THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL OF TANZANIA
FORM TWO NATIONAL ASSESSMENT

031   **PHYSICS**

Time: 2:30 Hours   **Year: 2024**

Instructions

1. This paper consists of sections A, B and C with a total of **ten (10)** questions.

2. Answer **all** the questions in each section.

3. All answers must be written in the spaces provided.

4. All writing must be in **blue** or **black** ink, **except** drawings which must be in pencil.

5. Communication devices and any unauthorized materials are **not** allowed in the assessment room.

6. Write your **Assessment Number** at the top right corner of every page.

7. Where necessary the following constants may be used:

   (i) Acceleration due to gravity, $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$.

   (ii) $\pi = 3.14$

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QUESTION NUMBER	**SCORE**	**ASSESSOR'S INITIALS**
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SECTION A (15 Marks)

Answer **all** questions in this section.

1. For each of the items (i) – (x), choose the correct answer from the given alternatives and write its letter in the box provided. **(10 marks)**

(i) Which sets of equipment represents the application of Physics in schools?

    A   Voltmeter, tongs and tripod stand
    B   X-rays, ct-scanner and ultra sound
    C   Cooking pans, binoculars and mosquito coils
    D   Fax machines, air planes and train

(ii) How would you immediately stop hazards due to the electric faults?

    A   Remove the plugs   B   Switch off the socket key
    C   Cut off all connecting wires   D   Switch off the main switch

(iii) Both density and relative density are physical quantities. How do they differ?

    A   Density is a basic quantity while relative density is a derived quantity
    B   Density has units but relative density has no units
    C   Density has no units while relative density has units
    D   Density is a derived quantity while relative density is a basic quantity

(iv) Why do scientists prefer sending the rocket to Mars from the Moon rather than from the Earth?

    A   The gravitational attraction of the moon is large than the earth
    B   The moon's shape is smooth compared to the earth
    C   The moon is at higher position compared to the earth
    D   The gravitational constant of the moon is less than that of the Earth

(v) A body weighs 0.52 N in air. It weighs 0.32 N when it is totally immersed in water and 0.36 when totally immersed in another liquid. What is the density of the other liquid?

    A 1.25 g/cm^3 B 0.8 g/cm^3
    C 80 kg/m^3 D 3250 kg/m^3

(vi) Why gases are easily compressed when compared to liquids?

    A   Molecules in gas are much further apart than those in liquid.
    B   Molecules in gas are free to move than those in liquid.
    C   Molecules in liquid move over a short distance.
    D   Molecules in liquid are larger than those in gas.

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(vii)   Why are the walls of a dam made thicker at the bottom than at the top?

   A   Weight of water at the bottom is less
   B   Pressure of water at the bottom is less
   C   Weight of water at the bottom is greater
   D   Pressure of water at the bottom is greater

(viii)   Which one is a natural source of light?

   A   Electrical bulbs   B   Lightning
   C   Candles   D   Torch

(ix)   Which statement is true about a body whose work done is zero?

   A   Its displacement is in the opposite direction to the force applied
   B   Its displacement is in the same direction as that of the applied force
   C   Its displacement is in a direction perpendicular to the applied force
   D   Its displacement is at an angle to the direction of the applied force

(x)   What is the SI unit of the capacitance?

   A   Coulomb   B   Ampere   C   Farad   D   Volts

2. Match the descriptions in **List A** with the name of its corresponding concept related to motion in straight line in **List B** by writing a letter of the concept below the item number in the table provided. **(5 marks)**

	List A		List B
(i)	The distance covered by an object in a given direction in metres.	A	Acceleration
(ii)	The length of the path that is followed by an object and has a magnitude only.	B	A frame of reference
		C	A position
(iii)	A set of axes from which an observer can measure the position of points in a system.	D	Average speed
		E	Displacement
(iv)	The rate of change in displacement measured in metres per second.	F	Distance
		G	Maximum altitude
(v)	The rate of change in velocity.	H	Velocity

Answers

List A	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)
List B					

SECTION B (70 Marks)

Answer **all** questions in this section.

3. (a) Mention four types of magnets according to their shapes. **(4 marks)**

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(b)   Write a limitation and two precautions of using the filtered thermometer.

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Limitation

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Precautions

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(a)   Why does a person falls in the direction of a slow moving car if he/she jumps from it?

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(b)   Give three properties of magnetic lines of force.   (6 marks)

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4.   (a)   (i)   What are the three temperature scales that are commonly used?
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(ii)   Which liquid would you use to construct a simple liquid-in-glass thermometer using mercury, alcohol and water as thermometric liquids? Give a reason for your answer.   (4 marks)

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(b)   Briefly explain two examples that show the applications of Newton's third law of motion in real life situations.   (3 marks)

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(c)   Why action and reaction forces do not cancel each other?   (5 marks)

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6. Suppose a bird is on top of a tree and a boy who is at rest throws a stone to hit it such that the bird falls and strikes the ground with a velocity of 80 m/s: **(5 marks)**

(a) Determine the height of the tree from the ground to its top.

