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45 minutes.

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Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.
Write your answers in the spaces provided in this question paper.
Answer **all six** questions.

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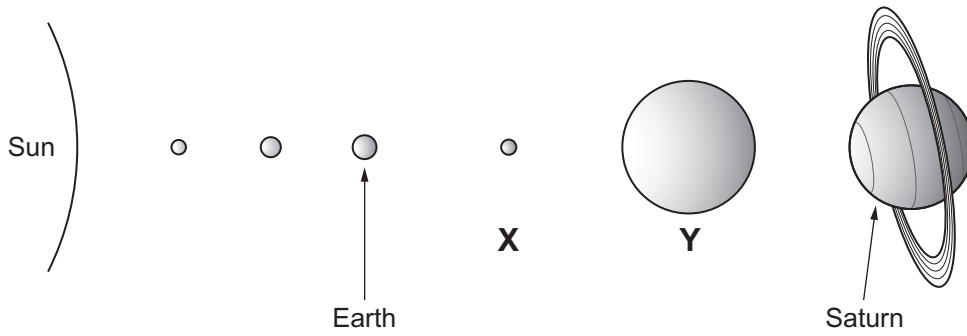
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1 (a) The diagram below shows part of our Solar System.



Name the **two** planets **X** and **Y** between the Earth and Saturn.

X _____

Y _____ [2]

(b) Complete the sentences below.

Choose from:

- fission pulled fusion**
pushed nitrogen hydrogen

Our Sun is a star. It is made of a gas called _____.

This gas is _____ together by gravity, producing energy in a process called nuclear _____. [3]

(c) The table below shows the strength of gravity on some planets from our Solar System.

Planet	Strength of gravity N/kg
A	4
B	9
C	10
D	4
E	26

On which planet **A**, **B**, **C**, **D** or **E** would your weight be the biggest?

_____ [1]

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(d) The photograph below shows Voyager 1. It was launched in 1977 to search for life on other planets.



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What name is given to life which may be found on other planets?

_____ [1]

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2 (a) Below are some statements. Which **two**, **A**, **B**, **C**, **D** or **E**, are correct for fossil fuels?

- A They take hundreds of years to make.
- B They do not increase global warming when burnt.
- C They take millions of years to make.
- D They are made from the remains of plants and animals.
- E They will last forever.

_____ and _____ [2]

(b) Lignite is a fossil fuel found in Northern Ireland.
Suggest **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of lignite mining for people who live in the local community.

Advantage

Disadvantage

[2]

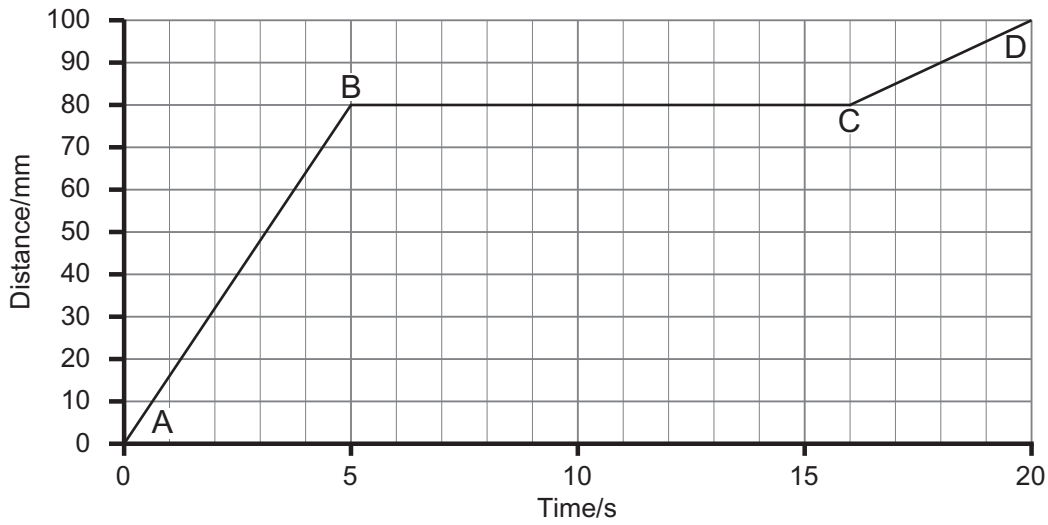
(c) Name **two** other fossil fuels apart from lignite.

1. _____

2. _____ [2]

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3 (a) Shown below is a distance–time graph for a caterpillar crawling across a leaf.



(i) Describe the motion of the caterpillar from A to B.

Choose from:

stopped : steady speed : accelerating

_____ [1]

(ii) During which part of the journey is the caterpillar crawling at the fastest speed?

