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**0620 CHEMISTRY**

**0620/23**

Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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- 1 (a) (i) Ar / argon;  
**allow:** Ne / neon
- (ii) S / sulphur;
- (iii) I / I<sub>2</sub> / iodine;  
**allow:** P / phosphorus [1]
- (iv) N / N<sub>2</sub> / nitrogen; [1]
- (v) He / Ne / Ar / helium / neon / argon; [1]
- (vi) H / H<sub>2</sub> / hydrogen; [1]
- (b) (i)  $H_2 + Cl_2 \rightarrow 2HCl$ ;; [2]  
**if 2 marks not scored:**  $Cl_2$  on left /  $H_2 + 2Cl \rightarrow 2HCl$  (1 mark)
- (ii) correct dots and cross diagram for  $Cl_2$ ;; [2]  
**allow:** 1 pair of shared electrons between 2 (Cl) atoms for 1 mark is 2 marks not scored
- [Total: 10]**
- 2 (a) (i) ring around –COOH group; [1]
- (ii) C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>;  
(atoms can be in any order)  
**ignore:** CH<sub>3</sub>COOH / CH<sub>2</sub>O [1]
- (b) neutralisation / acid-base; [1]  
**allow:** acid-alkali reaction  
**ignore:** exothermic / endothermic
- (c) dissolves (in water / liquid); [1]  
**ignore:** mixes / solute  
**reject:** reacts with water
- (d) pH3; [1]
- (e) carbon dioxide; water; [2]  
**allow:** correct formulae  
**apply:** listing
- (f) Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>;  
**allow:** CO<sub>3</sub>Na<sub>2</sub> [1]

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- 3 (a) solvent line shown below the spot and above the bottom of the paper;
- (b) (i) chromatography;
- (ii) 4 spots shown above position of original spot; [1]  
**allow:** one spot drawn in on base line
- spots vertically above the position of the original spot; [1]
- solvent front as horizontal line above all the spots; [1]  
**allow:** solvent front near the top of the paper as horizontal line if no spots drawn  
**allow:** top spot on solvent front
- (c) unsaturated **and** because it has a (C=C) double bond; [1]

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- 4 (a) (i)  $\begin{array}{c} \text{H} \\ | \\ \text{H}-\text{C}-\text{H} \\ | \\ \text{H} \end{array}$  [1]
- (ii) gas which causes global warming / increases temperature of atmosphere; [1]  
**allow:** it causes the atmosphere to heat up / causes Earth's temperature to increase / traps heat in
- (iii) from digestion of cows / sheep etc. / marshes / rice paddy fields / bacteria; [1]  
**allow:** (animal or bacterial or plant) decay / from animals / from petroleum deposits underground / from natural gas  
**ignore:** from decomposition
- (iv) 800 (g); [1]
- (b) (i) has a double headed arrow / has  $\rightleftharpoons$  sign; [1]  
**allow:** arrows go both ways / has the reversible symbol  
**allow:** can change reaction (conditions) to go from one side or another
- (ii) reaction which goes backwards as well as forwards / goes both ways; [1]  
**allow:** goes backwards as well  
**ignore:** goes backwards unqualified / a reaction that can be undone / A reaction that can be reversed
- (iii) car exhausts / car engines / product of incomplete combustion of fuels / any named heating appliance burning carbon-containing fuels / zinc extraction / iron extraction; [1]  
**ignore:** fuels (unqualified) / cars (unqualified)
- (iv) acidic **and** because oxides of non-metals are acidic / carbon is a non-metal [1]

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- 5 (a) (i) steam / water;
- (ii) high temperature / heat / stated temperature 200 °C or above;  
catalyst;  
**ignore:** names of catalysts  
**ignore:** pressure
- (b) (i) glucose (on left); [1]  
**allow:** sugar / carbohydrates  
**ignore:** starch  
**ignore:** formulae
- carbon dioxide (on right); [1]  
**ignore:** formulae
- (ii) catalyst / description of catalyst; [1]
- biological / protein / from living things; [1]  
**note:** second mark is dependent on the first being correct
- (c) (i) increase up to 40 °C then decreases; [3]  
**if full marks not scored:**  
increases then decreases / best at 40 ° and slower when cold and very hot = 2 marks  
maximum at 40 °C / decreases above 40 °C / maximum at 40 ° = 1 mark
- (ii) any two of: [2]  
amount of yeast / catalyst / enzyme  
amount (or concentration) of glucose / sugar  
**ignore:** amount of food available  
amount (or volume) of water / amount (or volume) of solution  
**allow:** temperature (during each experiment)  
**ignore:** room temperature  
**allow:** pH  
**ignore:** particle size of sugar  
**ignore:** time / size of container
- (d) (i) points correctly plotted;; [2]  
(–1 per error / omission)  
single gently curved line between the points and not extrapolated to 0 [1]
- (ii) line drawn in part (i) correctly extrapolated with correct value from the extrapolation [1]  
(value if part (i) correct is 138 (°C))

