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Introduction

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Question 1

Answer any eleven parts

(a) A horse gallops at a constant speed of 10 m s^{-1} . Calculate the distance travelled by the horse in 2 minutes.

$$v = s \div t / 10 = s \div (2 \times 60) \quad \dots 3$$

1200 (m) \dots 3

[20 m ... (-1)]

(b) What is the unit of work?

joule / J / kilojoule / kJ / Nm any one ... 6

[$W = F \times s$... 3]

(c) Copy and complete the following statement of Boyle's law: "At constant temperature, the ... of a fixed mass of gas is inversely proportional to its ..."

volume // pressure \dots 3

pressure // volume \dots 3

(d) Give one advantage of the constant volume gas thermometer.

accurate / sensitive / wide range / one fixed point / defines absolute temperature scale / thermometric property independent of gas used / used as a standard thermometer etc. any one ... 6

(e) What type of lens is used in a magnifying glass shown in Figure 1?

converging / convex \dots 6

(f) Infrared radiation is part of the electromagnetic spectrum. Name one other part of the electromagnetic spectrum.

radio / microwave / visible / ultraviolet / x-ray / gamma any one ... 6

(g) What is meant by the dispersion of white light?

splitting / breaking up \dots 3

into (component) colours \dots 3

[example ... 6; passing light through a prism ... 3]

(h) Give one example of a longitudinal wave.

sound / ultrasound / earthquakes / compression waves on a spring etc. any one ... 6

(i) Figure 2 shows a sphere which has a positive charge. Copy the diagram and show the electric field around the sphere.

field lines around sphere \dots 3

arrow on field lines \dots 3

(j) Calculate the number of units (kW h) used by an 8 kW electric shower in 6 minutes.

$$8 \times 0.1 \quad \dots 3$$

0.8 (kW h) \dots 3

[48 (kWh) ... (-1)]

(k) What is the purpose of a fuse in an electric circuit?

melts / breaks / blows // protects // prevents \dots 3

if current is too large // an appliance // a fire \dots 3

[safety device ... 6]

(l) Name one device that uses a transformer.

mobile phone charger / television / radio / computer etc

any one ...6

(m) In the photoelectric effect, what is released from the surface of a metal?

electrons / negative charges

...6

(n) What is meant by the half life of a radioactive substance?

time taken // time for half

...3

activity to decrease by $\frac{1}{2}$ // (atoms / nuclei) to decay

...3

(o) Name the type of nuclear reaction that occurs in the sun.

nuclear fusion

...6

Question 2**(a) Define (i) velocity**

rate of change // change of displacement // speed // $s \div$
of displacement // w.r.t. time // in a given direction // t

2×3

...3

...3

(ii) momentum

mass / m
× velocity / × v

2×3

...3

...3

State the principle of the conservation of momentum.

momentum before / $m_1u_1 + m_2u_2$ // total
equals / = // momentum
momentum after / $= m_1v_1 + m_2v_2$ // remains constant
[in a closed system ...3]

3×3

...3

...3

...3

During an ice skating competition a skater of mass 75 kg moves with a velocity of 4 m s^{-1} . He collides with his stationary partner, whose mass is 55 kg. Both skaters then move together in a straight line as shown in Figure 3. Calculate

(iii) the initial momentum of each skater;

$p_1 = 75 \times 4$
 $300 \text{ (kg m s}^{-1}\text{)}$
 $p_2 = 0 \text{ (kg m s}^{-1}\text{)}$

3×3

...3

...3

...3

(iv) the velocity of the skaters as they move together.

$300 = 130 \times v / 2.3 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$

3

...3

(b) State the principle of the conservation of energy.

energy cannot // total
be created // energy
or destroyed / it can only be changed from one form to another // is constant

3×3

...3

...3

...3

What is meant by potential energy?

energy due to // stored // example
position // energy //
 $[E_p = mgh \dots 6]$

2×3

...3

...3

A rock of mass 25 kg falls from the top of a cliff which is 60 m high. Calculate the potential energy of the rock before it falls.

$E_p = m \times g \times h / E_p = 25 \times 9.8 \times 60$
 $14700 \text{ (J)} / 14.7 \text{ (kJ)}$

6, 3

...6

...3

The potential energy of the rock changes as it falls. Explain why the potential energy of the rock changes.

changes to kinetic energy // principle of conservation of energy // height decreases any one ...3

3

How far will the rock have fallen when its potential energy is half its original value?

$14700 \div 2 = 7350 / 7350 = 25 \times 9.8 \times h$
 30 m

2×3

...3

...3

Question 3

State the laws of reflection of light.

