



*Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit*  
State Examinations Commission

*Junior Certificate Examination, 2012*

# *Technology*

## *Ordinary Level*

*Wednesday, 20 June*  
*Afternoon, 2:00 - 4:00*

**Instructions:**

1. Answer **Section A** (short answer questions). 80 marks
2. Answer **two** questions from **Section B**. 80 marks
3. Hand up this paper at the end of the examination.
4. Write your examination number in the box below.






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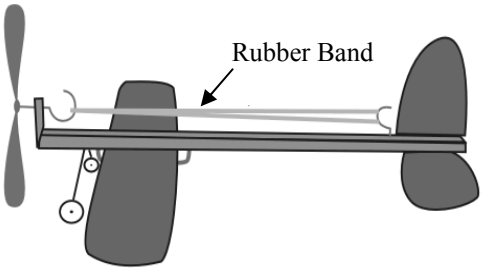
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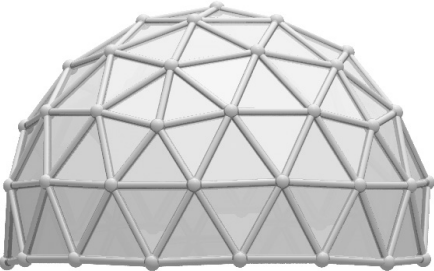
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Section A – 80 Marks. Answer **any sixteen** questions in this section.

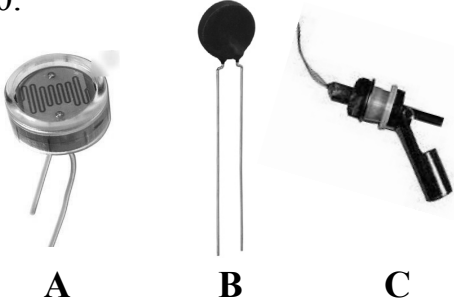
<p>1.</p> 	<p>Shown is a graphic of a car. The graphic of the car is:</p>	<p>A Pictorial view</p>	
<p>2.</p> 	<p>In digital camera technology the number of Megapixels is a measure of:</p>	<p>The size of the lens</p>	
<p>3.</p> 	<p>To type a capital letter with a computer keyboard you can use the:</p>	<p>Tab key</p>	
<p>4.</p> 	<p>Shown is a resistor. Resistance is measured in:</p>	<p>Volts</p>	
<p>5.</p> 	<p>The toggle switch shown is:</p>	<p>DPDT</p>	
		<p>SPST</p>	
		<p>SPDT</p>	


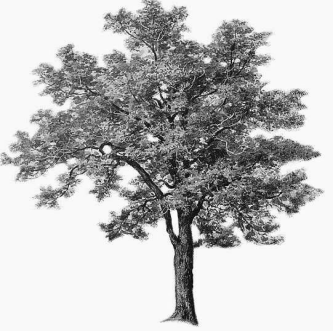



<p>6.</p> 	<p>The 'U' in USB stands for:</p>	Universal	
		Unicode	
		Unilateral	




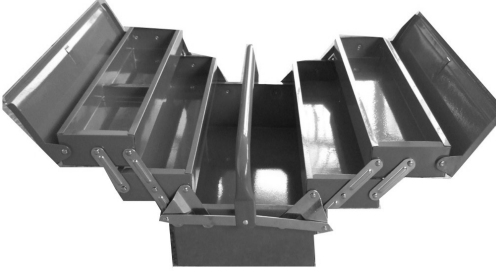
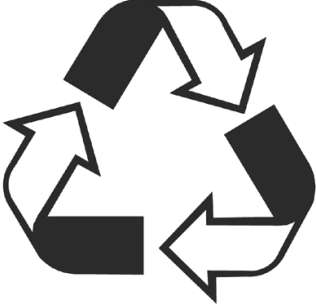
<p>7.</p> 	<p>Shown is a toy plane which uses a rubber band. The force in the rubber band is:</p>	Compression	
		Tension	
		Bending	

<p>8.</p> 	<p>Shown is a geodesic dome. A geodesic dome is a:</p>	Frame structure	
		Shell structure	
		Tensile structure	

