

# GEL 3050 - Mineralogy - Optical Mineralogy

## MINERAL ID TEST - Practical In-class Lab Test Review Sheet

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### CLOSED Book/Notes! NO written material allowed.

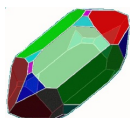
Bring your GEL3050 and GEL1010 lab kits to the final. Next to the mineral name, you need to know chemical formula, crystal structure and mineral group for each.

The following list(s) are for hand-samples:

<sup>1</sup> = included in your GEL1010 Mineral ID kit; <sup>2</sup> = included in your GEL3050 Mineral ID kit

Note: While most of them are, NOT all minerals listed for hand-sample identification are included in your kits. Some can be had for study in our lab room.

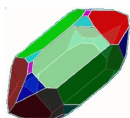
<u>Mineral Name</u>	<u>Chem. Formula</u>	<u>Crystal Structure</u>	<u>Mineral Group</u>
Analcime <sup>2</sup> (Zeolite)	Na(AlSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub> ) · H <sub>2</sub> O	Triclinic	Tectosilicate
Andalusite <sup>2</sup>	Al <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub>	Orthorhombic	Nesosilicate
Anhydrite <sup>2</sup>	CaSO <sub>4</sub>	Orthorhombic	Sulfate
Apatite <sup>1</sup>	Ca <sub>5</sub> (F <sub>3</sub> Cl)(PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Hexagonal	Phosphate
Augite <sup>2</sup> (as diopside) (Pyroxene)	Ca(Mg, Fe, Al)(Al, Si) <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Monoclinic	Inosilicate
Azurite	Cu <sub>3</sub> (CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Monoclinic	Carbonate
Barite <sup>1</sup>	BaSO <sub>4</sub>	Orthorhombic	Sulfate
Bauxite <sup>2</sup>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> · 2H <sub>2</sub> O	None	Oxide (Mixture)
Beryl <sup>2</sup>	Be <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	Hexagonal	Cyclosilicate
Biotite <sup>1</sup> (Mica)	K(Mg, Fe) <sub>3</sub> AlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Monoclinic (small angle)	Phyllosilicate
Bornite <sup>1</sup> (coating on chalcopyrite)	Cu <sub>5</sub> FeS <sub>4</sub>	Isometric	Sulphide
Calcite <sup>1</sup>	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Hexagonal-Rhombohedral	Carbonate
Cassiterite <sup>2</sup>	SnO <sub>2</sub>	Tetragonal	Oxide
Chalcopyrite <sup>1</sup>	CuFeS <sub>2</sub>	Tetragonal	Sulphide
Chlorite <sup>1</sup>	(Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>8</sub>	Monoclinic	Phyllosilicate
Chromite <sup>2</sup>	Fe <sub>2</sub> Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	Isometric	Oxide



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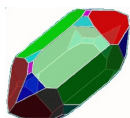
<u>Mineral Name</u>	<u>Chem. Formula</u>	<u>Crystal Structure</u>	<u>Mineral Group</u>
Copper <sup>1</sup>	Cu	Isometric	Native Mineral
Corundum <sup>1</sup>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Hexagonal	Oxide
Cuprite <sup>2</sup>	Cu <sub>2</sub> O	Isometric	Oxide
Dolomite	CaMg(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Hexagonal-Rhombohedral	Carbonate
Epidote <sup>2</sup>	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Al,Fe) <sub>3</sub> (SiO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> OH	Monoclinic	Sorosilicate
Fluorite <sup>1</sup>	CaF <sub>2</sub>	Isometric	Halide
Galena <sup>1</sup>	PbS	Isometric	Sulphide
Garnet Group <sup>2</sup>	X <sub>3</sub> Y <sub>2</sub> (SiO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> <i>X: divalent metals (Ca, Fe, Mg, &amp;/or Mn)</i> <i>Y: trivalent metals (Al, Cr, Fe, &amp;/or Mn)</i>	Isometric	Nesosilicate
Graphite	C	Hexagonal-Rhombohedral	Native Mineral
Gypsum <sup>1</sup>	CaSO <sub>4</sub> *2H <sub>2</sub> O	Monoclinic	Sulfate
Halite <sup>1</sup>	NaCl	Isometric	Halide
Hematite <sup>1</sup>	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Hexagonal-Rhombohedral	Oxide
Hornblende <sup>1</sup> (Amphibole)	Ca <sub>2</sub> Na(Mg,Fe) <sub>4</sub> (Al, Fe,Ti) <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (O,OH) <sub>2</sub>	Monoclinic	Inosilicate
Ilmenite <sup>2</sup>	FeTiO <sub>3</sub>	Hexagonal	Oxide
Kaolinite <sup>1</sup> (Clay)	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>	Monoclinic	Phyllosilicate
Kyanite <sup>2</sup>	Al <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub>	Triclinic	Nesosilicate
Limonite <sup>1(w/ Hematite)</sup>	FeO(OH)*nH <sub>2</sub> O	None	Oxide
Magnetite <sup>1</sup>	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	Isometric	Oxide
Malachite	Cu <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Monoclinic	Carbonate
Microcline <sup>2</sup> (Feldspar)	KAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Triclinic	Tectosilicate
Molybdenite <sup>2</sup>	MoS <sub>2</sub>	Hexagonal	Sulphide
Muscovite <sup>1</sup> (Mica)	KAl <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Monoclinic	Phyllosilicate
Olivine <sup>1</sup> <i>Fosterite</i> <i>Fayalite</i>	(Mg,Fe)SiO <sub>4</sub> <i>MgSiO<sub>4</sub></i> <i>FeSiO<sub>4</sub></i>	Orthorhombic	Nesosilicate
Orthoclase <sup>1</sup> (Feldspar)	KAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Monoclinic	Tectosilicate



