Question 2:

| From simple molecules to monomers: | ~6 points |
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| Reducing atmosphere, sea floor vents, space (comets, meteorites, IDP) | ~3 points |
| Energy source: e.g., lightning, cosmic rays, etc. | ~3 points |
| From monomers to polymers: | ~6 points |
| Remove water and need energy; correct linkage | ~3 points |
| Warm tide pool, clay, Zinc ions as catalyst, etc | ~3 points |
| Transition to life: | ~8 points |
| RNA world: Ribozyme + incorporation of proteins | \sim 4+4 points |
| Protein first: Interpreters + incorporation of nucleic acids | \sim 4+4 points |
| Clay life: Replication of impurities + genetic takeover | \sim 4+4 points |
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Points are flexible depending on explanations. Excellent explanation for one part can compensate those that are not so good.

| Question 4: Description of the idea and the steps in the first PR experiment: | ~10 points | |
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| Assume that Martian life adapted to Martial condition and that Martian organisms | | |
| incorporate CO ₂ , e.g., like a photosynthesis process | ~4 points | |
| Expose Martian soil to CO ₂ with carbon 14 | ~3 points | |
| Pyrolize the soil to release CO ₂ | ~3 points | |
| Why carbon 14 was used (can be sensitively traced) Explanation of the first experiment The control experiments and their implications | ~3 points ~3 points ~4 points | |

Question 5:

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| General description of the mission (launch time, instruments, goals, etc) | ~ 12 points |
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| The GCMS experiment | \sim 2-3 points |
| The gas exchange experiment | \sim 2-3 points |
| The labeled release experiment | \sim 2-3 points |
| Some details are needed for the experiments listed above | |

Again points are flexible depending on explanations

Other missions:

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| Description of the mission, e.g., mission schedule, equipments, etc | ~12 points |
| Scientific goals and/or findings | ~4 points |
| Relation to the course (e.g., how the mission affected or will affect your | |
| choice of n_e or f_1) | ~4 points |