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The Standard Model

Directions: Read online textbook pages 896 – 901 & 917 – 925. Then go to <http://www.particleadventure.org>, under “The Standard Model” click “GO!” to begin. Use the arrows in the top right corner to work your way through the information. Answer the following questions to the best of your ability, using the information from the website. This website uses pop-ups. It is best viewed with Internet Explorer.

1. Define fundamental:

2. In ancient times, people believed that the world was made of 4 elements. List them

_____, _____, _____, _____

3. Why is the term “atom” a misnomer?

4. Are atoms fundamental?

5. The nucleus is made of _____ and _____.

6. The fundamental particles that make up protons and neutrons are called _____.

7. Describe the modern atom model:

8. A rough estimate of the size of a quark is _____ m.

9. The Standard Model explains

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10. List the three main parts of the Standard Model

_____, _____, _____

11. The hundreds of particles known to human kind are made up of how many fundamental particles? _____

12. For each type of **matter particle** there exists a corresponding _____

13. What happens when a matter particle and an antimatter particle collide?

14. The electron is a matter particle. The _____ is the antimatter particle of the electron.

15. Why is there more matter than antimatter in the universe?

16. The quark exists in 3 pairs. List the three pairs AND their charge.

17. The top quark was discovered in _____ -

18. The word QUARK comes from what author? What book?

19. What is unusual about the charge of quarks?

20. Composite particles made of quarks are called _____, which always have a(n) _____ charge.

21. Baryons contain _____

22. A proton is a baryon made up of what combination of 3 quarks? _____

23. A neutron is a baryon made up of what combination of 3 quarks? _____

24. Mesons contain _____

25. Mesons are unstable because

26. The best known lepton is _____

27. The other two charged leptons are called _____ and _____

28. The three neutral leptons are called _____

29. Quarks and leptons are both fundamental particles. A difference between them is

30. We don't see heavy leptons, tau and muon, in ordinary matter because

31. Since neutrinos have no _____ or _____, they rarely interact with other particles.

32. What are protons made of? _____

33. What are electrons made of? _____

34. List the four fundamental interactions that occur between particles
_____, _____, _____, _____

35. The particles which carry interactions are called _____.

36. At a fundamental level, a force is a thing which _____.

37. In the animated diagram of the two people on the ice pond, the repulsive force is provided by passing a basketball back and forth. The basketball acts like a **“force carrier particle”**

This is an example of Newton's _____ Law, which states that “For every action

_____”

38. The electromagnetic force causes _____ to repel and _____ to attract.

39. The carrier particle for the electromagnetic force is the _____.

40. Photons have _____ mass and travel at the speed of _____.

41. The _____ allows atoms to bond and form molecules.

42. What force keeps the positive protons in the nucleus from exploding apart?

43. The force carrier particles of the strong force are called _____ because they hold quarks tightly together.

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44. In the nucleus, the _____ force between quarks is big enough to overcome the repulsive electromagnetic force.

45. Weak interactions are responsible for

46. The carrier particles for the weak interaction are _____, _____, and _____

47. In the Standard Model the weak and electromagnetic interactions have been combined into a unified _____ theory.

48. The predicted force carrier particle for gravity is called the _____.

Comparative strength of the four forces: Strong >> Electromagnetic, Weak >> Gravity

49. Which of the four forces is responsible for

a. Friction? _____

b. Nuclear bonding (holding a nucleus together)? _____

c. Planetary orbits? _____