Except for questions 28 and 32 marks/answers on these sheets are not graded.

Answer TRUE or FALSE (not T or F) (2 pts each)

- 1. The lava that comes out of Earth's volcanoes, wells up from the liquid core.
- 2. Generally, felsic rocks are found in the core and ultra mafic rocks rocks are found in the mantle.
- 3. Among the terrestrial planets only the Earth currently has a magnetic field.
- 4. The heavily cratered lunar maria represent the oldest surface on the Moon.
- 5. The surfaces of Moon and Mercury look similar; furthermore the evidence suggests the interiors are also much the same.
- 6. A strong Coriolis force combined with a hot dense atmosphere results in huge thunderstorms on Venus.
- 7. On the surface of Mars, heated ice would sublime. On the surface of Venus, ice left at ambient temperature would melt and the resulting water would boil.
- 8. Volcanoes are particularly large on Mars due to its small gravitational force.
- 9. The fact that Jupiter's density is greater than Saturn's tells us that Jupiter includes a greater proportion of heavy materials like iron.
- 10. Among the giant planets, Uranus is odd both in terms of its nearly absent internal heat source and in its spin-axis direction.
- 11. Neptune's atmosphere is unusual: as you move up in the atmosphere the air pressure at first declines, but then increases.
- 12. All the giant planets have magnetic fields, but the convecting, conducting fluid responsible for the field is different for Saturn, Neptune, and Earth.
- 13. All the giant planets have rings.
- 14. Nuclear fission: breaking big nuclei apart; Nuclear fusion: putting small nuclei together.
- 15. The Sun's magnetic field reverses much more frequently than does Jupiter's.
- 16. Sunspot: magnetically sequestered from the convection zone, it cools but remains hotter than the filament of an incandescent light bulb.

Give a short explanation (5 pts each)

- 17. Define and give an example of two of the following three rock types: sedimentary, metamorphic, igneous.
- 18. Describe astronomers' best guess as to how the Moon formed.
- 19. Name and describe two surface features of the Moon.
- 20. What evidence points to a liquid iron/nickel core inside Mercury?
- 21. In old books Venus is often called "Earth's Twin", but it turns out to be quite different from Earth. Pick *one* of the below aspects and explain why the Earth and Venus developed differently.
 - (a) Venus has a carbon dioxide atmosphere.
 - (b) Venus has much less water.
- 22. What evidence could be given to indicate that Mars once had a much more massive atmosphere? Clearly explain how your evidence "measures" the size-of-atmosphere.
- 23. Describe what the surface of either Venus or Mars looks like.
- 24. Describe the internal structure of the giant planets. What *evidence* points to a difference in internal structure between the gas giants and ice giants?
- 25. Report (in order) the two primary constituents of the atmosphere of:
 - (a) Earth
 - (b) Mars
 - (c) Neptune
- 26. Define and give an example of *resonance* in the Solar System.
- 27. Rank the bulk densities of the following objects from highest to lowest: Neptune, Saturn, Mars, Earth, Moon.
- 28. The cartoon to the right is a representation of the reactions that power the Sun. On this sheet label/name at least five (5) distinct participants.



Write out a complete answer (10 pts each)

29. Make a sketch of the cross section of the upper layers of rock on the Earth. The sketch should accurately show how pieces of the Earth's crust are created and destroyed. Label: mid-ocean rift zone, oceanic crust, continental crust, lithosphere, asthenosphere, mantle, convection cell, subduction, area of mountain building, and which way the plates are moving.

- 30. The diagram right shows the direction of winds in the northern hemisphere of Jupiter's atmosphere. Focus on the wind labeled 'jet' and the adjacent regions labeled **A** and **B**.
 - (a) In which direction does the Coriolis force act on jet?
 - (b) At the same altitude as the jet, which has a higher pressure **A** or **B**?
 - (c) In the the atmosphere below **A** and **B**, which has the higher temperature?
 - (d) Which region **A** or **B** is an upwelling in Jupiter's atmosphere.
 - (e) Which region **A** or **B** is likely to have ammonia clouds?
 - (f) Convective regions, like the areas around A and B, are named for a meteorologist who saw evidence for similar patterns on Earth. What was the last name of this meteorologist?
 - (g) Regions like this on Jupiter make a visible pattern in Jupiter's clouds features. What is this pattern called?
 - (h) The Great Red Spot (GRS) is a high pressure region in the southern hemisphere of Jupiter. Which way do the winds blow around the Spot: clockwise or counter-clockwise?
- 31. Describe why the Sun doesn't explode. Your explanation should include a full statement (hypothesis and conclusion) of the Virial theorem, an explanation of the *chain of events* that produces explosions (positive feedback), and an explanation of why you haven't seen anything explode recently.
- 32. On the following page find displayed the part of the sky called the winter hexagon. Circle and name the eight "important" stars. (Answer directly on the diagram.)



