Astronomy 1102/1104

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Courtesy of your book

1) Blue light has higher frequency than red light. Thus, blue light has...

a) higher energy and shorter wavelength than red light.

b) higher energy and longer wavelength than red light.

c) lower energy and shorter wavelength than red light.

d) lower energy and longer wavelength than red light.

2) Some Nitrogen atoms have 7 neutrons and some have 8 neutrons, these two forms of Nitrogen are....

a) ions of each other.

b) isotopes of each other.

c) phases of each other.

d) different molecules.

3) Compared to its angular momentum when it is farthest from the Sun, Earth's angular momentum when it is nearest to the Sun is

a) greater

b) less

c) the same

d) always zero

4) In winter, Earth's axis points toward the north star. In the summer

a) the axis also points toward the north star

b) the axis points opposite the north star

c) the angle changes by 23.5°

d) the angle changes by 47°

5) For the our solar system $P^2 = a^3$ if you use years and AU. This is true based on Newtonian gravity.

Now... imagine you are in a strange new universe where gravity behaves differently so the aforementioned equation does not hold. You have taken the following measurements.

	Talaxia	Eden Prime	Mandalore	Romulus	Koon	Jakku
P (years)	2	8	18	32	72	
a (AU)	1	2	3	4		8

a) Figure out how period and semi-major axis are related in this new universe. (assume units work out so that you can write a simple proportion)

b) fill in the missing measurements.

c) describe what other measurements would be different in this universe.