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10:45 a.m. – 12 noon

Additional materials required:
Calculators (not graphing)

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Write your school number, candidate number, surname and initial in the spaces provided on this question booklet.

Answer **ALL** questions.

Written answers should be kept to the lines provided and drawings should be made in the spaces provided.

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A copy of the Periodic Table is printed on page 2.

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1. Air is a mixture of gases.

- (a) **Fig 1.1** shows the apparatus a student uses to prepare and collect a sample of oxygen gas for testing in the lab.

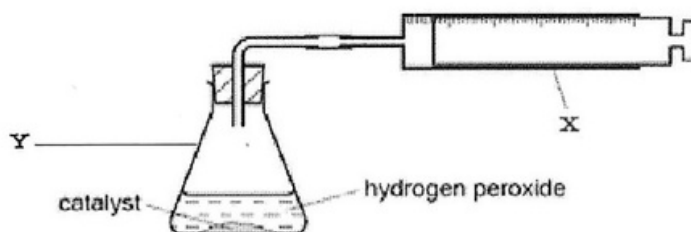


Fig 1.1

- (i) Name the apparatus labelled **X** used to collect the oxygen gas.

_____ [1]

- (ii) Name the apparatus labelled **Y** where the reactants are placed.

_____ [1]

- (b) Describe the test for oxygen and state the positive result.

Test _____

Positive result _____

[2]

- (c) (i) Describe a method to show how to collect carbon dioxide gas in the laboratory. Include the equipment and material to be used.

 _____ [3]

- (ii) Describe what you would see happening in the reaction vessel in (c) (i).

_____ [1]

[Turn over

- (d) When the carbon dioxide is prepared and collected it can be tested.

Describe the test for carbon dioxide.

Description _____

Positive result _____

[2]

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2. Christopher is a long distance runner. He decides to investigate various food items on his diet plan. **Fig 2.1** shows how he set up the experiment. The amount of water in the boiling tube is 20 cm^3 (1 cm^3 of water = 1 g)

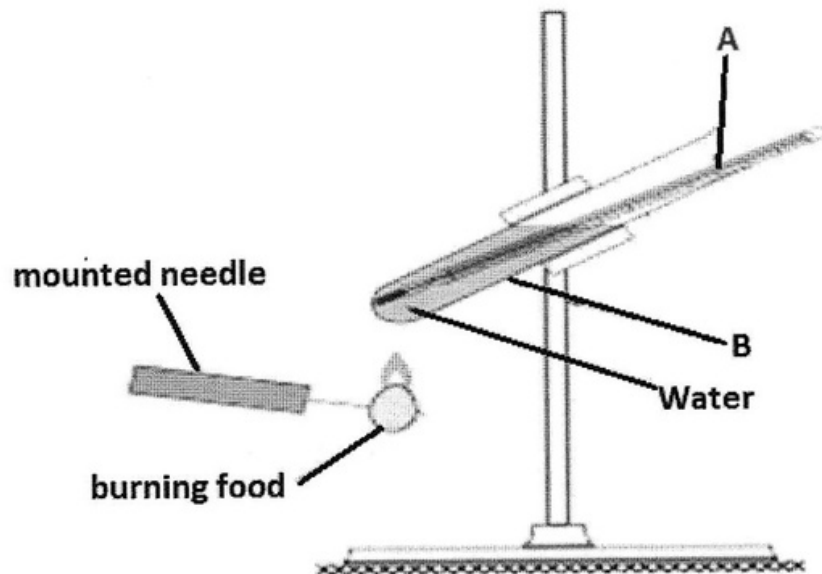


Fig 2.1

- (a) (i) State the aim of the experiment.

- (ii) Identify **two** variables to be controlled in this experiment.

1

2

- (iii) Give the names of the pieces of equipment labeled apparatus A and B.

A _____

B _____

[2]

- (iv) Suggest **two** safety precautions necessary when performing this experiment.

1 _____

2 _____

[2]

- (b) Christopher conducted the experiment and obtained the results shown in the table.

Food Sample	Initial mass /g	Initial temperature of water /°C	Final temperature of water /°C
A	3.17	36.6	53.3
B	3.17	41.5	52.1

Use the equation shown to calculate the energy per g in sample A.

$$\text{Energy released from food per gram} = \frac{\text{Mass of water /g} \times \text{temperature rise /}^{\circ}\text{C} \times 4.2}{\text{Mass of food sample / g}}$$

[2]

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3. This question is about the effect of heat on matter.

