# Nuclear Reactions: Wayyyyy more energy than chemical reactions!

Reaction 1: Nuclear Fission Reaction

Nuclear Fission:

Examples:

a.

b.

c.

Why do you think the above reactions are called **nuclear fission**? What key characteristics of this reaction help you determine this is a fission reaction? (Identify at least 2)

Reaction 2: Nuclear Fusion Reaction

Nuclear Fusion:

Examples:

a.

b.

c.

Why do you think the above reactions are called **nuclear fusion**? What key characteristics of this reaction help you determine this is a fission reaction? (Identify at least 2)

Reaction 3: Natural Transmutation

Natural Transmutation:

a.

b.

c.

Why do you think the above reactions are called **natural transmutation**? What key characteristics of this reaction help you determine this is a fission reaction? (Identify at least 2)

Reaction 4: Artificial Transmutation

Artificial Transmutation:

Examples:

a.

b.

c.

Why do you think the above reactions are called **artificial transmutation**? What key characteristics of this reaction help you determine this is a fission reaction? (Identify at least 2)

Directions: Identify the nuclear reaction type for the following equations. Then determine if mass is conserved.

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| **Nuclear Equation** | **Nuclear Reaction** | **Mass conserved?** |
| 1 |  |  |
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