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**1 hour 15 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.  
No Additional Materials are required.

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Write your Center number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.  
Write in dark blue or black pen.  
You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.  
Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.  
DO **NOT** WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **all** questions.  
Electronic calculators may be used.  
A copy of the Periodic Table is printed on page 12.  
You may lose marks if you do not show your working or if you do not use appropriate units.

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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1 (a) Match the following pH values to the solutions given below.

1      3      7      10      13

The solutions all have the same concentration.

solution	pH
aqueous ammonia, a weak base	.....
dilute hydrochloric acid, a strong acid	.....
aqueous sodium hydroxide, a strong base	.....
aqueous sodium chloride, a salt	.....
dilute ethanoic acid, a weak acid	.....

[5]

(b) Explain why solutions of hydrochloric acid and ethanoic acid with the same concentration, in mol/dm<sup>3</sup>, have a different pH.

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(c) Measuring pH is one way of distinguishing between a strong acid and a weak acid. Describe another method.

method .....

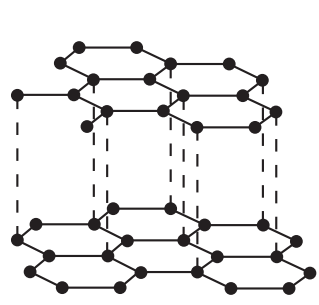
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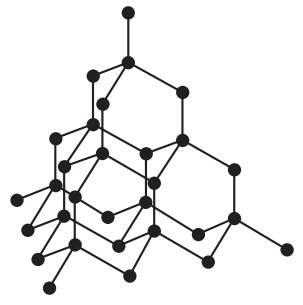
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2 Two macromolecular forms of carbon are graphite and diamond. The structures of graphite and diamond are given below.



graphite



diamond

(a) Explain in terms of its structure why graphite is soft and is a good conductor of electricity.

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..... [3]

(b) State **two** uses of graphite which depend on the above properties.

It is soft .....

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It is a good conductor of electricity .....

..... [2]

(c) Silicon(IV) oxide also has a macromolecular structure.

(i) Describe the macromolecular structure of silicon(IV) oxide.

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..... [1]

(ii) Predict **two** physical properties which diamond and silicon(IV) oxide have in common.

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3 The main use of sulfur dioxide is the manufacture of sulfuric acid.

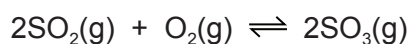
(a) State **two** other uses of sulfur dioxide.

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..... [2]

(b) One source of sulfur dioxide is burning sulfur in air.  
Describe how sulfur dioxide can be made from the ore zinc sulfide.

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..... [2]

(c) The Contact process changes sulfur dioxide into sulfur trioxide.



the forward reaction is exothermic

temperature 400 to 450 °C

low pressure 1 to 10 atmospheres

catalyst vanadium(V) oxide

(i) What is the formula of vanadium(V) oxide?

..... [1]

(ii) Vanadium(V) oxide is an efficient catalyst at any temperature in the range 400 to 450 °C.  
Scientists are looking for an alternative catalyst which is efficient at 300 °C.  
What would be the advantage of using a lower temperature?

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..... [2]

(iii) The process does not use a high pressure because of the extra expense.  
Suggest **two** advantages of using a high pressure?  
Explain your suggestions.

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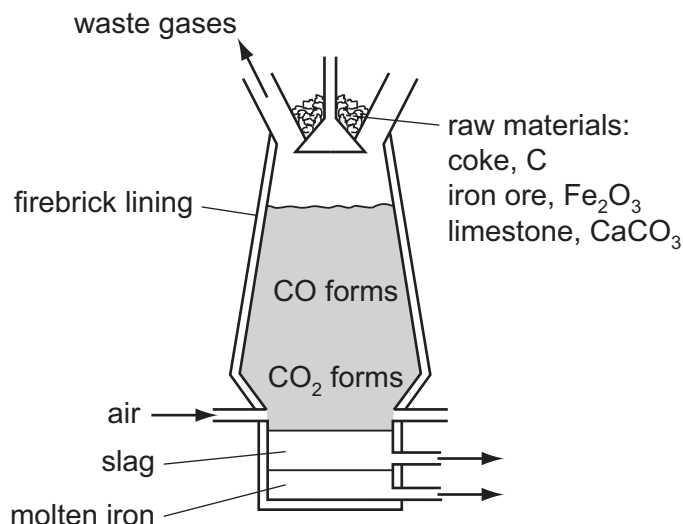
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- (d) Sulfuric acid is made by dissolving sulfur trioxide in concentrated sulfuric acid to form oleum. Water is reacted with oleum to form more sulfuric acid. Why is sulfur trioxide not reacted directly with water?

