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Candidates and	swer on the Question Paper.		

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

No Additional Materials are required.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in. Write in dark blue or black pen in the spaces provided on the Question Paper. You may use a soft pencil for any diagrams, graphs, tables or rough working. Do **not** use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer all questions.

You may use a calculator.

A copy of the Periodic Table is printed on page 12. At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together. The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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This document consists of 11 printed pages and 1 blank page.

In questions 1 to 5 inclusive, circle the correct answer.

1 The Periodic Table shows all known elements.

Which statement, about the elements in the Periodic Table, is true?

- A The alkali metals become more reactive as the group is descended.
- **B** The noble gases are more reactive than the halogens.
- **C** In moving from left to right across the Periodic Table, elements become more metallic.
- **D** The halogens become more reactive as the group is descended. [1]
- 2 Which type of wave requires a material medium for transmission?
  - **A** microwaves
  - **B** radio
  - C sound
  - **D** x-rays [1]
- **3** Air is a mixture of oxygen, nitrogen, carbon dioxide with traces of several other gases.

Which line in the table gives the correct composition of the three main gases in air?

	Percentage of oxygen	Percentage of carbon dioxide	Percentage of nitrogen
Α	20	0.04	78
В	20	1.0	78
С	21	0.04	78
D	21	1.0	78

[1]

**4** Fig. 4.1 shows how the total volume of oxygen gas evolved varies with time when hydrogen peroxide decomposes in the presence of the catalyst manganese(IV) oxide.

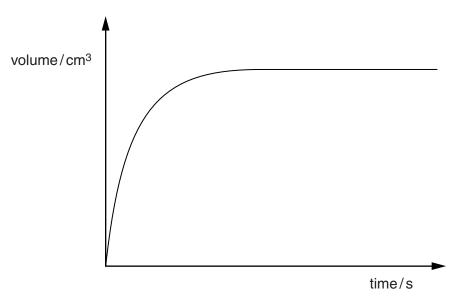


Fig. 4.1

Which of the following is the reason for the graph to have such a shape?

- **A** Both hydrogen peroxide and manganese(IV) oxide are used up.
- **B** The temperature falls as the reaction proceeds.
- **C** The manganese(IV) oxide is used up.
- **D** The hydrogen peroxide is used up.

[1]

5 Fig. 5.1 shows a speed – time graph for a bus travelling between two bus stations, **O** and **S**.

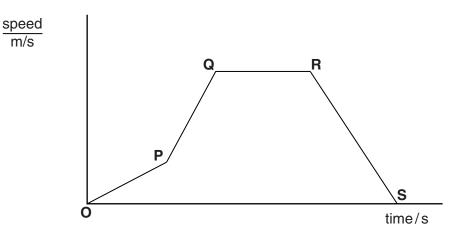


Fig. 5.1

Which section of the graph shows the bus moving with zero acceleration?

OP Α

m/s

- PQ
- C QR
- D RS [1]

6 Table 6.1 shows the melting and boiling points of five substances.

Table 6.1

Substance	Melting point / °C	Boiling point / °C
selenium	217	685
anisole	-38	154
bromine	-7	59
propane	-188	-42
cobalt	1492	2900

List	the	sul	ostances	that	are s	solids	or	liqui	ds :	at ro	om	tem	peratu	ıre (	(25°	$^{\circ}$ C	).
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solid(s) ..... liquids .....[2]

7 Fig. 7.1 shows a 10 N force applied to a block on a frictionless horizontal surface.

The block moves with an acceleration of 2 m/s<sup>2</sup>.



Fig. 7.1

Calculate the mass of the block.



**8** Fig. 8.1 and Fig. 8.2 show instruments used to measure volume.



Fig. 8.1



Fig. 8.2

Name these instruments.

Fig. 8.1 .....

Fig. 8.2 .....[2]

**9** Fig. 9.1 shows a ray of light incident on a plane mirror.

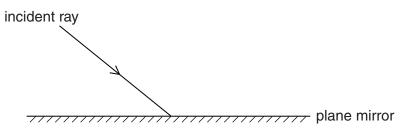


Fig. 9.1

Complete the path of the ray of light after it strikes the mirror.

