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## Appendix A: Pre- and Post-Math Assessment

**CHM 1011**  
**High Point University**  
**Fall 2015**

*Please answer each of the following math questions by clearly circling the correct answer. Unclear responses will be marked wrong.*

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1. A bag of apples contains 6 green apples and 8 red apples. What is the approximate percentage of green apples?  
(a) 43%                      (b) 57%                      (c) 60%                      (d) 75%                      (e) 80%
  2. Which of the following values is consistent with 9.17%?  
(a) 0.917                      (b)  $\frac{9.17}{1000}$                       (c) 0.0917                      (d)  $9.17 \times 10^2$                       (e)  $91.7 \times 10^{-2}$
  3. A reaction requires 4 min 15 sec to complete. Which of the following is a correct representation of that time period?  
(a) 55 sec                      (b) 4.25 min                      (c) 0.0625 hr                      (d) 245 sec                      (e) 4.15 min
  4. How many significant figures does the following number have: 1032.200  
(a) 4                      (b) 5                      (c) 6                      (d) 7                      (e) 8
  5. Considering significant digits, what is the correct answer to this problem?  $101.22 + 222.3 =$   
(a) 323.520                      (b) 323.52                      (c) 323.5                      (d) 323                      (e) 320
  6. If  $A = \frac{b + 0.5f}{t}$ , what does  $f$  equal?  
(a)  $\frac{2At}{b}$                       (b)  $At - \frac{b}{0.5}$                       (c)  $\frac{tAb}{0.5}$                       (d)  $\frac{0.5 - b}{A} \times t$                       (e)  $\frac{At - b}{0.5}$
  7. A “cubit” is an ancient measurement now defined as: 1.0 cubit ( $c$ ) = 45.72 cm. Which of the following computations should you use to convert a measurement of 0.33  $c$  to centimeters?  
(a)  $0.33c \times \frac{1.0c}{45.72cm}$                       (b)  $0.33cm \times \frac{1.0c}{45.72cm}$                       (c)  $0.33c \times \frac{45.72cm}{1.0c}$                       (d)  $0.33c + 45.72c$
  8. If  $6p - 3 = 8p - 9$ , then  $p =$   
(a) -6                      (b) -3                      (c) 3                      (d)  $-\frac{6}{7}$                       (e)  $\frac{6}{7}$

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9. Find the values of  $x$  and  $y$  that satisfy both of these equations simultaneously:  $2x + y = 2$   
 $2x - y = 6$
- (a) (-2, 6)      (b) (3, -4)      (c) (1, 1)      (d) (0, 2)      (e) (2, -2)

Use the graph below to answer question 10:

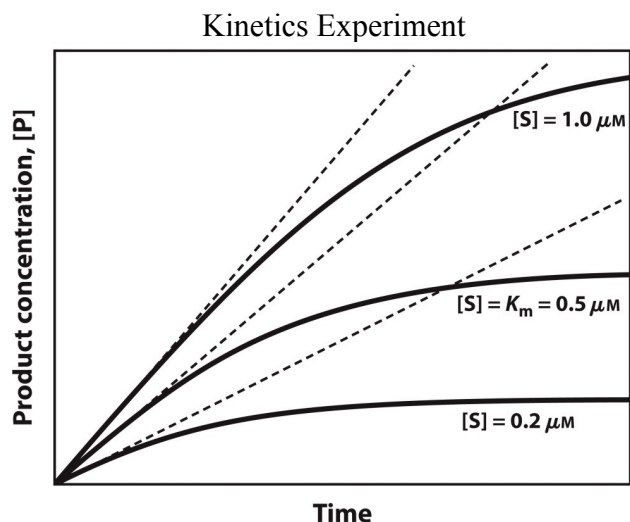


Figure 6-10  
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10. Which of the following is correct language to use about this graph?
- (a) This is a graph of the kinetics experiment vs. time.  
(b) This is a graph of the kinetics experiment vs. product concentration.  
(c) This is a graph of the concentration of P vs. the rate of reaction.  
(d) This is a graph of product concentration vs. time.  
(e) All of the statements above describe this graph correctly.
11. What is the value of  $8 + 3 \div 3 - 2$ ?
- (a) 11      (b) 1.33      (c) 15      (d) 7      (e) 1.67
12. What is the value of  $(2a^3)^2$ ?
- (a)  $4a^6$       (b)  $2a^6$       (c)  $2a^5$       (d)  $2a^9$       (e)  $4a^3$
13. Which of the following shows 0.02156 in scientific notation?
- (a) 2156      (b)  $21.56 \times 10^2$       (c)  $2.156 \times 10^2$       (d)  $2.156 \times 10^{-2}$       (e)  $2.156 \times 10^3$

## Appendix B: General Chemistry Peer Learning Survey Questions

**The first 17 questions will be administered in the initial, beginning of semester survey. Questions 4-6 and 13-25 will be administered in the final, end of semester survey.**

