

- 2 The first law of thermodynamics, when applied to a system, can be expressed as:

$$\Delta U = q + w$$

where  $\Delta U$  is the increase in internal energy of the system,  
 $q$  is the heat supplied to the system and  
 $w$  is the work done on the system.

State and explain, in terms of the first law of thermodynamics, the change, if any, in the internal energy

- (a) of the water in an ice cube when ice melts, at atmospheric pressure, to form a liquid without any change of temperature,

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- (b) of the gas in a tyre when the tyre bursts so that the gas suddenly increases in volume. Assume that the gas is ideal.

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