

CHM 233 : Fall 2017

Quiz #1 - Answer Key

Question 1

Which of the following situations best describes the rules for submitting quizzes in this class?

MC132

A You spend a lot of time on the quiz but forget to submit it before the deadline, so you send Dr. Gould an email explaining this and he enters your quiz scores for you after the deadline

B There are NO excuses for missing any quiz, that is what the dropped quizzes are for.

C You spend a lot of time on a quiz, but there is a computer problem just before the deadline and you can't submit it, you send an email to Dr. Gould explaining this

D You spend no time at all on the quiz, but you send an email to Dr. Gould pretending that you forgot to submit the answers and hope for the best

Question 2

MC141

Is a molecular model kit required for this class?

A No, it is not required

B It is suggested that you get one

C Yes, and I can probably use one from a student who took organic chemistry previously because the different kinds of kit are all basically the same

D Yes, and it can only be an HGS kit

Question 3

MC136

What happens when a student asks for a higher grade than they earned because they deserve it because they worked very hard in the class?

- A If the students can prove that they worked very hard then Dr. Gould will consider awarding them a higher grade
 - B Students who complain enough will eventually get a higher grade just so that Dr. Gould can get them to go away
 - C The student can ask for some extra credit work at the end of the semester that will help to improve their grade
 - D Unfortunately, nothing! Such students have Dr. Gould's sympathy, but the nature of this class is that it WILL require hard work of ALL students, and some students will work hard and still not get the grade they want. Challenging courses are just like this, I hope that those students still feel that they learned a lot. Of course, it is also the student's responsibility to work smart in addition to working hard! If you need help to learn how to work "smart", then come and see me asap.
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Question 4

MC125

What does Dr. Gould think is the main "point" of your taking this organic chemistry course?

- A To learn how to think about problems from a different perspective
 - B To learn how to memorize facts efficiently
 - C To learn how to do well on the MCAT
 - D To learn how organic chemicals affect our lives
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From the class introduction:

Organic Chemistry may be the best Liberal Arts class you will ever take :)

Question 5

MC127

What can you do at the end of the semester if you are close to, but did not get the grade that you want?

- A Do more problems for extra credit
 - B Send an email to Dr. Gould pointing out how close you were to the next higher grade
 - C Ask Dr. Gould to regrade your final
 - D Sorry, nothing at all, just accept that everybody else who earned that grade exceeded the required points total whereas you only got close.
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From the Syllabus:

Once the course grades have been assigned after the final exam, there will be no mechanism for you to get a higher grade, no extra credit, nothing. Don't send me an email, call me, ask in any way, you get the picture! If you miss a grade by just a few points, it will not have gone unnoticed by me, you will not be just unlucky. I carefully regraded the final tests for everyone close to all grade cut-offs.

If you want a certain grade, you must earn it by knowing the material and EXCEEDING the required points totals, not by failing to obtain the points and then trying to argue with me. Get your grade by having points to spare like everybody else!

Question 6

MC139

What about the grading scale?

- A The curve is described in the syllabus
 - B The curve will be decided at the end of the semester
 - C Dr. Gould will take advice on deciding what curve to use
 - D There is no curve, there are fixed grade cutoffs
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Question 7

MC138

How many of the midterm and/or final exams are you allowed to drop?

- A You can drop one exam
 - B You can drop an exam if you send an email to Dr. Gould in advance
 - C You can skip the final if you have earned an A at that point in the class
 - D You can't drop any of the exams
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Question 8

MC142

What is by far the best way to study for this class?

- A Kahn Academy videos
 - B Reading a textbook
 - C Coming to lecture
 - D Doing problems on the homework website
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