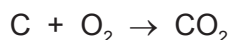
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4 Iron is extracted from the ore hematite in the Blast Furnace.



(a) The coke reacts with the oxygen in the air to form carbon dioxide.



(i) Explain why carbon monoxide is formed higher in the Blast Furnace.

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 ..... [2]

(ii) Write an equation for the reduction of hematite, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, by carbon monoxide.

..... [2]

(b) (i) Limestone decomposes to form two products, one of which is calcium oxide. Name the other product.

..... [1]

(ii) Calcium oxide reacts with silicon(IV) oxide, an acidic impurity in the iron ore, to form slag. Write an equation for this reaction.

..... [2]

(iii) Explain why the molten iron and the molten slag form two layers and why molten iron is the lower layer.

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 ..... [2]

(iv) Suggest why the molten iron does **not** react with the air.

..... [1]

(c) Iron and steel rust. Iron is oxidized to hydrated iron(III) oxide,  $Fe_2O_3 \cdot 2H_2O$ , which

(i) Name the **two** substances which cause iron to rust.

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(ii) Explain why an aluminum article coated with aluminum oxide is protected from further corrosion but a steel article coated with rust continues to corrode.

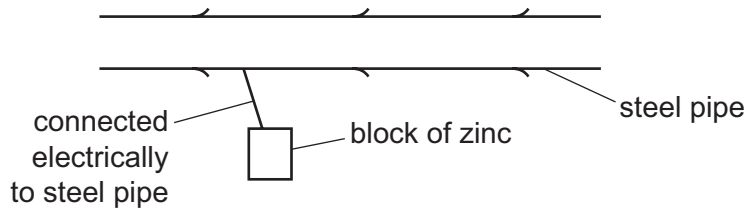
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(d) There are two electrochemical methods of rust prevention.

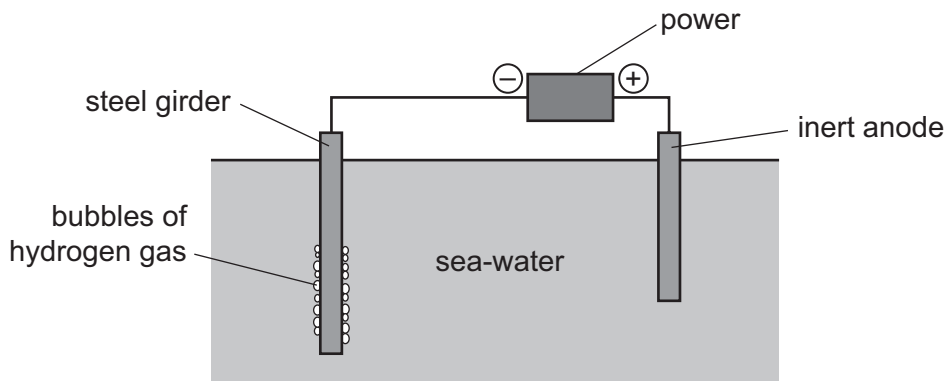
(i) The first method is sacrificial protection.

Explain why the steel article does not rust.



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..... [4]

The second method is to make the steel article the cathode in a circuit for electrolysis.



(ii) Mark on the diagram the direction of the electron flow. [1]

(iii) The steel girder does not rust because it is the cathode. Reduction takes place at the cathode. Give the equation for the reduction of hydrogen ions.

..... [2]

[Total: 19]

5 Three common pollutants in the air are carbon monoxide, the oxides of nitrogen, NO<sub>x</sub> and unburnt hydrocarbons. They are all emitted by motor vehicles.

(a) Describe how the oxides of nitrogen are formed.

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..... [2]

(b) Describe how a catalytic converter reduces the emission of these three pollutants.

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(c) Other atmospheric pollutants are lead compounds from leaded petrol. Explain why lead compounds are harmful.

