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**ENGINEERING – MATERIALS AND TECHNOLOGY**

(Ordinary Level – 200 marks)

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**THURSDAY 4 JUNE, AFTERNOON 2:00 – 4:30**

Answer **Sections A and B** of **Question 1** and **three** other questions.

Question 1.

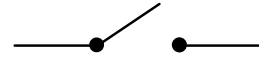
(65 marks)

SECTION A - 30 marks

Give **brief** answers to **any six** of the following:

(a) State **two** safety precautions to be observed when using adhesives to join materials.

(b) Name the electronic component represented by the symbol shown.



(c) State **one** reason for drilling a pilot hole.

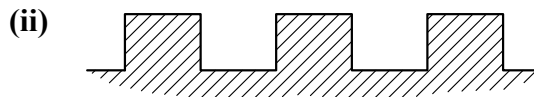


(d) Identify the cutting tool shown.

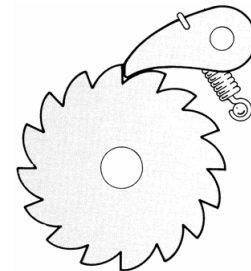
(e) Give **one** example of the use of a plug gauge.

(f) State **two** advantages of using Computer Aided Drawing (CAD).

(g) Identify **each** of the thread forms shown:



(h) State **one** application for the ratchet and pawl mechanism shown.



SECTION B - 35 marks

Answer **any three** of the following:

(i) Describe the function and operation of **any one** of the following:

Electric soldering iron,

Rack and pinion,

Plastic dip coating tank.

(j) Explain **any two** of the computing terms:

Hardware,

Browser,

Virus,

CPU.

(k) Describe, with the aid of a diagram, the difference between a *compressive force* and a *tensile force*.

(l) Explain **any two** of the terms:

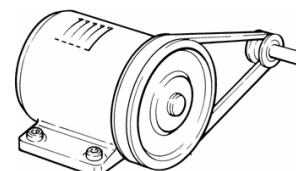
Self-locking nut,

Electrical insulator,

Bevel gear,

Cam and follower.

(m) Name the drive system shown and give a suitable application.



**Question 2.**

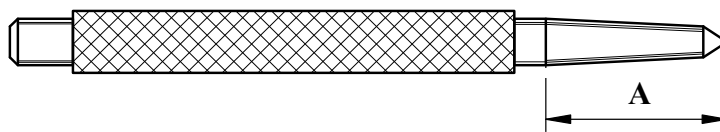
**(45 marks)**

- (a) (i) Name the furnaces used to produce **any two** of the following materials:  
Pig iron, High carbon steel, Cast iron.
- (ii) With the aid of a suitable diagram describe **one** of the furnaces identified at **2(a)(i)** above.
- (b) (i) Explain the term *alloy*.
- (ii) Identify **two** alloys from the following list:  
Solder, Copper, Brass, Zinc.
- (c) Select **any three** metals from the list below and state **one** suitable application for **each**:  
Tungsten, Aluminium, Lead, Stainless steel.
- (d) What is the difference between a *ferrous metal* and a *non-ferrous metal*?

**Question 3.**

**(45 marks)**

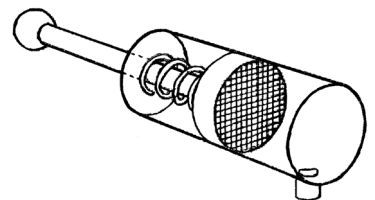
- (a) Explain **any two** of the following processes:  
(i) Annealing, (ii) Case hardening, (iii) Work hardening.
- (b) Describe how part A of the centre punch shown is hardened and tempered.



- (c) Outline **two** safety precautions to be observed when hardening and tempering the point of a centre punch.
- (d) Describe **any two** of the following metal properties:  
(i) Malleability, (ii) Elasticity, (iii) Brittleness.

**OR**

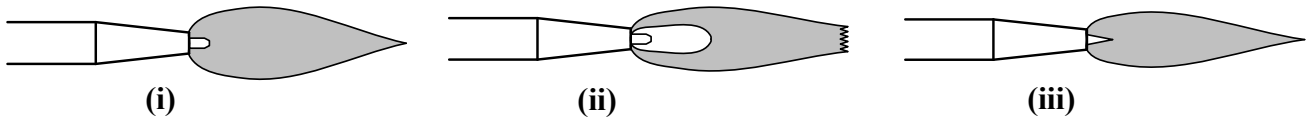
- (d) (i) Identify the pneumatic component shown.
- (ii) Describe a suitable application for this pneumatic component.



**Question 4.**

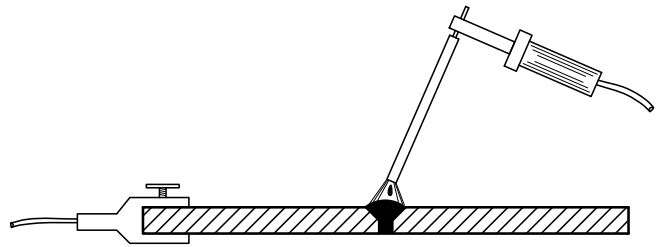
**(45 marks)**

(a) Name the **three** types of oxyacetylene flame shown:



(b) Answer **any three** of the following in relation to **manual metal arc welding**:

- (i) How is the heat produced for welding?
- (ii) Why is a flux required at the joint?
- (iii) What is the function for the earth clamp?
- (iv) State **one** suitable safety precaution to be observed.