### *Demographics*

**1. What is your academic level?**

Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

**2. What is your major?**

Biology, exercise science, other

**3. Are you male or female?**

**4. What is your section number?**

**5. What is your number code that your instructor provided you with?**

**6. What is your letter code that your instructor provided you with?**

**7. What was the highest level of chemistry you completed in high school?**

no chemistry, gen chemistry I, gen chemistry II, AP chemistry

**8. What letter grade did you receive in that class?**

A, B, C, D, F

**9. What letter grade did you receive in General Chemistry I lecture?**

A+, A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, F

**10. What letter grade did you receive in General Chemistry I lab?**

A+, A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, F

**11. What was the highest level of math you completed to date?**

algebra I, algebra II, algebra III, trigonometry, pre-calculus, calculus I, calculus II, other

**12. What letter grade did you receive in that class?**

A, B, C, D, F

### *Attitudes*

**13. I consider my current chemistry knowledge:**

above average   slightly above average   average   slightly below average   below average

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### 14. I consider my current chemistry *lab skills*:

above average   slightly above average   average   slightly below average   below average

### 15. I consider my current math skills:

above average   slightly above average   average   slightly below average   below average

### 16. If given the choice, would you work in this lab on your own or with a partner?

On my own   with a partner

### 17. If “with a partner” was selected, would you prefer to pick your partner or be assigned?

pick my partner   be assigned

### 18. How much did you contribute to the *overall work* in your lab partnership?

Very little	less than my partner	equal to my partner	more than my partner	vast majority
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### 19. How much do you feel your partner contributed to the *overall work* in your lab partnership?

Very little	less than me	equal to me	more than me	vast majority
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### 20. How much do you feel you contributed in terms of *math help* to your lab partnership?

Very little	less than me	equal to me	more than me	vast majority
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### 21. How much do you feel your partner contributed in terms of *math help* to your lab partnership?

Very little	less than me	equal to me	more than me	vast majority
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**22. How much do you feel you contributed to the *chemistry work* in your lab partnership?**

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**23. How much do you feel your partner contributed to the *chemistry work* in your lab partnership?**

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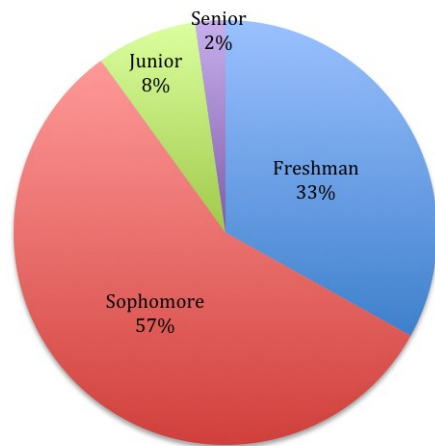
**24. Please provide any additional comments you would like, specifically about working with your lab partner.**

**25. Please provide any additional comments about this laboratory course.**

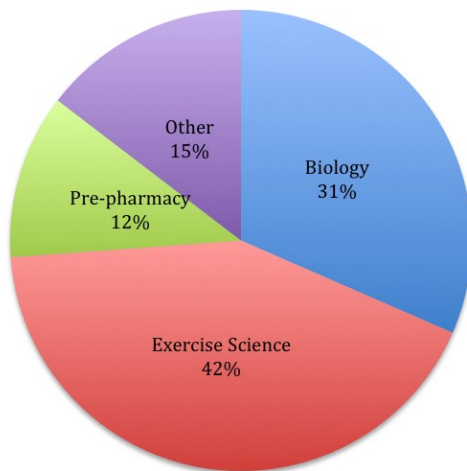
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## Appendix C: Additional Student Demographics