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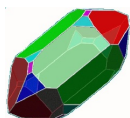
<u>Mineral Name</u>	<u>Chem. Formula</u>	<u>Crystal Structure</u>	<u>Mineral Group</u>
Plagioclase <sup>1</sup> (Feldspar) <i>Albite</i> <i>Labradorite</i> <i>Anorthite</i>	$NaAlSi_3O_8$ <i>solid solution series</i> $CaAl_2Si_2O_8$	Triclinic	Tectosilicate
Pyrite <sup>1</sup>	$FeS_2$	Isometric	Sulphide
Pyrolusite	$MnO_2$	Tetragonal	Oxide
Quartz <sup>1</sup>	$SiO_2$	Hexagonal	Tectosilicate
Rutile	$TiO_2$	Tetragonal	Oxide
Sillimanite <sup>2</sup>	$Al_2SiO_5$	Orthorhombic	Nesosilicate
Sphalerite <sup>2</sup>	$ZnS$ <i>(may contain Fe, Mn, Cd)</i>	Isometric	Sulphide
Staurolite <sup>2</sup>	$FeAl_4Si_2O_{10}(OH)_2$	Pseudo-Orthorhombic	Nesosilicate
Stibnite <sup>2</sup>	$Sb_2S_3$	Orthorhombic	Sulphide
Sulphur	S	Orthorhombic	Native Mineral
Sylvite <sup>2</sup>	KCl	Isometric	Halide
Talc <sup>1</sup>	$Mg_3Si_4O_{10}(OH)_2$	Monoclinic	Phyllosilicate
Topaz <sup>1</sup>	$Al_2SiO_4(F,OH)$	Orthorhombic	Nesosilicate
Tourmaline <sup>2</sup>	$Na(Mg,Fe,Li,Al,Mn)_3Al_6(BO_3)_3(Si_6O_{18})(OH,F)_4$	Hexagonal	Cyclosilicate
Tremolite <sup>2</sup> (Amphibole)	$Ca_2Mg_5Si_8O_{22}(OH)_2$	Monoclinic	Inosilicate
Wollastonite <sup>2</sup> (Pyroxene)	$CaSiO_3$	Triclinic / Monoclinic	Inosilicate
Zircon	$ZrSiO_4$	Tetragonal	Nesosilicate



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 <p><b>MINERALS BAG</b></p> <p>6 Samples</p>	<p>Minerals in Bag:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>analcime</li> <li>anhydrite</li> <li>beryl</li> <li>borax</li> <li>diopside (~Augite)</li> <li>epidote</li> <li>microcline</li> <li>sylvite</li> <li>tourmaline</li> <li>tremolite</li> <li>wollastonite</li> </ul>
 <p><b>METAMORPHIC MINERAL BAG</b></p> <p>4 Samples</p>	<p>Minerals in Bag:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>andalusite</li> <li>garnet</li> <li>kyanite</li> <li>sillimanite</li> <li>staurolite</li> </ul>
 <p><b>ORE MINERALS BAG</b></p> <p>5 Samples</p>	<p>Minerals in Bag:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>bauxite</li> <li>cassiterite</li> <li>chromite</li> <li>cuprite</li> <li>ilmenite</li> <li>molybdenite</li> <li>sphalerite</li> <li>stibnite</li> </ul>



