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IB Diploma Chemistry HL: Transition Elements Assessment

Student Name: _____ **Class:** _____

Candidate Number: _____ **Date:** {{DATE}}

Assessment Details

Duration: 2 hours **Total Marks:** 100

Topics Covered:
- Electronic Configuration
- Oxidation States
- Coordination Chemistry
- Spectroscopic Properties
- Catalytic Mechanisms

Examination Instructions:

1. Answer ALL questions in the spaces provided.
2. Show complete mathematical and chemical reasoning.
3. Use scientific notation where appropriate.
4. Non-programmable calculators permitted.
5. Periodic table will be provided.

Section A: Multiple Choice [20 marks]
Question 1 [2 marks]

Which characteristic best describes transition metals?

A) Completely filled s-orbitals
B) Partially filled d-orbitals
C) Complete p-orbital configuration
D) Fully occupied electron shells
Question 2 [2 marks]

Which transition metal exhibits the most variable oxidation states?

A) Zinc
B) Scandium
C) Manganese
D) Copper
Section B: Short Answer Questions [40 marks]
Question 3 [10 marks]

Explain the principles of crystal field theory and its implications for transition metal complex colors.

a) Define crystal field splitting [3 marks]

b) Describe how d-orbital electron transitions produce color [4 marks]

c) Provide an example of a colored transition metal complex [3 marks]
Section C: Extended Response [40 marks]
Question 4 [15 marks]

Analyze the catalytic properties of transition metals in the Haber Process.

a) Describe the role of iron in nitrogen fixation [5 marks]

b) Calculate the efficiency of the industrial process [5 marks]

c) Discuss environmental implications of the process [5 marks]