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COMPOSITE PAPER

Instructions to candidate

- Write your name, admission number, and stream in the spaces provided.
- Answer **ALL** questions in the spaces provided.
- All working **MUST** be clearly shown where applicable.
- KNEC mathematical tables and silent non-programmable electronic calculators may be used.
- This paper consists of **12 printed pages**.
- The candidate should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no question is missing.

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Question	Maximum Score	Candidate's Score
1 – 27	80	

1. A wooden splint was slipped through a given region of a Bunsen burner flame in the laboratory. The pattern shown in the diagram below was realised.



- a) Name the type of flame involved (1 mark)

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- b) Explain the observation made on the splint (2 marks)

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2. a) State Gay Lussac's law (1 mark)

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- b) 20cm^3 of a gaseous hydrocarbon, C_4H_y produced steam and 80cm^3 of carbon (IV) oxide when burnt in 110cm^3 of oxygen. Determine the value of y . (2 marks)

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3. The electron arrangement of ions W^+ and Z^{3-} are 2 and 2.8 respectively.

- a) In which groups do elements **W** and **Z** belong? (1 mark)

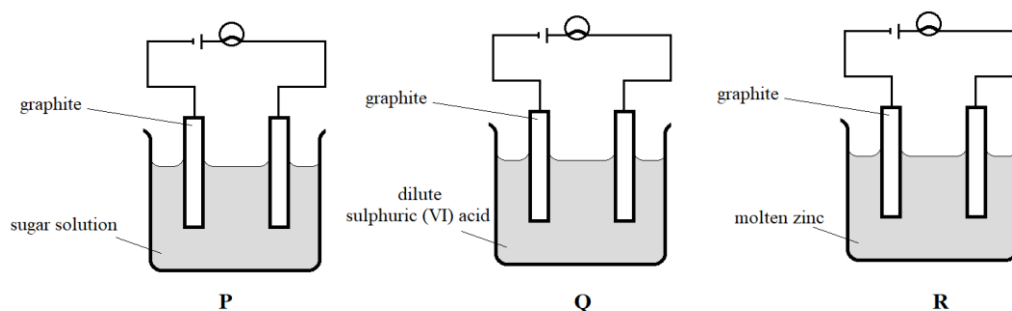
W

Z

- b) Write the formula of the compound formed between **W** and **Z** (1 mark)

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4. Kinuthia arranged three setups as shown in figure below, to investigate the effect of an electric current on three different substances.



Explain the following observations:

a) The bulb in **P** does not light and no electrolysis took place (1 mark)

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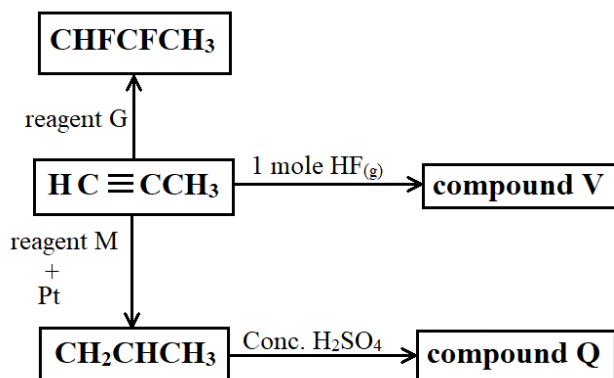
b) The bulb in **Q** lit and electrolysis took place (1 mark)

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c) The bulb in **R** lit but no electrolysis took place. (1 mark)

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5. The figure below indicates a reaction scheme that starts with propyne. Study it and use it to answer the questions that follow.



- a) Name the following: (2 marks)

Compound **V**

Compound **Q**

Reagent **G**

Reagent **M**

- b) Name the process by which propyne reacts with **reagent G** (1 mark)

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6. A sample of hydrated metal oxide $\text{V}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ has a mass of 11.7g. The substance was heated until all its water of crystallisation was lost. If the final mass of the residue was 7.65g, determine the atomic mass of **element V**. (3 marks)

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7. A **solid D** was subjected to heat and yielded a gas that forms a white precipitate when bubbled through calcium hydroxide solution. The resultant residue forms a colourless **solution J** when dissolved in nitric (V) acid. When dilute hydrochloric acid was added to **solution J**, a white precipitate that dissolves when warmed, to form a colourless solution is observed.

a) Write the formulae of:

The cation in **solid D** (1 mark)

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The anion in **solid D** (1 mark)

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b) Write the equation for the reaction between the residue and dilute nitric (V) acid that forms **solution J** (1 mark)