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BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THE FOLLOWING MINERALS IN ACTUAL THIN SECTIONS WITHOUT THE AID OF ANY WRITTEN MATERIALS:

<u>Mineral Name</u>	<u>Key Features in Thin Section</u>	<u>Optical Data</u>
Andalusite	hi relief, euhedral, cloudy; XPL: max. 1 <sup>st</sup> order yellow, penetration twin cross	RI: 1.629-1.650 Biaxial - Biref: 0.009 2V: 48-68°
Augite (Pyroxene)	clear - subtle pink, slight pleochroic (Ti), 90° cleavage; XPL: 2 <sup>nd</sup> order colors; inclined sometimes parallel extinction	RI: 1.680-1.729 Biaxial + Biref: 0.026 2V: 40-52°
Biotite (Mica)	mica cleav., green, brown, pleo., zircon halos; XPL: little color change, bark tex.	RI: 1.565-1.675 Biaxial - Biref: 0.04-0.05 2V: 0-25°
Calcite	high relief; XPL: very hi order pastel colors, rainbow cross-hatches	RI: 1.486-1.660 Uniaxial - Biref: 0.154-0.174
Chlorite	slight green, slight pleo., matted felt; XPL: 1 <sup>st</sup> order grey, few grains color anom.	RI: 1.571-1.599 Biaxial + Biref: 0.005-0.011 2V: 0-40°
Epidote	hi relief, colorless - pale yellow grn, XPL: up to 3 <sup>rd</sup> order	RI: 1.723-1.797 Biaxial - Biref: 0.013-0.046 2V: 64-89°
Garnet Group	med relief, clear to very slight pink, dust inclusions; XPL: isotropic	RI: ~1.7-1.8 Isotropic
Hornblende (Amphibole)	greenish, pleochroic, 60° cleavage; XPL: 1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> order colors; symmetrical extinction	RI: 1.614-1.701 Biaxial - Biref: 0.019-0.026 2V: 52-85°
Kyanite	hi relief, cleavage, clear to pale blue, rare pleo.; XPL: 1 <sup>st</sup> order, largest extinction	RI: 1.712-1.734 Biaxial - Biref: 0.015-0.016 2V: 82°
Muscovite (Mica)	low relief, mica cleavage; XPL: 1 <sup>st</sup> order colors	RI: 1.552-1.616 Biaxial ± Biref: 0.034-0.042 2V: 30-47°
Olivine <i>Fosterite</i> - <i>Fayalite</i>	no cleavage; XPL: colorful stained glass window appearance, 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> order	RI: 1.630-1.690 Biaxial + Biref: 0.04 2V: 46-98°
Orthoclase (Feldspar)	low relief; XPL: 1 <sup>st</sup> order greys, cross hatch tartan twinning	RI: 1.518-1.524 Biaxial - Biref: 0.005-0.006 2V: 65-75°

<u>Mineral Name</u>	<u>Key Features in Thin Section</u>	<u>Optical Data</u>
Plagioclase (Feldspar)	low relief; XPL: 1 <sup>st</sup> order greys, Albite / Carlsbad parallel tiger stripe twinning	Albite: RI: 1.528-1.542    Biaxial    + Biref: 0.009-0.01    2V: 45°  Labradorite: RI: 1.554-1.573    Biaxial    + Biref: 0.008-0.01    2V: 85°  Anorthite: RI: 1.572-1.588    Biaxial    - Biref: 0.011-0.012    2V: 78°
Quartz	low relief; XPL: 1 <sup>st</sup> order greys, undulose extinction	RI: 1.553-1.544    Uniaxial + Biref: 0.009
Sillimanite	hi relief, needle - blades, clear, square x-sec.; XPL: upper 2 <sup>nd</sup> order	RI: 1.653-1.684    Biaxial    + Biref: 0.016-0.023    2V: 20-30°
Sphene / Titanite	sub- euhedral brown - pink wedges, hi relief; XPL: little color change (hi whites)	RI: 1.840-2.11    Biaxial    + Biref: 0.103-0.160    2V: 20-56°
Staurolite	honey yellow, pleo., poikiloblastic; XPL: little color change (low biref.)	RI: 1.736-1.762    Biaxial    + Biref: 0.009-0.015    2V: 88°
Tourmaline	high relief, needles, triangles, very pleochroic; XPL: high order colors; longitudinal parallel extinction	RI: 1.610-1.698    Uniaxial - Biref: 0.035
Zircon	clear, euhedral very hi relief; XPL: high 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> order colors	RI: 1.920-2.015    Uniaxial - Biref: 0.047-0.055

