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**for the guidance of teachers**

**0653 COMBINED SCIENCE**

**0653/31**

Paper 3 (Extended Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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- 1 (a) (i)  $(KE =) \frac{1}{2} mv^2$  ;  
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 30\,000 \times 0.5 \times 0.5 = 3750 \text{ J}$  ;
- (ii) work done = force  $\times$  distance ;  
 $= 1\,000\,000 \times 1000 = 1\,000\,000\,000 \text{ J}$  ; [2]
- (iii) power = work  $\div$  time ;  
 $= 1\,000\,000\,000 \div 300 = 3\,300\,000 \text{ W} / 3\,333\,333 \text{ W}$  ; [2]

- (b) metal/steel/track expands in summer/hot weather/when temperature increases ;  
metal can expand into gap ;  
prevents damage to tracks ; [max 2]

[Total: 8]

- 2 (a) hydrogen ; [1]

- (b) (i) **P** Group 1, **Q** Group 0 (reject 8), **R** Group 7; (all required)  
outer electrons determine group number/answer based on identifying the elements and looking up on Periodic Table ; [2]

- (ii) (**Q**)  
it is a noble/inert gas/reference to filled (electron) shells ; [1]

- (iii) (**P**)  
it is a metal ; (reject – it is sodium) [1]

- (c) (i) limestone/calcium carbonate ;  
forms slag/removes impurities/removes silicon dioxide ; [2]

- (ii) iron oxide + carbon monoxide  $\rightarrow$  iron + carbon dioxide ;  
[LHS + RHS] [2]

- (d) (i) aluminium more reactive than carbon ;  
so carbon unable to bond with oxygen/remove oxygen from aluminium oxide/break bond between aluminium and oxygen/so a displacement reaction does not occur ; [2]

- (ii) electrolysis ; [1]

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- 3 (a) eat a lot/eat more ;  
eat/take in, more energy than they use ;  
excess, carbohydrate/protein, converted to/stored as fat ; [max 1]
- (b) (i) the greater the body mass, the greater the chance of survival ;  
idea that effect is greater at lower body masses/levels off at higher body masses ;  
use of figures ; [max 2]
- (ii) poor conductor/conduction/good insulator/insulation ; [1]
- (c) reference to build-up of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere ;  
deforestation + explanation ;  
addition of methane to the atmosphere ;  
one named source of methane, e.g. paddy field, cattle ;  
idea that (long wave) radiation is trapped by greenhouse gases ; [max 3]
- (d) (i) (mean) body mass is increasing ; [1]
- (ii) marmots have more time to feed (from spring onwards) ;  
marmots lose less weight during hibernation as winters are shorter ; [max 1]
- [Total: 10]**

- 4 (a) temperature, surface area of magnesium ; [1]  
(allow length, mass or size of magnesium (ribbon), do **not** allow amount of magnesium)
- (b) (i) (B)  
reference to higher rate/steeper graph ; [1]
- (ii) (maximum volume of gas) 40 cm<sup>3</sup> and time of reaction 5 minutes/300 s ;  
average rate =  $40 \div 5 = 8/40 \div 300 = 0.13$  ;  
units (mark separately) cm<sup>3</sup>/minute or cm<sup>3</sup>/s ; [max 3]
- (c) (i) aqueous (solution)/dissolved in water/in solution ; [1]
- (ii) same mass/length/size/amount of magnesium used in both ;  
acid in excess/all magnesium used up in both ;  
gas volume depends on amount of magnesium/owtte ; [max 2]
- [Total: 8]**

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- 5 (a) (i) between 10 and 20 Hz to between 20 000 and 25 000 Hz ;
- (ii) *frequency* -  
number of waves produced / passing a point per second ;  
*wavelength* -  
distance between two peaks / troughs on consecutive waves ; [2]
- (iii)  $(v =) f \times \lambda$  ;  
 $212\,000 \times 0.0016 = 339.2 \text{ m/s}$  ; [2]
- (iv) compression region of high pressure / lots of air particles ;  
rarefaction region of low pressure / fewer air particles ; [2]
- (b) (i) *sound* – longitudinal ;  
*light* – transverse ; [2]
- (ii) microwaves ; [1]
- [Total: 10]**
- 6 (a) label to root hair cell ; [1]
- (b) (i) absorb, minerals / ions / salts / named ion ; [1]
- (ii) large surface area ;  
so more, water / ions, can be absorbed (at the same time) ;  
contain, cell sap / cytoplasm, that is more concentrated than water ; [max 2]
- (c) (i) xylem ; [1]
- (ii) **A** in central area of root ; [1]
- (iii) idea that red dye has mixed with water, not combined with it ;  
idea that water molecules and dye molecules behave separately / differently ;  
(only) water evaporates / dye does not evaporate ;  
other valid point ; [max 2]
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- 7 (a) (i) ammeter in series with lamp ;  
voltmeter in parallel with lamp ;  
means of varying the potential difference across lamp ;
- (ii)  $(R =) V/I ;$   
 $= 3/0.3 = 10 \Omega ;$  [2]
- (b) (i) D its longer / resistance proportional to length ; [1]
- (ii) A small cross-sectional area / owtte; [1]
- (c) (i) positive and negative ; [1]
- (ii) electron ; [1]

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- 8 (a) (i) at least one shared pair shown ;  
four shared pairs with no extraneous outer shell electrons ; [2]

(ii)

ethane	$  \begin{array}{c}  \text{H} \quad \text{H} \\    \quad   \\  \text{H}-\text{C}-\text{C}-\text{H} \\    \quad   \\  \text{H} \quad \text{H}  \end{array}  $
ethene	$  \begin{array}{c}  \text{H} \quad \text{H} \\    \quad   \\  \text{C}=\text{C} \\    \quad   \\  \text{H} \quad \text{H}  \end{array}  $

[2]

- (b) ethanol + oxygen  $\rightarrow$  carbon dioxide + water ;  
[LHS RHS] [2]

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- 9 (a) chemical / substance ;  
produced by a gland / endocrine gland ;  
carried by the blood ;  
affects specific / target organs ;  
destroyed by the liver ; [max 3]
- (b) more, oxygen / glucose, delivered to muscles ;  
more energy for muscles ;  
higher respiration rate (in muscles) ;  
muscles can work harder / faster ; [max 2]
- (c) (i) (positive) phototropism ; [1]
- (ii) auxin made in tip (of shoot) ;  
accumulates on shady side ;  
makes cells on this side get longer ;  
so shady side grows faster than lit side ; [3 max]

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