<p>9.</p> 	<p>On the stapler shown, 'A' marks the position of the:</p>	Load	
		Effort	
		Fulcrum	

<p>10.</p> 	<p>Three electronic components are shown.</p> <p>Which of these components is used for light or dark sensing?</p>	Component A	
		Component B	
		Component C	

<p>11.</p> 	<p>Plastic drinks bottles are made using a process called:</p>	<p>Vacuum forming</p>	
		<p>Line bending</p>	
		<p>Blow moulding</p>	
<p>12.</p> 	<p>The wood from the ash tree is an example of a:</p>	<p>Hardwood</p>	
		<p>Softwood</p>	
		<p>Greenwood</p>	
<p>13.</p> 	<p>Copper is:</p>	<p>An alloy</p>	
		<p>A pure metal</p>	
		<p>A ferrous metal</p>	
<p>14.</p> 	<p>The television was invented by:</p>	<p>Thomas Edison</p>	
		<p>John Logie Baird</p>	
		<p>Nikola Tesla</p>	
<p>15.</p> 	<p>The production of the Model T Ford in 1920 was one of the first examples of:</p>	<p>One-off production</p>	
		<p>Just-in-time production</p>	
		<p>Mass Production</p>	

16.		The safety sign shown symbolises:	A danger zone	
			A toxic substance	
			A radioactive material	
17.		The tool shown is:	An open wrench	
			A ring spanner	
			A torque wrench	
18.		The blade of a scroll saw moves up and down. This is an example of:	Rotary motion	
			Oscillating motion	
			Reciprocating motion	
19.		The mechanism on the side of the toolbox shown is an example of a:	Rack and pinion	
			Parallel linkage	
			Simple gear train	
20.		This symbol, often found on packaging, means:	Reduce	
			Reuse	
			Recycle	

Section B – 80 Marks.  
Answer **any two** questions from this section.

**Question 1**

**40 Marks**

**(a)** A graphic of a desk tidy is shown. On the desk tidy, a folded plastic panel is used to display a timetable.

*12 marks*

(i) Name a suitable plastic for the folded panel shown and give a reason for your choice.

Plastic: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

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(ii) It was decided to add a plastic top surface to the wooden base. Suggest a reason for this.

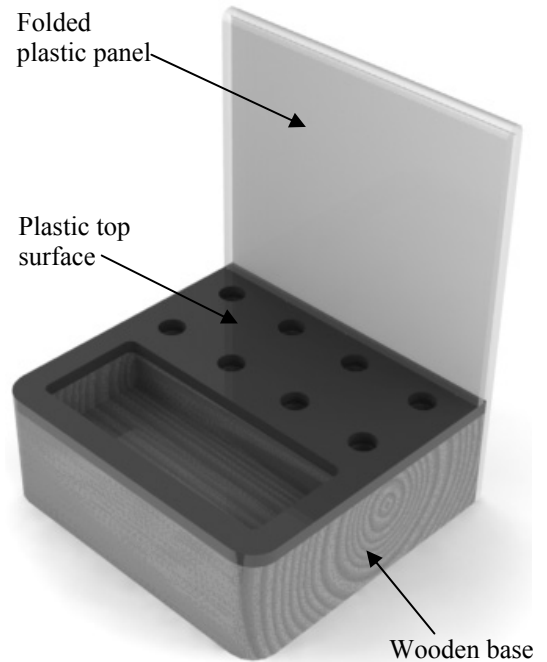
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(iii) List **three** woods suitable for the base:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_



Desk Tidy

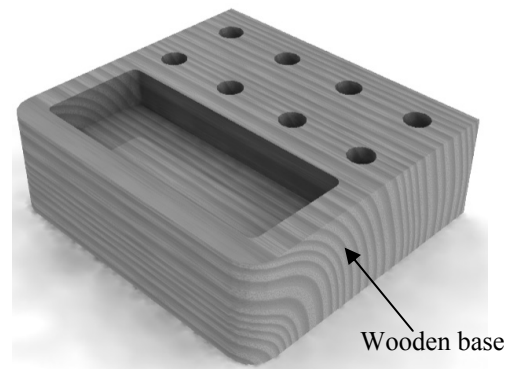
**(b)** (i) Eight holes had to be drilled in the wooden base to a depth of 20mm. Explain how you would ensure that the drill bit does not drill deeper than 20mm for these holes.