**An EXACT replica of the  
GEL3050 MINERAL ID in-class TEST  
is given below on the next pages.**

**All the questions will be exactly the same.  
Only the mineral samples associated with each question  
will be randomized and different for each student!**

*Note: The numbering system on the exam has NO reference to any  
numbering system used in the classroom sets for study*

Name: <i><b>EXACT replica of the GEL3050 MINERAL ID in-class TEST</b></i>	
<b>GRADE:</b>	<b>/40 =      %</b>

Instructions

This is a closed book / note exam with the exception of the Michel-Levy Birefringence chart in your Lab Manual on p.76. YOU MAY USE THIS CHART, but nothing else in the manual. Other than that, you are NOT allowed to use ANY written material, including booklets, pamphlets, and trifold brochures that came in any of your kits.

You may use calculators (NO cell-phone!) and ALL the tools from your GEL1010 & GEL3050 LAB kits.

You may also use the samples from your Mineral samples from your kits as long as:

- there is NO writing on these minerals such as numbers or samples pasted on labels
- NO minerals are sorted into compartment boxes
- OK with multiple specimens in Ziplock bags as originally packaged in your kits.

This Final has TWO parts, a HAND-SAMPLE PART and a THIN-SECTION PART. To avoid bottlenecks, half the class will start with the HAND-SAMPLE PART and the other half will start with the THIN-SECTION PART.

HAND-SAMPLE PART

Come to the instructor's desk to pick up ONE sample at a time for testing and analysis. You may come back later to get a different specimen of the same sample if desired. Replace the specimen promptly after your testing and analysis is complete, so others with the same assigned sample do NOT have to wait.

THIN-SECTION PART

Set up a Polarized Light Microscope of your choice for the thin section investigation. Pick up ONE assigned slide at a time from the instructor's desk and carry carefully in your open hand. YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOT DROPPING OR DAMAGING THE SLIDE (or you may be charged with the replacement cost in either time or money). Use your petrographic microscope to investigate. Replace the slide promptly and carefully after your testing and analysis is complete, so others with the same assigned sample do NOT have to wait.

**HAND-SAMPLE PART**

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1. /5	Points	MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Mineral Sample #31</b> from the instructor. Test the mineral as indicated and complete the answers below: - <i>Note: Minerals may contain impurities. Make sure you test the actual mineral.</i>
	/2	Mineral Name of Sample #31: <i>You may write down two mineral names for ½ credit. Or Unsure about a Name? You may "buy" a letter from the instructor for -0.5 points!</i>
	/1	Chemical formula of Sample #31:
	/0.5	Crystal Class / Group of Sample #31: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Isometric <input type="radio"/> Tetragonal <input type="radio"/> Orthorhombic <input type="radio"/> Monoclinic <input type="radio"/> Triclinic <input type="radio"/> Hexagonal <input type="radio"/> Hex.-Rhombohedral
	/0.5	Mineral Group of Sample #31: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Nesosilicate <input type="radio"/> Sorosilicate <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Pyroxene) <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Amphibole) <input type="radio"/> Cyclosilicate <input type="radio"/> Tectosilicate <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Mica) <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Clay) <input type="radio"/> Sulfide <input type="radio"/> Sulfate <input type="radio"/> Carbonate <input type="radio"/> Oxide <input type="radio"/> Phosphate (or related) <input type="radio"/> Halide <input type="radio"/> Native
	/0.5	Specific Gravity of Sample #31: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>
	/0.5	Approximate Mohs Hardness of Sample #31: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>

