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# Exercises

## 24.1 Absolute Zero (page 469)

1. Is the following sentence true or false? There is no limit to how cold an object can get. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Define absolute zero.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Circle the letter of each statement about a substance near absolute zero that is true.
  - a. The thermal motion of its atoms approaches zero.
  - b. The kinetic energy of its atoms approaches zero.
  - c. A considerable amount of energy can still be removed from the substance.
  - d. Its temperature can still be significantly lowered.
4. Is the following sentence true or false? Negative Kelvin temperature values do not exist. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Circle the letter that describes how the size of one Celsius degree and one Kelvin are related.
  - a. They are equal.
  - b. Celsius degrees are smaller.
  - c. Celsius degrees are larger.
  - d. They have no consistent relationship.

Match each term or description to its Kelvin temperature.

Term	Definition
_____ 6. absolute zero	a. 373 K
_____ 7. melting point of ice	b. 0 K
_____ 8. boiling point of water	c. 273 K

## 24.2 First Law of Thermodynamics (pages 470–471)

9. Is the following sentence true or false? The flow of heat is not directly related to the flow of energy. \_\_\_\_\_
10. The law of conservation of energy when applied to thermal systems is known as the \_\_\_\_\_.
11. Circle the letter that best describes what happens when heat is added to a system.
  - a. Much of it is destroyed immediately.
  - b. It transforms to an equal amount of some other form of energy.
  - c. Much of it is lost.
  - d. It is used to overcome friction.

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12. A group of particles or objects that you want to analyze is called a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.

13. Describe two things energy added to a system can do.  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

14. Is the following sentence true or false? The first law of thermodynamics states that the heat added to a system is equal to the system's increase in internal energy and the external work done by the system.  
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15. Is the following sentence true or false? The internal energy of a system increases when the system does external work. \_\_\_\_\_

**24.3 Adiabatic Processes (pages 472–474)**

16. Circle the letter that describes the compression or expansion of a gas such that no heat enters or leaves a system.

- a. ideal                      b. equibaric
- c. constant                 d. adiabatic

17. Is the following sentence true or false? Adiabatic processes often occur very quickly. \_\_\_\_\_

18. Is the following sentence true or false? The compression and expansion of gases within the cylinders of an automobile engine is nearly adiabatic.  
 \_\_\_\_\_

19. Circle the letter that describes what happens to a gas that undergoes an adiabatic compression.

- a. It gains internal energy and its temperature increases.
- b. It is compressed into a liquid by adiabatic liquefaction.
- c. It loses internal energy and condenses.
- d. Its volume decreases but its temperature remains constant.

20. What happens to a gas when it adiabatically expands and does work on its surroundings?  
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21. What are two ways the temperature of air can be increased?  
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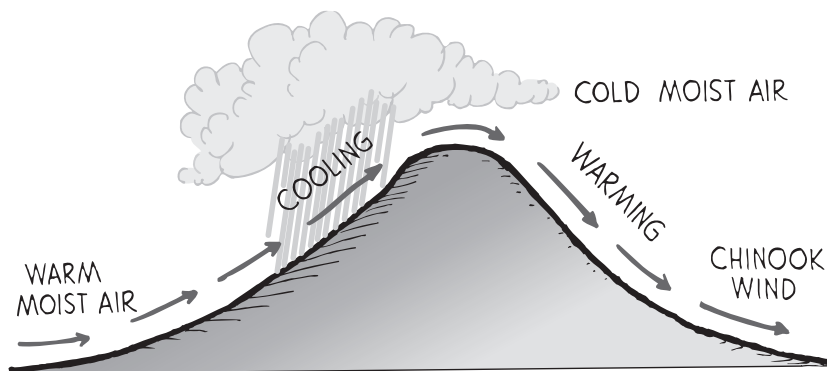
22. Circle the letter that describes the adiabatic form of the first law of thermodynamics.

- a. pressure = constant
- b. energy out > energy in
- c. change in air temperature ~ pressure change
- d. energy in = energy out + work

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23. Is the following sentence true or false? Adiabatic processes occur in large air masses in the atmosphere. \_\_\_\_\_
24. Describe what happens to a large warm air blob as it gains several kilometers in altitude.
- \_\_\_\_\_

Use the illustration below to answer questions 25 and 26.