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(b) Calculate the time taken by the bird to hit the ground. **(5 marks)**

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7. (a) Outline four types of simple machines.   (4 marks)

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    (b) The block and tackle pulley system has a velocity ratio of 4. If a load of 225 N is raised by using a force of 75 N; Determine:

    (i)   The mechanical advantage of the system.   (3 marks)

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    (ii) The efficiency of the system.   (3 marks)

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8.   (a)   Why is it important to keep the centre of gravity of a motor-bus as low as possible?   **(2 marks)**

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(b)   Your Physics teacher has assigned you to determine the weight of a meter rule using the concept of forces in equilibrium.

(i)   Name three types of materials which should be used in the task given.   **(3 marks)**

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(ii)   With a aid of a diagram, explain how you will determine the weight of the meter rule.   **(5 marks)**

(i) What do you understand by the term geothermal as a source of energy. (3 marks)

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(ii) Outline four steps in which electricity is produced from geothermal energy. (4 marks)

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(b)   In three points, give the disadvantages of wind energy. ....

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SECTION C (15 Marks)

Answer question **ten (10)**.

10.   Suppose you are a Physics laboratory leader and you are asked by your teacher to prepare the electrical components and instruments for an experiment to determine the relationship between voltage and current:

(a)   List down five electrical components which will be used in this experiment.
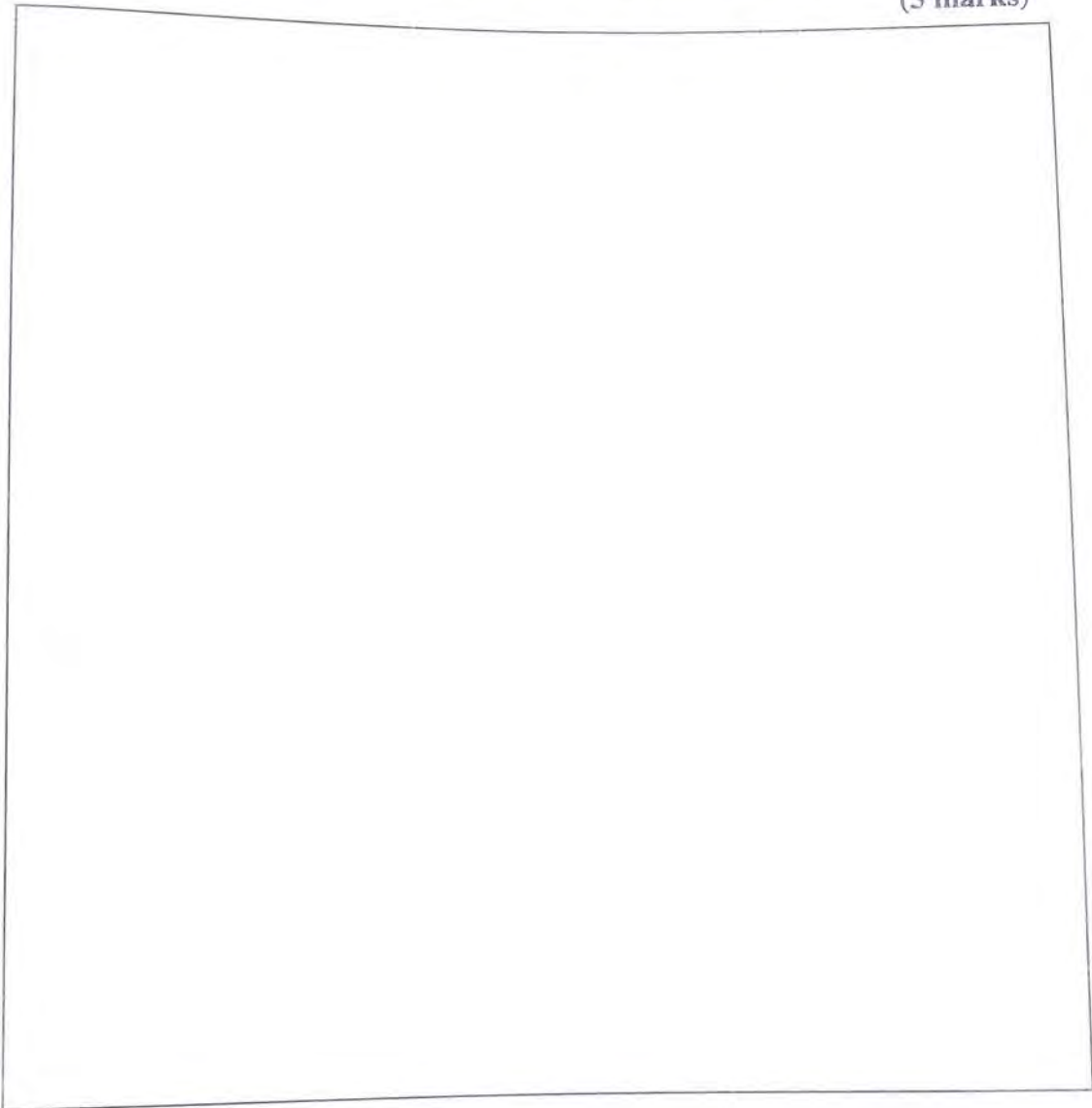
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(b)   Draw a simple electric circuit which will be suitable for that experiment.

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(c)   Using the simple electric circuit drawn in 10 (b), state the criteria used to connect the ammeter and voltmeter electrical components in the circuit.

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