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8. Equal masses of calcium granules were heated and crushed alternately in separate crucibles **I** and **II** containing pure oxygen and air, respectively until there was no more change in mass.

a) Comment on the final masses of the contents of crucibles **I** and **II**. (1 mark)

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b) Write the equations for the reactions in the crucible with greater mass (2 marks)

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9. You are provided with crystals of potassium chloride and lead (II) nitrate. If water is available in a wash bottle, describe how one can obtain a solid sample of lead (II) chloride. (3 marks)

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10. Determine the volume of oxygen produced when 11.05g of silver nitrate undergoes thermal decomposition at r.t.p. (Ag = 108, N = 14, O = 16, Molar gas volume at r.t.p. = 24.0 L) (3 marks)

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11. Oxygen and sulphur are both group VI elements. However, the melting point of oxygen is -216°C while that of sulphur is 44°C . Explain this large difference in melting points (2 marks)

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a) Describe an experiment that could be used to distinguish a gas jar of carbon (IV) oxide from of carbon (II) oxide. (2 marks)

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b) Explain the role of carbon (IV) oxide in fire extinguishing (1 mark)

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13. A spatula of zinc granules was added to a beaker containing distilled water.

a) State **two** observations that were made during the reaction (2 marks)

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b) State the observation made when two drops of methyl orange indicator is added to the resultant solution (1 mark)

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14. 150cm^3 of a **gas A** diffuses through a porous plug in 12.5 seconds while 150cm^3 of oxygen gas diffuses through the same plug in 7.5 seconds. Calculate the relative molecular mass of **gas A**. (2 marks)

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15. Methods **A** and **B** are used in protecting iron metal from rusting. **Method A** involves coating the iron surface with a layer of copper while in **Method B**, a thin layer of Zinc is sprayed onto the iron surface.

a) Name the methods used in protecting the iron surface from rusting: (1 mark)

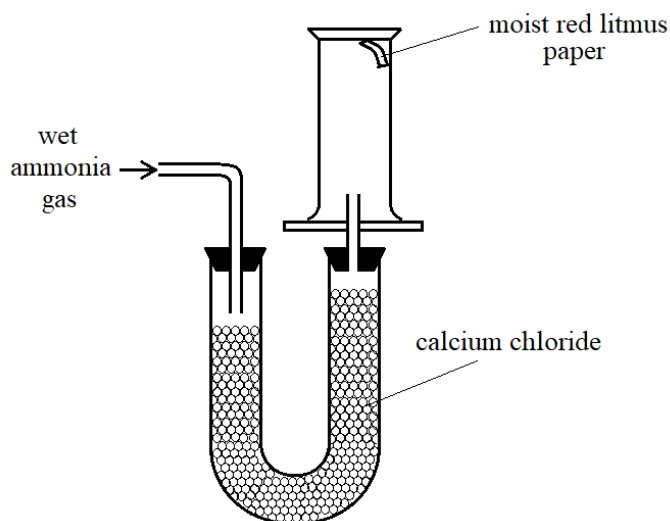
Method A

Method B

b) Which method is the most suitable? Explain (2 marks)

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16. A setup was arranged as shown in the diagram below to collect a dry sample of ammonia gas.



a) The moist red litmus paper remained red. Explain this observation. (2 marks)

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b) Name the method of gas collection demonstrated by the setup (1 mark)

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a) A volume of concentrated sulphuric (VI) acid was added to a sample of sugar crystals. State and explain the observation made. (2 marks)

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b) State **one** application of this process in the laboratory. (1 mark)

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18. The grid below shows part of the periodic table

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D	G					R		T
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a) Identify the least reactive non-metal. Explain your answer. (2 marks)

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b) How do the atomic radii of **D** and **R** compare? Explain. (2 marks)

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19. When a student was stung by a nettle plant their teacher applied an aqueous solution of ammonia to the affected area of the skin and the student was relieved of pain.

a) Explain this observation (2 marks)

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b) Sodium hydroxide is not preferred for this procedure. Explain. (2 marks)

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20. When **solid W** is heated strongly in a combustion tube, a blue residue and droplets of a colourless liquid are observed on the cooler parts of the combustion tube.