(a) **Fig. 3.1** shows a mercury thermometer.

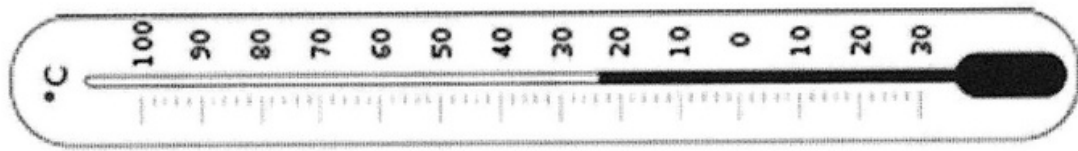


Fig. 3.1

State the temperature shown in **Fig. 3.1**.

(b) A student conducted an experiment to observe the rate of heat transfer in different metals. The apparatus is shown in **Fig. 3.2**.

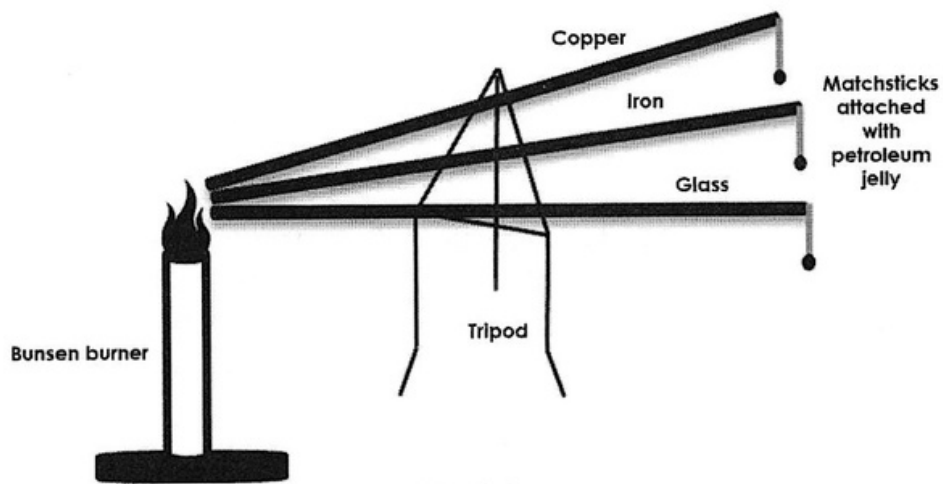


Fig. 3.2

(i) State which heat transfer method is being investigated in this experiment.

(ii) Explain how the student will know which metal has the highest rate of heat transfer.

- (iii) State **two** experimental variables that must be controlled in this experiment.

Variable 1 _____

Variable 2 _____ [2]

- (c) Another student conducts a similar experiment using the apparatus shown in Fig. 3.3. Two identical pieces of cork are placed onto metal plates with petroleum jelly.

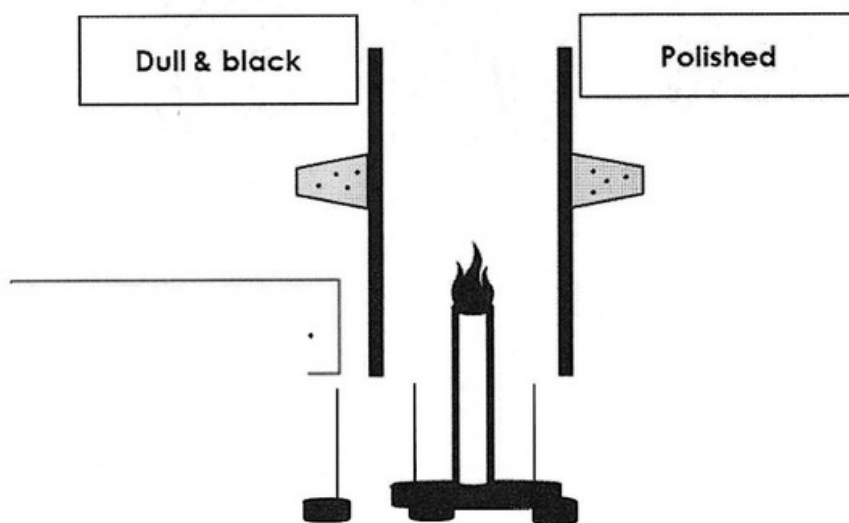


Fig. 3.3

- (i) State which heat transfer method is being investigated.

_____ [1]

- (ii) State **two** experimental variables that must be controlled.

