

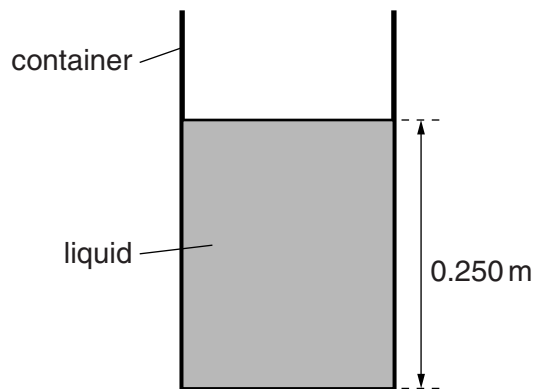
- 3 (a) Define *pressure*.

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- (b) Explain, in terms of the air molecules, why the pressure at the top of a mountain is less than at sea level.

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- (c) Fig. 3.1 shows a liquid in a cylindrical container.



**Fig. 3.1**

The cross-sectional area of the container is  $0.450 \text{ m}^2$ . The height of the column of liquid is  $0.250 \text{ m}$  and the density of the liquid is  $13600 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ .

- (i) Calculate the weight of the column of liquid.

weight = ..... N [3]

- (ii) Calculate the pressure on the base of the container caused by the weight of the liquid.

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pressure = ..... Pa [1]

- (iii) Explain why the pressure exerted on the base of the container is different from the value calculated in (ii).

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