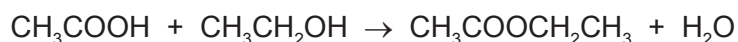
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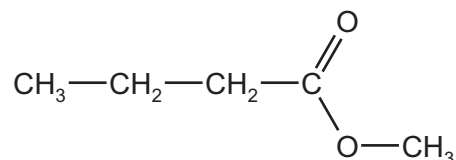


6 Esters, polyesters and fats all contain the ester linkage.

- (a) Esters can be made from alcohols and carboxylic acids. For example, the ester ethyl ethanoate can be made by the following reaction.



- (i) Name the carboxylic acid and the alcohol from which the following ester could be made.



name of carboxylic acid .....

name of alcohol .....

[2]

- (ii) 6.0 g of ethanoic acid,  $M_r = 60$ , was reacted with 5.5 g of ethanol,  $M_r = 46$ . Determine which is the limiting reagent and the maximum yield of ethyl ethanoate,  $M_r = 88$ .

number of moles of ethanoic acid = ..... [1]

number of moles of ethanol = ..... [1]

the limiting reagent is ..... [1]

number of moles of ethyl ethanoate formed = ..... [1]

maximum yield of ethyl ethanoate = ..... [1]

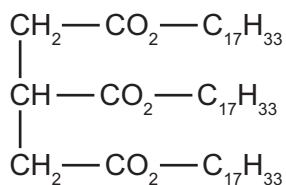
- (b) The following two monomers can form a polyester.



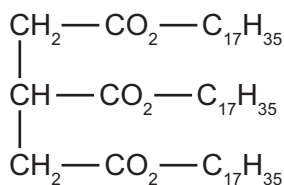
Draw the structural formula of this polyester. Include two ester linkages.

[3]

(c) Fats and vegetable oils are esters. The formulae of two examples of natural esters are shown below.



ester 1



ester 2

(i) One ester is saturated, the other is unsaturated. Describe a test to distinguish between them.

test .....

result with unsaturated ester .....

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result with saturated ester .....

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[3]

(ii) Deduce which one of the above esters is unsaturated. Give a reason for your choice.

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..... [2]

(iii) Both esters are hydrolyzed by boiling with aqueous sodium hydroxide. What types of compound are formed?

..... and ..... [2]

[Total: 17]

7 Nitrogen can form ionic compounds with reactive metals and covalent compounds with non-metals.

(a) Nitrogen reacts with lithium to form the ionic compound lithium nitride, Li<sub>3</sub>N.

(i) Write the equation for the reaction between lithium and nitrogen.

..... [2]

(ii) Lithium nitride is an ionic compound. Draw a diagram which shows its formula, the charges on the ions and the arrangement of the valency electrons around the negative ion.

Use x for an electron from a lithium atom.  
Use o for an electron from a nitrogen atom.

[2]

(b) Nitrogen fluoride is a covalent compound.

(i) Draw a diagram showing the arrangement of the valency electrons in one molecule of the covalent compound nitrogen trifluoride, NF<sub>3</sub>.

Use x for an electron from a nitrogen atom.  
Use o for an electron from a fluorine atom.

[2]

(ii) Lithium nitride has a high melting point, 813 °C. Nitrogen trifluoride has a low melting point, -207 °C.  
Explain why the melting points are different.

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[Total: 8]