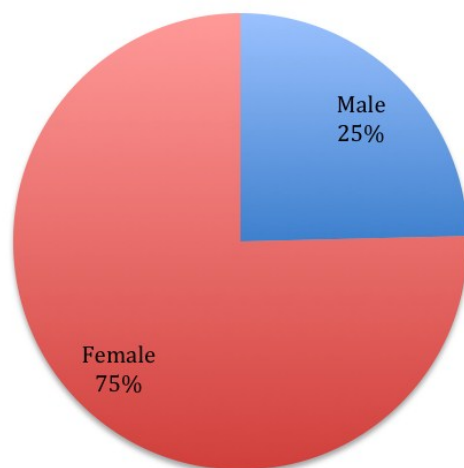
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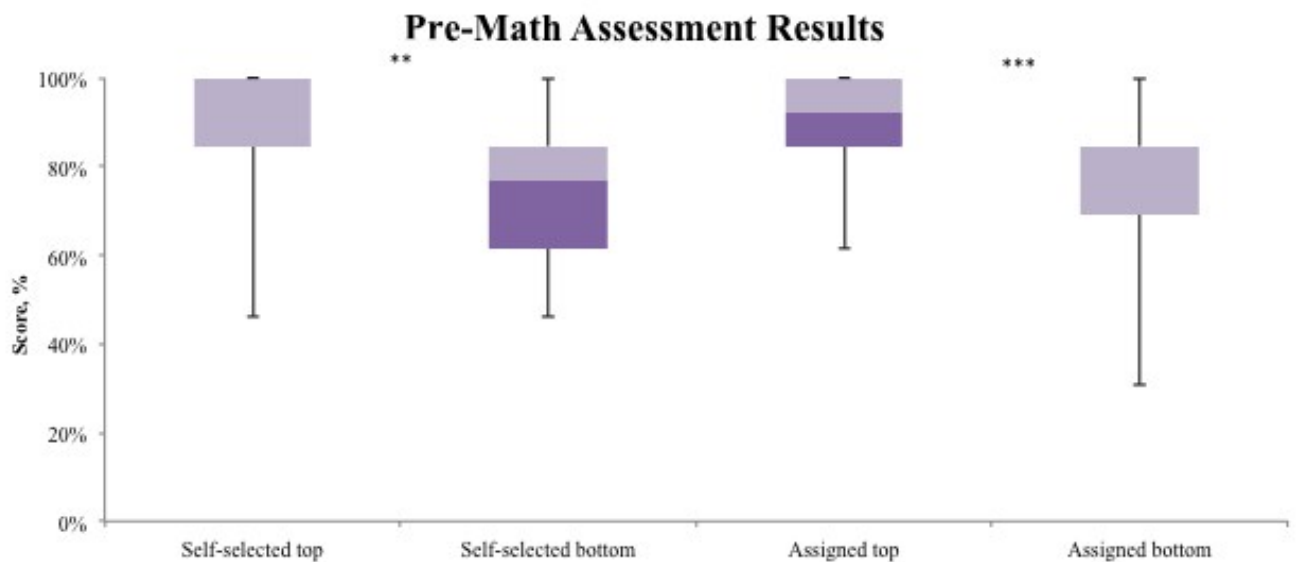
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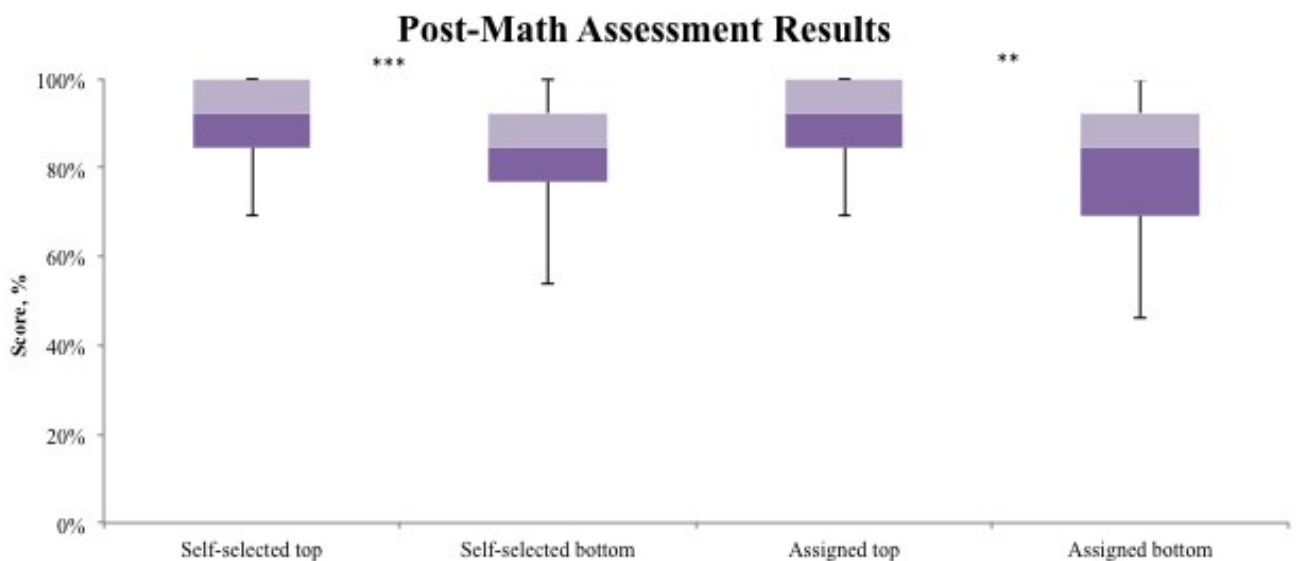
Appendix C: A) Study participants were primarily underclassmen. Freshmen (first-year), Sophomore (second-year), Junior (third-year), Senior (fourth-year). B) Study participants were primarily exercise science and biology majors. C) Study participants were primarily female.

