

- 2 (a) Define specific heat capacity.

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- (b) A fixed mass of water in a beaker is at atmospheric pressure.

- (i) The initial temperature of the water is 0°C .

The water is supplied with thermal energy E , so that its temperature increases to 8°C . There is no net change in the volume of the water.

Use the first law of thermodynamics to complete Table 2.1 for this process.

Table 2.1

| work done on water | thermal energy supplied to water | increase in internal energy of water |
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| | + E | |

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- (ii) The water is now heated so that its temperature increases by a further 8°C to a final temperature of 16°C . This process causes the volume of the water to increase so that work W is done.

Assume that the change in internal energy is the same as in (b)(i).

Use the first law of thermodynamics to complete Table 2.2 for this process.

Table 2.2

| work done on water | thermal energy supplied to water | increase in internal energy of water |
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- (c) Use the information in (b) to suggest, with a reason, how the average specific heat capacity of water between 8°C and 16°C compares with its average value between 0°C and 8°C .

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