4×3

incident ray, normal, reflected ray
on the same plane

...3

...3

angle of incidence

...3

equals the angle of reflection

...3

[incidence ray = reflected ray ...3]

When you look at a plane mirror you see a virtual image.

Explain the underlined terms.

2×6

flat / not curved / 2 d

...6

cannot be formed on a screen / rays appear to meet / erect / formed behind the mirror etc.

any one ...6

Give one other property of the image in a plane mirror.

3

same size / laterally inverted / erect / $u = v$ etc.

any one ...3

Figure 4 shows a ray of light approaching a plane mirror. Copy the diagram and show the path of the reflected ray.

6, 3

redrawn diagram showing ray striking the mirror

...6

reflected ray shown

...3

Give one use of a plane mirror.

3

a fitting room / periscope / increase light in a room / mirror ball etc

any one ...3

Describe an experiment to measure the focal length of a concave mirror.

4×3

concave mirror, locating pin/screen, object, ruler

any three ... 3×3

correct arrangement shown /stated

focus / clear image // move screen / pin

correct measurements

correct formula

any one ...3

Figure 5 shows a pin placed 6 cm in front of a concave mirror of focal length 4 cm.

Find the distance of its image from the concave mirror.

6, 3

$1/u + 1/v = 1/f$ / $1/6 + 1/v = 1/4$

...6

12 (cm)

...3

Give two properties of the image of the pin.

2×3

magnified / real / inverted / in front of the mirror

any two ...2×3

Question 4

(a) Explain the terms (i) heat, (ii) temperature. **6, 2×3**
(i) form of energy ...6

(ii) measure / degree ...3
of hotness / coldness ...3
[reading on the Celsius scale ...3]

Describe, with the aid of a diagram, a mercury thermometer. **3×3**
scale
thread / column of mercury
glass bulb
glass surround any three ...3x3

State the thermometric property on which the mercury thermometer is based. **2×3**
length / volume ...3
of mercury ...3
[definition of thermometric property ...3]

Name two temperature scales **2×3**
Centigrade / Celsius / Kelvin / Fahrenheit any two ...2×3

(b) State two assumptions of the kinetic theory of gases. **9, 3**
elastic collisions / rapid motion / random motion / negligible volume /
straight line motion / negligible duration of collisions / large number of molecules/
temperature depends on kinetic energy 1st correct ...9
2nd correct ...3

What is meant by Brownian motion? **6, 3**
motion
of particles / molecules 1st correct ...6
2nd correct ...3

Describe an experiment to show Brownian motion. **4×3**
microscope, smoke cell, lamp / microscope, pollen grains, water any two ...2×3
fill cell with smoke / shine light from side / focus microscope any one ...3
describe observation ...3

Question 5

(a) Copy and complete Ohm's law "The ... through a ... is proportional to the ... between its ends at constant ..."
current conductor voltage temperature any three correct ... 3×3
...3×3

Figure 6 shows a circuit with two 4 Ω resistors connected in series to a 12 V d.c. supply. What does d.c. stand for?
direct current 3
...3

Calculate the total resistance of the circuit. 2×3
 $R = R_1 + R_2 / R = 4 + 4$...3
8 (Ω). ...3
[2 (Ω) ...(-1)]

Using Ohm's law, calculate the current in the circuit. 6, 3
 $V = R I / 12 = 8 \times I$...6
1.5 (A) ...3

Name one device used to measure voltage (potential difference). 6
voltmeter / multimeter etc ...6

(b) How would you show that there is a magnetic field around a conductor that is carrying a current? 6, 2×3
card and iron filings // compass ...6
around conductor // beside conductor ...3
forms a pattern // needle moves ...3

Figure 7 shows a coil of wire carrying a current. Copy the diagram and draw the magnetic field pattern around the coil. 6, 3
sketch of lines around the coil ...6
arrows indicating direction of field lines ...3

Give one way to increase the strength of the magnetic field around the coil. 6
increase current / increase pd across coil / more turns on coil etc. any one ...6

Give one use of a magnetic field around a coil. 6
electromagnets / relays / starter motor in a car etc any one ...6

Question 6 Any two parts

(a) What is meant by acceleration? **2×3**
rate of change // change in velocity / speed // $\frac{v - u}{t}$...3
of velocity / speed // w.r.t. time // t ...3

State one of Newton's laws of motion. **6, 3**
a body remains at rest/moves with const velocity//rate of change of momentum //action and reaction
unless an (external) force acts // proportional to the force // are equal and opposite
1st correct statement ...6
2nd correct statement ...3

