Name: (Answer Key)

Directions: Below is a multiple-choice question based on some of the material covered by the lectures thus far. Choose what you think to be the most correct response from the choices listed, along with at least a one (1) sentence justification for your answer. In the case of a question involving math, the calculation can serve as your justification. The question is worth 5 points: 2 for the letter response and 3 for the justification. The quiz is “open-book”, so may consult your textbook and notes, but please work individually. No collaborating with your peers is permitted during the quiz.

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Question: Approximately on what day of the year does the Sun cross the zenith in Honolulu (latitude = 21.3 degrees N)?
   A) The vernal (spring) equinox: Mar 21
   B) The autumnal (fall) equinox: Sep 23
   C) Shortly before the summer solstice: just before Jun 21
   D) The winter solstice: Dec 22
   E) Shortly after the summer solstice: just after Jun 21

Answer: either C or E as long as it is justified