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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do not write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- You should show all your working and use appropriate units.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The Periodic Table is printed in the question paper.

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1 Fig. 1.1 shows the structures of seven substances, A, B, C, D, E, F and G.

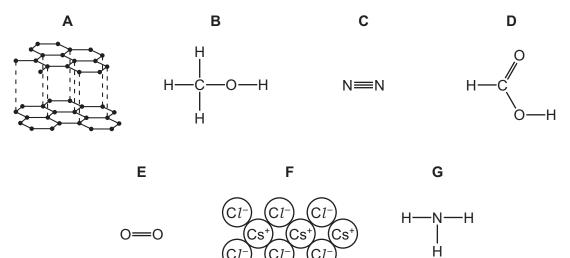


Fig. 1.1

(a) Answer the following questions using only the structures in Fig. 1.1. Each structure may be used once, more than once or not at all.

State which structure represents:

(i)	a gas that forms 78% by volume of clean, dry air	
		[1]
(ii)	a compound with a high melting point	
		[1]
(iii)	a giant covalent structure	
		[1]
(iv)	a compound in the same homologous series as ethanol	
		[1]
(v)		[41
(vi)	a non-metallic element that conducts electricity.	נין
(*')	a non-motalile diement that conducts clostroity.	[1]

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(b) Complete Fig. 1.2 to show the dot-and-cross diagram for structure **G**. Show the outer electron shells only.

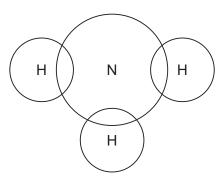


Fig. 1.2

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[Total: 8]

2 (a) Blood plasma is the liquid part of blood.

Table 2.1 shows the mass, in mg, of some ions present in 100 cm³ of blood plasma.

Table 2.1

name of ion	formula of ion	mass of ion in 100 cm ³ of blood plasma/mg	
calcium	Ca ²⁺	10.0	
chloride	C1-	365.6	
hydrogencarbonate	HCO ₃ -	164.7	
hydrogen phosphate	HPO ₄ ²⁻	9.6	
magnesium	Mg ²⁺	3.6	
potassium	K⁺	19.5	
sodium	Na⁺	326.6	
	SO ₄ ²⁻	4.8	

Answer these questions using information from Table 2.1.

	(i)	Name the positive ion in Table 2.1 that is present in the lowest concentration in bloplasma.	boc
			[1]
	(ii)	Name the ion in Table 2.1 that contains an element in Group V of the Periodic Table.	
			[1]
(b)	Nar	me the compound containing Na ⁺ ions and SO ₄ ²⁻ ions.	
			[1]
(c)	Des	scribe a test for chloride ions.	
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	obs	servations	
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(d) Choose from the list the salt that is insoluble in water.

Tick (✓) one box.

calcium sulfate	
magnesium chloride	
potassium sulfate	
sodium chloride	

[1]

(e) Table 2.2 shows some properties of the Group I metals.

Table 2.2

metal	density in g/cm³	observations on reaction with water	
lithium	0.53	bubbles form very slowly and no flame	
sodium	0.97		
potassium	0.86	bubbles form very rapidly and flame	
rubidium		explodes	

Use the information in Table 2.2 to:

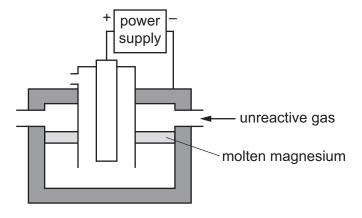
	suggest why it is difficult to predict the density of rubidium	
	describe the observations when sodium reacts with water.	
		 [2]
(f)	State how the melting point of the Group I elements changes down the Group.	
		[1]
(g)	Sodium oxide, Na ₂ O, can be made by heating sodium in a limited supply of oxygen.	
	Complete the symbol equation for this reaction.	

[Total: 11]

[2]

.....Na + $O_2 \rightarrowNa_2O$

(a) Fig. 3.1 shows the apparatus used to electrolyse molten magnesium chloride.



