

**National Science Olympiad *Reach for the Stars – C***  
**ANSWER KEY**

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- (1) Cas A \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) Cassiopeia \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) supernova remnant \_\_\_\_\_  
(4) Chandra \_\_\_\_\_  
(5) X-ray \_\_\_\_\_  
(6) optical \_\_\_\_\_  
(7) infrared \_\_\_\_\_  
(8) radio \_\_\_\_\_  
(9) the layers of elements must be overturned during the explosion \_\_\_\_\_  
(10) 5421 km/s \_\_\_\_\_

2.

- (11) the Crab pulsar \_\_\_\_\_  
(12) 23 milliseconds \_\_\_\_\_  
(13) slowing down \_\_\_\_\_  
(14) 137655 km/s \_\_\_\_\_  
(15) 46% \_\_\_\_\_

3.

- (16A) elliptical \_\_\_\_\_  
(16B) lenticular \_\_\_\_\_  
(16C) spiral \_\_\_\_\_  
(16D) barred spiral \_\_\_\_\_  
(17) irregular \_\_\_\_\_  
(18a) Andromeda – spiral \_\_\_\_\_  
(18b) M82- irregular \_\_\_\_\_  
(18c) Large Magellanic Cloud-irr \_\_\_\_\_

(18d) M100-spiral \_\_\_\_\_

- (18e) Cen A- elliptical \_\_\_\_\_  
(19) 14° \_\_\_\_\_  
(20) 28% larger \_\_\_\_\_  
(21)  $3.4 \times 10^6$  yr \_\_\_\_\_  
(22)  $56 \times 10^6$  ly \_\_\_\_\_  
(23) C \_\_\_\_\_  
(24) instability strip \_\_\_\_\_  
(25) stable, bit short, abruptly longer \_\_\_\_\_  
(26) 49,700 ly \_\_\_\_\_  
(27) Milky Way Galaxy \_\_\_\_\_  
(28) B \_\_\_\_\_

4.

- (29) Hercules \_\_\_\_\_  
(30) RA 16<sup>h</sup>42<sup>m</sup> dec 36° 28' \_\_\_\_\_  
(31) globular cluster \_\_\_\_\_  
(32) -8.5 \_\_\_\_\_  
(33) 2.3 M<sub>o</sub> & 3.86 M<sub>o</sub> \_\_\_\_\_  
(34) very old \_\_\_\_\_  
(35) B \_\_\_\_\_  
(36) E \_\_\_\_\_  
(37) C \_\_\_\_\_  
(38) D \_\_\_\_\_  
(39) F \_\_\_\_\_  
(40) A \_\_\_\_\_  
(41) C \_\_\_\_\_

(42) there are stars on the main sequence younger than the turnoff point of the cluster \_\_\_\_\_

5.

(43) 52 km/s/Mpc \_\_\_\_\_

(44)  $19 \times 10^9$  yrs \_\_\_\_\_

6.

(45) Canis Major \_\_\_\_\_

(46) Sirius \_\_\_\_\_

(47) L \_\_\_\_\_

(48) O \_\_\_\_\_

(49) Crab pulsar \_\_\_\_\_

(50) C \_\_\_\_\_

(51) X-ray \_\_\_\_\_

(52) H \_\_\_\_\_

(53) F \_\_\_\_\_

(54) E \_\_\_\_\_

(55) Cen A \_\_\_\_\_

(56) M82 \_\_\_\_\_

(57) RA  $10^{\text{h}}$  dec  $+69^{\circ}$  \_\_\_\_\_

(58) B \_\_\_\_\_

(59) Q \_\_\_\_\_

(60) T \_\_\_\_\_

(61) I \_\_\_\_\_

(62) Andromeda Galaxy \_\_\_\_\_

(63) G \_\_\_\_\_

(64) S \_\_\_\_\_

(65) Pleiades \_\_\_\_\_

(66) open cluster \_\_\_\_\_

(67) A \_\_\_\_\_

(68) U \_\_\_\_\_

(69) P \_\_\_\_\_

(70) Puppis \_\_\_\_\_

(71) Spica \_\_\_\_\_

(72) Virgo \_\_\_\_\_

(73) 77 pc \_\_\_\_\_

(74) black holes this size have not been found outside galactic centers before \_\_\_\_\_