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**COMBINED SCIENCE**

**6886/03**

Paper 3 (Extended)

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**1 hour 15 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.  
 Write in dark blue or black pen.  
 You may use a soft pencil for any diagrams, graphs, tables or rough working.  
 Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **all** questions.  
 Write your answers in the spaces provided on the question paper.  
 A copy of the Periodic Table is printed on page 20.

You may use a calculator.

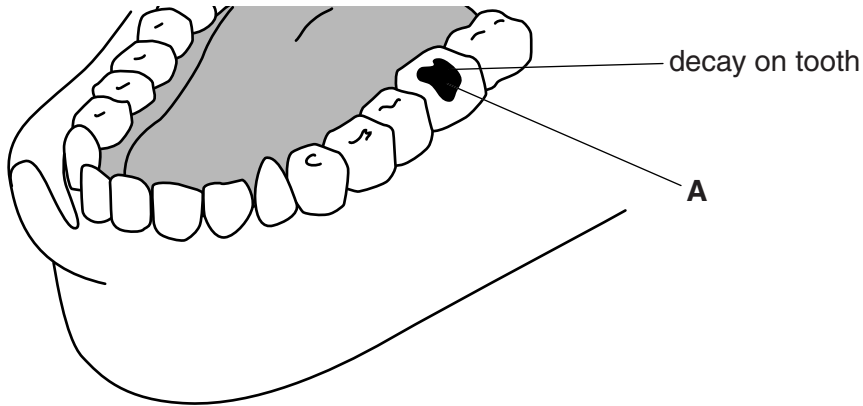
The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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1 Fig. 1.1 shows the human lower jaw.

Tooth **A** has decayed.



**Fig. 1.1**

(a) Describe the role of the teeth shown in Fig. 1.1 in the digestion of food.

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..... [2]

(b) Describe how the decay on tooth **A** has occurred.

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..... [3]

2 Zama lifts a bundle of steel rods, mass 20 kg, from the ground onto the back of a truck, 1.5 m high. He takes 2 seconds to lift the bundle into the truck.

(a) Calculate the power expended in lifting the rods.

(Use  $g = 10 \text{ N/kg}$ )

..... [2]

(b) The rods feel cold when Zama touched them.

Explain why the rods feel cold.

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..... [2]

- 3 (a)** Carbon and hydrogen form millions of different compounds known as hydrocarbons.

The compound  $C_3H_6$  is an example of one hydrocarbon.

- (i)** Name the hydrocarbon  $C_3H_6$ .

..... [1]

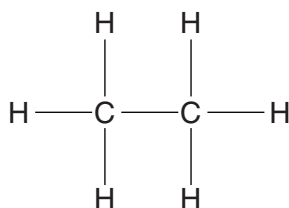
- (ii)** Name the homologous series to which the hydrocarbon  $C_3H_6$  belongs.

..... [1]

- (iii)** Draw the structural formula for the compound with four carbon atoms in this homologous series.

[2]

(b) Fig. 3.2 shows the structure of a different hydrocarbon.



**Fig. 3.2**

Describe the test you would use to distinguish between the hydrocarbon in **3(a)** and the hydrocarbon in Fig. 3.2.

test .....

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result .....

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[2]

(c) The hydrocarbon shown in Fig. 3.2 burns in oxygen.

(i) Construct a balanced equation for this reaction.

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(ii) Name this type of reaction.

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- 4 (a) Fig. 4.1 shows the result of an experiment which was set up to show the composition of air exhaled by a mouse.

