Recycling Technologies for Zinc

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1. What is the definition of recycling?

A) Recovering and reprocessing waste materials for use in new products.
B) Disposing of waste materials in landfills.
C) Burning waste materials to generate energy.
D) Extracting raw materials from the earth.

2. What are the basic phases in recycling?

A) Collection, processing into new products, and purchasing those products.
B) Extraction of raw materials, manufacturing, and disposal.
C) Sorting, refining, and packaging.
D) Research, development, and marketing.

3. Besides ecological benefits, what other significance does recycling have in modern industry?

A) Economic significance, creating jobs and reducing reliance on imported raw materials.
B) Increased pollution and waste generation.
C) Higher production costs and reduced efficiency.
D) Limited application in industrial processes.

4. Which metals are specifically mentioned as having particular importance for recycling due to energy efficiency and cost-effectiveness when processed from secondary raw materials?

A) Aluminum, copper, and zinc.
B) Iron and steel.
C) Gold and silver.
D) Platinum and palladium.

5. After iron, aluminum, and copper, what is the rank of zinc in terms of the most frequently used metal globally?

A) Fourth.
B) Fifth.
C) Sixth.
D) Seventh.

6. What is the primary use of zinc mentioned in the text?

A) Galvanizing to protect iron and steel from rusting.
B) Manufacturing of batteries.
C) Production of alloys like brass.
D) Use in construction materials.

7. Which of the following is NOT listed as an ecological aspect of zinc recycling?

A) Significant reduction in energy consumption.
B) Increased land and water pollution.
C) Reduced emission footprint and contamination.
D) Support for a circular economy.

8. Which of the following is NOT listed as an economic advantage of zinc recycling?

A) Lower production and energy costs.
B) Increased waste disposal costs.
C) More stable supply chains.
D) Greater market competitiveness.

9. Which of these is a type of waste that contains zinc?

A) Galvanic waste.
B) Plastic packaging.
C) Organic food scraps.
D) Glass bottles.

10. What is the goal of mechanical recycling technologies for zinc?

A) Separating and purifying zinc from mixed materials.
B) Melting zinc at high temperatures.
C) Dissolving zinc using chemical solutions.
D) Using bacteria to extract zinc.

11. Which of these is a mechanical method for zinc recycling?

A) Crushing, grinding, and sorting.
B) Electrolysis.
C) Leaching with sulfuric acid.
D) Bioleaching.

12. What is a disadvantage of pyrometallurgical methods for zinc recycling?

A) High energy consumption and gas emissions.
B) Low efficiency for complex materials.
C) Slow processes and sensitivity to conditions.
D) Generation of hazardous liquid waste.

13. Which pyrometallurgical processes are mentioned for zinc recycling?

A) Waelz process and ISP process.
B) Bioleaching and bioelectrochemical systems.
C) Leaching and electrolysis.
D) Crushing and grinding.

14. What is the principle behind hydrometallurgical methods for zinc recycling?

A) Chemical dissolution of metals from waste using aqueous solutions.
B) Processing at high temperatures.
C) Using microorganisms to extract metals.
D) Physical separation of materials.

15. What is a significant advantage of hydrometallurgical methods for zinc recycling?

A) High purity of the metal.
B) Low energy consumption.
C) Environmentally friendly processes.
D) Fast processing times.

16. Which biotechnological approach for zinc recycling involves bacteria or fungi dissolving zinc?

A) Bioleaching.
B) Electrolysis.
C) Waelz process.
D) Gravitational separation.

17. What is a disadvantage of biotechnological approaches for zinc recycling, as mentioned in the text?

A) Slow processes and still in the development phase.
B) High energy consumption.
C) Generation of toxic byproducts.
D) Limited applicability to zinc waste.

18. Which of the following is a disadvantage of mechanical recycling methods for zinc?

A) No direct separation of pure zinc and may require further processing.
B) High energy consumption.
C) Generation of hazardous liquid waste.
D) Slow processing times.

19. What is a significant environmental benefit of less zinc mining due to recycling?

A) Conservation of resources and biodiversity.
B) Increased air pollution.
C) Higher greenhouse gas emissions.
D) Greater landfill usage.