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1. Ni(s) + 2H<sup>+</sup>(aq)  $\rightarrow$  Ni<sup>2+</sup>(aq) + H<sub>2</sub>(g)

In the reaction shown above, 2 mol of electrons are transferred to  $H^+$  and the standard electrochemical cell potential is 0.25 V. Based on this information, what is the value of the standard Gibbs free energy change for this reaction?

- A. -12 kJ/mol
- B. -24 kJ/mol
- C. -48 kJ/mol
- D. -220 kJ/mol

# 2. The widely different melting points of $CaCl_2$ and $CH_4$ shown in the table below can be attributed to which of the following differences between the two compounds?

Compound	Melting Point (°C)
CaCl <sub>2</sub>	775
CH <sub>4</sub>	-182.5

A. The molar mass of  $CaCl_2$  is greater than the molar mass of  $CH_4$ .

B. The two compounds are in different states at standard temperature and pressure conditions.

- C. The two compounds have a different number of valence electrons.
- D. The attractive forces between  $CH_4$  molecules are weaker than the attractive forces present between the ions that form  $CaCl_2$ .

#### 3. Which of the following compounds has a linear molecular geometry?

- A. SCN-
- B. BrF<sub>5</sub>
- C.  $NO_3^-$

D. H<sub>3</sub>O+

## 4. A chemical reaction is proposed to take place in a single elementary step. Which of the following provides the best evidence to support the proposed reaction mechanism?

- A. The balanced chemical equation for the reaction consists of a single reactant.
- B. The experimentally determined rate law is equal to the rate law consistent with a single elementary step.
- C. The reaction mechanism does not involve the formation of reaction intermediates.
- D. The rate constant for the rate law corresponding to the single elementary step is equal to one.



Which of the following is a product of the reaction shown above?

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### **Answer Key**

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