

Answer Key

Each question is worth 5 points each.

1. Where did the heavy metals now found on Earth come from?
Collective space debris/meteorites
2. What are elements defined as?
Protons, neutrons, and negative ions that make up atoms
3. Metals are so valuable that who stockpiles them in case of all out war?
Army
4. U.S. Nuclear Reactors produce what percent of the nation's electricity?
20%
5. Worldwide, how many reactors help power how many countries?
430 reactors, 31 countries
6. How much of the uranium that powers U.S. Reactors came from dismantled Soviet nuclear weapons?
Approximately ½
7. What was the first bridge that had steel cables?
Brooklyn Bridge
8. What is the strongest known natural barrier?
Lead
9. What is today's most popular application of lead?
Car batteries
10. What heavy metal has the most applications?
Zinc