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# Year 11 Physics

## Semester 1 Examination 2020

### Question & Answer Booklet

Name: -MASTER - B.B. - UPDATED

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

**Time allowed for this paper:**

Reading time before commencing work: 10 minutes

Working time for paper: 2.5 hours

**Materials required/recommended for this paper**

*To be provided by the supervisor*

This Question/Answer Booklet

Formulae and Data Booklet

*To be provided by the candidate*

Standard items: pens, pencils (including coloured), sharpener, correction fluid, eraser, ruler, highlighters.

Special items: up to three non-programmable calculators approved for use in the WACE examinations, drawing templates, drawing compass and a protractor.

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M.P	1-9 inc	42
B.D	10-15 inc	61
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## STRUCTURE OF THIS PAPER

Section	Questions	Questions to be attempted	Suggested working time (mins)	Marks available	Percentage of exam
Section One: Short Response	11	11	57	55	38 %
Section Two: Problem Solving	5	5	75	72	50 %
Section Three: Comprehension	1	1	18	18	12 %
Total				145	100 %

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

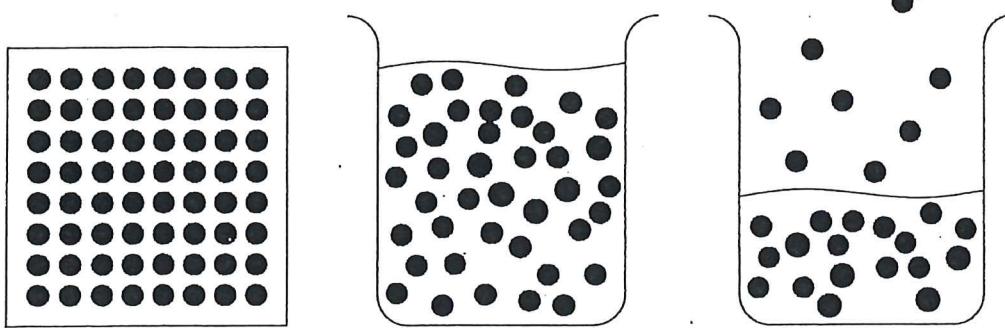
1. Write your answers in the spaces provided beneath each question. The value of each question is shown.
2. Answers to questions involving calculations should be evaluated and given in decimal form. Final answers should be given up to three significant figures and include appropriate units.
3. Questions containing the instruction "ESTIMATE" may give insufficient numerical data for their solution. Give final answers to a maximum of two significant figures and include appropriate units.
4. Despite an incorrect result, credit may be obtained for method and working providing these are clearly and legibly set out.
5. Questions containing specific instructions to show working should be answered with a complete, logical, clear sequence of reasoning showing how the final answer was arrived at; correct answers which do not show working will not be awarded full marks.
6. Supplementary pages for the use of planning/continuing your answer to a question have been provided at the end of this Question & Answer booklet. If you use these pages to continue an answer, indicate at the original answer where the answer is continued, i.e. give the page number.
7. A spare graph has also been provided at the end of this Question & Answer booklet.

**Section One: Short Response****38% (55 marks)**

This section has 11 questions. Answer all questions. Answer the questions in the spaces provided.  
Suggested working time: 57 minutes.

**Question 1****(4 marks)**

The diagrams below show the changes which occur between the solid, liquid and gaseous phases of a substance, with the addition of heat.



Using these diagrams and your knowledge of the kinetic particle model, state and explain one change which occurs when the substance changes phase from:

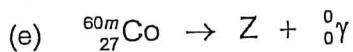
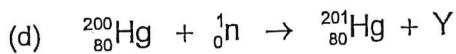
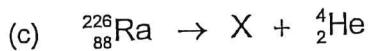
(a) solid to liquid. (2 marks)

(b) liquid to gas. (2 marks)

**Question 2**

(5 marks)

Identify the products V, W, X, Y and Z in the following nuclear equations.

**Question 3**

(3 marks)

In cold climates, wind chill factor and hypothermia can pose a real threat to the health of an individual. Wind chill is when cooler moving air replaces relatively still air near a person's skin, giving the person the sensation that the effective temperature has decreased. Explain why the cooling effect on the person is increased if the person is wet or wearing wet clothes.

**Question 4**

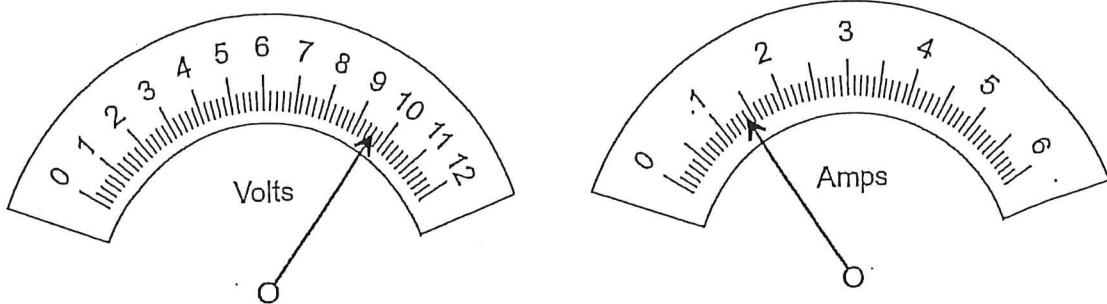
(5 marks)

A 6.50 kg steel container (specific heat capacity  $4.50 \times 10^2 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ ) holds 13.0 kg of water at  $24.0^\circ\text{C}$ . When 3.15 kg of a molten alloy, at its melting point of  $315^\circ\text{C}$ , is poured into the water, the water reaches a final temperature of  $29.1^\circ\text{C}$ . If the latent heat of fusion of the alloy is  $2.30 \times 10^4 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$  determine the specific heat capacity of the alloy.