## Appendix D: Top Math Performers Score Significantly Higher on Multiple Assessment Methods

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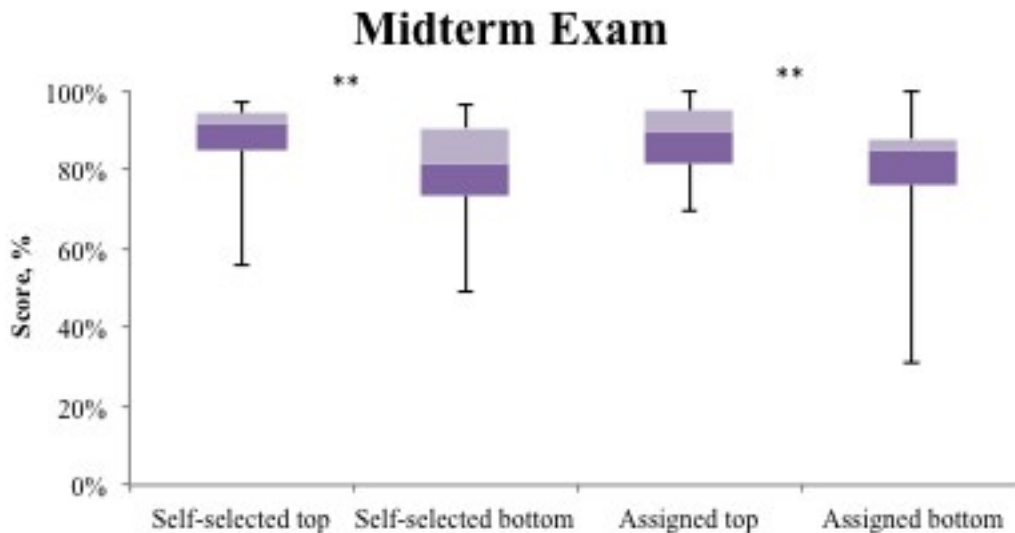
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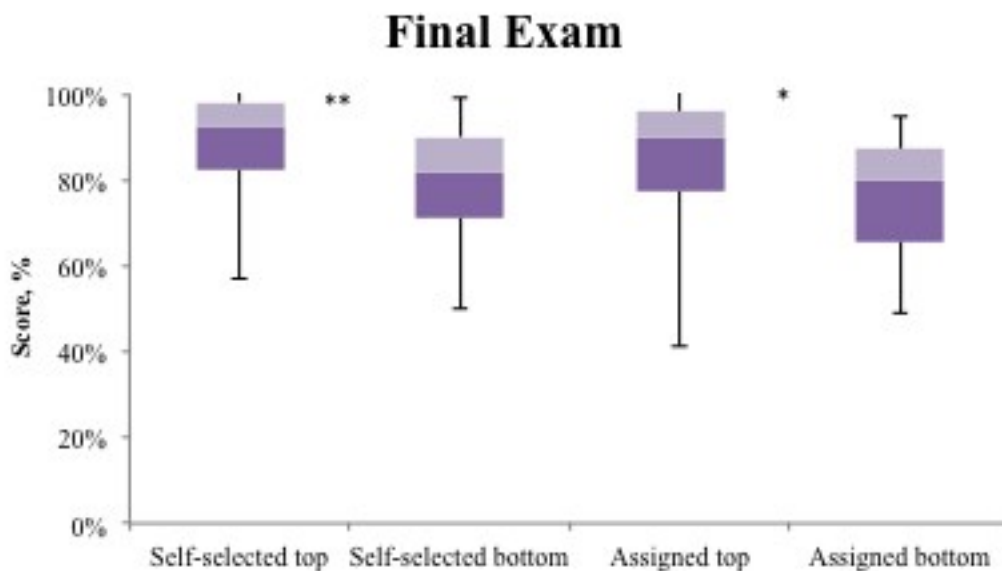
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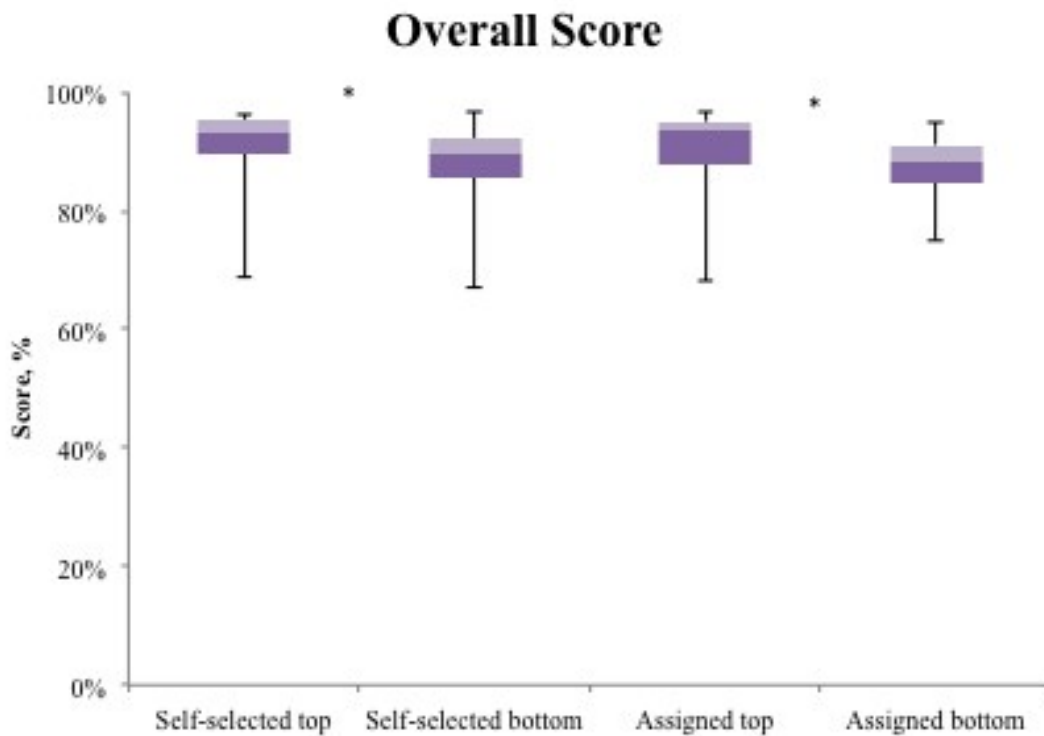
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## Appendix E: Example midterm and final exam questions assessing chemistry-specific math concepts