(c) Select **any three** from the following materials and identify the process used for making a permanent joint in **each** case.

- (i) Tinplate,                      (ii) Mild steel plate,                      (iii) Acrylic,                      (iv) Light gauge aluminium.

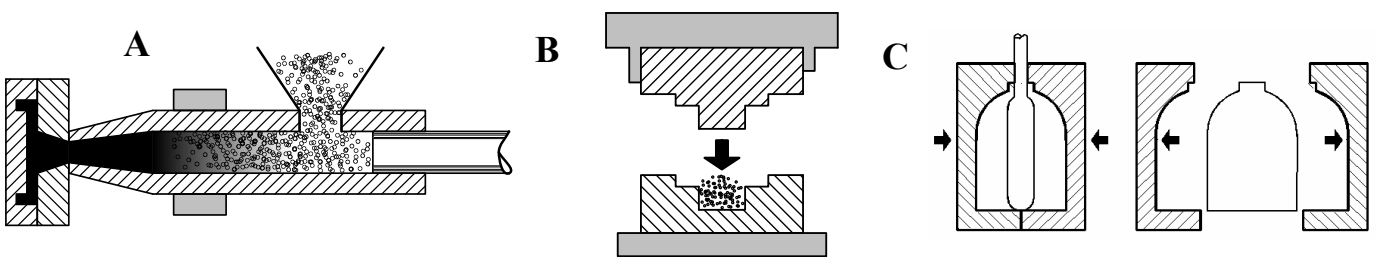
(d) Give **two** reasons why goggles must be worn when gas welding.



**Question 5.**

**(45 marks)**

(a) (i) Name **any two** of the plastic manufacturing processes shown.



(ii) Describe **any one** of the plastic manufacturing processes named at 5(a)(i) and state a suitable end product.

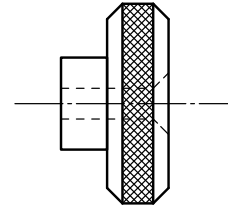
- (b) Identify **two** safety precautions to be observed when forming hot plastic sheet.
- (c) Explain the essential difference between a *thermoplastic* and a *thermosetting plastic*.
- (d) Name an industrial application for **each** of the following:

- (i) Nylon,                      (ii) Polystyrene.

**Question 6.**

**(45 marks)**

- (a) The model car wheel shown is to be turned on a centre lathe.  
Name **three** turning operations used in the production of the car wheel.



- (b) (i) Describe **any one** of the following work holding methods used on the lathe.

Four jaw independent chuck,                      Fixed steady,                      Faceplate.

- (ii) State a suitable safety precaution to be observed for the work holding method selected at 6(b)(i).

- (c) In relation to machining, describe **any two** of the following terms:

(i) Rake angle,                      (ii) Coolant,                      (iii) Tailstock.

**OR**

- (c) Explain **any two** the following CNC lathe terms:

(i) Safety switch,                      (ii) G code,                      (iii) CAD/CAM.

**Question 7.**

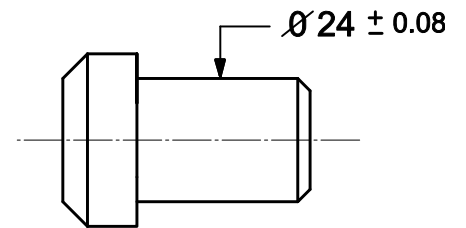
**(45 marks)**

- (a) Describe, using sketches, **any two** of the following types of fit for a shaft and hole assembly:

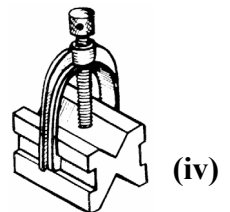
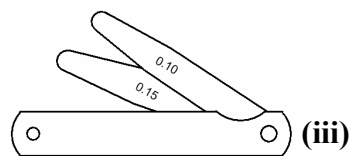
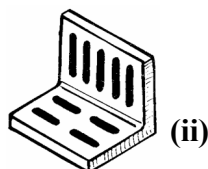
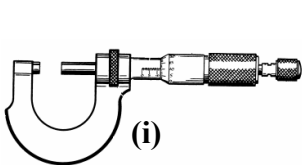
(i) Clearance fit,                      (ii) Transition fit,                      (iii) Interference fit.

- (b) A brass shaft is machined to the dimensions shown.

- State the:
- (i) nominal diameter of the shaft;
  - (ii) maximum diameter of the shaft;
  - (iii) minimum diameter of the shaft;
  - (iv) tolerance on the shaft.

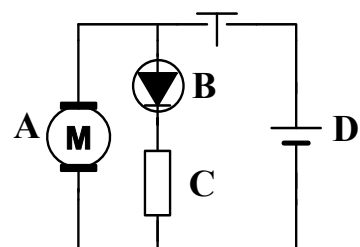


- (c) Name and give **one** application for **any three** of the instruments shown:



**OR**

- (c) Identify **any three** of the electronic symbols shown in the circuit diagram.



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