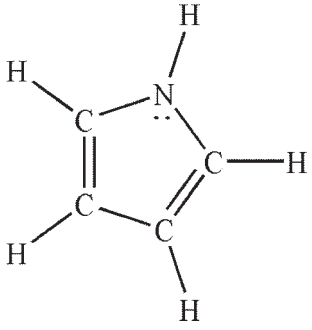
e. 

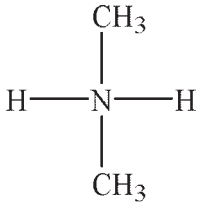
c. 

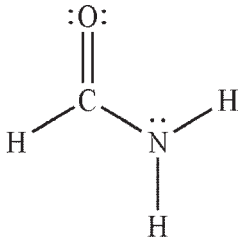
ANS: A DIF: Easy REF: 1.3
OBJ: Determine a dipole moment from a structure MSC: Analyzing

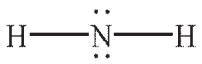
13. In which of the following Lewis structures does the nitrogen atom have a formal charge of 1+?

a. 

d. 

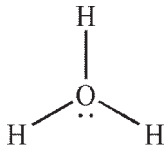
b. 

e. 

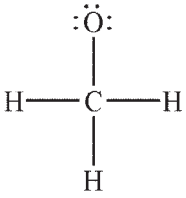
c. 

ANS: B DIF: Easy REF: 1.3 OBJ: Calculate formal charge
MSC: Applying

14. What is the formal charge on the oxygen atom in each of the following Lewis structures?



Structure A



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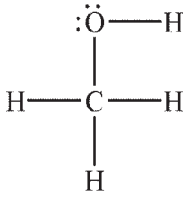
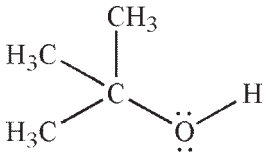


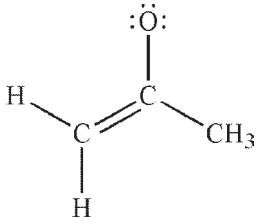
Structure C

a. **A**: 0, **B**: 1–, **C**: 1+
b. **A**: 1+, **B**: 1–, **C**: 0
c. **A**: 1–, **B**: 1+, **C**: 0
d. **A**: 1–, **B**: 1–, **C**: 1–
e. **A**: 1+, **B**: 1+, **C**: 1–

ANS: B DIF: Easy REF: 1.3 OBJ: Calculate formal charge
MSC: Applying

15. Which of the following Lewis structures contains an oxygen atom with a 1+ formal charge?

a. 

b. 

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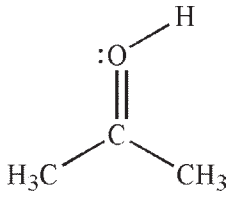
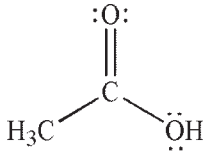
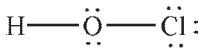
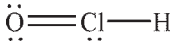
d. 

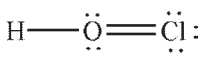
e. 

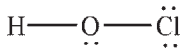
ANS: D DIF: Easy REF: 1.3 OBJ: Calculate formal charge
MSC: Applying

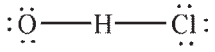
16. Which of the following structures is the best Lewis structure for hypochlorous acid, HOCl?

a. 

b. 

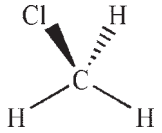
c. 

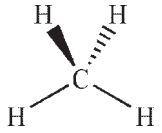
d. 

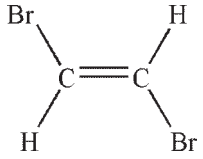
e. 

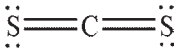
ANS: A DIF: Medium REF: 1.3
OBJ: Apply rules for Lewis structures MSC: Analyzing

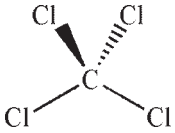
17. Which of the following molecules has a net dipole moment?

a. 

b. 

c. 

d. 

e. 

ANS: A DIF: Medium REF: 1.3
OBJ: Determine a dipole moment from a structure MSC: Applying

18. In which of the following structures does the carbon atom have a formal charge that is *not* zero?

a. 

b. 