*8 marks*

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(ii) Describe the process of finishing the wood so that it is smooth and easily kept clean.

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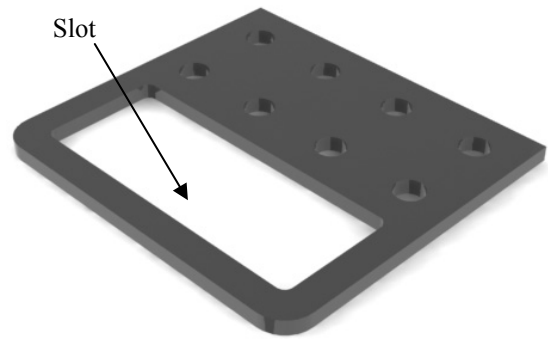
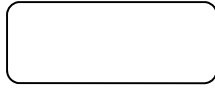
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## Question 1

12 marks

- (c) (i) The shape of the slot removed from the plastic top surface of the desk tidy is rectangular with the corners rounded as shown.



To make the slot, a drill, scroll saw and file were used. Explain in detail how the tools listed were used to do this.

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- (ii) When deciding the size of the holes in the desk tidy, what did the designer have to consider?

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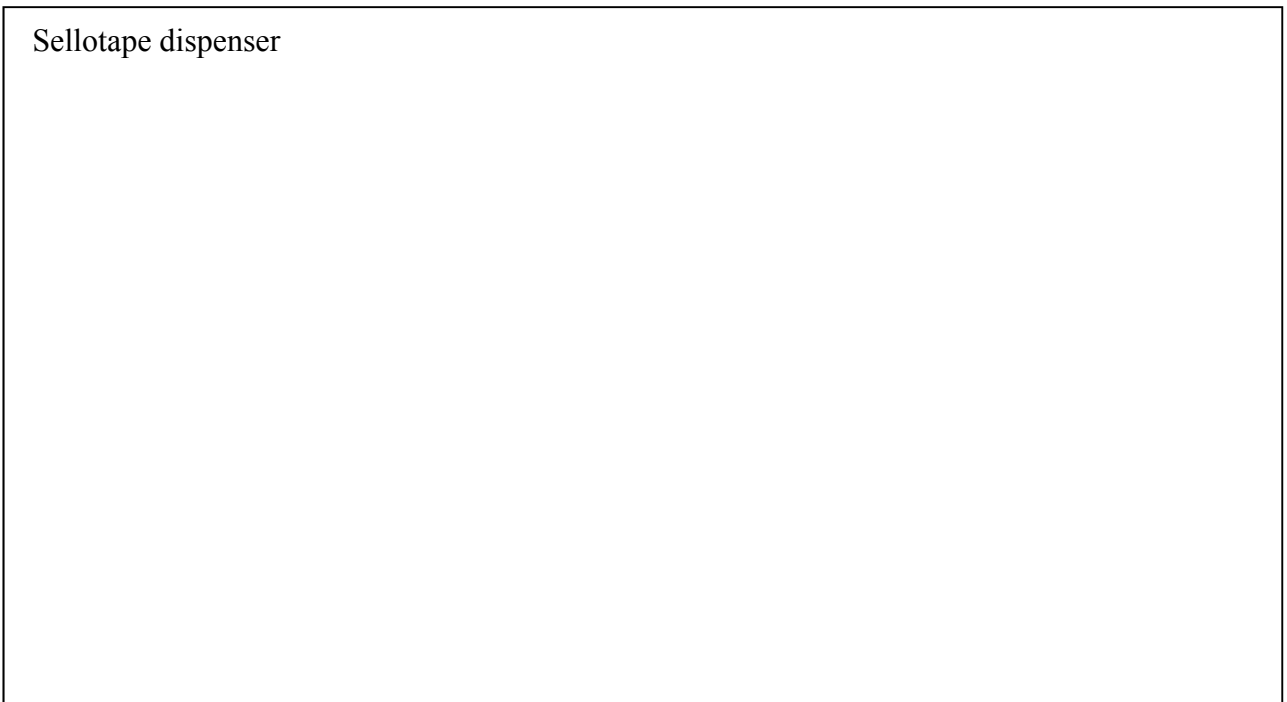
- (d) 8 marks

The designer of this desk tidy was also given the following design brief:

“Design and make a sellotape dispenser to accompany the desk tidy”.

