

FROM IDEAS TO IMPLEMENTATION: REVIEW QUESTIONS



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Working with the HSC verbs

1. **Define** the 'photoelectric effect'.
2. **Identify** two physical properties of a superconductor.
3. **Describe** two major differences between classical physics and quantum physics.
4. **Outline** the experimental procedure that can be used to demonstrate that cathode rays carry momentum.
5. **Identify** two advantages of solid state devices over thermionic devices.
6. German physicist Heinrich Hertz was the first person to produce and investigate the properties of radiowaves. **Outline** the experimental procedure used by Hertz to determine the speed of the radiowaves produced.
7. Superconductors are able to exclude external magnetic fields, a phenomenon known as the Meissner effect. **Account** for this.
8. **Justify** the decrease in resistance when silicon is doped with phosphorus or when it is heated.
9. Cathode rays demonstrate wave-particle duality.
 - (a) **State** two properties that characterise cathode rays as waves.
 - (b) **State** two properties that characterise cathode rays as particles.
10. **Compare** the conduction of electricity in a P-type semiconductor to that in a N-type semiconductor.
11. **Discuss** Einstein and Planck's views on the relationship and link between science and political forces.
12. With the aid of a diagram, **describe** how the BCS theory is used to explain superconductivity.
13. **Discuss** the importance of scientific experiments on validating physics theories and scientific thinking.
14. **Analyse** how the ability to produce and manipulate cathode rays has led to the development of cathode ray oscilloscopes.
15. The results of a well set up scientific experiment are the most effective way of settling a debate in the scientific community regarding a particular physics phenomenon. **Discuss** this statement using Thomson's experiment as an example.
16. The Physics Nobel Prize-winning discovery, the photoelectric effect, has had profound impacts on the development of modern technologies. **Analyse** the application of the photoelectric effect in photo cells and solar cells.
17. **Assess** the impact of the uses of superconductors on society and the environment.
18. **Assess** the impact of gaining understanding of black body radiation and the discovery of photoelectric effect on scientific thinking in the 20th century.
19. **Evaluate** the impact advances in the ability to manipulate semiconductors have had on society.
20. Even the most complicated technology starts with a simple idea. **Analyse** how colour TV, computers, solar cells and maglev trains are all based on a simple idea.