

Transfer of Thermal Energy

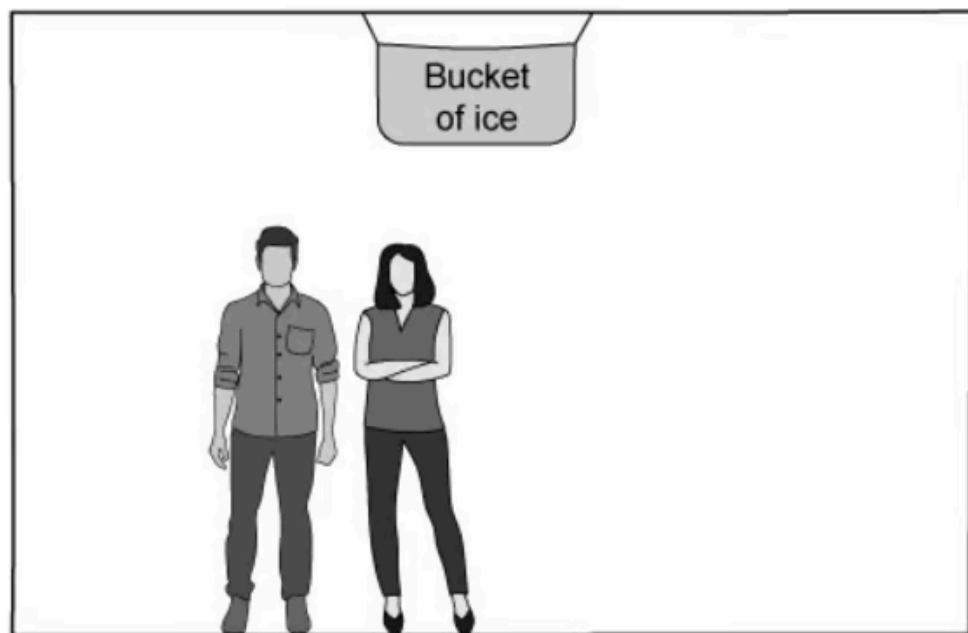
Question Paper

Course	CIE IGCSE Physics
Section	2. Thermal Physics
Topic	Transfer of Thermal Energy
Difficulty	Easy

Time Allowed	10
Score	/5
Percentage	/100

Question 1

The diagram shows a bucket of ice which is hanging from the ceiling of a room as a makeshift air-conditioner. This is a cheaper, less effective means of cooling the room.



The ice cools the air next to it. What happens to the cold air and why?

	What happens	Explanation
A	the cold air rises	it is less dense than the warmer air in the room
B	the cold air rises	it is more dense than the warmer air in the room
C	the cold air falls	it is less dense than the warmer air in the room
D	the cold air falls	it is more dense than the warmer air in the room

[1 mark]

Question 2

Which of the following statements about convection is correct?

Warm air rises because:

- A. The air molecules expand and become less dense.
- B. The air molecules move further apart, making the air less dense.
- C. The air molecules contract, making the air less dense.
- D. The air molecules move closer together, making the air less dense.

[1 mark]

Question 3

Which of the following statements about thermal radiation is correct?

- A. It is electromagnetic radiation.
- B. It can only happen in a vacuum.
- C. It involves movement of molecules due to changes in density.
- D. It involves transfer of electrons through a material.

[1 mark]

Question 4

The Sun is the source of the majority of the energy on Earth.

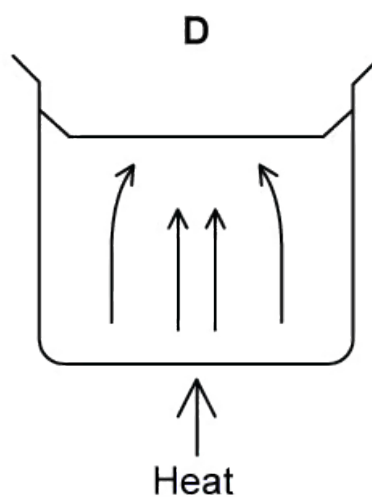
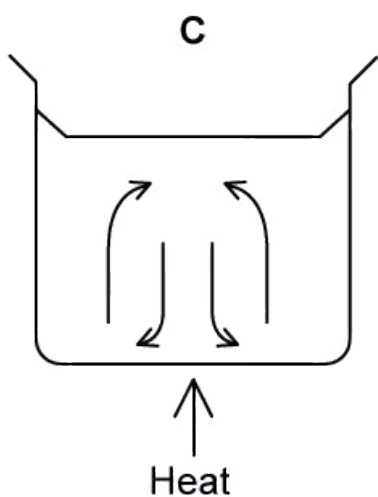
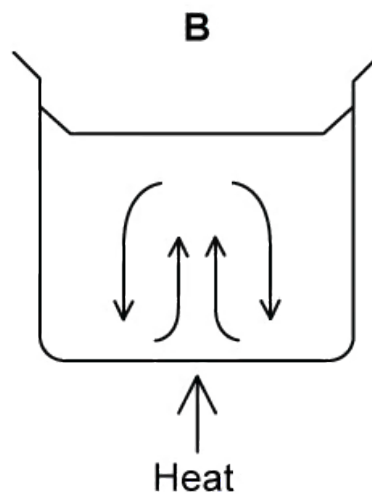
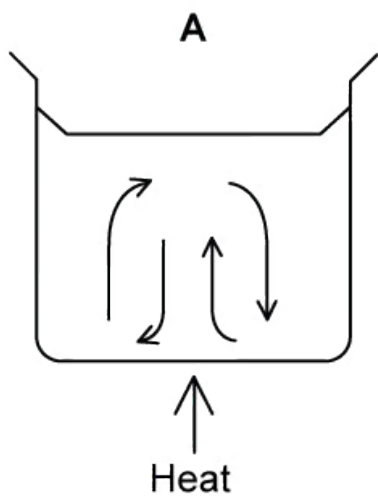
How does thermal energy from the Sun travel to the Earth?

- A.** By conduction, convection and radiation
- B.** By conduction and convection only
- C.** By convection and radiation only
- D.** By radiation only

[1 mark]

Question 5

Which diagram correctly shown the motion of particles in a beaker filled with liquid heated from the base?



[1 mark]