2004 PA State Science Olympiad: Reach for the Stars Team Number B

Participants: _____ & _____ &

Directions:

- A. Do not bend or write on the maps!
- B. Always include units (m, °, N, S, E, or W) with number value responses.
- C. Reference only the East longitude coordinates ... those printed in **black type**.
- D. During Part 2 of the Reach for the Stars Event, you will be working with two large-sized maps of Mars. Sheet 1 displays a Topographic Map; sheet 2 displays a Color Coded Contour Map. The specific sheet(s) to use in answering the questions under each topic has been identified after each topic heading.
- E. You need not spend time reading the text at the top center of each map.

MAP SURVEY (Map Sheet 1)

- 1. For whom are a majority of Martian craters named? Be specific.
- 2. Which surface features rise to the highest elevations? ______
- 3. Which surface features have the lowest elevations?
- 4. What projection was used to create the circular-shaped maps?
- 5. Does the region surrounding the **North** or **South Polar Region** have the youngest surface?
- 6. State an observation or hypothesis supporting your reasoning for Question 5.
- 7. The large rectangular map was drawn using the Mercator Projection. On the Mercator Projection, is distortion greatest at 0°, +30°, or – 57°?

MAP RELIEF (Map Sheets 1 and 2)

- 8. Name the specific feature that rises to the highest elevation.
- 9. What is the elevation of the feature, identified in number 8, at its highest point?
- 10. Name the specific feature having the lowest elevation.
- 11. What is the elevation of the feature, identified in number 10, at its lowest point?
- 12. A map's relief is defined as the difference between its highest and lowest points in elevation. Calculate the relief of the large rectangular map.

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RELATIVE AGING OF CRATERS (Map Sheet 1)

13. Locate the craters Luzin, Cassini, and Tikhonravov between 10° N 30° E and 30° N
40° E. Which of these three craters is oldest?
14. State two observations to support your response to question 13.
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15. Which of these three craters is youngest?
16. State two observations to support your response to question 15.
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ROBOTIC EXPLORATION OF THE MARTIAN SURFACE (Map Sheet 1)

- 17. Which earlier Martian mission landed at 19°N 326.5°E?
- 18. Which earlier Martian mission landed at 47.5°N 134°E?
- 19. The Spirit rover landed at 15°S 175°E. What Martian feature is at this location?
- 20. The Opportunity rover landed at 2°S 355°E. What Martian feature is at this location?
- 21. Both the Spirit and the Opportunity rovers were solar-powered. While one was active, the other was inactive. Explain why. _____

