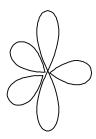
## ConcepTest on hybridization



How many orbitals are shown above?

- 1. one
- 2. three
- 3. four
- 4. five

Correct Answer: Choice 3 (four orbitals) and Choice 4 (five orbitals)

Comment to Instructor: The sketch can be viewed as five  $sp^3d$  orbital, or three  $sp^2$  orbitals and one p orbital, adding up to four total. It is not a bad idea to sometimes provide more than one correct answer to choose from. It teaches students to think critically and not try to guess what the instructor wants.

If an atom is utilizing sp<sup>2</sup> hybrid orbitals, how many unhybridized p orbital(s) does it have?

- 1. one
- 2. two
- 3. three
- 4. four

Correct Answer: 1. one