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COMBINED SCIENCE

Paper 1 Multiple Choice
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Additional Materials: Multiple Choice Answer Sheet<br>Soft clean eraser<br>Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

## READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write in soft pencil.
Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.
Write your name, Centre number and candidate number on the Answer Sheet in the spaces provided unless
this has been done for you.
There are forty questions on this paper. Answer all questions. For each question there are four possible answers A, B, C and D.
Choose the one you consider correct and record your choice in soft pencil on the separate Answer Sheet.
Read the instructions on the Answer Sheet very carefully.
Each correct answer will score one mark. A mark will not be deducted for a wrong answer.
Any rough working should be done in this booklet.
A copy of the Periodic Table is printed on page 16.

1 The diagrams show a simple pendulum at the ends and centre of its swing.
Which labelled arrow shows the distance moved by the pendulum during one period?

A

B

C

D

2 The mass and density of four objects are given in the table.
Which object has the largest volume?

|  | $\frac{\text { density }}{\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}}$ | mass $/ \mathrm{kg}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 200 | 0.6 |
| B | 400 | 1.0 |
| C | 1000 | 2.0 |
| D | 1500 | 3.0 |

3 A 300 N force is applied to a box in the direction XY in order to move it up a ramp of the dimensions shown.


How much work is done when moving the box from X to Y ?
A 900J
B 1200 J
C 1500 J
D 3000 J

4 A liquid-in-glass thermometer is being calibrated.


At the ice point, the thread length $l$, is 2.0 cm . At the steam point, $l$ is 27.0 cm .
What change in length shows a temperature difference of $1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ?
A 0.25 cm
B 0.27 cm
C 2.5 cm
D 2.7 cm

5 An axle is too large to fit into the hole in a wheel that is made of the same metal.


How can the axle be made to fit into the hole?
A by heating the axle alone
B by heating the wheel alone
C by cooling both the axle and the wheel
D by heating both the axle and the wheel

6 The diagram shows the variation of the displacement of a wave with distance from the source.


What is the amplitude of the wave?
A 2.0 cm
B 4.0 cm
C $\quad 20 \mathrm{~cm}$
D 40 cm

7 Which block is made from the material with a refractive index of 1.52 ?
A

B

C

D


8 Radio waves, visible light and X-rays are all part of the electromagnetic spectrum.
What is the correct order of increasing wavelength?

|  | shortest <br> wavelength | longest <br> wavelength |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | visible light | radio waves | X-rays |
| B | visible light | X-rays | radio waves |
| C | X-rays | radio waves | visible light |
| D | X-rays | visible light | radio waves |

9 How could the unit of potential difference, the volt, also be written?
A A/s
B C/A
C C/J
D J/C

10 The circuit shows three voltmeters being used to measure potential differences in a series circuit.


Which of the following is correct?
A $\quad V=V_{1}=V_{2}$
B $\quad V=V_{1}+V_{2}$
C $\quad V=V_{1}-V_{2}$
D $\quad \mathrm{V}=\mathrm{V}_{1} \times \mathrm{V}_{2}$

11 Which diagram shows the correct connections for a switch and a lamp in a lighting circuit?
A

key
L live
N neutral
E earth
$\square$ metal case
B

C

D


12 The diagram represents a nucleus of element $\mathbf{X}$.

key
† proton
neutron

Which of the following represents the nuclide of this element?
A ${ }_{4}^{3} X$
B ${ }_{3}^{4} \mathrm{X}$
C ${ }_{3}^{7} X$
D ${ }_{4}^{7} \mathrm{X}$

13 A research worker wants to use a radioactive source with a count rate of 100 counts per second for an experiment he plans to start at 10.00 a.m.

He has four different sources, each of which has a count rate of 400 per second at 9.00 a.m.
Which source should he choose?
A a source with a half-life of 15 minutes
B a source with a half-life of 20 minutes
C a source with a half-life of 30 minutes
D a source with a half-life of 40 minutes

14 Potassium nitrate crystals can be separated from sand by using the processes shown.
What is the correct order for the processes?

|  | first |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| last |  |  |  |  |
| A | filter | dissolve | evaporate | crystallise |
| B | dissolve | evaporate | crystallise | filter |
| C | dissolve | evaporate | filter | crystallise |
| D | dissolve | filter | evaporate | crystallise |

15 Which statement about the molecules in ice is correct?
A The molecules all move with the same speed.
B The molecules are diatomic.
C The molecules move randomly.
D The molecules vibrate about fixed positions.

16 Strontium has an isotope of nucleon number 90 .
How many protons, neutrons and electrons are present in an atom of this isotope?

|  | protons | neutrons | electrons |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 38 | 50 | 38 |
| B | 38 | 52 | 38 |
| C | 38 | 52 | 40 |
| D | 40 | 50 | 38 |

17 Under what conditions does sodium chloride conduct electricity?

| conducts electricity |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | when solid | when molten | in aqueous solution |
| A | no | no | no |
| B | no | yes | yes |
| C | yes | no | no |
| D | yes | yes | yes |

18 How many electrons are shared in the covalent bonds in a methane molecule?
A 2
B 4
C 6
D 8

19 A 6 g sample of pure carbon is completely burned in oxygen.

$$
\mathrm{C}+\mathrm{O}_{2} \rightarrow \mathrm{CO}_{2}
$$

Which mass of carbon dioxide is produced?
A 12 g
B 22 g
C 38 g
D $\quad 44 \mathrm{~g}$

20 The pH values of four aqueous solutions are shown.
Which solution contains a weak acid?

|  | pH value |
| :---: | :---: |
| A | 2 |
| B | 5 |
| C | 7 |
| D | 9 |

21 Which statement about the elements in Group I of the Periodic Table is correct?
A The proton (atomic) number of an element is one greater than that of the element above it.
B They are equally reactive.
C They become less metallic as the proton (atomic) number increases.
D They form chlorides of similar formula.