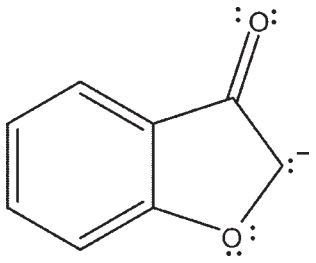
c. 

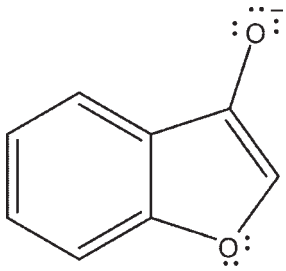
d. 

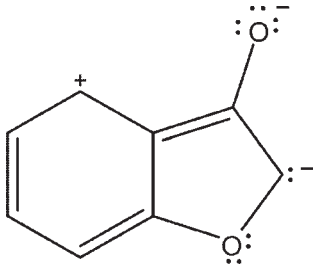
e. Both c and d

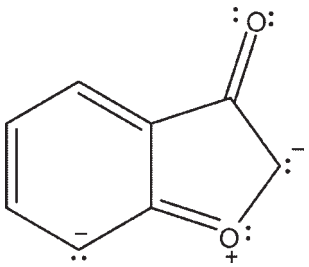
ANS: C DIF: Medium REF: 1.3 OBJ: Calculate formal charge
MSC: Applying

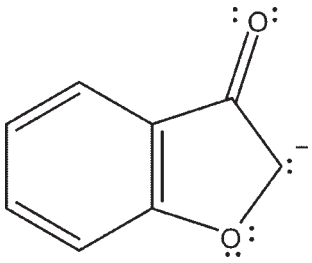
19. Which of the following resonance forms would be expected to be the most important contributor for the anionic species?

a. 

b. 

c. 

d. 

e. 

ANS: B DIF: Medium REF: 1.4
OBJ: Analyze resonance forms for stability MSC: Analyzing

20. Which of the following arrow conventions is used to show the relationship of two chemical species as resonance structures?

a.

b. 

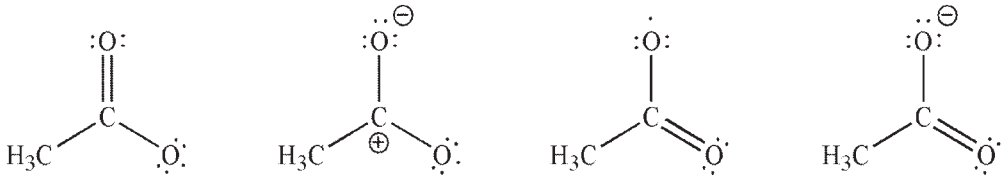
c. 

d. 

e. Both a and b

ANS: A DIF: Easy REF: 1.4
OBJ: Identify resonance structures MSC: Remembering

21. Which two of the following structures are *equivalent* resonance contributors?



Structure A **Structure B** **Structure C** **Structure D**

a. **A** and **B**
b. **A** and **C**
c. **B** and **C**
d. **A** and **D**
e. All the structures are equivalent.

ANS: B DIF: Easy REF: 1.4
OBJ: Identify resonance structures MSC: Analyzing

22. Which of the following pairs are *not* related as resonance structures?

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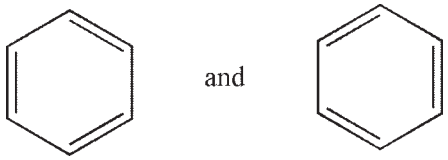

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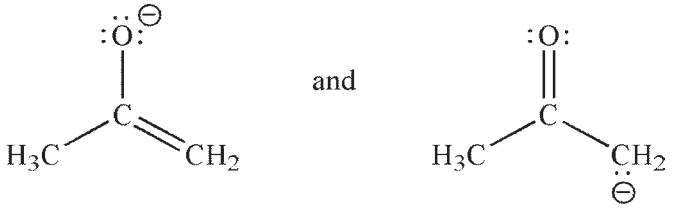

