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Q	uesti	on	Answers	Notes	Total
1.	а	i	zero ✓		1
1	а	ii	Blades exert a downward force on the air ✓	Downward direction required for MP1 .	
			air exerts an equal and opposite force on the blades «by Newton's third law» OR		2
			air exerts a reaction force on the blades «by Newton's third law» ✓		
1	а	iii	«lift force/change of momentum in one second» = 1.7 v \checkmark $1.7 \text{ v} = (0.95 + 0.45) \times 9.81 \checkmark$ \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark	Allow 8.2 from $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$.	3
1	а	iv	ALTERNATIVE 1 power «=rate of energy transfer to the air = $\frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta m}{\Delta t} v^2$ » = $\frac{1}{2} \times 1.7 \times 8.1^2$ ✓ = 56 «W» ✓ ALTERNATIVE 2 Power « = Force x v ave» = $(0.95 + 0.45) \times 9.81 \times \frac{8.1}{2}$ ✓ = 56 «W» ✓		2

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1	b		vertical force= lift force – weight <i>OR</i> = 0.45 × 9.81 <i>OR</i> = 4.4 «N» ✓		2
			acceleration = $\frac{0.45 \times 9.81}{0.95}$ = 4.6 « ms ⁻² » \checkmark		

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2.	а		arrow downwards labelled weight/W/mg and arrow upwards labelled friction/F ✓ arrow horizontally to the left labelled «normal» reaction/N ✓	Ignore point of application of the forces but do not allow arrows that do not touch the object. Do not allow horizontal force to be labelled 'centripetal' or R.	2
2	b		See $F = \mu N AND N = mR\omega^2 \checkmark$ «substituting for N» $\mu m\omega^2 R = mg \checkmark$		2

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2	С		ALTERNATIVE 1 minimum required angular velocity $\ll = \sqrt{\frac{9.81}{0.40 \times 3.5}} = 2.6 \ll \text{rad s}^{-1} \gg \checkmark$ actual angular velocity $\ll = \frac{2\pi}{\left(\frac{60}{28}\right)} = 2.9 \ll \text{rad s}^{-1} \gg \checkmark$ actual angular velocity is greater than the minimum, so the person does not slide \checkmark ALTERNATIVE 2 minimum friction force $= mg = \ll 9.81 \text{m} \gg \checkmark$ actual friction force $\ll = \mu mR\omega^2 = 0.40 \text{ m} \times 3.5 \left(2\pi \frac{28}{60}\right)^2 \approx 12.0 \text{ m} \checkmark$ actual friction force is greater than the minimum frictional force so the person does not slide \checkmark	Allow 2.7 from $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$.	3

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3.	а	i	«15×30×60» = 27000 «J» ✓		1
3	а	ii	$27 \times 10^{3} = 0.32 \times c \times (290 - 250)$ OR $2100 \checkmark$ J kg ⁻¹ K ⁻¹ OR J kg ⁻¹ ${}^{0}C^{-1}\checkmark$	Allow any appropriate unit that is mass × temperature	2
3	b		«intermolecular» bonds are formed during freezing ✓ bond-forming process releases energy		
			OR «intermolecular» PE decreases «and the difference is transferred as heat» ✓		3 max
			«average random» KE of the molecules does not decrease/change ✓ temperature is related to «average» KE of the molecules «hence unchanged» ✓	To award MP3 or MP4 molecules/particles/atoms must be mentioned.	
3	С		mass of frozen oil $= \frac{27 \times 10^3}{130 \times 10^3} = 0.21 \text{ kg} \text{ mass}$ unfrozen mass $= 0.32 - 0.21 = 0.11 \text{ kg}$		2