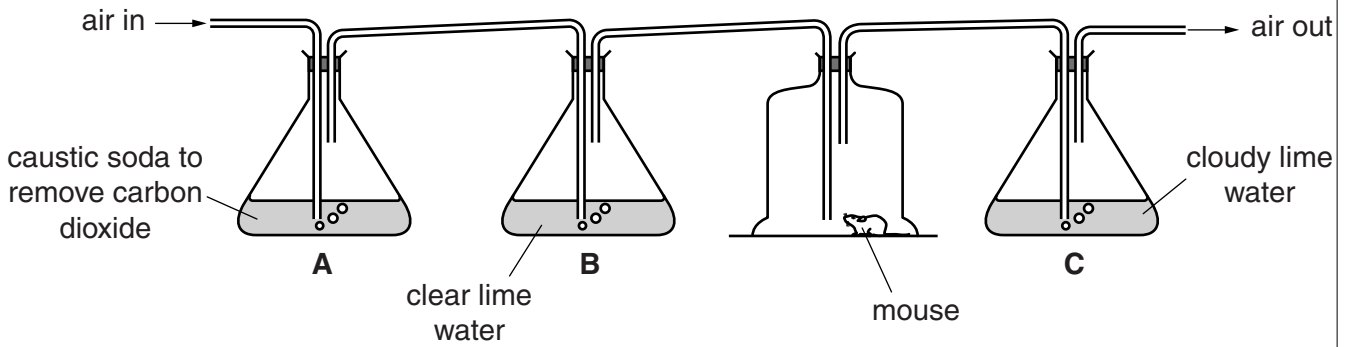


Fig. 4.1

- (i) Explain why the lime water in **B** is clear.  
 ..... [1]
- (ii) Explain why the lime water in **C** went cloudy.  
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 ..... [1]
- (iii) Name the process taking place in the mouse that led to the changes observed in **C**.  
 ..... [1]

- (b) Three pupils, Thando, Gcina and Banele carried out an experiment to see how breathing rate is affected by exercise.

They engaged in a running exercise and recorded their breathing rates, as shown in Table 4.1.

**Table 4.1**

Pupil	Breathing rate (breaths/minutes)						
	Before exercise	Minutes after exercise					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
Thando	15	43	36	31	22	17	15
Gcina	14	35	30	20	15	14	14
Banele	13	32	21	14	13	13	13

- (i) Describe the effect of exercise on the breathing rate.

..... [1]

- (ii) Explain why the breathing rate changes during exercise.

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

- (c) One of the gases inhaled is required to break down lactic acid formed in the muscles during exercise.

- (i) Describe the production of lactic acid in the muscles.

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 ..... [2]

- (ii) State an effect of lactic acid on the body of the person doing an exercise.

..... [1]

- 5 Fig. 5.1 shows parts of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Radio waves	Infra-red	Visible light	Ultra violet		$\gamma$ -rays
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Fig. 5.1

- (a) Name the radiation missing from Fig. 5.1.

..... [1]

- (b) Calculate the frequency of an electromagnetic wave that has a wavelength of 1 mm.

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- 6 (a) Some elements undergo radioactive decay.

Explain what is meant by radioactive decay.

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..... [2]

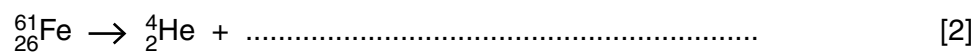
- (b)  ${}_{26}^{61}\text{Fe}$  represents the nuclide of a radioactive element.

- (i) Calculate the number of neutrons in the nucleus.

..... [1]

- (ii) The nucleus  ${}_{26}^{61}\text{Fe}$  decays by alpha emission.

Complete the nuclear equation.



7 A teacher tests smoke from the chimney of a factory in an industrial area and finds that it contains high concentrations of the gases; carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides and sulfur dioxide.

(a) (i) State an industrial source of sulfur dioxide and state one of its adverse effects.

source: .....

adverse effect of sulfur dioxide: .....

..... [2]

(ii) Car exhaust fumes also release these gases into air.

Explain how nitrogen oxides from the car exhausts can be reduced.

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..... [2]

(b) The gases are products of combustion in air. One of the gases does not form if the combustion takes place in pure oxygen.

(i) Name the gas.

..... [1]

(ii) Explain why the gas in (i) would not form from combustion in pure oxygen.

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..... [2]

(c) Sihle prepares the soluble salt zinc chloride by adding an excess of an oxide to a reagent.

(i) Name the reagent and oxide that Sihle reacts to form the zinc chloride salt.

reagent .....

oxide ..... [2]

(ii) Describe how Sihle can prepare large crystals of zinc chloride.