**Question 5**

(5 marks)

Albert is trying to precisely measure the resistance  $R$  of a piece of fuse wire. To do so he applies a voltage across the wire and measures current passing through the wire. The meters are shown below.



Determine the resistance  $R$  of the fuse wire.

Give your answer in the form  $R \pm \Delta R$  ( $\Delta R$  being the uncertainty in the resistance value)

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**Question 6**

(5 marks)

Domestic smoke detectors use about 0.25 µg of a radioactive source of Americium-241 which produces alpha particles. Under normal operating conditions, the alpha particles ionise oxygen and nitrogen molecules in the air and an electric potential from a battery causes a small ionisation current to flow. When smoke enters the detector the smoke particles absorb alpha particles and thus reduce the ionisation current flowing in the circuit, setting off an alarm.

- (a) Explain the effect that using a radioactive source which produces beta particles instead of alpha particles would have, on the operation of a domestic smoke detector. (2 marks)
- (b) If the half-life of Am-241 is 450 years, how much of the original radioactive material would be left in an old smoke detector that is 50 years old. (3 marks)

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**Question 7**

(5 marks)

A 416 g sample of radioisotope Promethium-147 decays into Samarium-147 as the main product. Promethium can be found in the Lanthanide series at the bottom of the periodic table.

- (a) Write a balanced nuclear equation for Promethium-147 decaying to Samarium -147. (2 marks)
- (b) Determine the half-life of Promethium-147 if the original sample decays to 13.0 g in 12.0 years? (3 marks)
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**Question 8**

(6 marks)

After running a long-distance marathon, Tori adds a handful of ice blocks to her partly empty water bottle. Tori knows that an average ice block contains anywhere from **30.0 to 50.0 mL** of water. Tori also wants to ensure that the ice doesn't melt too quickly and therefore only selects ice blocks that are well **below freezing point**. Using this information, **estimate** how many kilojoules (kJ) of energy were extracted from tap water in order to produce the ice blocks which Tori used. State key assumptions.

**Question 9**

(4 marks)

The label on a rechargeable Lithium-Polymer (LiPo) battery reads: "11.1 volt, 1800 mAh". The battery is being used to operate a remote-control vehicle.

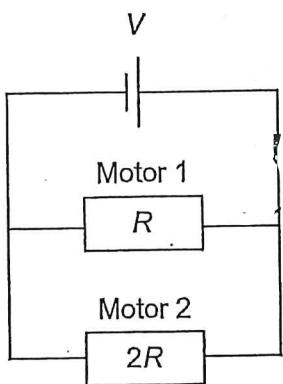
- (a) The term "1800 mAh" refers to which quantity below? Circle your answer. (1 mark)

Current                  Time                  Energy                  Charge

- (b) Given that the electric motor of the vehicle draws a constant current of 12.0 A from the battery during an operating time of 9.00 minutes, calculate the efficiency of the motor, if the motor produces  $5.80 \times 10^4$  J of useful energy. (3 marks)

**Question 10****(5 marks)**

Two motors, which initially have equal resistance ( $R$ ), are running in parallel with each other and are powered by the same voltage source  $V$ .