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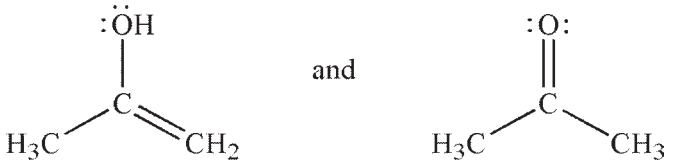

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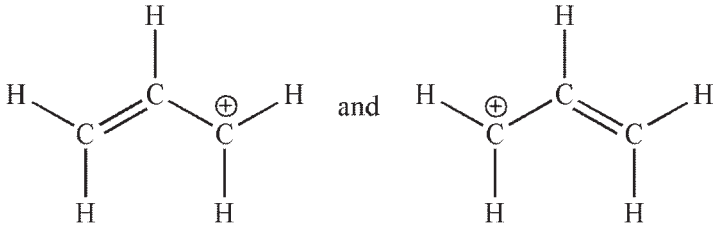

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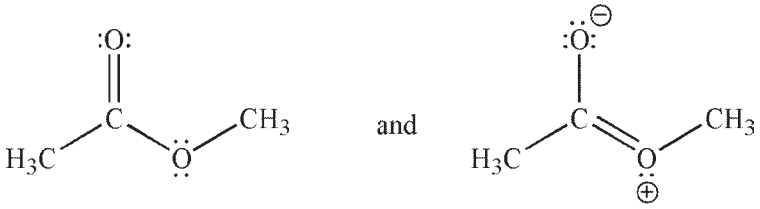

ANS: C DIF: Medium REF: 1.4
OBJ: Identify resonance structures MSC: Analyzing

23. Which of the following pairs are related as resonance structures? All nonzero formal charges are shown.

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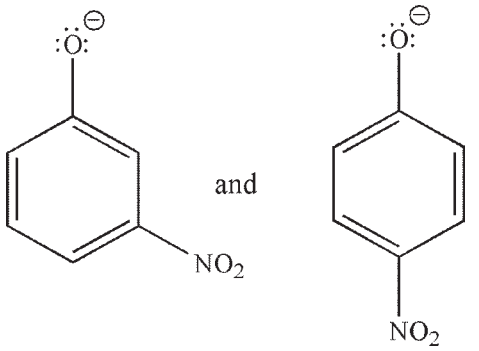

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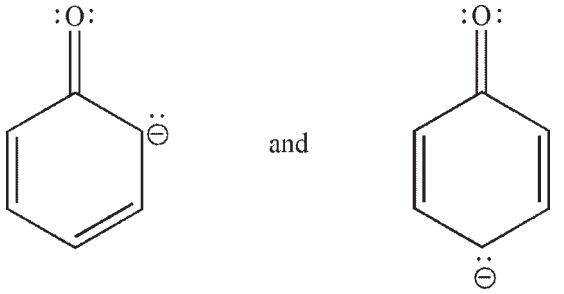

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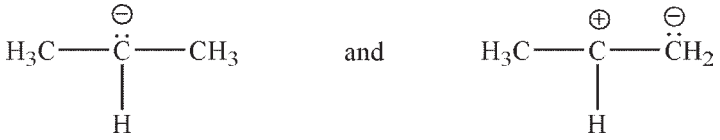

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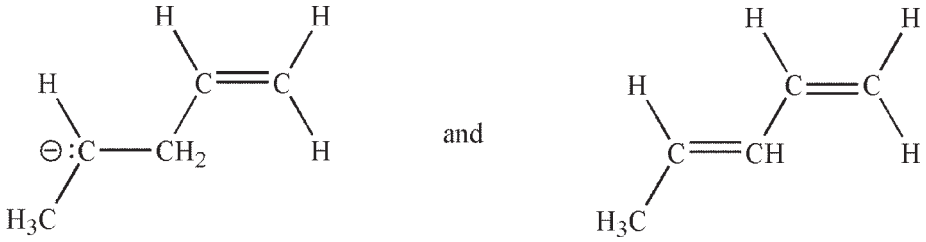
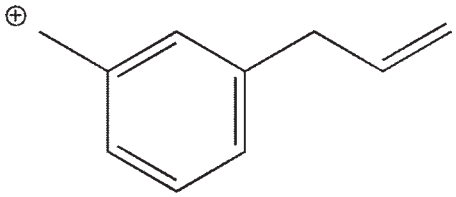
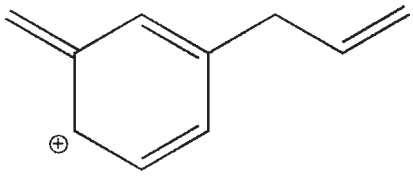


