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0620 CHEMISTRY

0620/02

Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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- 1 (a) ALLOW: correct names / correct formulae
- (i) B [1]
- (ii) E [1]
- (iii) D [1]
- (iv) E [1]
- (v) C [1]
- (vi) B + C [1]
- (vii) A + F [1]
- (b) (i) car exhausts / from vehicles [1]
ALLOW: from metal smelting
NOT: from factories / from natural causes e.g. volcanoes
NOT: from fuels if unqualified
- (ii) damage to brain / nervous system (in children) [1]
ALLOW: mental damage / poisonous / toxic / lung irritant
NOT: harmful / lung cancers / poisonous to lungs / makes you ill /
respiratory diseases / lung problems etc.
- (c) forms sulphur dioxide / acid rain [1]
ALLOW: sulphur burns to form acid rain
REJECT: carbon monoxide / dioxide causes acid rain = 0
REJECT: sulphur causes acid rain = 0
- effect of acid rain [1]
e.g. chemical erosion / chemical weathering / corrodes metals /
damages trees [or plants] / kills trees [or plants] / damages limestone buildings /
damages or kills plants [or animals] in lakes
NOT: harmful / makes soils acidic / corrodes limestone [or buildings] / pollutant
REJECT: global warming / affects ozone layer

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- 2 (a) nitrogen / N₂;
oxygen / O₂ [2]
- (b) (i) carbon dioxide / CO₂ [1]
- (ii) water / H₂O [1]
- (iii) O₂ on left;
correct balance [2]
- (c) (i) (Period) 3 [1]
- (ii) noble gases / inert gases
ALLOW: group 0 / 8 [1]
- (iii) correct electronic structure of argon 2.8.8 [1]
- (iv) inert / doesn't react / prevents (tungsten) filament from burning [1]
ALLOW: implication that argon produces light after excitation by electric current (discharge tubes)
NOT: argon produces light when it reacts
NOT: argon lights up
- (v) 22 [1]
- (d) 169 [1]
IGNORE: units
- (e) (i) XeF₄O (atoms in any order) [1]
- (ii) covalent [1]
NOT: double and single bonding

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- 3 (a) (i)** 2 on both sides (NOTE: only one mark) [1]
- (ii)** comes from water / water won't run out / water renewable resource [1]
 NOT: arguments about pollution
 NOT: easily made / renewed
 REJECT: found in air and water
- (iii)** exothermic [1]
- (b)** carbon dioxide / CO₂;
 water / H₂O [2]
- (c)** 1 mark for each correct fraction; [2]
 correct use linked to each specific fraction [2]
 (if fraction incorrect mark cannot be given for use)
 Examples:
- | Fraction | Use |
|--|--|
| Refinery gas
NOT: methane / natural gas | fuel (alone or qualified)
ALLOW: for heating / cooking |
| Naphtha | feedstock for chemicals /
making specific chemicals e.g. ethane |
| Paraffin / kerosene | oil stoves / heating / aircraft fuel /
feedstock for chemical industry
ALLOW: for cooking
NOT: fuel alone |
| Diesel | fuel in cars / fuel for diesel engines /
central heating fuel
NOT: fuel alone |
| Fuel oil | fuel for ships and power stations
NOT: fuel alone |
| Lubricating fraction | lubricants / waxes / polishes |
| Bitumen / residue | roads / sealing roofs |
- (d) (i)** breaking down of (larger) hydrocarbon molecules into smaller ones /
 making alkenes from larger alkanes [1]
 (idea of large hydrocarbons to smaller ones)
 ALLOW: breaking down petroleum fractions / hydrocarbons / alkanes
 NOT: decomposing unless qualified

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(ii) high temperature [1]
 ALLOW: heat
 REJECT: heat and burn

catalyst **OR** high pressure [1]
 ALLOW: aluminium oxide / silicates;
 IGNORE: incorrect name of catalyst
 NOT: high pressure
 (Catalyst + high pressure = 1 mark maximum)

(iii) correct structure of ethene [1]
 All atoms and bonds must be shown

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4 (a) (i) substance which speeds up (rate of) reaction [1]
 NOT: slows rate of reaction

(ii) transition elements / transition metals [1]
 NOT: specific metals / named metals

(b) (i) axes correctly labelled with time on horizontal axis and use of full grid [1]
 ALLOW: V for volume and t for time
 correct plotting of points (-1 per error / omission) [2]
 Penalise 110 cm³ points only once
 smooth line going through all points [1]

(ii) line steeper at start; [1]
 ending up at same level [1]
 NOT: ending up after 50 mins
 NOT: joining previous line before 50 minutes

(iii) all zinc used up / hydrochloric acid is in excess [1]
 ALLOW: zinc and hydrochloric acid have completely reacted
 NOT: reaction finished / completed / HCl completely reacted

(c) (i) (speed would be) faster / rate increases [1]
 (comparative needed)
 NOT: takes less time / reacts more

(ii) (speed would be) slower / rate decreases [1]
 (comparative needed)
 NOT: takes more time / reacts less

(d) (i) zinc chloride [1]

(ii) lighted splint / light the gas; [1]
 pops / explodes etc. [1]

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- 5 (a) electron [1]
- (b) any two of:
conducts electricity / conducts heat / shiny / malleable / ductile / sonorous [2]
NOT: high density / high melting point / high boiling point / hard
ALLOW: solid if qualified by mercury as exception
- (c) 4th box down ticked [1]
- (d) aqueous sodium hydroxide; [1]
(light) blue ppt; [1]
insoluble in excess [1]
- OR
aqueous ammonia;
(light) blue ppt;
soluble in excess / forming (dark) blue solution
- (e) electrical wiring / water pipes / cooking utensils / coinage / any other sensible specific use [1]
NOT: for wires / for pipes

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- 6 (a) potassium chloride; [1]
 bromine [1]
- (b) iodine lower in group / less reactive than chlorine / iodine less good oxidising agent [1]
 ALLOW: bond between potassium and chlorine is too strong for iodine to react
- (c) (i) gas; [1]
 grey / black; [1]
 ALLOW: purple black
 NOT: brown / brown-black / purple
- (ii) ALLOW range of -200 to -90 (actual = -188); [1]
 ALLOW range of 1.6 to 4.0 (actual = 3.12) [1]
- (d) (i) 9 [1]
 (ii) 7 [1]
- (e) any suitable use e.g. in swimming pools/ water purification / disinfectant / kills germs / kills bacteria / bleaching agent (for paper) / extraction of titanium / de-tinning scrap tinplate etc. [1]
 ALLOW: making named chemicals e.g. making hydrochloric acid / making halogenoalkanes / making CFCs / making carbon tetrachloride
 NOT: sewage treatment / cleaning

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- 7 (a) it is below the electrolyte [1]
- (b) graphite [1]
- (c) A [1]
- (d) aluminium is too reactive / a very reactive metal / above carbon in the reactivity series [1]
NOT: because carbon won't remove the oxygen from the oxide /
won't reduce the oxide / won't react
- (e) (i) the aluminium oxide / the electrolyte [1]
(ii) CO₂ [1]
(iii) carbon is released as carbon dioxide / carbon dioxide is a gas [1]
NOT: it's getting oxidised / reaction between carbon and oxygen
- (f) 530 (kg) [1]
- (g) molten; [2]
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