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4.	а		wavelength = $\frac{340}{850}$ = 0.40 «m» \checkmark path difference = 1.8 «m» \checkmark 1.8 «m» = 4.5 λ OR $\frac{1.8}{0.20}$ = 9 «half-wavelengths» \checkmark	Allow approach where path length is calculated in terms of number of wavelengths; along path A (56.25) and path B (60.75) for MP2, hence path difference 4.5 wavelengths for MP3	4
			waves meet in antiphase «at P»		
			OR		
			destructive interference/superposition «at P» ✓		
4	b		«equally spaced» maxima and minima ✓		
			a maximum at Q ✓		2 max
			four «additional» maxima «between P and Q» ✓		
4	С		the amplitude of sound at Q is halved ✓		_
			«intensity is proportional to amplitude squared hence» $\frac{I_A}{I_0} = \frac{1}{4}$		2

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4.	d	i	speed of sound relative to the microphone is less ✓		
			wavelength unchanged «so frequency is lower» OR fewer waves recorded in unit time/per second «so frequency is lower» ✓		2
4	d	ii	$845 = 850 \times \frac{340 - v}{340} \checkmark$ $v = 2.00 \text{ «m s}^{-1} \text{»} \checkmark$		2

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5.	а		current is not «directly» proportional to the potential difference OR resistance of X is not constant OR resistance of X changes «with current/voltage» ✓		1
5	b	i	ALTERNATIVE 1 voltage across X = 2.3 «V» ✓ voltage across R «= $4.0-2.3$ » = 1.7 «V» ✓ resistance of variable resistor «= $\frac{1.7}{0.020}$ » = 85 «Ω» ✓ ALTERNATIVE 2 overall resistance «= $\frac{4.0}{0.020}$ » = 200 «Ω» ✓ resistance of X «= $\frac{2.3}{0.020}$ » = 115 «Ω» ✓ resistance of variable resistor «= $200-115$ » = 85 «Ω» ✓		3
5	b	ii	power «= 4.0×0.020 » = 0.080 « W » ✓		1

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5.	С	i	from 0 to 60 mA ✓		1
5	С	ii	ALTERNATIVE 1 current from the cell is greater «than 20 mA» ✓ because some of the current must flow through section SQ of the potentiometer ✓ overall power greater «than in part (b)» ✓ ALTERNATIVE 2 total/overall resistance decreases ✓ because SQ and X are in parallel ✓ overall power greater «than in part (b)» ✓	Allow the reverse argument.	3

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6.	а	i	energy required to «completely» separate the nucleons OR energy released when a nucleus is formed from its constituent nucleons ✓	Allow protons AND neutrons.	1
6	а	ii	the values «in SI units» would be very small ✓		1
6	а	iii	140 × 8.29 + 94 × 8.59 − 235 × 7.59 OR 184 «MeV » ✓		1
6	b	i	See « energy =»180×10 ⁶ ×1.60×10 ⁻¹⁹ AND « mass =» 235×1.66×10 ⁻²⁷ ✓ 7.4×10 ¹³ « J kg ⁻¹ » ✓		2
6	b	ii	energy produced in one day = $\frac{1.2 \times 10^9 \times 24 \times 3600}{0.36}$ = 2.9×10^{14} « J» \checkmark mass = $\frac{2.9 \times 10^{14}}{7.4 \times 10^{13}}$ = 3.9 « kg» \checkmark		2
6	b	iii	«specific energy of uranium is much greater than that of coal, hence» more energy can be produced from the same mass of fuel / per kg OR less fuel can be used to create the same amount of energy ✓		1

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6	С	i	39 ✓	Do not allow ⁹⁴ ₃₉ X unless the proton number is indicated.	1
6	С	ii	75 «s» ✓		1
6.	С	iii	ALTERNATIVE 1 10 min = 8 $t_{1/2}$ mass remaining = $1.0 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8 = 3.9 \times 10^{-3}$ «kg» ALTERNATIVE 2 decay constant = « $\frac{\ln 2}{75}$ = » 9.24×10^{-3} « s ⁻¹ » mass remaining = $1.0 \times e^{-9.24 \times 10^{-3} \times 600} = 3.9 \times 10^{-3}$ « kg» where 4×10^{-3} vectors is the second		2