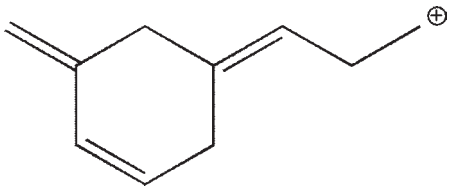
ANS: B DIF: Medium REF: 1.4
OBJ: Identify resonance structures MSC: Analyzing

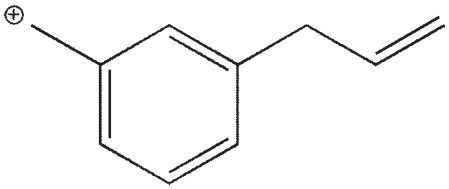
24. Which of the structures shown is *not* related to Structure **A** as a resonance contributor?

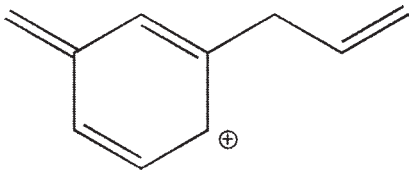


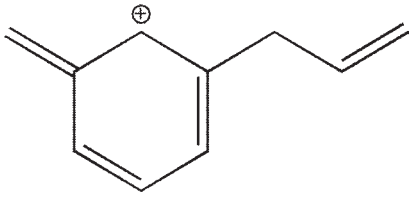
Structure A

a. 

b. 

c. 

d. 

e. 

ANS: B DIF: Medium REF: 1.4
OBJ: Identify resonance structures MSC: Analyzing

25. In the orbital interaction diagram for ground state H_2, how many electrons occupy the antibonding molecular orbital?

a. 0
b. 1
c. 2
d. 3
e. 4

ANS: A DIF: Easy REF: 1.5
OBJ: Construct molecular orbital diagrams MSC: Applying

26. How many molecular orbitals are generated from combining one 2*p* orbital on carbon and one 2*p* orbital on oxygen?
    a. 0
    b. 1
    c. 2
    d. 3
    e. 4

    ANS: C DIF: Easy REF: 1.5
    OBJ: Apply rules for molecular orbital construction MSC: Applying

27. How many antibonding molecular orbitals are generated from combining one 2*p* orbital on nitrogen and one 2*p* orbital on carbon?
    a. 0
    b. 1
    c. 2
    d. 3
    e. 4

    ANS: B DIF: Easy REF: 1.5
    OBJ: Apply rules for molecular orbital construction MSC: Applying

28. A certain orbital interaction diagram has four bonding molecular orbitals and four antibonding molecular orbitals. How many atomic orbitals were mixed to create all these orbitals?
    a. 2
    b. 4
    c. 8
    d. 16
    e. It cannot be determined from the information given.

    ANS: C DIF: Easy REF: 1.5
    OBJ: Apply rules for molecular orbital construction MSC: Applying

29. Which of the following statements about the molecular orbital diagram for H_2^- is *false*?
    a. There are two atomic orbitals that mix to produce molecular orbitals.
    b. There is one bonding molecular orbital.
    c. There is one antibonding molecular orbital.
    d. All bonding orbitals are occupied.
    e. All antibonding orbitals are unoccupied.

    ANS: E DIF: Medium REF: 1.5
    OBJ: Apply rules for molecular orbital construction MSC: Applying

30. Which of the following molecular orbitals is the highest in energy? (All were generated by the mixing of four 2*p* orbitals.)
    a. 
    b. 
    c. 
    d. 
    e. All four orbitals shown are equal in energy.

    ANS: C DIF: Difficult REF: 1.5
    OBJ: Apply rules for molecular orbital construction MSC: Applying

31. Each of the chemical events shown represents a mechanistic step in a reaction you will learn this semester. Which of the following pictures represents the heterolytic cleavage of a carbon–oxygen bond?