In the space below, sketch your design for this dispenser. Use shading in your design sketch.

Sellotape dispenser

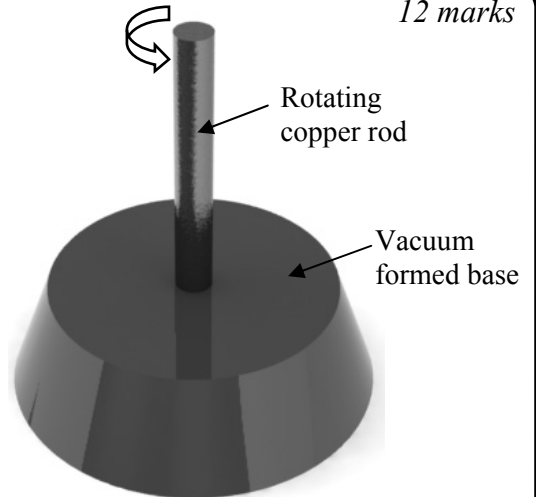


**Question 2**

**40 Marks**

*12 marks*

(a) The graphic shows a portion of a revolving jewellery tree. A drive mechanism which causes the copper rod to rotate is contained inside the vacuum formed base.



(i) Suggest a material for the base and give a reason for your choice.

Material: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(ii) A means of displaying jewellery must be designed and attached to the copper rod. In the space below, make a sketch of a possible design solution.

Design

*8 marks*

(b) The drive mechanism shown is to be used to rotate the copper rod. Name the mechanism and list **three** advantages of using it for this purpose.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

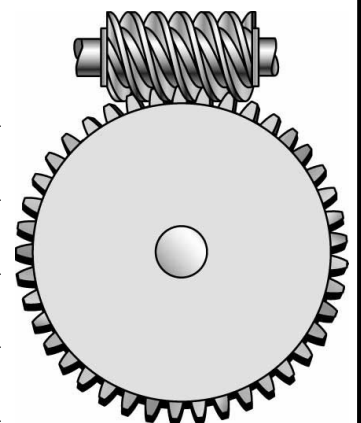
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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

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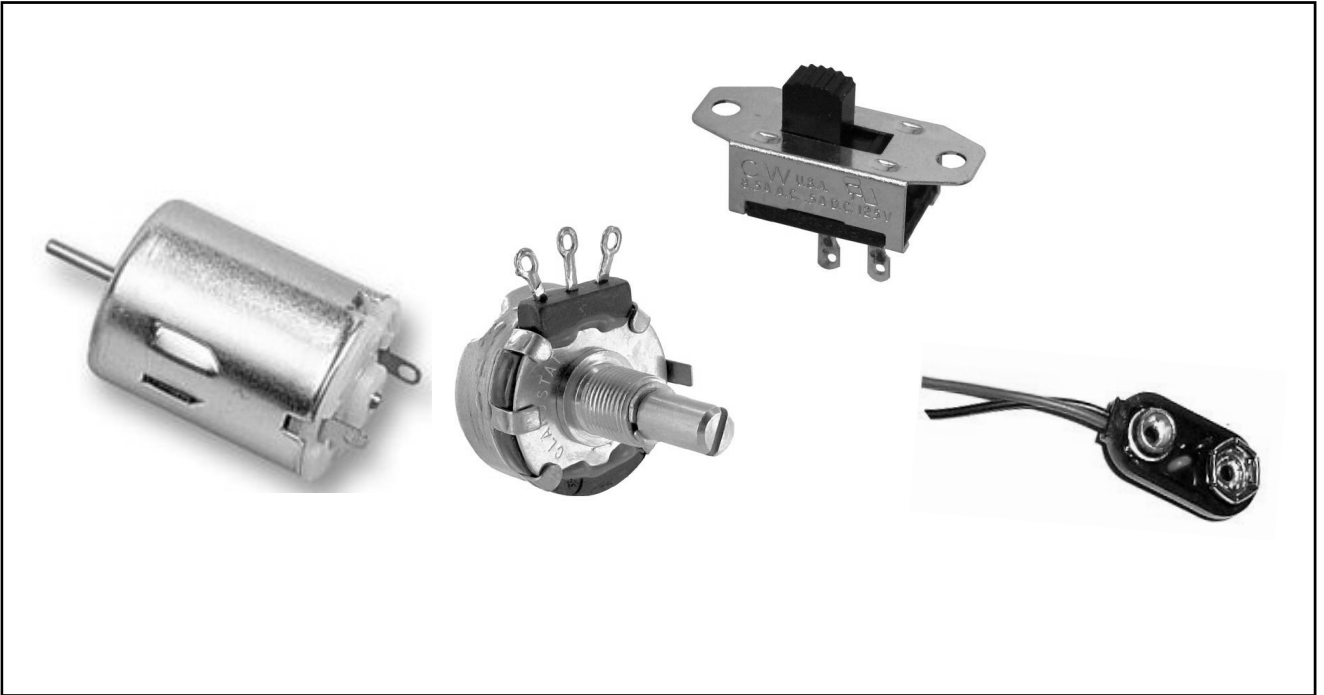