22 An experiment is carried out to find the order of reactivity of some metals.
Three metals are placed in separate solutions containing an aqueous metal ion.
The results are shown.

| metal | aqueous metal ion |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { key } \\ & \checkmark=\text { reaction } \\ & \text { observed } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$ | $A l^{3+}$ | $\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}$ | $\mathrm{Zn}^{2+}$ |  |
| Mg | $x$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Fe | $x$ | $x$ | $x$ | $x$ | $x=$ no reaction |
| Zn | $x$ | $x$ | $\checkmark$ | $\chi$ |  |

What is the order of reactivity of the metals (most reactive first)?
A $\mathrm{Mg} \quad \mathrm{Zn}$ Fe Al
B $\mathrm{Fe} \quad \mathrm{Zn} \quad \mathrm{Al} \quad \mathrm{Mg}$
C $\mathrm{Mg} \quad \mathrm{Al} \quad \mathrm{Zn} \quad \mathrm{Fe}$
D $\mathrm{Mg} \quad \mathrm{Al} \quad \mathrm{Fe} \quad \mathrm{Zn}$

23 Aluminium cooking utensils are used in many kitchens.
What property of aluminium is not important for this use?
A It has a high melting point.
B It is a good conductor of electricity.
C It is a good conductor of heat.
D It is resistant to corrosion.

24 What is the main constituent of natural gas?
A ethane
B helium
C hydrogen
D methane

25 Octane is an alkane containing eight carbon atoms per molecule.
What is its molecular formula?
A $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{14}$
B $\quad \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{16}$
C $\quad \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{18}$
D $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{20}$

26 A hydrocarbon has the formula $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{12}$.
Which observation could confirm the homologous series to which the hydrocarbon belongs?
A burning in air with a sooty flame
B decolourising aqueous bromine
C effervescence when mixed with sodium carbonate solution
D turning Universal Indicator blue

27 The experiment shown is carried out.


Which process occurs?
A cracking
B dehydrogenation
C distillation
D polymerisation

28 Which part of the structure of a root hair cell is the site of uptake of water?
A cell membrane
B cell wall
C cytoplasm
D sap vacuole

29 Which of these processes always involves the movement of water molecules?

|  | diffusion | osmosis |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| A | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| B | $\checkmark$ | $\boldsymbol{x}$ |
| C | $\boldsymbol{x}$ | $\checkmark$ |
| D | $\boldsymbol{x}$ | $\boldsymbol{x}$ yes |
|  | $\boldsymbol{x}$ no |  |
|  |  |  |

30 Pepsin is an enzyme that is active in the human stomach.
Which graph shows how the rate of reaction of pepsin is affected by pH ?
A

B

C

D


31 An experiment is set up as shown, and left for one hour.
In which test-tube does the concentration of carbon dioxide decrease?
A
B
C
D


32 Which processes are functions of the liver?
\(\left.$$
\begin{array}{|l|c|c|c|}\hline & \text { absorbing food } & \text { assimilating food } & \begin{array}{c}\text { helping with } \\
\text { digestion of food }\end{array}
$$ <br>
\hline A \& \checkmark \& \checkmark \& \checkmark <br>

B \& \checkmark \& \checkmark \& x\end{array}\right\}\)| key |
| :--- |
| C |
| D |
| D is a function |
|  |

33 A plant is left in the hot sun for six hours.


The diagram shows how the appearance of the plant changes during this time.
What explains the change in appearance of the plant?
A More water is lost by transpiration than is absorbed.
B Stomata have closed.
C The concentration of water in the cells has increased.
D There is less support provided by the xylem.

34 The diagram shows a section of the heart.


Which two chambers of the heart contain oxygenated blood?
A 1 and 2
B 1 and 4
C 2 and 3
D 3 and 4

35 The diagram shows a section through an alveolus and an associated blood capillary. In which part is the concentration of carbon dioxide highest?


36 The diagram shows a section through part of the eye.


What happens to parts $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}$ and Z when the eye focuses on a near object?

|  | X | Y | Z |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | contracts | tight | less convex |
| B | contracts | slack | more convex |
| C | relaxes | tight | less convex |
| D | relaxes | slack | more convex |

37 Many drugs affect the nervous system by acting as depressants.
Which of these drugs are depressants?

|  | alcohol | heroin |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | key |  |
|  |  | $\checkmark$ |
| B | $x$ | $x$ |
| C | $\checkmark$ | $x$ |
| D | $x$ | $\checkmark$ |
|  | $x=$ depressant |  |
|  |  |  |

38 The diagram represents the energy flow through a food chain.


What provides the energy source $(\mathbf{X})$ for this food chain?
A decomposers
B herbivores
C plants
D sunlight

39 In a tropical rainforest which of these processes is linked to the removal of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere?

A decay
B new plant growth
C respiration
D transpiration

40 What will be most likely to produce flowers of the same type and colour?
A growing plants from the seeds of one parent
B growing plants that have been produced by asexual reproduction
C growing plants at the same temperature
D growing plants in the same light intensity

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DATA SHEET
The Periodic Table of the Elements

The volume of one mole of any gas is $24 \mathrm{dm}^{3}$ at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).

