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- 1. **Alpha-particle** A positively charged particle consisting of two protons and two neutrons, emitted from certain radioactive nuclei.
- 2. **Cross-section** A measure of the probability of a nuclear reaction occurring, often expressed in barns
- 3. **Half-life** The time required for half of the nuclei in a sample of a radioactive substance to undergo decay.
- 4. **High-energy** Relating to particles or radiation with a high level of kinetic energy, such as gamma rays or fast-moving particles.
- 5. **Isotope-mixing** The process of combining isotopes to achieve a desired nuclear reaction or property.
- 6. **Neutron-capture** A nuclear reaction where a neutron is absorbed by a nucleus.
- 7. **Chain-reaction** A sequence of nuclear fissions where the products of each reaction initiate further reactions.
- 8. **Mass-defect** The difference between the mass of an atomic nucleus and the sum of its individual nucleons.
- 9. **Photo-electric** Relating to the emission of electrons when light shines on a material.
- 10. **Radio-active** Referring to substances that emit radiation as they decay.
- 11. **Gamma-ray** High-energy electromagnetic radiation emitted from nuclear reactions.
- 12. **Fusion-power** The power produced by nuclear fusion reactions.
- 13. **Binding-energy** The energy required to split a nucleus into its constituent protons and neutrons.
- 14. **Decay-constant** A constant that describes the rate of radioactive decay.
- 15. **Energy-transfer** The process of transferring energy from one particle to another.
- 16. **Thermal-neutron** A neutron with low kinetic energy, moving at speeds similar to particles at room temperature.
- 17. **Critical-mass** The minimum amount of fissile material needed to sustain a nuclear chain reaction.
- 18. **Controlled-fusion** Fusion reactions that are managed to release energy in a controlled manner.
- 19. **Electron-capture** A process in which an inner atomic electron is captured by the nucleus.
- 20. **Neutron-emission** The release of neutrons from a nucleus during certain types of nuclear reactions.
- 21. **Power-generation** The production of energy, especially from nuclear sources.
- 22. **Fast-breeder** A type of nuclear reactor that creates more fissile material than it consumes.
- 23. **Self-sustaining** A reaction or process that continues on its own once initiated.
- 24. **Heavy-water** Water containing a higher proportion of the deuterium isotope, used in certain types of nuclear reactors.
- 25. Low-level Pertaining to radiation or waste with low radioactivity.
- 26. Nuclear-fuel Material used to produce energy in nuclear reactors.

- 27. **Beta-decay** A type of radioactive decay involving the emission of a beta particle.
- 28. **Super-heavy** Referring to elements or isotopes with a very high atomic number.
- 29. **Particle-accelerator** A device that increases the kinetic energy of charged particles.
- 30. **Radiation-shield** A barrier used to protect from harmful radiation.