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Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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- 1 (a) (i) C / C₂H₄ / ethene;
- (ii) A / CO₂ / carbon dioxide;
- (iii) E / ethanol / correct formula for ethanol; [1]
- (iv) D / CH₄ / methane; [1]
- (v) A / CO₂ / carbon dioxide; [1]
allow: E
- (vi) E / ethanol / correct formula for ethanol; [1]
allow: A
- (b) C₂H₄; [1]
- (c) compound: substance containing two or more different atoms joined / bonded together / substance containing 2 or more elements that can only be separated by chemical means; [1]
allow: different atoms joined / different elements joined / 2 elements react to form a molecule / molecule with 2 or more elements / substances chemically combined
ignore: two or more molecules combined / different elements react / substances made up of molecules
reject: if reference to a mixture
- inert: unreactive / doesn't react; [1]
- catalyst: substance which speeds up a reaction / it speeds up a reaction; [1]
allow: changes rate of reaction / changes speed of reaction
- [Total: 10]**
- 2 (a) structure completely correct;; [2]
allow: 1 mark for 1 pair of electrons bonded between H and Cl;
ignore: inner shell electrons
- (b) (i) A: burette; [1]
B: flask / erlenmeyer; [1]
- (ii) pH starts above 7 / stated value above 7; [1]
allow: high pH
- decreases (on addition of acid); [1]
- (pH) ends at below 7 / stated value below 7; [1]
allow: low pH
note: pH decreases to pH 7 = 2 marks
note: pH goes from alkali to acid = 1 mark

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- (iii) ammonium chloride;
reject: ammonia chloride

NH₃;

- (c) any 4 of: [4]
 blue solution at start /
 precipitate formed /
 (light) blue (precipitate) /
 precipitate redissolves (in excess ammonia) / solution formed (in excess ammonia) /
 precipitate disappears
 (solution is) deep blue / dark blue
allow: goes deep blue / dark blue / goes darker blue

[Total: 13]

- 3 (a) (i) magnesium → zinc → iron → lead / Mg > Zn > Fe > Pb;; [2]
if: one pair reversed / complete order reversed = 1 mark

- (ii) no / it will not react **and** zinc is more reactive / iron is less reactive; [1]
ignore: zinc is reactive / iron is unreactive

- (b) 1st box ticked; [1]
 last box ticked; [1]

- (c) (i) arrangement: regular / fixed pattern / any indication of regularity e.g. in layers; [1]
allow: close together / packed together
ignore: stick together / all together

motion: cannot move / fixed in position/ (only) vibrate; [1]
ignore: only move a little / move

- (ii) any three of: [3]
 dissolve sodium chloride / add water /
 filtration / use a filter paper /
 sand remains on filter paper /
ignore: residue on filter paper
 salt solution goes through (filter paper) / salt solution is the filtrate / salt water goes into
 the collecting tube
allow: decanting for 1 mark (in place of filtration)
ignore: water goes through
ignore: distillation

- (d) distillation; lower; volatile; condenser; vapour; (1 mark each) [5]

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- 4 (a) atoms with same number of protons but different number of neutrons;
allow: atomic number for number of protons
allow: different mass number / nucleon number for different number of neutrons
allow: same (type of) atom with different mass numbers
ignore: atoms with different numbers of neutrons
ignore: element(s) with different numbers of neutrons
ignore: atoms with different relative atomic mass
- (b) any 5 of: [5]
nucleus (need not be labelled) in middle of atom and electrons round outside (electrons can be shown as dots, crosses or e) /
protons in nucleus – labelled or shown by + or p /
3 (protons) /
neutrons in nucleus – labelled or shown by n /
4 (neutrons) /
3 electrons – labelled or shown by dots, crosses or e /
2 electrons in first shell and 1 in second
- (c) $4\text{Li} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{Li}_2\text{O}$;;; [3]
allow: two marks for $2\text{Li} + \text{O} \rightarrow \text{Li}_2\text{O}$ / $4\text{Li} + 2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{Li}_2\text{O}$
allow: 1 mark for O_2 if no other marks scored
- (d) (i) electrolyte correctly labelled; [1]
anode rod correctly labelled; [1]
ignore: label on circuit / label on + sign
- (ii) dissolved in water / solution in water; [1]
allow: answers implying substance is mixed with water
ignore: hydrated / hydrous
- (iii) ions can move; [1]
allow: ions are free
reject: electrons can move
- [Total: 13]**
- 5 (a) hydrogen → a fuel with RMM of 2; [1]
methane → the main constituent of natural gas; [1]
fuel oil → fuel for ships; [1]
kerosene → fuel for aircraft; [1]
- (b) (i) amount or mass or volume of water / distance of flame from can / height of flame / same can; [1]
ignore: the water (unqualified) / same amount of fuel / time
- (ii) to make sure that the water has the same temperature (throughout) / it is at the same temperature / so it is heated evenly / so there are no hot spots / so there are no cold spots; [1]
allow: so that all the particles are heated
ignore: so that particles mix

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- (iii) petroleum spirit;
 highest temperature rise / highest increase in temperature;
allow: calculation of all the temperature differences from the table
ignore: because it releases most heat / because it has the highest temperature
if fuel incorrect = 0 for the question

- (c) A = nitrogen / N₂ / N; [1]
 B = oxygen / O₂ / O; [1]

- (d) (i) lamps / (to provide an) inert atmosphere / in welding / lasers etc [1]
allow: for lighting
ignore: for neon lights

- (ii) 3 / third / III; [1]

- (iii) inert / unreactive; [1]
ignore: it is stable

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- 6 (a) any 4 of: [4]
 crystals dissolve or go into solution /
 diffusion /
 random movement of ions or named particles (can be atoms or ions or particles or molecules) / particles move everywhere / particles spread out / particles mix
 both ions and water in constant movement /
 particles collide /
 particles react / ions react / atoms react
 Ag ions and iodide ions (react) /
 (to make) precipitate of silver iodide /
ignore: particles move (unqualified)

- (b) $2KI + Cl_2 \rightarrow 2KCl + I_2$; [2]
allow: 1 mark for $2KI + 2Cl \rightarrow 2KCl + I_2$;

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- 7 (a) 24; [1]

- (b) 256; [1]

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- (c) any 4 of:
coal / petroleum / crude oil / named fraction from crude oil
sulfur reacts with oxygen / air
(sulfur burns) to form sulfur dioxide
ignore: sulfur oxide
sulfur dioxide reacts (with gases) in the atmosphere / sulfur dioxide reacts with oxygen / nitrogen oxides
to form sulfur trioxide
sulfur dioxide / trioxide react with water / rain
allow: sulfur dioxide / trioxide dissolves in water / rain
allow: sulfur oxide(s) mix with water / rain
(to form) sulfurous/ sulfuric acid
- (d) nitrogen / N_2 / N; phosphorus / P; [2]
- (e) add (acidified) barium chloride / barium nitrate; [1]
white precipitate; [1]
note: second mark dependent on correct reagent

[Total: 10]