[1]

10 Table 10.1 shows the electronic configuration of atoms E, F, G and H.

**Table 10.1** 

Atom	Electronic configuration
E	2, 7
F	2, 8, 8
G	2, 8, 8, 2
Н	2, 8, 4

(a)	Choose to		elements	from	Table	10.1	that	can	react	together	to	form	covalent
													[1]
(b)	Use the P	erio	dic Table to	o nam	e an el	emen	t that	is in	the sa	me group	as	F.	
													[1]
(c)	Write the	char	ge of an ic	on of <b>E</b>	Ē.								
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**11** A ship is stationary and sends a pulse of sound waves to the seabed.

The sea bed is 323 m below the ship.

The reflected pulse is detected 0.425s after it was sent from the ship.

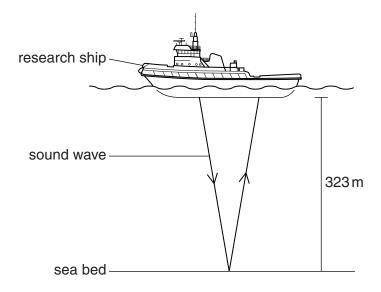


Fig. 11.1

Calculate the speed of the sound wave in the sea water.

Show your working.

12	Carl	and <b>Z</b> are all metals.  Soon reduces the hot oxides of <b>X</b> and <b>Y</b> but not the oxide of <b>Z</b> .  Moves the oxygen from the oxide of <b>Y</b> on strong heating.
	Arra	nge these metals in their order of reactivity.
	mos	t reactive
	leas	t reactive[2]
13	Stat	e the speed of radio waves in a vacuum.
		[1]
14		nesium oxide, MgO, is reacted with dilute sulfuric acid, H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> . Inesium oxide is a basic oxide.
	Writ	e down the formulae of the <b>products</b> of the reaction.
	form	ıula 1
	form	nula 2[2]
15		quid-in-glass thermometer uses a physical property of the liquid which changes with perature.
	It is	calibrated using two fixed points.
	(a)	Name the physical property.
		[1]
	(b)	Name the <b>two</b> fixed points.
		[2]

Hydrogen is an element.Water is a compound.Air is a mixture.

(a)

(b)

Describe, using these substances, the difference between an element and a compound.
[1]
State <b>two</b> differences between a mixture and a compound.
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17 Fig. 17.1 shows a circuit with a cell, a resistor and three meters, labelled K, L and M.

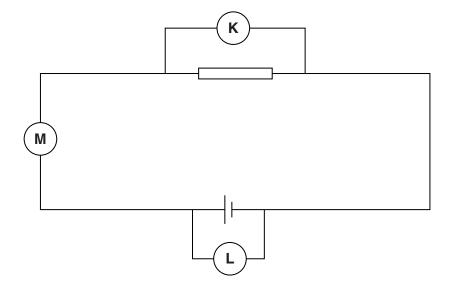


Fig. 17.1

(a) Indicate, with an arrow, the direction of the current in the circuit. [1]
(b) State which meter K, L or M measures the current in the circuit. [1]
(c) Name the instrument used to measure electric current. [1]

18	Nan	ne th	e process by which the sun produces energy.
			[1]
19	The	subs	stances coal, hydrogen, petrol, methane and paraffin are fuels.
	(a)	(i)	Name a fuel from the list which does not pollute the environment when burnt.
			[1]
		(ii)	Explain your answer.
			[1]
	(b)	Writ	e a word equation for the combustion of methane in an adequate supply of oxygen.
			[1]
20	Ма	gnetio	c fields can be represented by field lines.
	Fig.	20.1	shows two bar magnets.
			<b>A</b> B
		S	N N S
			D
			Fig. 20.1
			d lines to show magnetic field in this arrangement.
	You	only	need to consider the space enclosed by the box <b>ABCD</b> . [2]
21	(a)	Con	plete the following sentence.
		An a	alpha particle has four charge. [2]
	(b)	Ехр	lain why alpha particles are deflected less than beta particles in a magnetic field.
			[1]

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Fm Fermium 100 **ES**Einsteinium
99 The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm<sup>3</sup> at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.). Californium 98 **BK**Berkelium
97 Curium **Am**Americium
95 **Pu**Plutonium
94 Neptunium 93 Protactinium 91 **Th** .