Homework Packet for 9th & 10th Grade

Week 29

Name _____

Week Starts on / Due on _____]____]__

Each week you are to complete your homework packet and turn it on the day the teacher assigns. Part of the homework is reading 45 minutes a day. This can be done in after school care and they can read to a younger sibling or an adult as well. Weekend reading is encouraged, each week students can get credit for reading on Saturday and/or Sunday. Reading each day is very important to help each student get better at this skill.

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Weekly Home Reading Record

Day	Reading Material	Amount of Time	How many pages
Weekend			
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			

Total Reading Time: Hours _____ Minutes _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parents Signature: _____

Date: _____

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VOCABULARY BUILDER
WEEK 29
Daily Activity

Monday : Write out the definition of the vocabulary word and the source where you found it. (*note do not use wikipedia*) and break the word down in Syllables.
Example: ABSTRUSE: 2 Syllables , **ab-struse and it sounds like ab-stroos.**

Tuesday : Write a sentence with the vocabulary word (different than the definition of the vocabulary word).

Wednesday : Write a paragraph with the vocabulary word (different than the definition and the sentence with the vocabulary word).

Thursday : Write a 3 to 5 paragraph essay with all the vocabulary words (different than the definition, and sentences you used with the vocabulary word)

Friday : **Turn in all of your work.**

This week's vocabulary words are:

succumb sullen summon supercilious superficial	superfluous supplant surfeit surly surmount	surplus surreptitious synergy tactful tactile

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Passage IV

NATURAL SCIENCE: This passage is adapted from the article "Warp Factor" by Charles Liu (©2003 by Natural History Magazine, Inc.).

Astronomers sometimes describe the shape of our home galaxy, the Milky Way, as a thin-crust pizza with a plum stuck in the middle. The plum is the slightly oblong central bulge, protruding about 3,000 light-years above and below the galactic plane, comprised mostly of older stars; it makes up the core of the Milky Way, and includes a black hole two and a half million times the mass of the Sun. The crust of the pizza is the galactic disk—the source of most of our galaxy's light. Thin and flat, the disk is 100,000 light-years across, about 1,000 light-years thick, on average, and includes more than 80 percent of the galaxy's hundred billion or so stars.

The plum-and-pizza picture works well enough, but like most simple metaphors, it breaks down if you push it. For one thing, the galactic disk isn't a rigid body, but a loose agglomeration of matter streaming around a common center of gravity. (The swirling pattern of a hurricane far better resembles our spinning galaxy.) For another thing, our galaxy's disk isn't flat; it's warped. Picture a disk of pizza dough spun into the air by a skilled chef: our galaxy goes through the same kind of floppy, wobbly gyrations, though at a rate best measured in revolutions per hundreds of millions of years.

Why does the Milky Way have such an odd-looking warp? No definitive answer has emerged. One thing we do know: when it comes to warps, our galaxy is hardly unique. About half of all spiral galaxies are warped to some degree. Theoretical and computational models have shown that a number of physical processes can warp a galaxy, so it's a matter of figuring out which scenario applies. An innovative analysis of the problem by Jeremy Bailin, an astronomy graduate student at the University of Arizona in Tucson, has implicated a small satellite galaxy, currently being ripped to shreds by the gravity of the Milky Way.

The Sagittarius Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxy was discovered in 1994. It appears to be in a roughly polar orbit around the Milky Way—that is, above and below the galactic disk—about 50,000 light-years from the galactic center. That orbit brings the dwarf galaxy far too close to the huge gravitational tidal forces of the Milky Way for the dwarf to remain intact. As a result, the Sagittarius Dwarf now looks something like strands of spaghetti spilling from the front of a pasta-making machine, the galaxy's matter being drawn out over hundreds of millions of years by intergalactic tides.

Gravitational collisions between small satellite galaxies and big spiral galaxies have long been regarded as possible culprits in the warping of a larger galaxy's disk. The best known satellite galaxies orbiting the Milky Way—the Large and Small Magellanic Clouds—are too far away, and have the wrong orbital characteristics, to have warped our galactic home. The Sagittarius Dwarf seems a much more likely candidate, simply because it is only a third as far from the center of the Milky Way as the Magellanic Clouds. But in astronomy—unlike in real estate—location isn't everything; to show a direct connection between warp and dwarf, the orbital motion of the Sagittarius Dwarf must be linked to the rotation of the Milky Way's disk.

Bailin's study is the first to find such a link. His analysis of the galactic warp is based on angular momentum—a measure of how much a system is spinning or rotating. Just as objects moving in a straight line have momentum, objects spinning or orbiting around an axis have angular momentum; and just as the momenta of two objects combine when they collide, so too do their angular momenta. Imagine two figure skaters coming together for a combination spin. When they make physical contact, their individual spiraling motions combine to produce a single, unified whirl.

Starting with the latest measurements of the structure and spin of the Milky Way, Bailin deduced the angular momentum of the warped portion of the Milky Way's disk. He then compared that measure with the angular momentum of the Sagittarius Dwarf—and found for the first time, within the margins of measurement error, that the two angular momenta are identical in both quantity and direction. Such a coupling of the angular momenta of two bodies almost never happens by chance; usually, it takes place only when two spinning systems, like the skaters, come into contact. The coupling isn't enough to prove cause and effect by itself, but it's solid circumstantial evidence that the interaction of the Sagittarius Dwarf with the Milky Way disk created the warp in our galaxy.