2. /5	Points	MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Mineral Sample #24</b> from the instructor. Test the mineral as indicated and complete the answers below: - <i>Note: Minerals may contain impurities</i>
	/2	Mineral Name of Sample #24: <i>You may write down two mineral names for ½ credit. Or Unsure about a Name? You may "buy" a letter from the instructor for -0.5 points!</i>
	/1	Chemical formula of Sample #24:
	/0.5	Crystal Class / Group of Sample #24: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Isometric <input type="radio"/> Tetragonal <input type="radio"/> Orthorhombic <input type="radio"/> Monoclinic <input type="radio"/> Triclinic <input type="radio"/> Hexagonal <input type="radio"/> Hex.-Rhombohedral
	/0.5	Mineral Group of Sample #24: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Nesosilicate <input type="radio"/> Sorosilicate <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Pyroxene) <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Amphibole) <input type="radio"/> Cyclosilicate <input type="radio"/> Tectosilicate <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Mica) <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Clay) <input type="radio"/> Sulfide <input type="radio"/> Sulfate <input type="radio"/> Carbonate <input type="radio"/> Oxide <input type="radio"/> Phosphate (or related) <input type="radio"/> Halide <input type="radio"/> Native
	/0.5	Specific Gravity of Sample #24: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>
	/0.5	Approximate Mohs Hardness of Sample #24: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>



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3. /5	Points	MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Mineral Sample #57</b> from the instructor. Test the mineral as indicated and complete the answers below: - Note: Minerals may contain impurities
	/2	Mineral Name of Sample #57: <i>You may write down two mineral names for ½ credit. Or Unsure about a Name? You may "buy" a letter from the instructor for -0.5 points!</i>
	/1	Chemical formula of Sample #57:
	/0.5	Crystal Class / Group of Sample #57: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Isometric <input type="radio"/> Tetragonal <input type="radio"/> Orthorhombic <input type="radio"/> Monoclinic <input type="radio"/> Triclinic <input type="radio"/> Hexagonal <input type="radio"/> Hex.-Rhombohedral
	/0.5	Mineral Group of Sample #57: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Nesosilicate <input type="radio"/> Sorosilicate <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Pyroxene) <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Amphibole) <input type="radio"/> Cyclosilicate <input type="radio"/> Tectosilicate <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Mica) <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Clay) <input type="radio"/> Sulfide <input type="radio"/> Sulfate <input type="radio"/> Carbonate <input type="radio"/> Oxide <input type="radio"/> Phosphate (or related) <input type="radio"/> Halide <input type="radio"/> Native
	/0.5	Specific Gravity of Sample #57: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>
	/0.5	Approximate Mohs Hardness of Sample #57: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>

4. /5	Points	MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Mineral Sample #10</b> from the instructor. Test the mineral as indicated and complete the answers below: - Note: Minerals may contain impurities
	/2	Mineral Name of Sample #10: <i>You may write down two mineral names for ½ credit. Or Unsure about a Name? You may "buy" a letter from the instructor for -0.5 points!</i>
	/1	Chemical formula of Sample #10:
	/0.5	Crystal Class / Group of Sample #10: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Isometric <input type="radio"/> Tetragonal <input type="radio"/> Orthorhombic <input type="radio"/> Monoclinic <input type="radio"/> Triclinic <input type="radio"/> Hexagonal <input type="radio"/> Hex.-Rhombohedral
	/0.5	Mineral Group of Sample #10: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Nesosilicate <input type="radio"/> Sorosilicate <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Pyroxene) <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Amphibole) <input type="radio"/> Cyclosilicate <input type="radio"/> Tectosilicate <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Mica) <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Clay) <input type="radio"/> Sulfide <input type="radio"/> Sulfate <input type="radio"/> Carbonate <input type="radio"/> Oxide <input type="radio"/> Phosphate (or related) <input type="radio"/> Halide <input type="radio"/> Native
	/0.5	Specific Gravity of Sample #10: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>
	/0.5	Approximate Mohs Hardness of Sample #10: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>