$[F = ma \dots 6]$

A car of mass 1200 kg increases its velocity from 2 m s⁻¹ to 20 m s⁻¹ in 6 seconds.
Calculate: **6, 4×3**

(i) the acceleration of the car
 $a = \frac{v - u}{t} / a = \frac{20 - 2}{6}$...6
3 (m s⁻²) ...3

(ii) the force accelerating the car
 $F = m \times a / F = 1200 \times 3$...3
3600 (N) ...3

(iii) the distance travelled by the car in 6 seconds
 $s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2 / s = 2(6) + \frac{1}{2} (3)(6)^2 / 66$ (m) ...3

(b) Diffraction occurs when monochromatic light pass through narrow slits.
Explain the underlined terms. **2×3, 6**
bending / spreading of (light)waves ...3
around an obstacle / through an opening ...3
[diagram ...6]

one wavelength / frequency / colour ...6
[example ...3]

An experiment was carried out to measure the wavelength of monochromatic light.
Draw a labelled diagram of the apparatus used. **6, 2×3**

light (sodium) source / laser
diffraction grating / Young's slits
spectrometer / screen 1st correct ...6
remainder ...2×3

What measurements should be recorded during this experiment? **6, 3**
grating constant // separation of slits
order of image // number of fringes
read angles // measure distance 1st correct ...6
remainder ...3

(c) Define capacitance. 2×3
ratio of charge / Q ÷ ...3
to potential (pd) / V ...3

Copy the diagram and show the distribution of charges on the plates of the capacitor. 2×3
different charge on each plate ...3
positive LHS / negative RHS ...3

Give one way in which the capacitance of the capacitor can be changed. 2×3
change distance // change area of ...3
between plates // overlap ...3
[change dielectric ...6]

Calculate the effective capacitance of two 4 μF capacitors when connected in (i) series, (ii) parallel. 3×3

(i) $\frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} / \frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}$
2 (μF)

(ii) $C = C_1 + C_2 / C = 4 + 4 /$
8 (μF)

1st correct...2×3
2nd correct...3

Give one use of a capacitor 6
stores energy / smoothing ac / rectifier / camera flash gun / radios etc any one ...6

(d) Alpha, beta and gamma radiations are emitted from radioactive substances 9, 2×3

(i) Which radiation consists of electrons?
beta // β

(ii) Which radiation has the shortest range in air?
alpha // α

(iii) Which radiation will pass through a thick sheet of aluminium?
gamma // γ 1st correct ...9
remainder ...2×3

List two uses of radioactive substances. 6, 3
industry e.g. thickness monitoring, leak detection // agricultural e.g. take up of
agrichemicals // food e.g. preservation // medical e.g. sterilisation of equipment etc.
1st correct...6
2nd correct...3

Give two precautions when using radioactive substances. 6, 3
minimise time / protective clothing / use of tongs etc 1st correct ...6
2nd correct ...3

Question 7

Answer any eleven parts

(a) Sketch a p-orbital.

dumb-bell shape shown / stated ...6
[sketch of an s-orbital ...3]

(b) Which element is represented by the electronic configuration $1s^2$?

helium / He. ...6

(c) Give one property of a compound with ionic bonding.

solid / crystal / high mp / high b.p. / conducts electricity / soluble in water etc. any one...6

(d) What type of bonding exists between water molecules?

hydrogen ...6
[covalent / polar bond ...3]

(e) The relative molecular mass of nitrogen gas (N_2) is 28. Calculate the number of molecules in 56 g of nitrogen gas. [Avogadro constant = $6.0 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$.]

2 moles ...3
 1.2×10^{24} (molecules) ...3

(f) Calculate the percentage of oxygen by mass in water (H_2O).

$M_r = 2(1) + 16 / M_r = 18$...3
% O = 88.8 ...3

(g) What is meant by an *exothermic reaction*?

heat / energy // ΔH ...3
given out / released // positive ...3

(h) Define the *heat of formation* of a compound.

heat change / produced / required ...3
when one mole is formed (from its elements) ...3

(i) What is the pH of a 0.05 M solution of nitric acid (HNO_3)

$pH = -\log_{10} [H^+] / pH = -\log_{10} [0.05]$...3
1.3 ...3

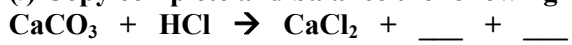
(j) Which one of the following oxides is amphoteric? Na_2O , CO_2 , Al_2O_3