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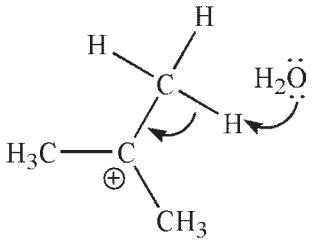

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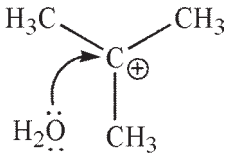

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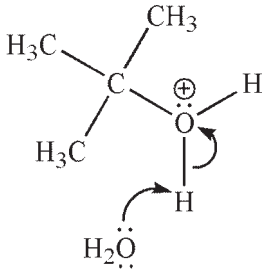

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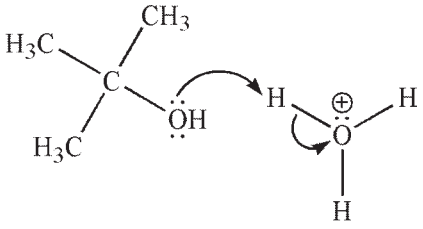

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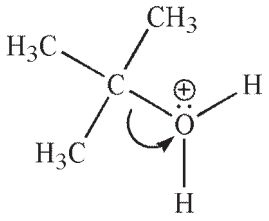

ANS: C DIF: Medium REF: 1.6
OBJ: Identify types of bond cleavage MSC: Analyzing

32. Which of these orbital interactions would be expected to form a covalent bond with the highest BDE?
    a. H atom 1*s* with H^+ cation 1*s*
    b. He atom 1*s* with He atom 1*s*
    c. He atom 1*s* with H atom 1*s*
    d. H^+ cation 1*s* with He^+ cation 1*s*
    e. H^+ cation 1*s* with He atom 1*s*

ANS: E DIF: Difficult REF: 1.6
OBJ: Apply rules for molecular orbital construction MSC: Applying

33. Which of the following statements is true about Lewis acids and bases?
    a. Lewis acids are also called nucleophiles.
    b. A Lewis base always accepts a proton from a Lewis acid.
    c. The interaction between a Lewis acid and a Lewis base leads to a covalent bond.
    d. A Lewis base accepts an electron pair from a Lewis acid.
    e. Homolytic bond cleavage leads to the formation of a Lewis acid/base pair.

ANS: C DIF: Easy REF: 1.7
OBJ: Understand Lewis acids and bases MSC: Remembering

SHORT ANSWER

1. State the Heisenberg uncertainty principle.

   ANS:
   It is not possible to determine simultaneously both the position and momentum of an electron.

   DIF: Easy REF: 1.1 OBJ: Understand the rules for quantum mechanics
   MSC: Remembering

2. Explain what is meant by the term *quantized* as it applies to the energy of an electron.

   ANS:
   A property such as the energy of an electron is quantized when it is restricted to certain values.

   DIF: Medium REF: 1.1 OBJ: Understand the rules for quantum mechanics
   MSC: Remembering

3. What is the relationship between the principal quantum number n and the number of nodes in an orbital?

   ANS:
   The number of nodes in an orbital is one less than the principal quantum number n.

   DIF: Easy REF: 1.2 OBJ: Apply rules and properties for atomic orbitals
   MSC: Applying

4. Write the lowest-energy electron configuration for a neutral, ground-state oxygen atom.

   ANS:
   $1s^2 2s^2 2p_x^2 2p_y^1 2p_z^1$

   DIF: Easy REF: 1.2 OBJ: Write electron configurations
   MSC: Creating

5. A student wrote the following electron configuration for a ground state, neutral nitrogen atom: $1s^2 2s^2 2p_x^2 2p_y^1$. Explain why the configuration does not describe the lowest energy state of a ground-state nitrogen atom and provide the lowest-energy electron configuration for nitrogen.

   ANS:
   Nitrogen has seven electrons ($Z = 7$). The student violated Hund's rule by pairing two electrons in the same p orbital instead of placing an unpaired electron in each of the three available p orbitals, as Hund's rule states that for a given electron configuration, the state with the greatest number of parallel spins has the lowest energy. The lowest-energy electron configuration is $1s^2 2s^2 2p_x^1 2p_y^1 2p_z^1$.

   DIF: Medium REF: 1.2 OBJ: Understand the rules for quantum mechanics
   MSC: Applying