25. Circle the letter that describes the process that occurs to create the warm wind.
- a. adiabatic expansion                      b. adiabatic compression  
c. isobaric contraction                      d. thermal gain from landmass
26. What type of weather do communities in the path of chinooks experience in mid-winter? \_\_\_\_\_

### 24.4 Second and Third Laws of Thermodynamics (pages 474–475)

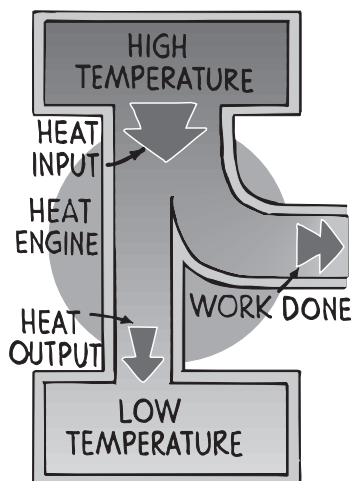
27. Circle the letter of the thermodynamic law that states heat will never of itself flow from a cold object to a hot object.
- a. first law of thermodynamics                      b. second law of thermodynamics  
c. third law of thermodynamics                      d. fourth law of thermodynamics
28. Heat flows one way, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.
29. Describe how heat can be made to flow the other way—from cold to hot.
- \_\_\_\_\_
30. What is the third law of thermodynamics?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### 24.5 Heat Engines and the Second Law (pages 475–478)

31. A device that changes internal energy into mechanical energy is called a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.
32. Is the following sentence true or false? For a heat engine to do mechanical work, heat must flow from a high temperature to a low temperature. \_\_\_\_\_

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Use the illustration below of a heat engine to answer Questions 33–34.



33. Circle the letter of the source of the energy used by the heat engine to increase its internal energy.
  - a. work output
  - b. the sun
  - c. low-temperature reservoir
  - d. high-temperature reservoir
34. The energy that is not converted to usable mechanical energy is expelled at the \_\_\_\_\_.
35. Is the following sentence true or false? Many heat engines are able to convert all heat input into mechanical energy output.  
\_\_\_\_\_
36. The ideal efficiency of a heat engine is known as its \_\_\_\_\_ efficiency.
37. Is the following sentence true or false? No heat engine can have an ideal efficiency of 100%. \_\_\_\_\_
38. What determines the ideal efficiency of a heat engine?  
\_\_\_\_\_
39. When performing a calculation involving temperature ratios, the temperatures must be expressed using the \_\_\_\_\_ temperature scale.

**24.6 Order Tends to Disorder (page 479)**

40. Is the following sentence true or false? Usable energy tends to become disorganized and unusable. \_\_\_\_\_
41. Is the following sentence true or false? Once energy in an engine degenerates into nonuseful forms, it is unavailable to do the same work again. \_\_\_\_\_

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42. Circle the letter that best describes how the second law of thermodynamics applies to order and disorder.
- For all systems, overall order is constant.
  - Natural systems tend toward a state of greater disorder.
  - Natural systems are equally likely to become more ordered or more disordered.
  - All natural systems tend toward increasing order.
43. A sample of gas is contained in a sealed flask. Circle the letter with the greatest disorder.
- the sample at 25°C in the sealed flask
  - the sample at 50°C in the sealed flask
  - the sample immediately after opening the flask
  - the sample after it expands to fill the room
44. Is the following sentence true or false? Even if work is done on disordered energy, it cannot become more ordered. \_\_\_\_\_

**24.7 Entropy (pages 480–481)**

45. Define entropy.  
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46. Does disorder increase or decrease when entropy increases?  
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47. Circle the letter that best describes the entropy of natural systems.
- Most natural systems will have a constant level of entropy.
  - In the long run, the entropy will always increase.
  - In all but a few cases, entropy in the long run will decrease.
  - All natural systems have constant levels of entropy.
48. Circle the letter of each example of increasing entropy.
- gas molecules escaping from a bottle
  - an unattended house breaking down
  - a plant using energy from the sun to form new cells
  - a breeze blowing papers off of your desk
49. Is the following sentence true or false? It is impossible for a natural system to change in a way such that its entropy decreases.  
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