Copper rod drive mechanism



## Question 2

- (c) A miniature motor is used to power the drive mechanism and a variable resistor is used as a basic speed controller. Connect the components below to show how this could be achieved. 8 marks



- (d) The base of the jewellery tree has been vacuum formed. Describe the process of vacuum forming.

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6 marks



Vacuum forming machine

- (e) Copper is a non-ferrous metal.

6 marks

- (i) What does non-ferrous mean?

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- (ii) List **two** common uses for copper in the home.

1: 

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2: 

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**Question 3**

**40 Marks**

**(a)** The graphic shows a mobile phone holder.

*12 marks*

(i) Part **A** is made from a thermoplastic. What is meant by thermoplastic?

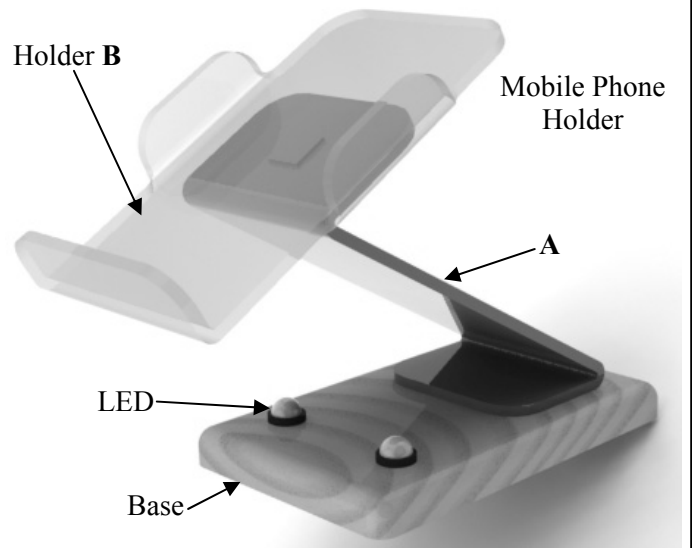
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Name the machine used to bend part **A**.

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(ii) Part **A** must be joined to both the base and to the holder **B**. Describe in detail a suitable method of joining in **each** case.

