

- 3** A microwave cooker uses electromagnetic waves of frequency 2450 MHz.  
The microwaves warm the food in the cooker by causing water molecules in the food to oscillate with a large amplitude at the frequency of the microwaves.

**(a)** State the name given to this phenomenon.

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- (b)** The effective microwave power of the cooker is 750 W.  
The temperature of a mass of 280 g of water rises from 25 °C to 98 °C in a time of 2.0 minutes.

Calculate a value for the specific heat capacity of the water.

specific heat capacity = .....  $\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$  [3]

- (c)** The value of the specific heat capacity determined from the data in **(b)** is greater than the accepted value.

A student gives as the reason for this difference: 'heat lost to the surroundings'.

Suggest, in more detail than that given by the student, a possible reason for the difference.

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