## Refraction Problems ANSWERS

1) Complete the chart below. Make you calculations on another page.

| Medium 1 | Medium 2 | Index of <br> refraction <br> $\left(\mathbf{n}_{1}\right)$ | Index of <br> refraction $\left(\mathbf{n}_{2}\right)$ | Angle of <br> incidence <br> $\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{1}\right)$ | Angle of <br> refraction <br> $\left(\Theta_{2}\right)$ |
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| Air | Diamond | 1.00 | 2.42 | $30^{\circ}$ | $11.9^{\circ}$ |
| Air | Zircon | 1.00 | 1.90 | $30^{\circ}$ | $15.3^{\circ}$ |
| Diamond | Air | 2.42 | 1.00 | $4.1^{\circ}$ | $10^{\circ}$ |
| Water | Diamond | 1.33 | 2.42 | $18^{\circ}$ | $10^{\circ}$ |

2) If the angle of incidence (from crown glass, $\mathrm{n}=1.52$ ) is $30^{\circ}$, find the angle of refraction in diamond ( $\mathrm{n}=2.42$ ).

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(1.52) \sin 30^{\circ} / 2.42=\sin \theta_{2} \quad \theta_{2}=18.3^{\circ}
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3) a) Draw a ray diagram to show the path of ray of light as it passes from air ( $n=1.00$ ) into a block of flint glass ( $\mathrm{n}=1.61$ ). Be sure to sketch the normal and show your measured angles and calculations using Snell's Law.
$20^{\circ}$ Angle of refraction $=12.3^{\circ}$
b) What would happen to the angle of refraction if the block was made of ice $(n=1.30)$ ? $14.5^{\circ}$
c) What will happen to the path of light when it passes back into the air? $20^{\circ}$
4) Complete the chart below

| Medium 1 | Medium 2 | Index of <br> refraction $\left(\mathbf{n}_{1}\right)$ | Index of refraction <br> $\left(\mathbf{n}_{2}\right)$ | Critical Angle <br> $\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{1}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diamond | Air | 2.42 | 1.00 | $24.4^{\circ}$ |
| Water | Air | 1.33 | 1.00 | $48.8^{\circ}$ |
| Glass | Water | 1.52 | 1.33 | $61.4^{\circ}$ |

5) You want to scoop a fish out of water. Where should you aim relative to the fish to capture it? Explain using a diagram. Above the actual location of the fish

6) In the diagram below, light is crossing a boundary from air to water ( $n=1.33$ ).

Draw the normal line, indicate the direction of the rays \& label each medium as air or water.

7) A diagram below shows a ray travelling from air into an object composed of 3 different media. Complete the diagram by continuing the ray until it leaves the object.