Part **A** to the base: \_\_\_\_\_

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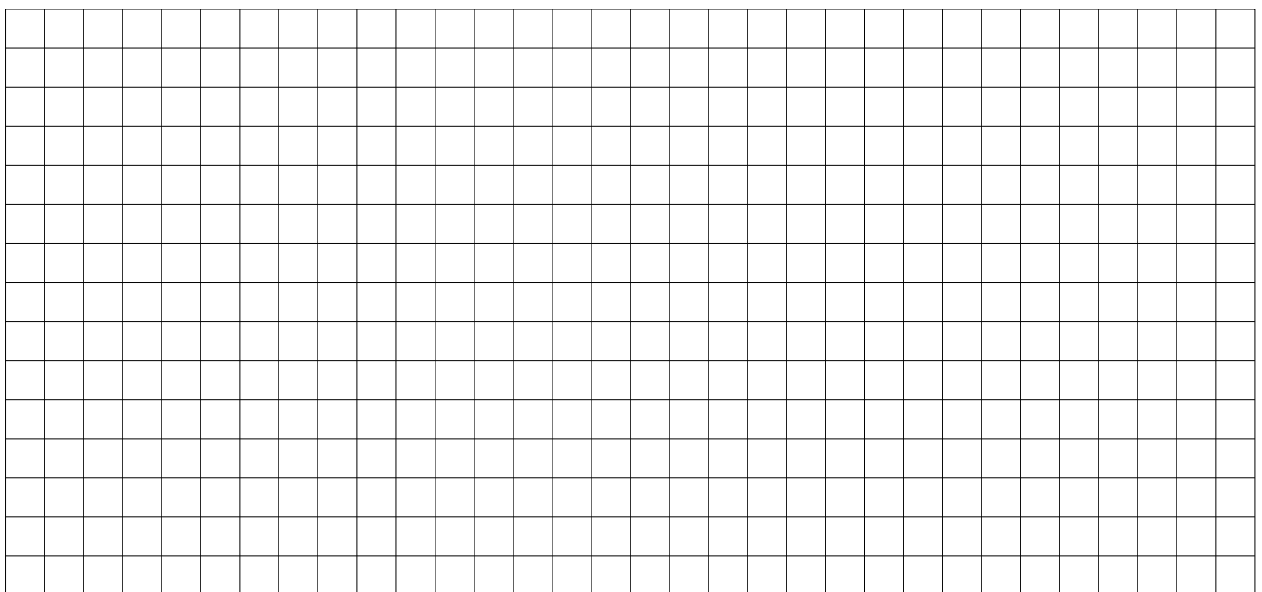
Part **A** to the holder **B**: \_\_\_\_\_

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**(b)** Draw a well-proportioned development of the holder **B** on the square grid below.

*8 marks*



### Question 3

12 marks

(c) Two LEDs are to be used to light up the mobile phone holder from underneath.

(i) What is meant by the term LED?

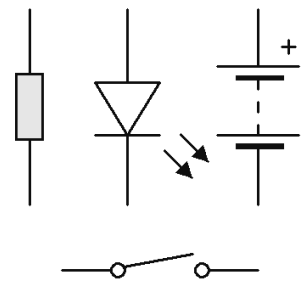
LED: \_\_\_\_\_

List **two** other uses of LEDs.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Use the symbols below to draw a diagram of a circuit that can be switched off and on and includes **two** LEDs which are connected in parallel.

Circuit Diagram



8 marks

(d) (i) List **four** important things that the designer had to know before designing the mobile phone holder.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Sketch your design for part A of the mobile phone holder in the box given.

Design for part A

**Question 4**

**40 Marks**

**(a)** *16 marks*

The scientist Michael Faraday invented the electric motor.

(i) List **four** household devices that use an electric motor.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

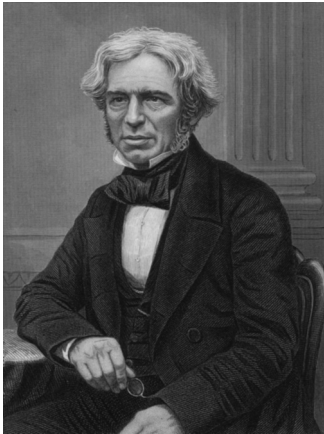
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) There are two types of motor - AC motors and DC motors.  
What is meant by each of the terms AC and DC?

AC: \_\_\_\_\_ DC: \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) Name **one** energy conversion taking place in an electric motor.

From: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_



**(b)** *12 marks*

Electric cars are becoming more popular every year. Suggest **two** reasons for this.

1: \_\_\_\_\_

2: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe **two** ways in which electric motorised devices are helping people with physical disabilities to be more independent.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**(c)** *12 marks*

List **two** environmentally friendly methods of generating electricity.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

For **each** method, state **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage.

Method 1: Advantage \_\_\_\_\_

Disadvantage \_\_\_\_\_

Method 2: Advantage \_\_\_\_\_

Disadvantage \_\_\_\_\_