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5. /5	Points	MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Mineral Sample #23</b> from the instructor. Test the mineral as indicated and complete the answers below: - Note: Minerals may contain impurities
	/2	Mineral Name of Sample #23: <i>You may write down two mineral names for ½ credit. Or Unsure about a Name? You may "buy" a letter from the instructor for -0.5 points!</i>
	/1	Chemical formula of Sample #23:
	/0.5	Crystal Class / Group of Sample #23: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Isometric <input type="radio"/> Tetragonal <input type="radio"/> Orthorhombic <input type="radio"/> Monoclinic <input type="radio"/> Triclinic <input type="radio"/> Hexagonal <input type="radio"/> Hex.-Rhombohedral
	/0.5	Mineral Group of Sample #23: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Nesosilicate <input type="radio"/> Sorosilicate <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Pyroxene) <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Amphibole) <input type="radio"/> Cyclosilicate <input type="radio"/> Tectosilicate <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Mica) <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Clay) <input type="radio"/> Sulfide <input type="radio"/> Sulfate <input type="radio"/> Carbonate <input type="radio"/> Oxide <input type="radio"/> Phosphate (or related) <input type="radio"/> Halide <input type="radio"/> Native
	/0.5	Specific Gravity of Sample #23: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>
6. /5	/0.5	Approximate Mohs Hardness of Sample #23: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>
	Points	MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Mineral Sample #19</b> from the instructor. Test the mineral as indicated and complete the answers below: - Note: Minerals may contain impurities
	/2	Mineral Name of Sample #19: <i>You may write down two mineral names for ½ credit. Or Unsure about a Name? You may "buy" a letter from the instructor for -0.5 points!</i>
	/1	Chemical formula of Sample #19:
	/0.5	Crystal Class / Group of Sample #19: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Isometric <input type="radio"/> Tetragonal <input type="radio"/> Orthorhombic <input type="radio"/> Monoclinic <input type="radio"/> Triclinic <input type="radio"/> Hexagonal <input type="radio"/> Hex.-Rhombohedral
	/0.5	Mineral Group of Sample #19: <i>Bubble in your correct answer:</i> <input type="radio"/> Nesosilicate <input type="radio"/> Sorosilicate <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Pyroxene) <input type="radio"/> Inosilicate (Amphibole) <input type="radio"/> Cyclosilicate <input type="radio"/> Tectosilicate <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Mica) <input type="radio"/> Phyllosilicate (Clay) <input type="radio"/> Sulfide <input type="radio"/> Sulfate <input type="radio"/> Carbonate <input type="radio"/> Oxide <input type="radio"/> Phosphate (or related) <input type="radio"/> Halide <input type="radio"/> Native
	/0.5	Specific Gravity of Sample #19: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>
	/0.5	Approximate Mohs Hardness of Sample #19: <i>Give a number, NOT a range!</i>

**THIN-SECTION PART**

**Set up a Polarized Light Microscope of your choice for the thin section investigation. Pick up ONE assigned slide at a time from the instructor's desk and carry carefully in your open hand. YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOT DROPPING OR DAMAGING THE SLIDE (or you may be charged with the replacement cost in either time or money). Use your petrographic microscope to investigate. Replace the slide promptly and carefully after your testing and analysis is complete, so others with the same assigned sample do NOT have to wait.**

7.	Points /1	THIN-SECTION THICKNESS ESTIMATION: Obtain <b>Thin-Section Slide #15</b> from the instructor. This slide is "unfinished". <u>What is the current estimated THICKNESS of this thin-section?</u> <i>Give a number WITH units, NOT a range!</i>
8.	Points /3	THIN-SECTION MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Thin-Section Slide #22</b> from the instructor. <u>Identify ALL major minerals in the section and list them BY MINERAL NAME</u> preferably in order of abundance!
	/1	THIN-SECTION INVESTIGATION: Obtain <b>Thin-Section Slide #22</b> from the instructor. <u>List ONE observable feature unique to this thin-section</u> using the appropriate terminology!
9.	Points /1	THIN-SECTION OPTICAL PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Thin-Section Slide #51</b> from the instructor. This slide contains a single mineral. The mineral is optically <input type="radio"/> Uniaxial <input type="radio"/> Biaxial <input type="radio"/> Isotropic <i>Bubble in your correct answer</i> The mineral's optic sign is <input type="radio"/> Positive (+) <input type="radio"/> Negative (-) <input type="radio"/> Isotropic, NO optic sign <i>Bubble in your correct answer</i> If Biaxial, the approximate 2V angle is _____ or <input type="radio"/> NOT biaxial, NO 2V angle
10.	Points /3	THIN-SECTION MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Thin-Section Slide #26</b> from the instructor. <u>Identify ALL major minerals in the section and list them BY MINERAL NAME</u> preferably in order of abundance!
11.	Points /1	THIN-SECTION REFRACTIVE INDEX ESTIMATION: Obtain <b>Thin-Section Slide #10</b> from the instructor. This slide consists of a light and dark part. <u>When comparing these two areas to each other within the slide, which one, in general, has the higher RI ?</u> <input type="radio"/> Light area has higher RI <input type="radio"/> Dark area has higher RI <input type="radio"/> Neither, RI approx. equal <i>Bubble in your correct answer</i>
Bonus Question (extra credit)	Points /4	THIN-SECTION MINERAL IDENTIFICATION: Obtain <b>Thin-Section Slide #20</b> from the instructor. <u>Identify ALL major minerals in the section and list them BY MINERAL NAME</u> preferably in order of abundance!