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Fig. 3.1

	(1)	Label the anode in Fig. 3.1.	[1]
	(ii)	Name a non-metal that can be used as the anode.	
			[1]
(iii)	Name the product formed at each electrode.	
		positive electrode	
		negative electrode	 [2]
(b)		your knowledge of the reactivity of magnesium to suggest why an unreactive gas is blow the electrolysis cell.	
(c)	Allo	ys of magnesium and aluminium are used to make aircraft.	
	Sta	te the meaning of the term alloy.	
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(i)	Write the formula of the ion that is present in all acids.
	[1]
(ii)	Name the gas produced when hydrochloric acid reacts with magnesium.
	[1]
iii)	Dilute hydrochloric acid is added to a solution of thymolphthalein in aqueous sodium hydroxide until the acid is in excess.
	State the colour change of the thymolphthalein.
	from to
iv)	Name the indicator that can be used to determine the pH of a sample of dilute hydrochloric acid.
	[1]

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- 4 Some plants produce ethene gas.
 - (a) (i) Draw the displayed formula for a molecule of ethene.

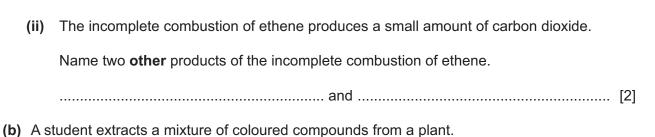


Fig. 4.1 shows the results of chromatography of this mixture.

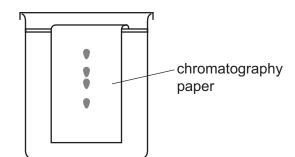


Fig. 4.1

- (i) Complete Fig. 4.1, to show:
 - where the mixture of coloured compounds is placed on the chromatography paper at the start of the chromatography
 - the level of the solvent at the start of the chromatography.

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(ii) State two characteristics of a mixture.

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	[2]

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5 (a) An atom of sulfur is represented by the symbol shown.

34 S

Describe this atom of sulfur in terms of:

- the position of the electrons, neutrons and protons in the atom
- the number of neutrons and number of protons
- the electronic configuration.

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- (b) Sulfur burns to produce sulfur dioxide.
 - (i) State **one** adverse effect of sulfur dioxide in the air.
 - (ii) Complete the symbol equation for the reaction of sulfur dioxide with magnesium.

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$$2Mg \rightarrowMgO + S$$
 [2]

(c) Fig. 5.1 shows the displayed formula of a compound of sulfur.

Fig. 5.1

Deduce the molecular formula of this compound.



(d) Another compound of sulfur has the formula Na₂S₂O₇.

Complete Table 5.1 to calculate the relative formula mass of $\mathrm{Na_2S_2O_7}$.

Table 5.1

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type of atom	number of atoms	relative atomic mass	
sodium	2	23	2 × 23 = 46
sulfur		32	
oxygen		16	

relative formula mass = [2]

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- 6 Solid nitrogen pentoxide, N₂O₅, decomposes to produce nitrogen dioxide gas and oxygen gas.
 - (a) Complete the equation by adding the missing state symbols.

$$2N_2O_5(s) \rightarrow 4NO_2(....) + O_2(....)$$
 [1]

(b) Fig. 6.1 shows how the mass of nitrogen pentoxide changes as the reaction proceeds.

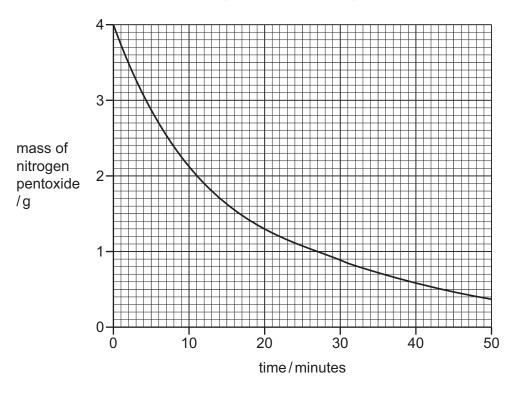


Fig. 6.1

- (i) On Fig. 6.1, draw an **X** to show where the rate of reaction is fastest. [1]
- (ii) Deduce the mass of nitrogen pentoxide 12 minutes from the start of the reaction.

.....[1

- (c) At 50 °C, the reactant and products are all gases.
 - (i) Describe the effect each of the following has on the rate of decomposition of nitrogen pentoxide.

All other conditions stay the same.

The pressure is decreased.

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A catalyst is added to the reaction mixture.



(ii) Increasing the concentration of nitrogen pentoxide increases the rate of decomposition.

Choose the correct unit of concentration from the list.