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- 6 (a) (i) petrol (in a few countries) / paints / (old) water pipes;  
**allow:** zinc refining / cars / fuels in cars / car exhausts / car engines
- (ii) poisonous / damage to nerves / brain / learning difficulties;
- (b) (i) lead(II) oxide + carbon → lead + carbon monoxide; [1]  
**allow:** lead oxide on left  
**ignore:** carbon oxide / symbol equation  
**reject:** wrong oxidation numbers
- (ii) it loses oxygen / the lead decreases in oxidation number / the lead gains electrons; [1]  
**ignore:** carbon is oxidised / lead oxide goes to lead
- (iii) it needs heat / absorbs heat; [1]  
**allow:** absorbs energy / products have more energy than reactants
- (c) filter funnel + filter paper (in drawings or words); [1]  
lead iodide shown on filter paper; [1]
- (d) 82 protons + 82 electrons; [1]  
122 neutrons; [1]
- [Total: 9]**
- 7 (a) silver rod; [1]
- (b) silver rod: gets smaller / gets thinner / loses mass; [1]  
**allow:** corrodes
- iron spoon: gets coated with silver / increases in mass / gets thicker; [1]  
**allow:** gets bigger
- (c) to prevent corrosion / to make them look nicer (or shiny) / to make (the surface) harder / to make (the surface) more resistant to chemicals; [1]  
**allow:** to prevent rusting / to prevent reactions / to reduce reactivity / to make more durable  
**ignore:** protective layer
- (d) silver atoms lose electrons / 3<sup>rd</sup> box down ticked; [1]
- (e) add nitric acid to the solution; [1]  
**allow:** acidify the solution  
**reject:** add hydrochloric acid / sulfuric acid / phosphoric acid
- (on addition of silver nitrate) precipitate formed; [1]
- white (precipitate); [1]  
**note:** second and third marks are independent of the first mark

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- (f) any 2 of:  
 conducts heat / conducts electricity /  
 malleable / can be beaten into different shapes / can be bent (without breaking)  
 ductile / can be drawn into wires  
 high density / dense  
 sonorous / rings when hit  
**allow:** high density  
**ignore:** solid  
**ignore:** shiny / high melting point / high boiling point / hard / strong

[Total: 10]

- 8 (a) (i) A / at the top; [1]  
 (ii) C; [1]  
 (iii) D; [1]  
**allow:** E

- (b) any 5 of: [5]  
 haematite / other named ore of iron  
 limestone / calcium carbonate  
 coke / carbon / coal  
 (coke) burns in air / oxygen  
 carbon monoxide formed  
 carbon monoxide (or carbon) converts the iron ore (or iron oxide)  
 (this is a) reduction reaction  
 iron oxide / haematite reacts with carbon monoxide  
 to form iron and carbon dioxide  
 limestone forms calcium oxide (on heating)  
 calcium oxide reacts with impurities in ore  
 (to form a) slag / calcium silicate  
**ignore:** air  
**note:** to gain the marks, the answers must be in the correct context.  
 marks can also be scored from word equations or symbol equations (which do not have to be correctly balanced)  
 carbon + oxygen → carbon monoxide = 3  
 carbon dioxide + carbon → carbon monoxide = 2  
 calcium carbonate → calcium oxide + carbon dioxide = 2  
 calcium oxide + silicon dioxide → calcium silicate / slag = 2  
 iron oxide + carbon monoxide → iron + carbon dioxide = 2

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- (c) (i) iron chloride;  
**ignore:** oxidation numbers  
hydrogen;  
**apply:** listing
- (ii) sodium hydroxide; [1]  
  
(grey)-green precipitate; [1]  
**note:** second mark is dependent on the correct reagent
- (d) steel made by blowing oxygen through molten iron / last box ticked; [1]

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