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0653 COMBINED SCIENCE

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Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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- 1 (a) (i) reference to reactivity of elements / compound is more stable ; [1]
- (ii) element cannot be simplified / decomposed chemically ;
 element contains just one type of atom ;
 element is found in Periodic Table ; [max 1]
 (or corresponding answers for compound)
- (iii) heat / boil solution ;
 water evaporates leaving sodium chloride ;
 leave to evaporate ; [max 2]
- (b) idea that formula shows the ratio Ca:F particles is 1:2 ; [1]
- (c) (i) electrolysis ; [1]
- (ii) bromine is formed ;
 bromine (vapour) is orange ;
 bromine evaporates / boils off ; [max 2]
- [Total: 8]**

- 2 (a) arrow going downwards ; [1]
- (b) mass = density × volume ;
 = 1.26 × 0.15 = 0.19 kg ; [2]
- (c) solid – all particles touching, regular arrangement particles of similar size ;
 liquid – most particles touching, irregular arrangement particles of similar size ; [2]

(d)

description	S, L or G
It cannot flow	S
It cannot transfer heat by convection	S
It contains particles which are widely separated	G
It expands the most when heated	G
It fills a closed container	G
It has a fixed volume but not a fixed shape	L

[2]

[Total: 7]

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- 3 (a) (i) substance produced by a gland
carried in blood
affects activity of target organs
destroyed by liver ;; [max 2]
- (ii) increases heart rate / increases breathing rate / sweating / pupil dilation / increases pulse rate / faster reactions / increases rate of respiration / increase in oxygen to muscles/brain ; accept any correct answer [1]
- (b) (i) increased then decreased
increased more rapidly than it decreased
maximum 6.6 units /at 40 minutes
quote figures, e.g. returned to normal by 100 minutes ;; [max 3]
- (ii) (blood glucose concentration) did not rise as high
maximum 4 units rather than 6.6 units
rose more slowly
fell more slowly
took longer to return to normal ;; [max 3]
- (c) reduces, constipation / bowel cancer / risk of diabetes ; [1]
- [Total: 10]**
- 4 (a) (i) Y and Z ;
non-metals ; [2]
- (ii) Z ;
it is a noble / inert gas / ref to filled shells in atoms ; [2]
- (b) (i) Group 1 ;
reference to at least one of the proton numbers plotted on graph ; [2]
- (ii) rubidium ; [1]
- (c) (i) insoluble substance dissolved / disappeared
colour change / coloured substance produced ; [max 1]
- (ii) (reactants→) copper sulfate ;
+ water ; [2]
- [Total: 10]**




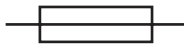
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- 5 (a) speed = distance/time ;
= 3000/30 = 100 km/hr ; [2]
- (b) (i) 120 km/hr ; [1]
- (ii) changing speed / going faster / accelerating ; [1]
- (c) $1,000,000 \times 0.10 \times 0.70$;
= 70,000 J ; [2]
- (d) (i) geothermal/tides/hydroelectric/waves/wind/biomass ; [1]
- (ii) fossil fuels not wasted
no CO₂ produced ; [max 1]
- [Total: 8]**
- 6 (a) A (right) atrium ;
B (right) ventricle ; [2]
- (b) contracts ;
reduces volume of ventricle ;
increases pressure ; [max 2]
- (c) needs to produce less force ;
to push blood into ventricle ;
not out of the heart ; [max 2]
- (d) uses more energy ;
energy obtained by respiration ;
respiration uses oxygen ; [max 2]
- [Total: 8]**

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- 7 (a) (i) petroleum / crude oil / natural gas ; [1]
- (ii) compound of hydrogen and carbon only ; [1]
- (iii) $C_2H_4 + Br_2 \rightarrow C_2H_4Br_2$; [2]
(allow Br_2 anywhere in product formula)
- (b) (i) the temperature (inside kiln) is high / is $950\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$;
exothermic means the reaction releases heat (energy) ; [2]
- (ii) carbon dioxide
carbon monoxide
water (vapour)
two of the above with
produced by combustion of propane / hydrocarbons ;;; [max 3]
(ignore refs to complete combustion)

[Total: 9]

- 8 (a) Correct symbol for
open switch 
- resistor 
- voltmeter 
- fuse  [2]
- (b) damaged insulation/bare wires ;
danger of electrocution ; [2]
- (c) (i) 0.5 A
0.5 A ; (need both) [1]
- (ii) $R = R_1 + R_2$;
 $= 10\ \Omega$; [2]

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- 9 (a) (i) controls what enters / leaves the cell ; [1]
- (ii) cell wall ;
chloroplast ;
large permanent vacuole ;
vacuole membrane ; [max 2]
- (iii) takes place in chloroplasts ;
chlorophyll absorbs / traps, sunlight / energy from sunlight ;
water combines with carbon dioxide ;
produces oxygen and glucose / sugar / carbohydrate ; [max3]
- (b) extinction ;
soil erosion ;
flooding ;
build up of carbon dioxide ;
drought ;
increase in global warming ; [max 3]
- [Total: 9]
- 10 (a) (i) infrared ; [1]
- (ii) microwaves ; [1]
- (b) 100 m ;
1.5 m ; [2]
- [Total: 4]