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| B) | 51.8% |
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| A) | 29 g |
| B) | 202 g |
| C) | 115 g |
| D) | 58 g |

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| 3. | **SHOW WORK -** The half life of a radioactive sample is 13.5 years. If you started with 59.9 grams, how many grams will still be radioactive after 20.74 years? | |
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| B) | 46.012074 |
| C) | 173.739309 |
| D) | 38.148859 |

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| 4. | The half-life of a radioactive nuclide is | |
| A) | the time it takes to reduce the radioactivity by 100%. |
| B) | the time in which 25% of the original number of atoms undergoes radioactive decay. |
| C) | the time in which the isotope becomes nonradioactive. |
| D) | the time it takes for 50% of the original number of atoms to undergo radioactive decay. |

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| 5. | **SHOW WORK -** If you started with 30.25 grams of a radioactive substance, how much would you have left over after 8 half-lives? | |
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