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..... [2]

- 8 (a) Fig. 8.1 shows a boy's hand being accidentally pricked by a drawing pin. The boy moves his hand quickly in response to the prick.

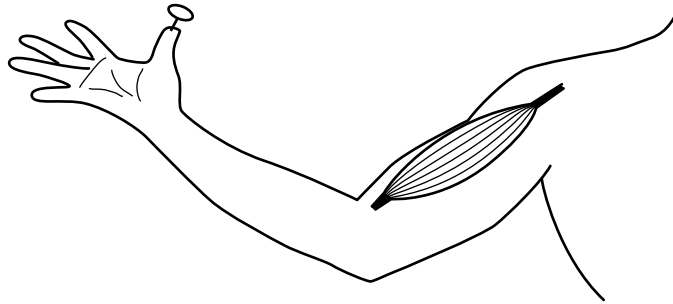


Fig. 8.1

- (i) Describe, in terms of transmission of nerve impulses, what happens that results in the boy moving his hand.

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 ..... [4]

- (ii) State **two** advantages of a reflex action.

1 .....  
 .....  
 2 .....  
 ..... [2]

- (b) A constant internal environment is maintained through negative feedback mechanisms.

Using an example, describe *negative feedback*.

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 ..... [2]

- 9 Fig. 9.1 shows a pendulum that swings between **A** and **C**. The bob takes 1.25 seconds to move from **A** to **C**.

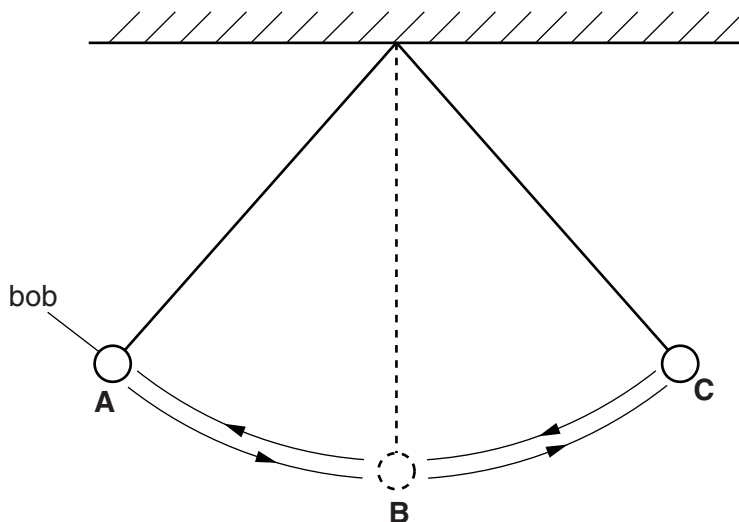


Fig. 9.1

- (a) Calculate the period of the pendulum.

..... [1]

- (b) The bob is released from **A** and passes **B** to **C**.

State the type of energy the bob has at **A** and at **B**.

**A** .....

**B** .....

[2]

- (c) The total length of the arc path **ABC** followed by the bob as it swings is 40.0 cm.

Calculate the average speed of the bob as it swings from **A** to **C**.

..... cm/s [1]

**10** Aluminium metal can be obtained by heating aluminium oxide with magnesium metal, but not by reacting aluminium oxide with copper metal.

**(a)** Arrange the three metals in order of their reactivity, starting with the most reactive.

most reactive .....

.....

least reactive .....

[2]

**(b)** Construct a balanced equation for the reaction between aluminium oxide and magnesium metal.

..... [2]

**(c)** Calculate the mass of aluminium that would be produced from 50 g of aluminium oxide.

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- 11 Fig. 11.1 shows a simple form of a transformer used for stepping down an alternating voltage supply.