You have a 1.314 g sample of iron filings, salt, and sand. After removing the iron, dissolving the salt, and boiling off the water, you find that you have 0.418 g of salt. What was the percent composition of salt in your original sample?

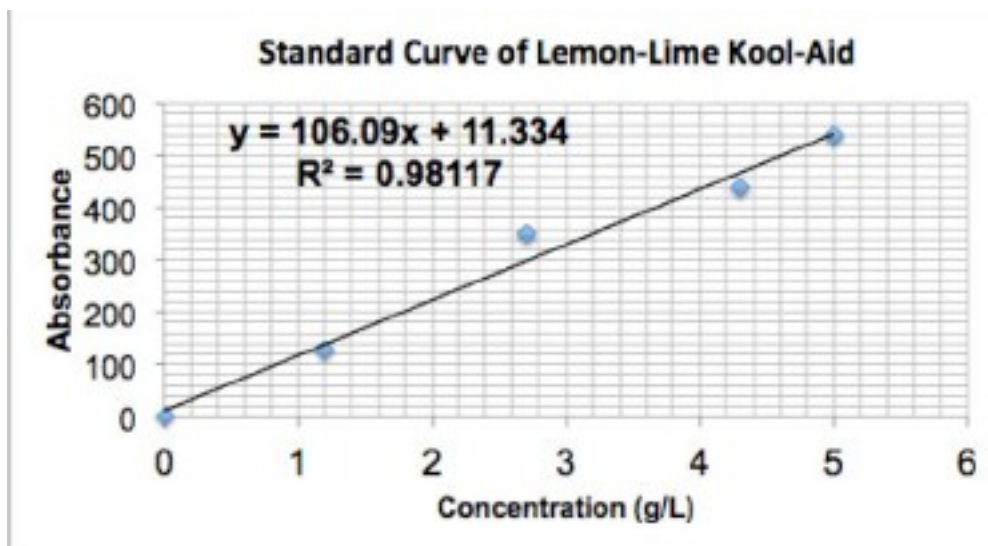
Perform the following conversion showing all your work. Please use scientific notation and significant figures where appropriate.

The volume of an object is 27.2 cm<sup>3</sup>.

\_\_\_\_\_ mL  
\_\_\_\_\_ L

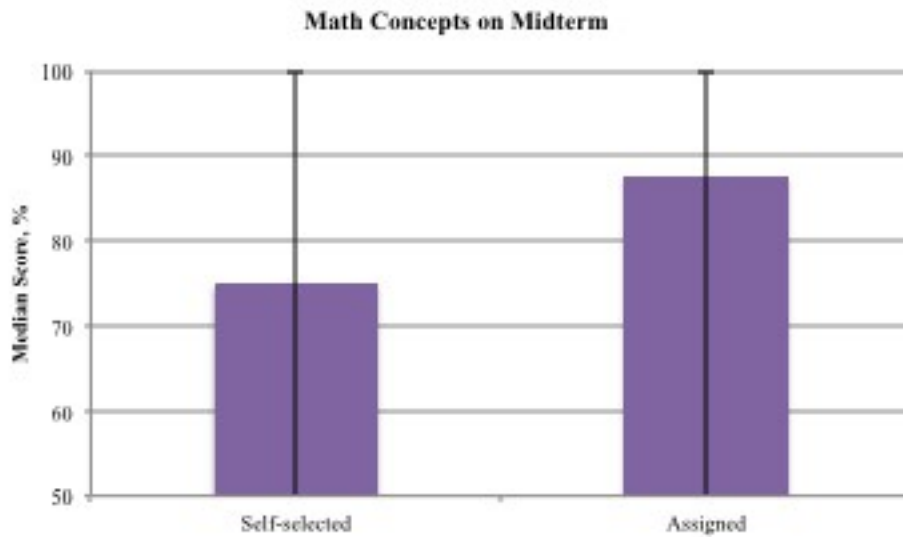
You need to make 500.0 mL of 0.0750 M NaCl. Show the calculations for making this solution from the solid reagent and describe how you would prepare it in the lab based on these calculations. The atomic mass of sodium is 22.9898 g/mol and the atomic mass of chlorine is 35.4527 g/mol.