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7.	а		the «restoring» force/acceleration is proportional to displacement ✓	Allow use of symbols i.e. $F \propto -x$ or $a \propto -x$	1
7	b		Evidence of equating $m\omega^2 x = \rho Agx$ «to obtain $\frac{\rho Ag}{m} = \omega^2 \gg \checkmark$ $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{1.03 \times 10^3 \times 2.29 \times 10^{-1} \times 9.81}{118}} OR 4.43 \text{ « rad s}^{-1} \gg \checkmark$	Answer to at least 3 s.f.	2
7	С	i	« E_{K} is a maximum when $X = 0$ hence» $E_{K, \text{max}} = \frac{1}{2} \times 118 \times 4.4^{2} (0.250^{2} - 0^{2})$ \checkmark 71.4 «J» \checkmark		2

7. c ii energy never negative ✓ correct shape with two maxima ✓ kinetic energy E _{kmax}	Total
0 0 time	Total 2

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8.	а		ALTERNATIVE 1		
			work done on moving a positive test charge in any outward direction is negative ✓		
			potential difference is proportional to this work «so V decreases from A to B» ✓		
			ALTERNATIVE 2		
			potential gradient is directed opposite to the field so inwards ✓		
			the gradient indicates the direction of increase of <i>V</i> «hence <i>V</i> increases towards the centre/decreases from A to B» ✓		
					2
			ALTERNATIVE 3		
			$V = \frac{kQ}{R}$ so as r increases V decreases \checkmark		
			V is positive as Q is positive ✓		
			ALTERNATIVE 4		
			the work done per unit charge in bringing a positive charge from infinity ✓		
			to point B is less than point A ✓		

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8.	b		curve decreasing asymptotically for $r > R \checkmark$ non – zero constant between 0 and $R \checkmark$		2
8	С	i	$\frac{W}{q} = \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-16}}{1.60 \times 10^{-19}} = 1.1 \times 10^3 $		1
8	С	ii	$8.99 \times 10^{9} \times Q \times \left(\frac{1}{5.0 \times 10^{-2}} - \frac{1}{1.0 \times 10^{-1}}\right) = 1.1 \times 10^{3} \checkmark$ $Q = 1.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ «C.» } \checkmark$		2
8	d		to highlight similarities between «different» fields ✓		1

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9.	а		there is a magnetic flux «linkage» in the coil / coil cuts magnetic field ✓ this flux «linkage» changes as the angle varies/coil rotates ✓ «Faraday's law» connects induced emf with rate of change of flux «linkage» with time ✓	Do not award MP2 or 3 for answers that don't discuss flux.	3
9	b	i	$V_{\text{rms}} = \frac{25 \times 10^3}{\sqrt{2}} = 17.7 \times 10^3 \text{ V w } \checkmark$ $I_{\text{rms}} = \frac{8.5 \times 10^5}{17.7 \times 10^3} = 48 \text{ W A w } \checkmark$		2
9	b	ii	«power loss proportional to I^2 hence the step-up factor is $\sqrt{2.5 \times 10^2}$ » 16 \checkmark		1
9	b	iii	peak emf doubles ✓ Thalves ✓	Must show at least 1 cycle.	2

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10.	а		$\lambda = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8}{1.60 \times 10^{-19} \times 4.2 \times 10^8} \mathbf{OR} = 2.96 \times 10^{-15} \text{ wm} \text{ w} \checkmark$	Answer to at least 2 s.f. (i.e. 3.0)	1
10	b	i	«the shape of the graph suggests that» electrons undergo diffraction «with carbon nuclei» ✓ only waves diffract ✓		2
10	b	ii	$\sin \theta_0 = \frac{2.96 \times 10^{-15}}{4.94 \times 10^{-15}} = 0.599 $ \checkmark 37 «degrees» <i>OR</i> 0.64/0.65 «rad» \checkmark		2
10	b	iii	the de Broglie wavelength of electrons is «much» longer than the size of a nucleus ✓ hence electrons would not undergo diffraction OR no diffraction pattern would be observed ✓		2
10	С		volume of a nucleus proportional to $\left(A^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^3 = A$ AND mass proportional to $A \checkmark$ the ratio $\frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}}$ independent of A whence density the same for all nuclei» \checkmark	Both needed for MP1	2