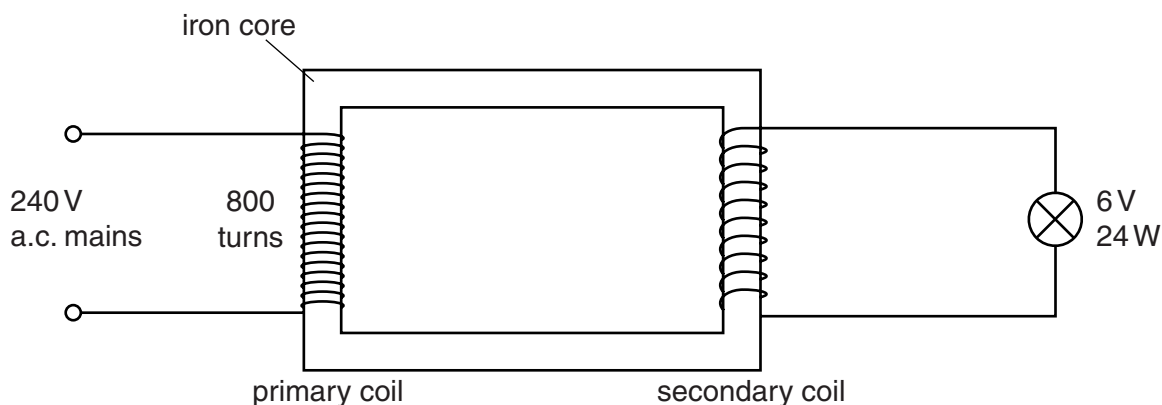


Fig. 11.1

- (a) State the advantage of transmitting power

(i) at a very high voltage,

..... [1]

(ii) as an alternating voltage.

..... [1]

- (b) Assume that the transformer is 100% efficient.

Calculate the number of turns in the secondary coil, if the lamp is to work at its normal brightness.

State the formula that you use and show your working.

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- (c) Fig. 11.2 shows a circuit with a battery, a variable resistor and two lamps,  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , connected in series.

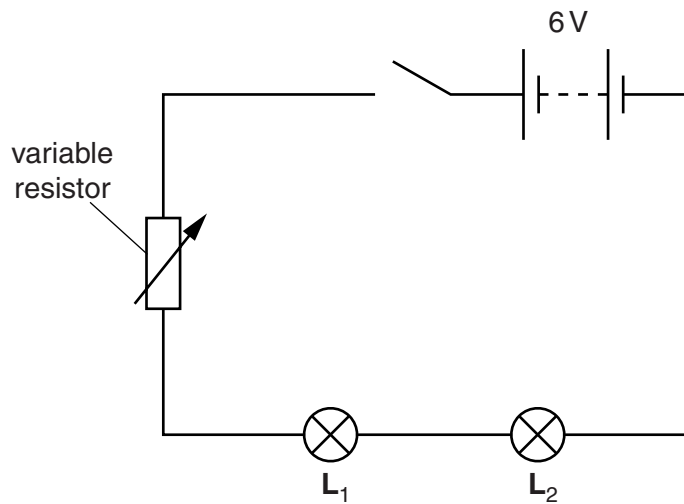


Fig. 11.2

$L_1$  has a resistance of  $15\ \Omega$  and  $L_2$  has a resistance of  $25\ \Omega$ .

- (i) Calculate the combined resistance of the lamps  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

.....  $\Omega$  [1]

- (ii) The variable resistor is set to zero resistance.

Calculate the current in the circuit.

State the formula that you use and show your working.

..... [2]

(iii) Lamps  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are then connected in parallel.

Calculate the combined resistance of the two lamps in parallel.

..... [2]



12 A farmer uses nitrogen-containing fertilisers year after year in her maize field. She uses a tractor to plough her field, and uses pesticides to control insects.

(a) Describe **one** danger of the overuse of nitrogen-containing fertilisers.