Choose from:

A to B : B to C : C to D

_____ [1]

(iii) Use the equation:

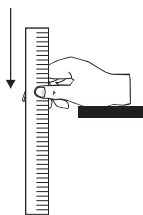
$$\text{average speed} = \frac{\text{total distance}}{\text{total time}}$$

to calculate the average speed of the caterpillar from A to D.
(Show your working out.)

_____ mm/s [2]

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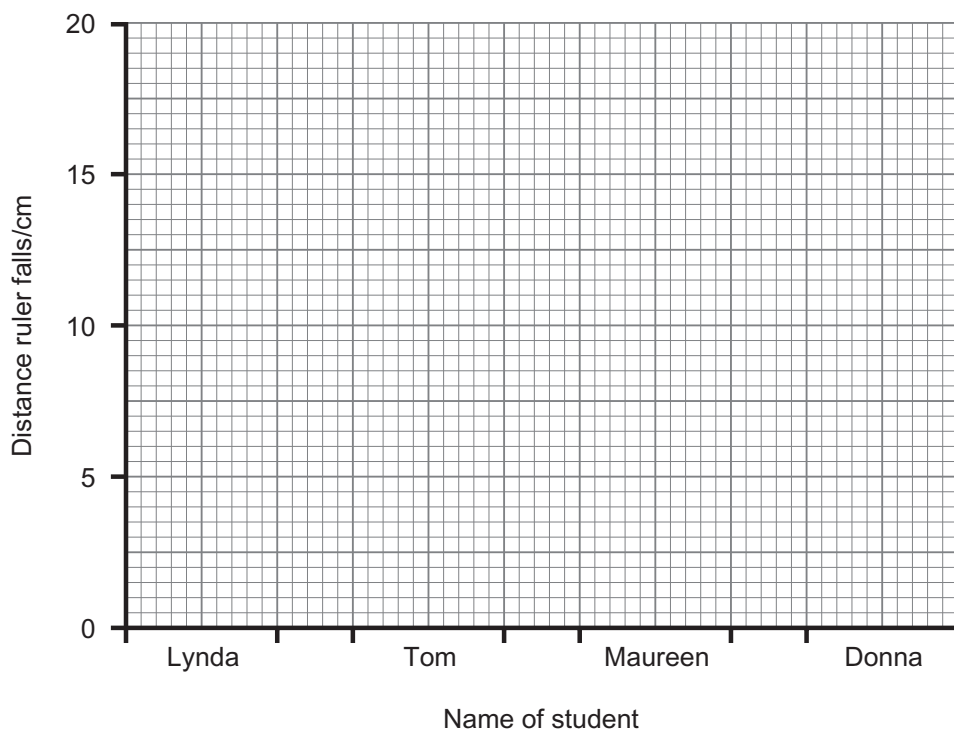
- (b) Quick reactions are very important when driving a car. The simple experiment shown below can test reactions by catching a falling ruler.



The results for four students are shown below.

Name of student	Distance ruler falls/cm
Lynda	20
Tom	10
Maureen	14
Donna	8

- (i) Draw a **bar graph** of their results on the grid below.

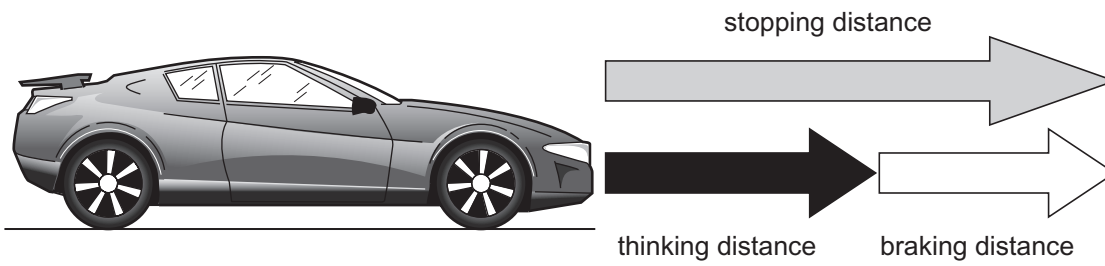


- (ii) Name the student with the fastest reactions.

_____ [1]

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- (c) The stopping distance of a car can be calculated by adding the thinking distance to the braking distance.



Use this information to complete the table below.

Speed/mph	Thinking distance/m	Braking distance/m	Stopping distance/m
20	6	6	12
30	9	14	
40		24	36
50	15	38	53

[2]

- (d) The photograph below shows a brake from a car. Brakes rubbing against the wheel stop the car.



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- (i) Name the force between the brake and the wheel which causes the car to stop.