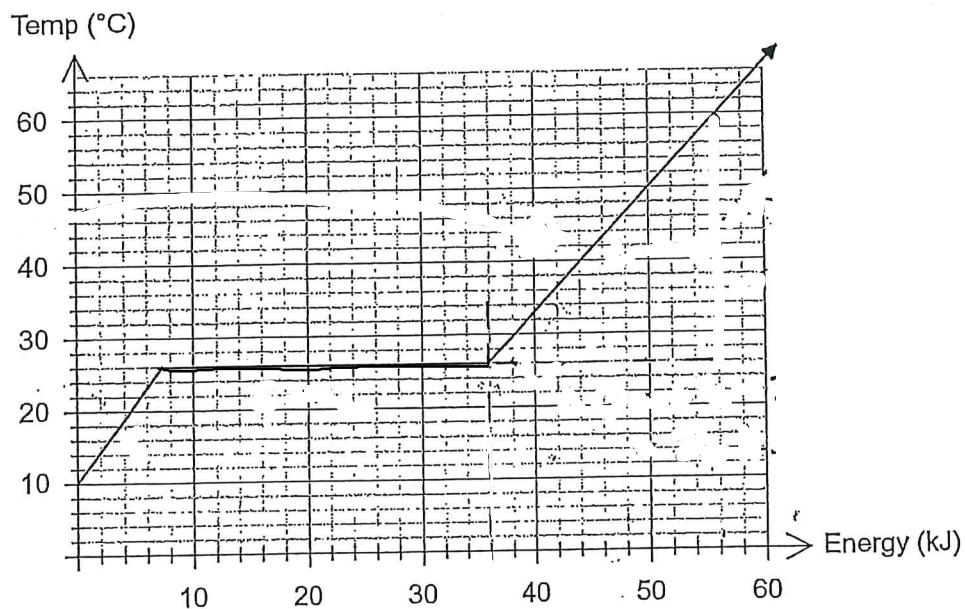


- (a) On the diagram above, indicate with an arrow, the direction of conventional current through one of the motors. No calculations are involved. (1 mark)
- (b) Due to unusual heating of the wires in Motor 2, Motor 2's resistance doubles from  $R$  to  $2R$  (as indicated on the diagram above). Show mathematically the overall circuit current before the heating of Motor 2 and after the heating of Motor 2.

**Hint:** Use  $R$  for Motor 1's resistance and  $2R$  for Motor 2's resistance after heating. (4 marks)

**Question 11****(8 marks)**

The heating curve below shows the temperature change of a 285 g sample of solid coconut oil as it is heated, with a small 40.0 W heating element, from an initial temperature of 10.0 °C.



- (a) How long does it take for the coconut oil to completely melt? (3 marks)

- (b) Use the graph to estimate the specific heat capacity of liquid coconut oil.  
Show construction lines on your graph which are used to define values. (5 marks)

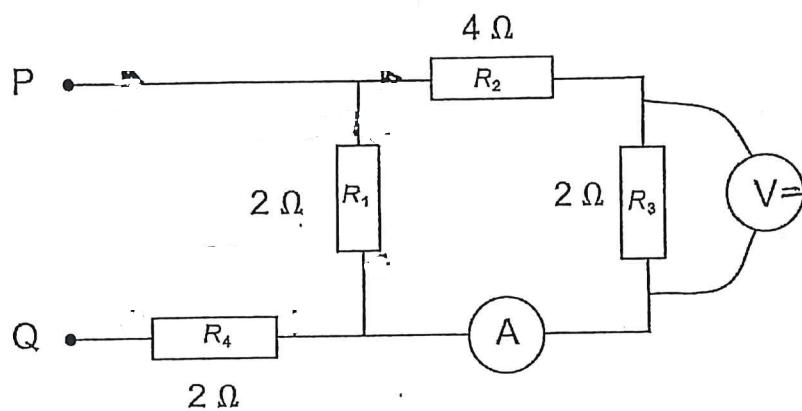
**END OF SECTION ONE**

**Section Two: Problem Solving****50% (72 marks)**

This section contains 5 questions. Answer **all** questions. Answer the questions in the spaces provided.  
 Suggested working time 75 minutes.

**Question 12****(13 marks)**

Consider the circuit shown below, containing four resistors, an ammeter and a voltmeter.  
 The following parts of the question relate to the diagram below.



- (a) Show that the total resistance between terminals P and Q is  $3.50\Omega$ . (4marks).

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- (b) If a voltage source of 10.5 volts is placed across the terminals P and Q:
- i) Find the total current drawn by the circuit. (1 mark)
  - ii) Find the amount of charge drawn by the circuit in a time of 45.0 seconds. (2 marks)
  - iii) Show that the current measured at the ammeter is 0.750 A. (4 marks)
  - iv) Determine the voltage measured by the voltmeter in the original circuit diagram. (2 marks)
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**Question 13****(17 marks)**

A 900 MW fission reactor uses a Uranium-enriched fuel source containing Uranium-235. This fission reaction involves the absorption of Uranium-235 (235.04393 u) with a single neutron (1.00866 u) which produces Strontium-94 (93.91536 u), Xenon-140 (139.92164 u), and a number of neutrons and energy.

- (a) Write a balanced nuclear equation for the neutron bombardment of Uranium-235 described above and clearly state the number of neutrons produced. (3 marks)

- (b) State why you selected the number of neutrons produced above and state the key physics formula which can be used to determine the energy released from the nuclear reaction above. (2 marks)

- (c) Calculate the amount of energy, in joules, produced by this nuclear reaction.  
Show clear and methodical working. (5 marks)

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- (d) Calculate the mass, in kilograms, of Uranium-235 fuel required to operate this 900 MW<sub>nuclear</sub> reactor for one year. Note: if you did not calculate part (c), you may use a value of  $3.00 \times 10^{-11}$  J for the energy released per fission reaction of Uranium-235.

State all assumptions and show clear and methodical working.

(4 marks)

- (e) A radiation limit for workers at the nuclear reactor facility is set at 100.0 mSv per year. If an 82.0 kg worker at the nuclear reactor accidentally receives a full body exposure of 12.0 J of beta radiation from spent fuel rods, determine the worker's absorbed dose, dose equivalent and state if it is safe for the worker to continue working.

(3 marks)