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

(b) State **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of using

(i) a tractor,

advantage .....  
.....  
disadvantage .....  
..... [2]

(ii) pesticides.

advantage .....  
.....  
disadvantage .....  
..... [2]





DATA SHEET  
The Periodic Table of the Elements

Group																	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	O										
1 <b>H</b> Hydrogen																	
2 <b>He</b> Helium																	
3 <b>Li</b> Lithium	4 <b>Be</b> Beryllium	5 <b>B</b> Boron	6 <b>C</b> Carbon	7 <b>N</b> Nitrogen	8 <b>O</b> Oxygen	9 <b>F</b> Fluorine	10 <b>Ne</b> Neon	11 <b>Na</b> Sodium	12 <b>Mg</b> Magnesium	13 <b>Al</b> Aluminium	14 <b>Si</b> Silicon	15 <b>P</b> Phosphorus	16 <b>S</b> Sulfur	17 <b>Cl</b> Chlorine	18 <b>Ar</b> Argon		
19 <b>K</b> Potassium	20 <b>Ca</b> Calcium	21 <b>Sc</b> Scandium	22 <b>Ti</b> Titanium	23 <b>V</b> Vanadium	24 <b>Cr</b> Chromium	25 <b>Mn</b> Manganese	26 <b>Fe</b> Iron	27 <b>Co</b> Cobalt	28 <b>Ni</b> Nickel	29 <b>Cu</b> Copper	30 <b>Zn</b> Zinc	31 <b>Ga</b> Gallium	32 <b>Ge</b> Germanium	33 <b>As</b> Arsenic	34 <b>Se</b> Selenium	35 <b>Br</b> Bromine	36 <b>Kr</b> Krypton
37 <b>Rb</b> Rubidium	38 <b>Sr</b> Strontium	39 <b>Y</b> Yttrium	40 <b>Zr</b> Zirconium	41 <b>Nb</b> Niobium	42 <b>Mo</b> Molybdenum	43 <b>Tc</b> Technetium	44 <b>Ru</b> Ruthenium	45 <b>Rh</b> Rhodium	46 <b>Pd</b> Palladium	47 <b>Ag</b> Silver	48 <b>Cd</b> Cadmium	49 <b>In</b> Indium	50 <b>Sn</b> Tin	51 <b>Sb</b> Antimony	52 <b>Te</b> Tellurium	53 <b>I</b> Iodine	54 <b>Xe</b> Xenon
55 <b>Cs</b> Caesium	56 <b>Ba</b> Barium	57 <b>La</b> Lanthanum	72 <b>Hf</b> Hafnium	73 <b>Ta</b> Tantalum	74 <b>W</b> Tungsten	75 <b>Re</b> Rhenium	76 <b>Os</b> Osmium	77 <b>Ir</b> Iridium	78 <b>Pt</b> Platinum	79 <b>Au</b> Gold	80 <b>Hg</b> Mercury	81 <b>Tl</b> Thallium	82 <b>Pb</b> Lead	83 <b>Bi</b> Bismuth	84 <b>Po</b> Polonium	85 <b>At</b> Astatine	86 <b>Rn</b> Radon
87 <b>Fr</b> Francium	88 <b>Ra</b> Radium	89 <b>Ac</b> Actinium															

140 <b>Ce</b> Cerium	141 <b>Pr</b> Praseodymium	142 <b>Nd</b> Neodymium	143 <b>Pm</b> Promethium	144 <b>Nd</b> Neodymium	145 <b>Sm</b> Samarium	146 <b>Eu</b> Europium	147 <b>Pm</b> Promethium	148 <b>Gd</b> Gadolinium	149 <b>Tb</b> Terbium	150 <b>Dy</b> Dysprosium	151 <b>Ho</b> Holmium	152 <b>Er</b> Erbium	153 <b>Tm</b> Thulium	154 <b>Yb</b> Ytterbium	155 <b>Lu</b> Lutetium
89 <b>Th</b> Thorium	90 <b>Pa</b> Protactinium	91 <b>U</b> Uranium	92 <b>Np</b> Neptunium	93 <b>Am</b> Americium	94 <b>Cm</b> Curium	95 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium	96 <b>Cf</b> Californium	97 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium	98 <b>Fm</b> Fermium	99 <b>Md</b> Mendelevium	100 <b>No</b> Nobelium	101 <b>Lr</b> Lawrencium	102 <b>Uu</b> Ununium	103 <b>Uub</b> Unbium	104 <b>Uuq</b> Unquadium

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

a      X      b

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

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