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ARE 346N Building Environmental Systems
Quiz 1

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4 Questions

1. (1 Pt)

Which statement is true (circle the right answer):

- wet bulb temperature (WBT) is **always lower** than dry bulb temperature (DBT)
- wet bulb temperature (WBT) is **always higher** than dry bulb temperature (DBT)
- **wet bulb temperature (WBT) cannot be higher than dry bulb temperature (DBT)**
- wet bulb temperature (WBT) **cannot be lower** than dry bulb temperature (DBT)

2. (2 Pts)

List the three environmental parameters that are controlled in buildings by HVAC systems:

Temperature , RH , Air velocity

3. (2 pt)

List the methods that human body uses to release the energy (List at least three methods):

**Convection from skin, Radiation from Skin, Evaporation from Skin,
Evaporation from Lung, Convection from Lung , Conduction from Skin**

4) (4 pts)

House A: annually uses 1000 kWh of electric energy and quantity of natural gas that produces 2000 kWh of heat energy.

House B annually uses 2000 kWh of electric energy and quantity of natural gas that produces 1000 kWh of heat energy.

If the furnace efficiency in both houses is 80%, which house contributes more to CO₂ emission?

A

B Correct answer is B

Convert everything to primary energy:

**A: Electric 1000 kWh of end use EE → $1/0.33 \cdot 1000 \text{ kWh} = 3000 \text{ kWh}$ of primary energy
Gas 2000 kWh for heating → $1/0.8 \cdot 2000 \text{ kWh} = 2500 \text{ kWh}$ of primary energy
Total primary energy: 5500 kWh**

**B: Electric 2000 kWh of end use EE → $1/0.33 \cdot 2000 \text{ kWh} = 6000 \text{ kWh}$ of primary energy
Gas 1000 kWh for heating → $1/0.8 \cdot 1000 \text{ kWh} = 1250 \text{ kWh}$ of primary energy
Total primary energy: 7250 kWh**