

- 2 (a) Explain qualitatively how molecular movement causes the pressure exerted by a gas.

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- (b) The density of neon gas at a temperature of 273K and a pressure of  $1.02 \times 10^5$  Pa is  $0.900\text{ kg m}^{-3}$ . Neon may be assumed to be an ideal gas.

Calculate the root-mean-square (r.m.s.) speed of neon atoms at

- (i) 273K,

speed = .....  $\text{ms}^{-1}$  [3]

- (ii) 546K.

speed = .....  $\text{ms}^{-1}$  [2]

- (c) The calculations in (b) are based on the density for neon being  $0.900 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ .  
Suggest the effect, if any, on the root-mean-square speed of changing the density at constant temperature.

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