_____ [1]

- (ii) Name the type of energy wasted during braking.

_____ [1]

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- (e) The poster below has been used to warn drivers of the dangers of driving when tired. Tiredness can slow a driver's reactions.



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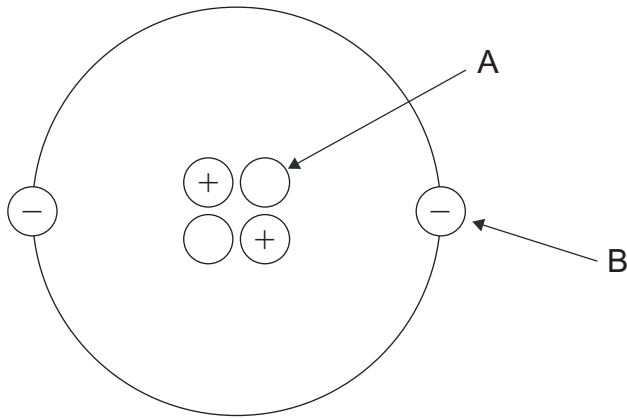
Complete the table below using a tick (✓) to show the effects tiredness will have.

	Decrease	No change	Increase
Reaction time			
Thinking distance			
Braking distance			

[3]

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4 The diagram below shows the structure of an atom.

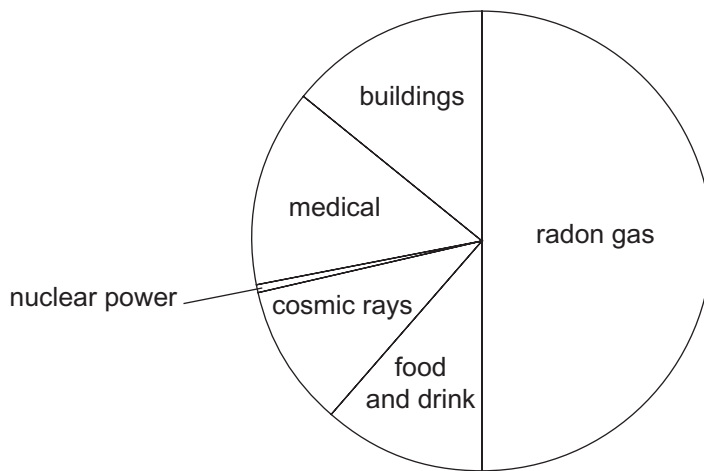


(a) Name the particles labelled A and B.

A _____

B _____ [2]

(b) The pie chart below shows sources of radiation.



(i) Use the pie chart to name **one** man-made source of radiation.

_____ [1]

(ii) What name is given to radiation which is always around us?

Circle the correct answer.

surround background foreground underground

[1]

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- 5 (a) The photograph below shows the Toyota Prius, a hybrid car which uses two energy sources.



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- (i) Name the **two** energy sources.

1. _____
2. _____ [2]

- (ii) Explain fully why the manufacturer claims this is an environmentally friendly car.

_____ [3]

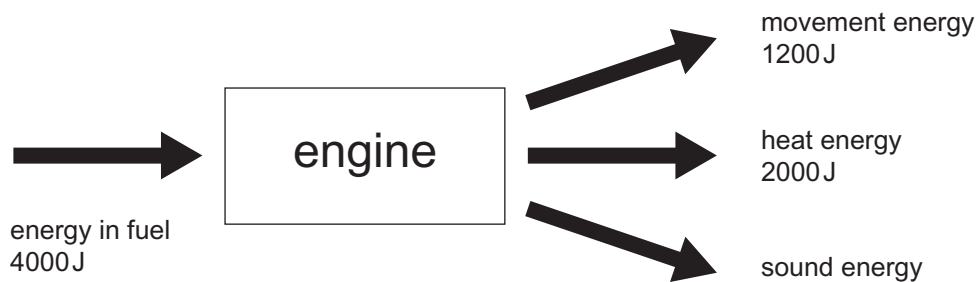
- (b) Manufacturers are always trying to improve the efficiency of their cars. What is meant by the term 'efficiency'?

_____ [1]

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(c) The diagram below shows the energy transfer in an engine.



(i) Calculate how much sound energy is produced.

_____ J [1]

(ii) Use the equation:

$$\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}}$$

to calculate the efficiency of the engine.
(Show your working out.)

_____ [2]

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- 6 (a) Strontium-90 is radioactive and emits beta particles. Describe a simple experiment using a radiation counter, paper, aluminium and lead to show that beta particles are emitted.

[3]

- (b) Strawberries are sometimes passed through a radioactive source.



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Explain fully how this radiation treatment is an advantage when storing strawberries.

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