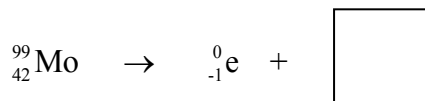
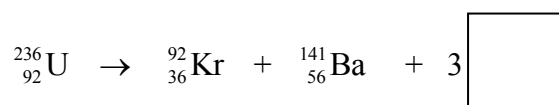
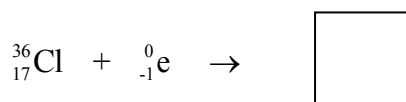


**Marks**  
**3**

- Balance the following nuclear reactions by identifying the missing nuclear particle or nuclide.

**3**

- The half-life of plutonium-239 is 24110 years. How many years (to the nearest year) must pass after  ${}_{94}^{239}\text{Pu}$  is produced for the number of  ${}_{94}^{239}\text{Pu}$  atoms to decay to 0.01000 of the original number?

Answer:

**2**

- Provide a brief explanation of the process by which nuclear radiation causes biological damage.