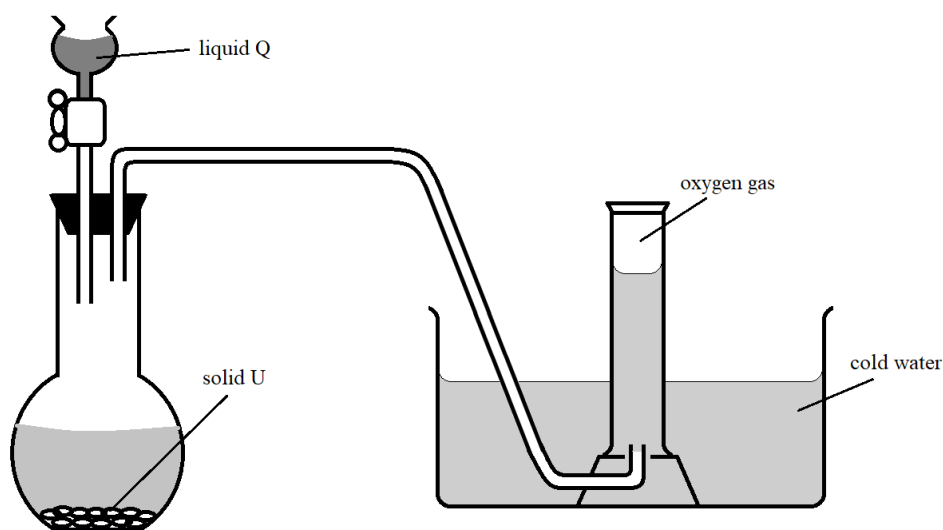
a) Name the process described in the combustion tube (1 mark)

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b) Identify **solid W** (1 mark)

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21. The setup below was used for the preparation of oxygen gas in the laboratory.



a) If **liquid Q** is water, identify **solid U** and write an equation for the reaction that occurs in the flask. (2 marks)

Identity of **solid B**

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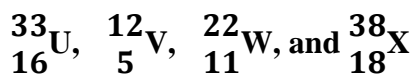
Equation for reaction

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b) Apart from density, state any **one** property of oxygen that allows it to be collected as shown in the diagram. (1 mark)

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22. Atomic representations of elements **U**, **V**, **W** and **X** are:



Select the element which forms

- a) An insoluble carbonate (1 mark)

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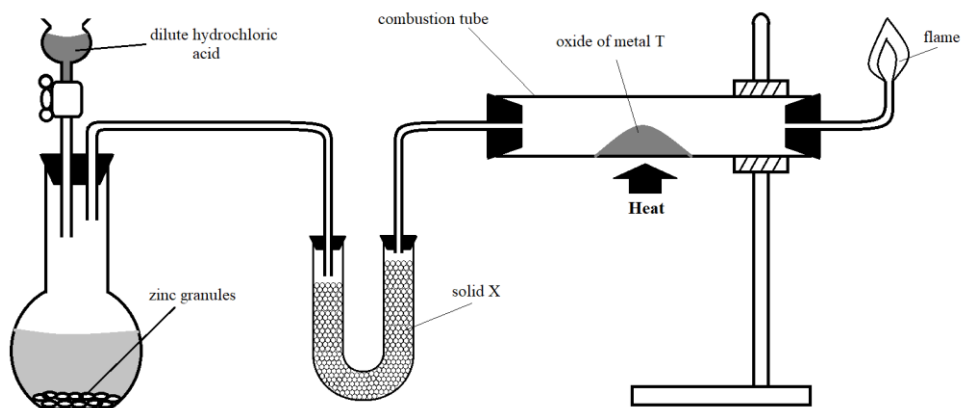
- b) A double charged anion (1 mark)

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- c) The largest atomic radius (1 mark)

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23. The apparatus arranged as shown in the diagram below was used to prepare hydrogen gas and to investigate its properties. **Metal T** is copper.



- a) State an observation that would be made in the setup if nitric (V) acid was used in the place of the dilute hydrochloric acid. (1 mark)

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- b) Identify **solid X** in the setup and state its function. (1 mark)

Identity X

Function

c) State the role of the flame at the end of the combustion tube. (1 mark)

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24. Hexane, butanol, and water are all liquids at room temperature. A mixture of water and hexane forms layers, while a mixture of butanol and water forms a homogenous solution. Explain this observation (3 marks)

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25. The label on a bottle of hydrochloric acid in the laboratory has the following information printed on it

Density: 1.134g/cm³ Percentage purity: 37%

a) Determine the mass of hydrochloric acid in 10cm³ of the stock solution (2 marks)

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b) Calculate the concentration of this stock solution in moles per litre. (2 marks)

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26. Diamond and graphite both have giant atomic structures with strong covalent bonds. However, diamond is hard while graphite is soft. Explain this observation. (3 marks)

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27. A hibiscus plant has red petals and is used to prepare simple acid-base indicator. Describe how:

- a) A solution containing the red pigment may be prepared (1 mark)

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- b) The solution may be demonstrated to be an acid-base indicator (2 marks)

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