Draw a circle around your chosen answer.

 dm^3/g g/dm g/dm^2 g/dm^3 [1]

(d) Some oxides of nitrogen such as nitrogen dioxide are acidic air pollutants.

(i) Choose the pH value which is acidic.

Draw a circle around your chosen answer.

pH1 pH7 pH8 pH14 [1]

(ii) State one way of reducing the emissions of nitrogen dioxide in cars.

[1]

(e) Nitrogen dioxide is a yellow liquid which evaporates to form a brown gas at room temperature.

A long glass tube is set up as shown in Fig. 6.2.

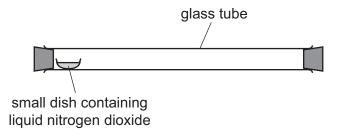


Fig. 6.2

At first, the brown gas can only be seen above the small dish. After a short time, the brown gas has completely filled the tube.

Explain these results in terms of kinetic particle theory.
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- Iron and copper are transition elements. They are malleable and are good thermal and electrical conductors.
 - (a) State three other physical properties of iron.

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(b) Fig. 7.1 shows some clean iron nails placed in four test-tubes, M, N, O and P, under different conditions.

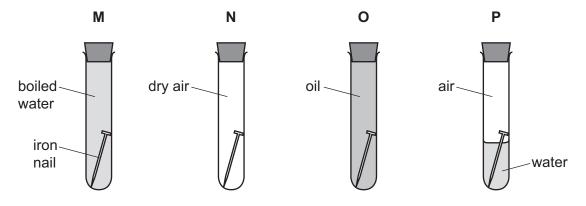
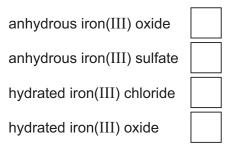


Fig. 7.1

- State in which test-tube, M, N, O or P, the iron nail is most likely to rust.
- Choose from the list the compound in rust.

Tick (✓) one box.



[1]

[2]



(c) Copper is used in electrical wiring because of its good electrical conductivity.

State one **other** reason why copper is used in electrical wiring.

.....[1]

(d) Copper(II) oxide reacts with hydrochloric acid.

Complete the word equation for this reaction.



(e) Copper can be produced by heating copper(II) oxide in hydrogen.

$$CuO + H_2 \rightarrow Cu + H_2O$$

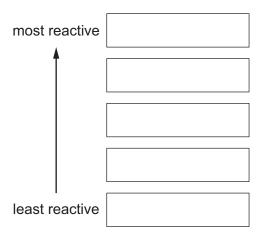
Describe how this equation shows that copper(II) oxide is reduced.

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(f) The list shows five metals.

aluminium copper gold magnesium potassium

Put these metals in order of their reactivity. Put the most reactive metal at the top.



[2]



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- 8 This question is about carboxylic acids and alkanes.
 - (a) Table 8.1 shows the names, formulae and boiling points of some carboxylic acids.

Table 8.1

name	formula	boiling point/°C			
methanoic acid	НСООН	101			
ethanoic acid	CH₃COOH	118			
propanoic acid	C ₂ H ₅ COOH	141			
butanoic acid	C ₃ H ₇ COOH	166			

Use the information in Table 8.1 to answer these questions.

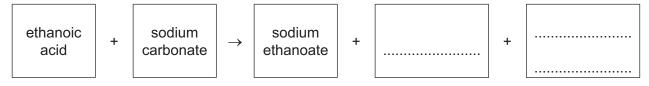
(i) State the trend in the boiling points of the carboxylic acids.

.....[1]

(ii) Deduce the general formula for carboxylic acids.

......[1]

(b) (i) Complete the word equation for the reaction of ethanoic acid with sodium carbonate.



[2]

(ii) Choose the correct formula of sodium ethanoate from the list.

Draw a circle around your chosen answer.

 CH_3CH_2ONa CH_3CH_2COONa CH_3COONa $(CH_3COO)_2Na$ [1]

- (c) Methane, ethane and propane belong to the alkane homologous series.
 - (i) Define the term homologous series.

[2]

(ii) State the type of bonding in a methane molecule.

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(iii) State two types of reaction of the alkanes.

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The Periodic Table of Elements

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65	Д	terbium 159	26	益	berkelium	ı
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63	En	europium 152	92	Am	americium	I
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The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm³ at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).