Variable 1 _____

Variable 2 _____ [2]

- (iii) Give a possible conclusion for this experiment.

_____ [2]

Total Marks [10]
[Turn over]

4. This question is about magnetism.

Iron filings were poured over two magnets and the field lines shown below were revealed.

- (a) Correctly label the North and South Poles for each magnet in **Fig 4.1**.

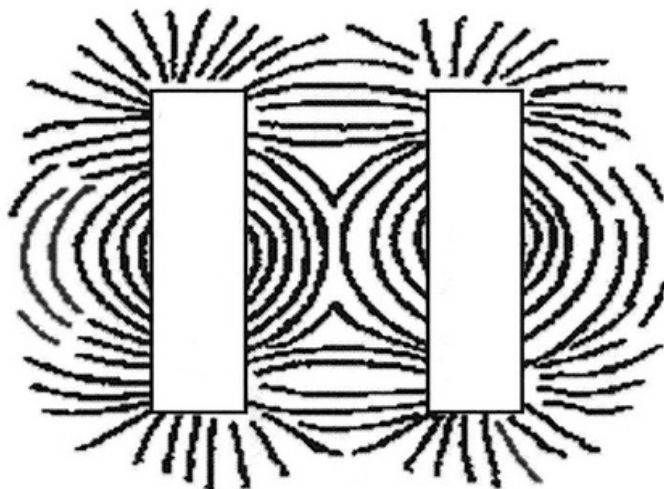


Fig. 4.1

[2]

- (b) A bar magnet is hovered over a cluster of paper clips. The paper clips are attracted to the magnet.

- (i) Write a hypothesis to express what you expect to see in this investigation.

[1]

- (ii) Label the poles of the magnet and draw the position of two of the paper clips on **Fig. 4.2** to show the behavior of the paper clips in response to the magnet.



Fig. 4.2

[1]

- (iii) A student cuts the bar magnet in half.
Describe what the student observed when the two new magnets are moved towards the paper clips.

[1]

- (c) Using an iron nail, a wire, and a battery, describe how to construct an electromagnet.

- (i) A labelled diagram of the apparatus must be included in your response.

[3]

- (ii) Describe **two** ways students can modify the electromagnet to make it stronger.

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5. An experiment was set up to investigate photosynthesis using an aquatic plant. Gas bubbles were formed and the gas collected in the test-tube as shown.

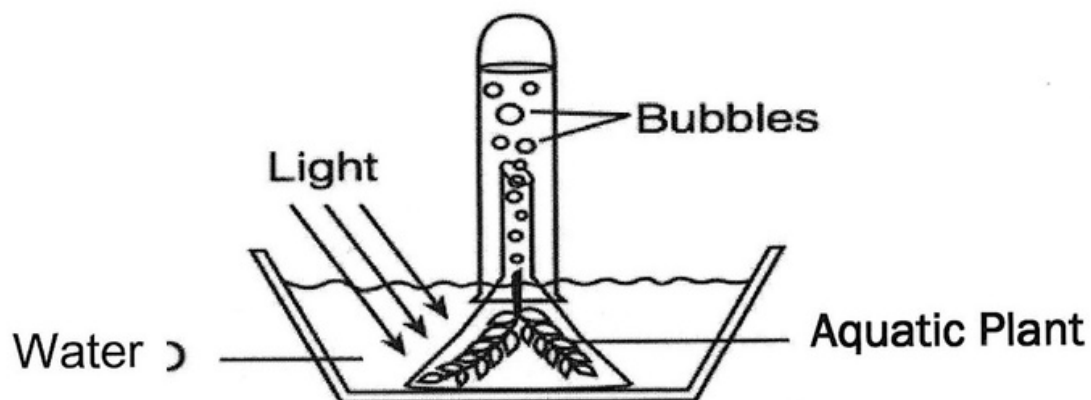


Fig. 5.1

- (a) Write a hypothesis for this experiment.

_____ [1]

- (b) In the presence of sunlight plants produce a gas.
Identify the gas collected in the test-tube.

_____ [1]

- (c) Suggest **one** variable that can affect the results of this experiment.

_____ [1]

- (d) To further investigate the activity of aquatic plants, the plants were allowed to grow in the dark.
Describe what was observed when the aquatic plants were in the dark.

_____ [1]

- (e) Give an explanation of the observations made when the aquatic plants were in the dark.

[2]

- (f) When plants carry out photosynthesis, glucose is produced. Glucose is then converted to the storage material, starch.

Describe how to test a leaf for the presence of starch.

[4]

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