

## **Questions on the Evidence for the Big Bang Presentation**

COSMOLOGY

## Answer the following questions during the presentation on Basic Astronomy.

- What is the big advantage of the Big Bang model? (slide 2) Explains three things at once
- 2. What is red shift? (slide 3) Increase in wavelength for light from distant galaxies
- 3. What did Hubble plot? (slide 4) Velocity of galaxy (from red shift) against distance
- 4. What do Hubble's original data show? (side 5) Rough straight line
- 5. What is the main implication of Hubble's law? (slide 6) Universe had a start
- 6. What does the Hubble constant tell us? (slide 6) Age of the universe
- Is there any empty space for galaxies to expand into? (slide 7) No, space is expanding
- 8. When did Penzias and Wilson win the Nobel Prize? (slide 8) 1978
- 9. What type of wave makes up the cosmic background now? (slide 9) Microwaves
- 10. What was the early universe filled with? (slide 9) Electrically charged particles
- 11. When did atoms form? (slide 9) 380,000 years into history
- 12. What fraction of the universe is made from helium? (slide 10) 24%
- 13. How do stars make helium? (slide 10) Fusion (joining) of hydrogen atoms
- 14. What happened in the first three minutes of the universe? (slide 10) Fusion throughout the whole universe
- 15. What has the universe done over history? (slide 11) Evolved