Using your stock solutions created above, you plot the absorbance versus concentration at a wavelength of 425 nm. Using the standard curve created below determine the concentration of an unknown Kool-Aid solution with an absorbance value of 125.

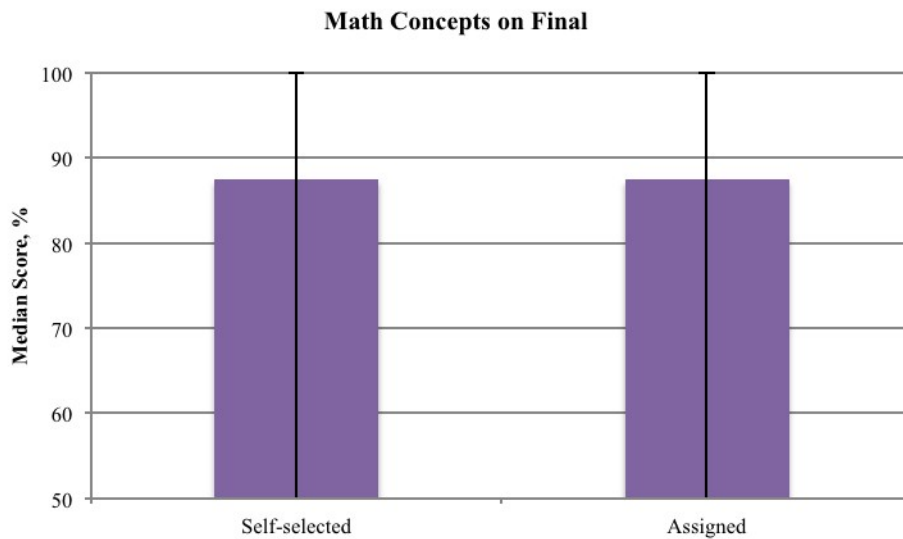


## Appendix F: Math Performance on Midterm and Final Exams

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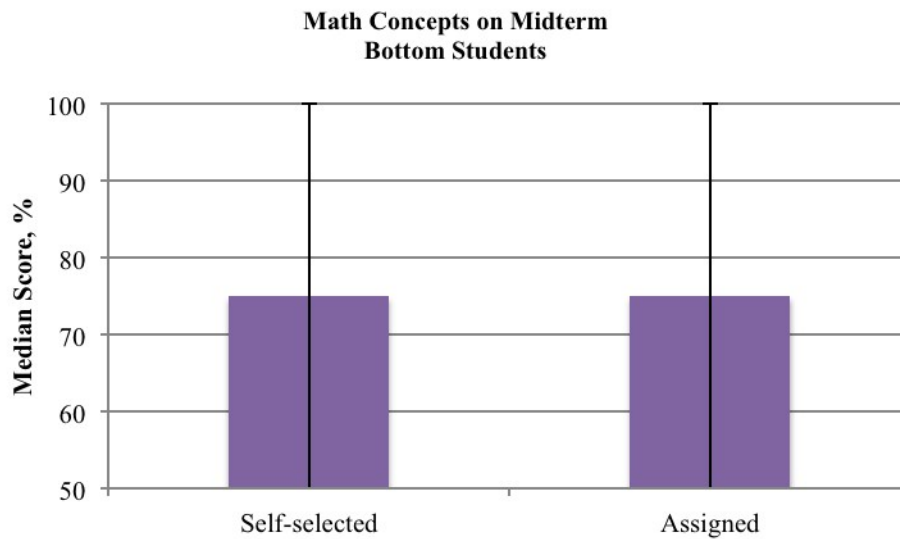