**DATA SHEET**  
**The Periodic Table of the Elements**

		Group									
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	0				
		1 <b>H</b> Hydrogen 1					4 <b>He</b> Helium 2				
7 <b>Li</b> Lithium 3	9 <b>Be</b> Beryllium 4		11 <b>B</b> Boron 5	12 <b>C</b> Carbon 6	13 <b>Al</b> Aluminum 13	14 <b>N</b> Nitrogen 7	15 <b>O</b> Oxygen 8	16 <b>F</b> Fluorine 9	17 <b>Ne</b> Neon 10		
23 <b>Na</b> Sodium 11	24 <b>Mg</b> Magnesium 12		27 <b>Al</b> Aluminum 13	28 <b>Si</b> Silicon 14	29 <b>P</b> Phosphorus 15	30 <b>S</b> Sulfur 16	31 <b>Cl</b> Chlorine 17	32 <b>Ar</b> Argon 18			
39 <b>K</b> Potassium 19	40 <b>Ca</b> Calcium 20		45 <b>Sc</b> Scandium 21	46 <b>Ti</b> Titanium 22	47 <b>V</b> Vanadium 23	48 <b>Cr</b> Chromium 24	49 <b>Mn</b> Manganese 25	50 <b>Fe</b> Iron 26	51 <b>Co</b> Cobalt 27	52 <b>Ni</b> Nickel 28	
85 <b>Rb</b> Rubidium 37	86 <b>Sr</b> Strontium 38		89 <b>Y</b> Yttrium 39	90 <b>Zr</b> Zirconium 40	91 <b>Nb</b> Niobium 41	92 <b>Mo</b> Molybdenum 42	93 <b>Tc</b> Technetium 43	94 <b>Ru</b> Ruthenium 44	95 <b>Rh</b> Rhodium 45	96 <b>Pd</b> Palladium 46	
133 <b>Cs</b> Caesium 55	137 <b>Ba</b> Barium 56		139 <b>La</b> Lanthanum 57	140 <b>Hf</b> Hafnium 72	141 <b>Ta</b> Tantalum 73	142 <b>W</b> Tungsten 74	143 <b>Re</b> Rhenium 75	144 <b>Os</b> Osmium 76	145 <b>Ir</b> Iridium 77	146 <b>Pt</b> Platinum 78	
87 <b>Fr</b> Francium	226 <b>Ra</b> Radium		227 <b>Ac</b> Actinium								
				65 <b>Zn</b> Zinc 30	66 <b>Cu</b> Copper 29	67 <b>Ga</b> Gallium 31	68 <b>Ge</b> Germanium 32	69 <b>As</b> Arsenic 33	70 <b>Se</b> Selenium 34	71 <b>Br</b> Bromine 35	
				112 <b>Cd</b> Cadmium 48	113 <b>In</b> Indium 49	114 <b>Sn</b> Tin 50	115 <b>Sb</b> Antimony 51	116 <b>Te</b> Tellurium 52	117 <b>I</b> Iodine 53	118 <b>Xe</b> Xenon 54	
				201 <b>Hg</b> Mercury 80	202 <b>Tl</b> Thallium 81	203 <b>Pb</b> Lead 82	204 <b>Bi</b> Bismuth 83	205 <b>Po</b> Polonium 84	206 <b>At</b> Astatine 85	207 <b>Rn</b> Radon 86	
				159 <b>Tb</b> Terbium 65	160 <b>Gd</b> Gadolinium 64	161 <b>Eu</b> Europium 63	162 <b>Dy</b> Dysprosium 66	163 <b>Ho</b> Holmium 67	164 <b>Er</b> Erbium 68	165 <b>Tm</b> Thulium 69	
				157 <b>Gd</b> Gadolinium 64	158 <b>Sm</b> Samarium 62	159 <b>Eu</b> Europium 63	160 <b>Pm</b> Promethium 61	161 <b>Nd</b> Neodymium 60	162 <b>Pr</b> Praseodymium 59	163 <b>Ce</b> Cerium 58	
				107 <b>Cm</b> Curium 96	108 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97	109 <b>Cf</b> Californium 98	110 <b>Am</b> Americium 95	111 <b>Pu</b> Plutonium 94	112 <b>Np</b> Neptunium 93	113 <b>U</b> Uranium 92	
				105 <b>Am</b> Americium 95	106 <b>Cm</b> Curium 96	107 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97	108 <b>Cf</b> Californium 98	109 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium 99	110 <b>Fm</b> Fermium 100	111 <b>Md</b> Mendelevium 101	
				103 <b>Am</b> Americium 95	104 <b>Cm</b> Curium 96	105 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97	106 <b>Cf</b> Californium 98	107 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium 99	108 <b>Fm</b> Fermium 100	109 <b>No</b> Nobelium 102	
				101 <b>Am</b> Americium 95	102 <b>Cm</b> Curium 96	103 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97	104 <b>Cf</b> Californium 98	105 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium 99	106 <b>Fm</b> Fermium 100	107 <b>Lu</b> Lutetium 71	
				101 <b>Am</b> Americium 95	102 <b>Cm</b> Curium 96	103 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97	104 <b>Cf</b> Californium 98	105 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium 99	106 <b>Fm</b> Fermium 100	107 <b>Lu</b> Lutetium 71	

\*58-71 Lanthanoid series  
†90-103 Actinoid series

Key  

a	<b>X</b>
b	

  
a = relative atomic mass  
**X** = atomic symbol  
b = proton (atomic) number

The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm<sup>3</sup> at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).

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