1. Consider the two reduction processes and their standard reduction potentials (E°).

Cu⁺ (aq) + 1 e⁻
$$\rightarrow$$
 Cu (s) $E^{\circ} = 0.521 \text{ V}$
Ag⁺ (aq) + 1 e⁻ \rightarrow Ag (s) $E^{\circ} = 0.800 \text{ V}$

A) Write the net ionic equation for a Galvanic/voltaic cell based on these reactions.

$$Ag^+$$
 (aq) + Cu (s) \rightleftharpoons Cu⁺ (aq) + Ag (s)

B) Determine the value of the E°_{cell} .

$$E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}} = E^{\circ}_{\text{cathode}} - E^{\circ}_{\text{anode}} = 0.800 \text{ V} - 0.521 \text{ V} = 0.279 \text{ V}$$

C) Determine the value of the standard free energy change of the cell ($\Delta G^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$).

$$\Delta G^{\circ}_{\text{cell}} = -nFE^{\circ}_{\text{cell}} = -(1 \text{ mol } e^{-}) \left(96500 \frac{\text{C}}{\text{mol } e^{-}}\right) (0.279 \text{ V}) = -2.69 \times 10^{4} \text{ J}$$

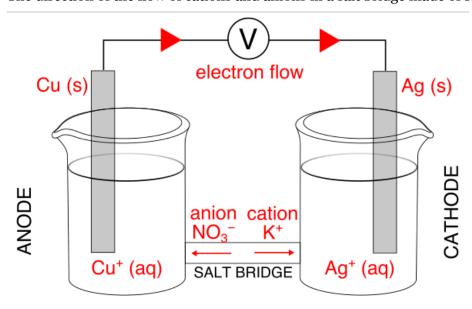
D) Determine the equilibrium constant (*K*) for the reaction.

$$E_{\text{cell}} = E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}} - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln Q$$

$$\ln K = \frac{nF}{RT} E^{\circ}_{\text{cell}}$$

$$K = \exp \left\{ \frac{(1 \text{ mol } e^{-}) \left(96500 \frac{C}{\text{mol } e^{-}}\right)}{\left(8.314 \frac{J}{\text{mol } \cdot \text{K}}\right) (298.15 \text{ K})} \times 0.279 \text{ V} \right\} = 5.21 \times 10^{4}$$

- E) Given below is an unlabeled diagram. Label the following components in the diagram:
 - i. The solid electrodes on the anode and cathode sides.
 - ii. The ions in solutions on the anode and cathode sides.
 - iii. The direction of the flow of electrons through the voltmeter and wire.
 - iv. The direction of the flow of cations and anions in a salt bridge made of KNO₃ (aq).



F) Write the cell diagram for this electrochemical cell.

2. You have constructed a Galvanic cell with the following reaction under standard conditions.

$$Zn(s) + Cu^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Zn^{2+}(aq) + Cu(s)$$
 $E^{\circ}_{cell} = +1.104 \text{ V}$

What will the potential of the cell be when 0.50 M of Cu²⁺ (aq) has reacted?

Assume that volume and temperature do not change.

	Zn (s)	+	Cu ²⁺ (aq)	\rightarrow	Zn ²⁺ (aq)	+	Cu (s)
	n/a		1.00 M		1.00 M		n/a
С	n/a		- 0.50		+ 0.50		n/a
"E"	n/a		0.50		1.50		n/a

Now use the Nernst equation to find the new cell potential:

$$\begin{split} E_{\rm cell} &= E^{\circ}_{\rm cell} - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln Q \\ &= 1.104 \, \text{V} - \frac{\left(8.314 \, \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}\right) (298.15 \, \text{K})}{(2 \, \text{mol} \, e^{-}) \left(96500 \, \frac{\text{C}}{\text{mol} \, e^{-}}\right)} \cdot \ln \left(\frac{1.50}{0.50}\right) \\ E_{\rm cell} &= 1.090 \, \text{V} \end{split}$$

3. Consider an electrochemical cell with the following cell diagram at 298.15 K.

Ni (s)
$$| Ni^{2+} (1.25 \text{ M}) | | Cu^{2+} (0.225 \text{ M}) | Ni (s)$$

Given the following E° values, determine whether each statement is true or false.

$$Cu^{2+}$$
 (aq) + 2 e⁻ \rightarrow Cu (s) $E^{\circ} = 0.342 \text{ V}$
 Ni^{2+} (aq) + 2 e⁻ \rightarrow Ni (s) $E^{\circ} = -0.257 \text{ V}$
Ni (s) + Cu²⁺ (aq) \rightarrow Cu (s) + Ni²⁺ (aq) $E^{\circ}_{cell} = 0.599 \text{ V}$

A) E_{cell} is a smaller value than E°_{cell} .

<u>True</u>, $E_{\text{cell}} = 0.578 \text{ V} < E_{\text{cell}}^{\circ}$.

- B) The oxidation reaction takes place at the anode. True, oxidation always takes place at the anode.
- C) Adding 1.0 L of water to both the anodic and cathodic solutions will increase the cell potential. False, this will have no effect on the E_{cell} because the reaction quotient Q does not change.
- D) Decreasing the concentration of Ni²⁺ will increase the cell potential. True, this will shift reaction to the right, thereby increasing the E_{cell} relative to 0.578 V.
- E) Increasing the concentration of Cu^{2+} will increase the cell potential. True, this will shift reaction to the right, thereby increasing the E_{cell} relative to 0.578 V.
- F) Using a Pt electrode in place of the Ni electrode will not change the cell potential. False, this will eliminate the concentration of Ni²⁺ over time.
- G) The mass of the Cu electrode will decrease over time. False, the mass of the Cu electrode (a product) increases over time.