Al_2O_3 ...6
[explains amphoteric ...3]

(k) Give one characteristic property common to transition elements.

variable valency / form coloured compounds / metallic in nature etc any one ...6

(l) Copy complete and balance the following reaction:



CO₂ / H₂O / 2HCl

...3



...3

(m) Define *oxidation* in terms of electron transfer.

loss

...3

of electrons

...3

[gain of oxygen ...3]

(n) Give one use for ethanoic (acetic) acid.

vinegar / flavour / preservative / food industry / chemical industry etc

any one ...6

(o) Name the compound shown in Figure 9.

benzene / phenyl / C₆H₆

...6

[aromatic ...3]

Question 8

(a) Each element in the periodic table has a unique period number and group number. Explain the underlined terms. 4×3

substance that cannot be broken down // atoms ...3

into a simpler substance by chemical means//of one type /with the same atomic no
[example ...3] ...3

vertical //similar ...3

column //electronic configurations / number of outer electrons / properties ...3

[example // family of elements ...3]

What is meant by the *first ionisation energy* of an element? 3×3

energy ...3

to remove ...3

most loosely bound / outer electron ...3

Explain why the first ionisation energy values decrease down the first group. 6, 3

increase // greater distance // screening // less attraction ...6

atomic radius // from the nucleus // inner electrons // between electron and nucleus ...3

[easier to remove an electron / less energy required ...3]

Identify the group with the largest first ionisation energy values. 3

group 8 / group 0 / group 18 / noble gases / inert gases ...3

(b) Define (i) *mass number* , (ii) *isotope*. 4×3

(i) number of protons ...3

and neutrons ...3

(ii) same atomic number / same number of protons / atoms of same element ...3

different number of neutrons / different mass number ...3

[example ...3]

A sample of chlorine consists of 75% $^{35}_{17}\text{Cl}$ and 25% $^{37}_{17}\text{Cl}$.

(iii) State the number of neutrons in each of the two types of chlorine. 2×6

18 ...6

20 ...6

(iv) Calculate the relative atomic mass of the sample of chlorine. 3×3

$75 \times 35 / 2625$...3

$25 \times 37 / 925$...3

35.5 ...3

Question 9

(a) Each of the following elements reacts with hydrogen: nitrogen, sulfur, chlorine.

Give the name and chemical formula of each product formed.

9, 2×3

ammonia // hydrogen sulfide // hydrogen chloride / hydrochloric acid

NH₃ // H₂S // HCl

1st correct ...9

2nd correct ... 3

remainder...3

From these products, identify (i) an acidic product, (ii) a basic product.

2×3

(i) H₂S / HCl

...3

(ii) NH₃

...3

Sketch and state the shape of one of the products, showing the position of the atoms. 2×6

H₂S V-shaped / NH₃ pyramidal / HCl linear

sketch one correct shape ...6

state one correct shape ...6

(b) Using the Brønsted-Lowry theory, define (i) an acid, (ii) a base.

4×3

(i) proton / H⁺

...3

donor

...3

[in terms of pH ...3]

(ii) proton / H⁺

...3

acceptor

...3

[in terms of pH ...3]

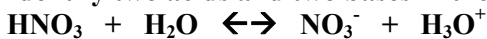
What is meant by a *strong acid*?

3

fully dissociates / good proton donor

...3

Identify two acids and two bases in the following reaction:



6, 2×3

acids: HNO₃ and H₃O⁺

bases: H₂O and NO₃⁻

1st correct ...6

2nd correct ...3

remainder ...3

Give one example of an acid-base pair in the above reaction.

6

HNO₃ and NO₃⁻ / H₃O⁺ and H₂O

...6

Question 10

Figure 10 shows apparatus used in a titration to find the concentration of a sodium hydroxide (NaOH) solution using 1.8 M hydrochloric acid (HCl) solution.

(i) Identify the pieces of glassware labelled A, B and C. 3×3

A-burette ...3

B-pipette ...3

C- (conical) flask ...3

(ii) Outline the procedure for preparing and filling A. 6, 3

place in (retort) stand / wash with water / wash with acid /

close the tap / fill (using a funnel) etc 1st correct ...6

2nd correct ...3

(iii) State one precaution when taking readings from A. 6

avoid parallax error / clamp burette vertically / no air bubbles / repeat /

read at eye level / read lower meniscus / white card behind the scale any one ...6

(iv) Explain why deionised water is added to C during the titration. 6

washing any acid droplets into flask ...6

End-point was reached when 20.8 cm³ of 1.8 M hydrochloric acid (HCl) solution reacted with 25 cm³ of the sodium hydroxide (NaOH) solution.

