

3 This question is about parts of the electromagnetic spectrum.

gamma rays	x-rays		visible light	infrared waves	microwaves	radio waves
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(a) Name the missing part of this spectrum.

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(b) Which part of this spectrum has the shortest wavelength?

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(c) Explain how the frequency of electromagnetic waves in free space differs with increasing wavelength.

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(d) Microwaves are used to heat food.

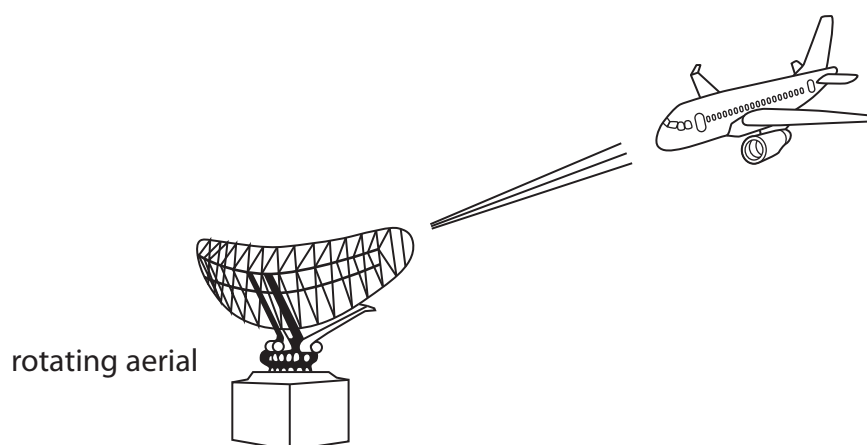
State another part of the spectrum that is used to heat food.

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- (e) Microwaves are used at airports to detect aeroplanes.

A microwave beam is emitted from a large rotating aerial and reflected back off the metal surface of the aeroplane.



- (i) Explain how microwaves are used to find the distance to an aeroplane.

(3)

- (ii) Suggest why it is important for the aerial to rotate through a full circle every two seconds.

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(Total for Question 3 = 9 marks)