31. Which of the following statements best expresses the main idea of the passage?

- **A.** Bailin began studying the Sagittarius Dwarf when he was a graduate student in astronomy.
- **B.** The gravitational tidal forces of the Milky Way are destroying the Sagittarius Dwarf.
- **C.** Most astronomers have come to an agreement that evidence about how galaxies have formed is, at best, circumstantial.
- **D.** Evidence suggests that the warp in the Milky Way's disk results from the Milky Way's interaction with a small satellite galaxy.

32. It can reasonably be inferred that the problem the author mentions in line 33 refers to:

- **F.** a particular aspect of Bailin's theory for which there is little evidence.
- **G.** a mathematical computation that led Bailin to focus on the Sagittarius Dwarf.
- **H.** the question of which physical processes caused the warp in the Milky Way.
- **J.** the potential impact of wobbly gyrations on the Milky Way's rotation.

33. It can reasonably be inferred from the passage that the small satellite galaxy referred to in lines 35–36 is:

- **A.** the Small Magellanic Cloud.
- **B.** the Sagittarius Dwarf.
- **C.** a known but as yet unnamed galaxy.
- **D.** a hypothetical galaxy that is believed to exist but has not yet been found.

34. Based on the passage, which of the following statements best describes Bailin's study as it relates to the field of astronomy?

- **F.** It led astronomers to the discovery of a warp in the Milky Way's disk.
- **G.** It convinced more astronomers to focus their attention on the center of the Milky Way.
- **H.** It revealed problems with the basic assumptions held by most astronomers.
- **J.** It provided evidence for an idea that scientists had long considered a possibility but had not yet proved.

35. According to the passage, Bailin discovered that the angular momentum of the warped portion of the Milky Way and the angular momentum of the Sagittarius Dwarf are:

- **A.** identical in quantity but different in direction.
- **B.** identical in direction but different in quantity.
- **C.** identical in both quantity and direction.
- **D.** different in both quantity and direction.

36. According to the passage, the central bulge of the Milky Way is comprised of:

- **F.** 80 percent of the galaxy's stars.
- **G.** older stars and a black hole.
- **H.** a galactic plane and several dwarf planets.
- **J.** a loose agglomeration of unidentified matter.

37. The author refers to the swirling pattern of a hurricane primarily in order to:

- **A.** help explain the shortcomings of the plum-and-pizza metaphor.
- **B.** argue that the unpredictability of the rotation of spiral galaxies requires a new metaphor.
- **C.** emphasize the particular aspects of the Milky Way that make it unique.
- **D.** describe how the movement of the Milky Way creates gravitational tides.

38. The passage directly compares the Milky Way's disk as it is affected by its warp to:

- **F.** a pasta maker churning out spaghetti.
- **G.** pizza dough being spun in the air by a chef.
- **H.** a thin-crust pizza balanced on top of a plum.
- **J.** two figure skaters coming together for a combination spin.

39. According to the passage, which of the following statements best describes the movement of the Sagittarius Dwarf with respect to the Milky Way?

- **A.** It appears to be in a roughly polar orbit around the Milky Way.
- **B.** It appears to orbit the Milky Way at an angle of roughly forty-five degrees.
- **C.** It follows the movement of the stars in the Milky Way's disk, though at a slightly faster rate.
- **D.** It once followed the movement of the stars in the Milky Way's disk, but now seems to move erratically along its own path.

40. The passage describes angular momentum as the amount of a system's:

- **F.** vertical deviation within an orbital path.
- **G.** movement in a straight line through space.
- **H.** gravitational pull.
- **J.** spin or rotation.

Adding/Subtracting 3-Digit Numbers (D)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Calculate each sum or difference.

1053 + 922	2298 − 794	7926 + 958	7892 + 331	2246 + 580
1298 + 261	8476 + 298	9330 + 696	8287 − 302	7622 − 335
6674 + 657	8508 − 453	3854 + 161	5833 + 758	1239 − 149
1130 + 824	9306 − 767	1091 − 782	4379 + 252	1974 + 954
2520 − 341	8029 + 697	3251 + 853	7202 − 276	9474 − 922

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Use R.A.C.E. Strategy for Math

Example:
Joshua has 32 donuts. He organizes them in boxes. Each box holds 12 donuts. How many boxes of donuts will Joshua have?

R (Restate the question) in your own words	Joshua will have ____ boxes of donuts.
A (Answer the question)	Joshua will have 3 boxes of donuts.
C (Cite the evidence)	I will determine how many boxes of 12 are required to fit all the donuts by dividing the number of donuts (32) by the number that can fit in each box (12). If I need part of a box I will round the solution up to the nearest whole number. 32 ÷ 12 = 2.666 Rounded up is 3
E (Explanation)	Joshua will have 3 boxes of donuts. I determined how many boxes of 12 are required to fit all the donuts by dividing the number of donuts (32) by the number that can fit in each box (12). Since I needed slightly more than two boxes, I rounded my solution to the nearest whole number.

WORD PROBLEMS

1. A bus picks up a group of tourists at a hotel. The sightseeing bus travels 2 blocks north, 2 blocks east, 1 block south, 2 blocks east, and 1 block south. Where is the bus in relation to the hotel?

2. Ashley's car insurance costs her $115 per month. How much does it cost her per year?

3. Each week Jaime saves $25. How long will it take her to save $350?

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QUESTION 1

R (Restate the question) in your own words	
A (Answer the question)	
C (Cite the evidence)	
E (Explanation)	

QUESTION 2

R (Restate the question) in your own words	
A (Answer the question)	
C (Cite the evidence)	
E (Explanation)	

QUESTION 3

R (Restate the question) in your own words	
A (Answer the question)	
C (Cite the evidence)	
E (Explanation)	

MAKE SURE THAT ALL YOUR WORK IS COMPLETED BEFORE YOU TURN IT IN.