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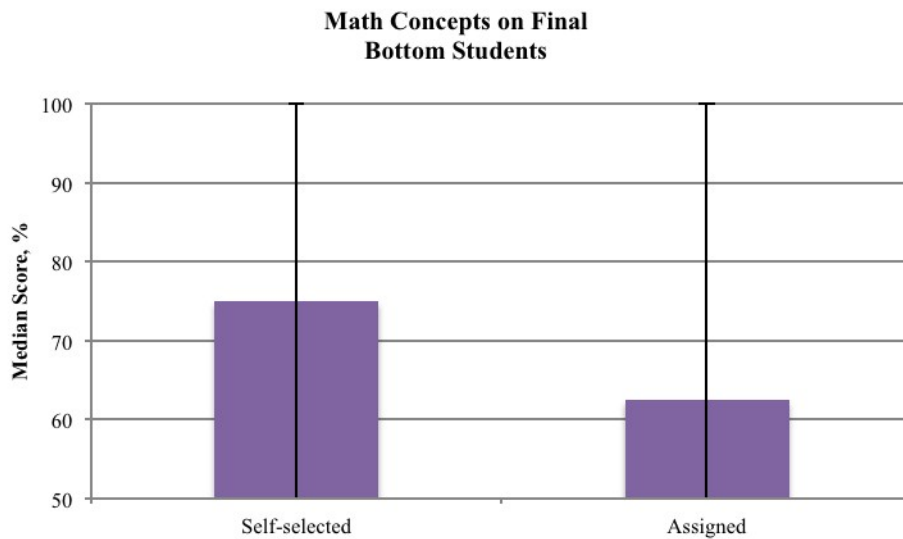
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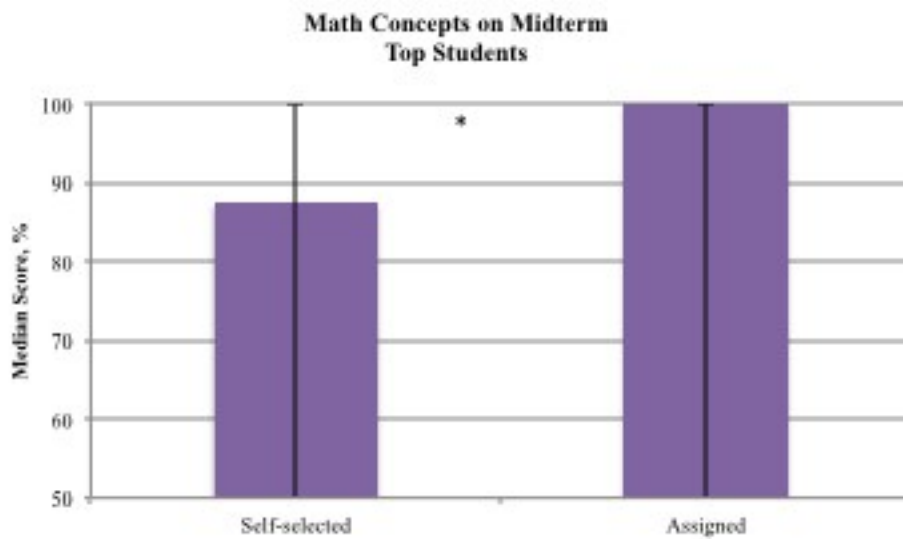
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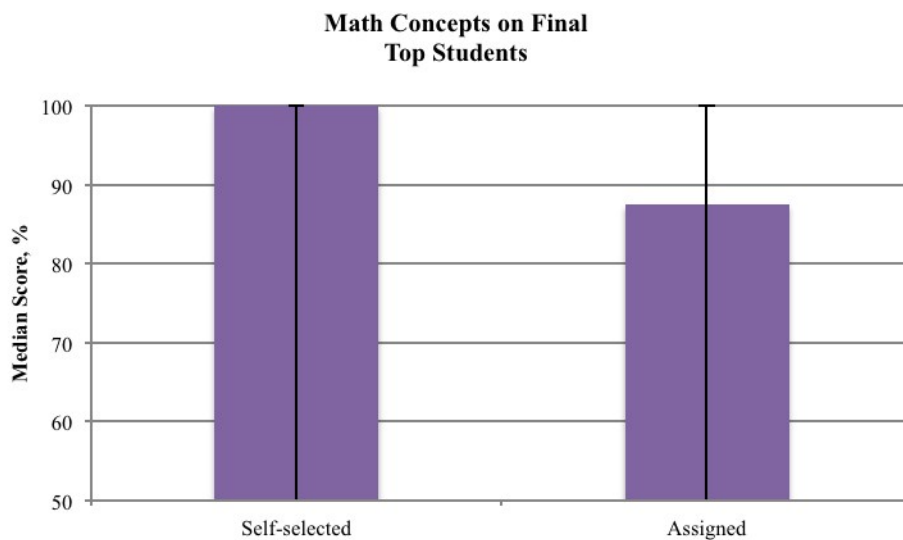
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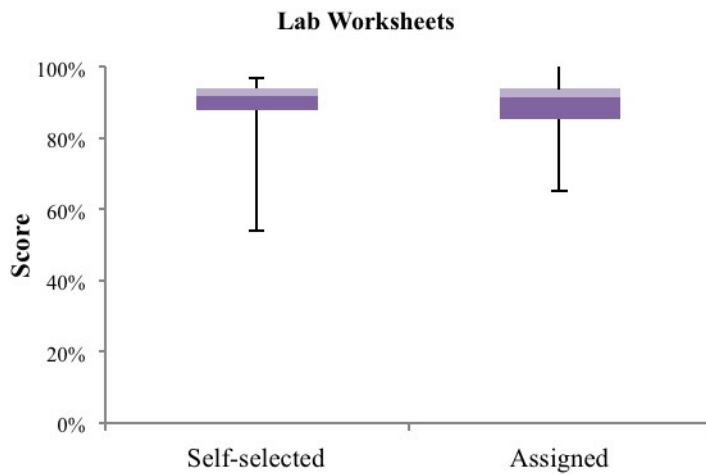