(v) At the 'end-point' what happens to an indicator? 2×3

changes ...3

colour ...3

(vi) Name one suitable indicator. 6

a named indicator ...6

(vii) Copy and complete the equation for the reaction that takes place in this titration:

HCl + NaOH → 6, 3

HCl + NaOH → NaCl + H₂O 1st product...6

2nd product...3

Calculate the molarity of the sodium hydroxide solution. 3×3

$\frac{V_1 \times M_1}{n_1} \quad / \quad \frac{20.8 \times 1.8}{1}$...3

$\frac{V_2 \times M_2}{n_2} \quad / \quad \frac{25 \times M_2}{1}$...3

$M_2 = 1.5 \text{ (M / moles per litre (dm}^3\text{))}$...3

Give one safety precaution when carrying out a titration. 6

goggles / gloves / pipette filler any one ...6

[non-safety precaution ...3]

Question 11

Ethene (ethylene) (C_2H_4) is a member of a homologous series of hydrocarbons.

Explain the underlined terms

6, 2×3

successive members differ by CH_2 / same general formula /

gradual change in physical properties

any one ...6

[example / same functional group ...3]

compound of hydrogen

...3

and carbon

...3

[named example ...2×3]

Name the homologous series to which ethene belongs.

6

alkenes

...6

Name one other homologous series of hydrocarbons.

6

alkanes / alkynes

...6

Sketch the structural formula of ethane.

2×3

$C = C$

...3

H's attached / implied

...3

Identify liquid X and catalyst Y.

9, 3

X- ethanol / C_2H_5OH

Y- aluminium oxide / Al_2O_3

1st correct ...9

[X = alcohol / glass wool ...3]

2nd correct ...3

What is the purpose of a catalyst?

2×3

changes

...3

the rate of the reaction

...3

What is observed when a sample was tested with:

6

(i) a burning splint?

gas burns

...6

(ii) bromine water solution?

6

decolourises

...6

What do these tests tell you about ethene?

6

it is a fuel / unsaturated

...6

Question 12

(a) Define a mole of a substance.

2×3

Avogadro number // molecular mass // same number of particles
of particles // in grams // as 12 g of carbon

...3

...3

Describe the appearance of sodium and bromine at room temperature.

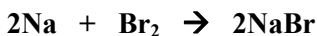
6, 3

metal / solid // liquid // correct colour

1st correct...6

2nd correct...3

Sodium and bromine react together to form sodium bromide as follows:



46 g of sodium were used in this reaction. Calculate:

(i) the number of moles of sodium used;

6, 3

23 g → 1 mole

...6

2 moles

...3

(ii) the number of moles of bromine required to react completely with the sodium;

6

1 mole

...6

(iii) the mass of sodium bromide produced.

3

M_r of NaBr = 103 / 206 (g)

...3

[126 ...(-1)]

(b) Figure 12 shows sulfur dioxide (SO₂) being prepared. Name the liquid A and the solid B.

9, 3

A – (sulfuric) acid

B – (sodium) sulfite / copper

1st correct ...9

2nd correct ...3

Identify liquid C and give its use.

6, 3

(concentrated) sulfuric acid

remove water / dehydrating agent

1st correct ...6

2nd correct ...3

Give (i) one physical property of SO₂.

3

gas / pungent / colourless / poisonous etc.

any one...3

(ii) one chemical property of SO₂.

3

acidic / soluble in water / reducing agent / reacts with alkalis etc.

any one...3

Name one major source of SO₂ released into the atmosphere.

6

burning fossil fuels / volcanoes etc.

...6

(c) What is electrolysis? 2×3
decomposition ...3
of an electrolyte ...3
[example ...3]

Name the scientist who discovered the laws of electrolysis. 6
Faraday ...6

Figure 13 shows a solution of copper sulfate (CuSO₄) undergoing electrolysis using copper electrodes. List two ions present in the solution. 2×3
Cu²⁺ / SO₄²⁻ / H⁺ / OH⁻ any two...2×3

Name the electrodes labelled (i) A, (ii) B. 2×3
(i) A-anode ...3
(ii) B-cathode ...3

What change will happen to the mass of electrode B during the electrolysis? 3
increases in mass ...3

Give one use of electrolysis. 6
electroplating / extraction of metals / purification of metals / anodising / manufacture of
chemicals etc. any one ...6
[coating a metal ...3]

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