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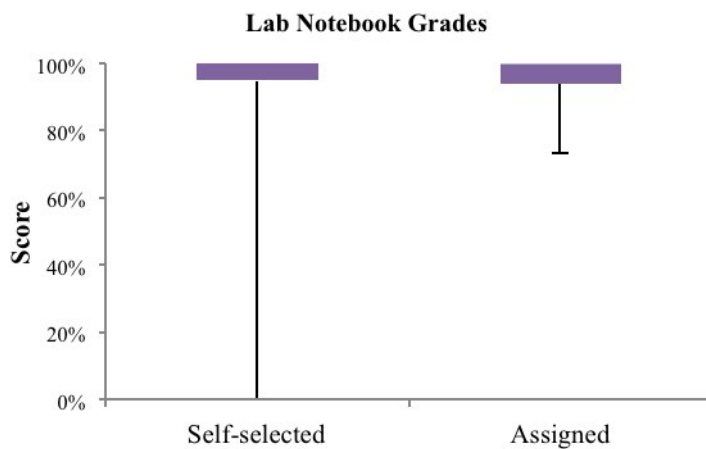


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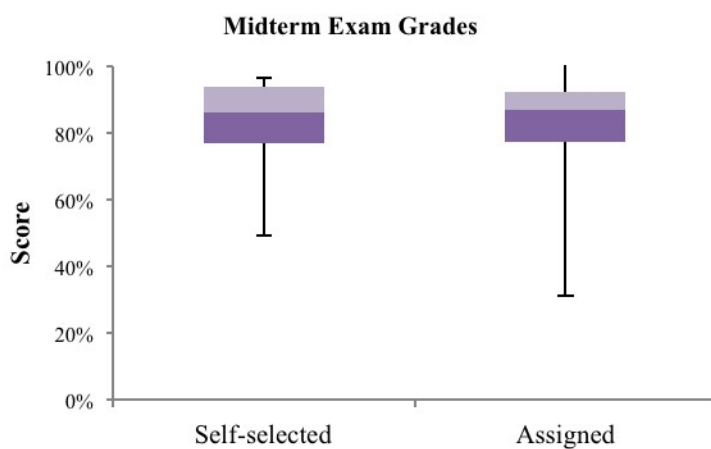
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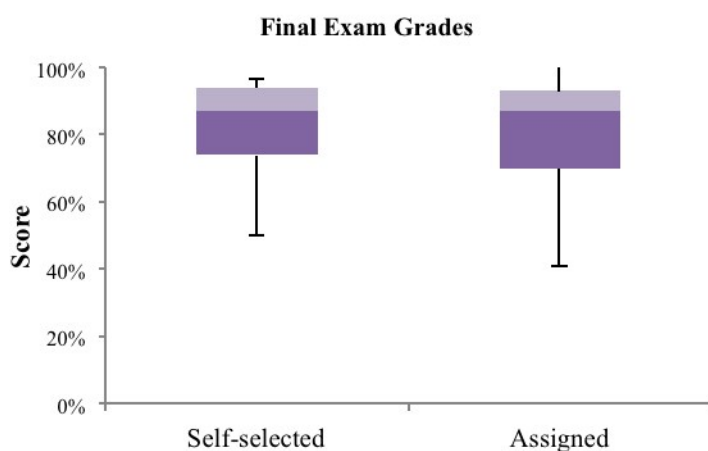
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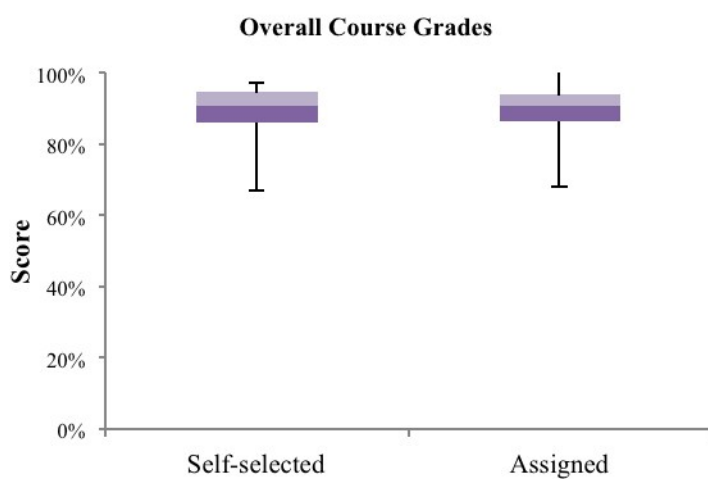
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