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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 or rough working.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **all** questions.

A copy of the Periodic Table is printed on page 20.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

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

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- 1 Three samples of human blood **A**, **B** and **C**, are mixed with three salt solutions of different concentrations.

The blood samples are then observed under the microscope.

The results are shown in Fig. 1.1

blood sample	observations
A	cells are small and wrinkled
B	cells are normal in size and shape
C	no cells can be seen

Fig. 1.1

- (a) What type of blood cell would be seen in the largest numbers in each of the samples **A** and **B**?

..... [1]

- (b) Which blood sample is mixed with the most concentrated salt solution?

..... [1]

- (c) Explain the observation for blood sample **C**.

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..... [2]

2 A cyclist travels along a road.

Fig. 2.1 shows how the speed of the cyclist varies with time.

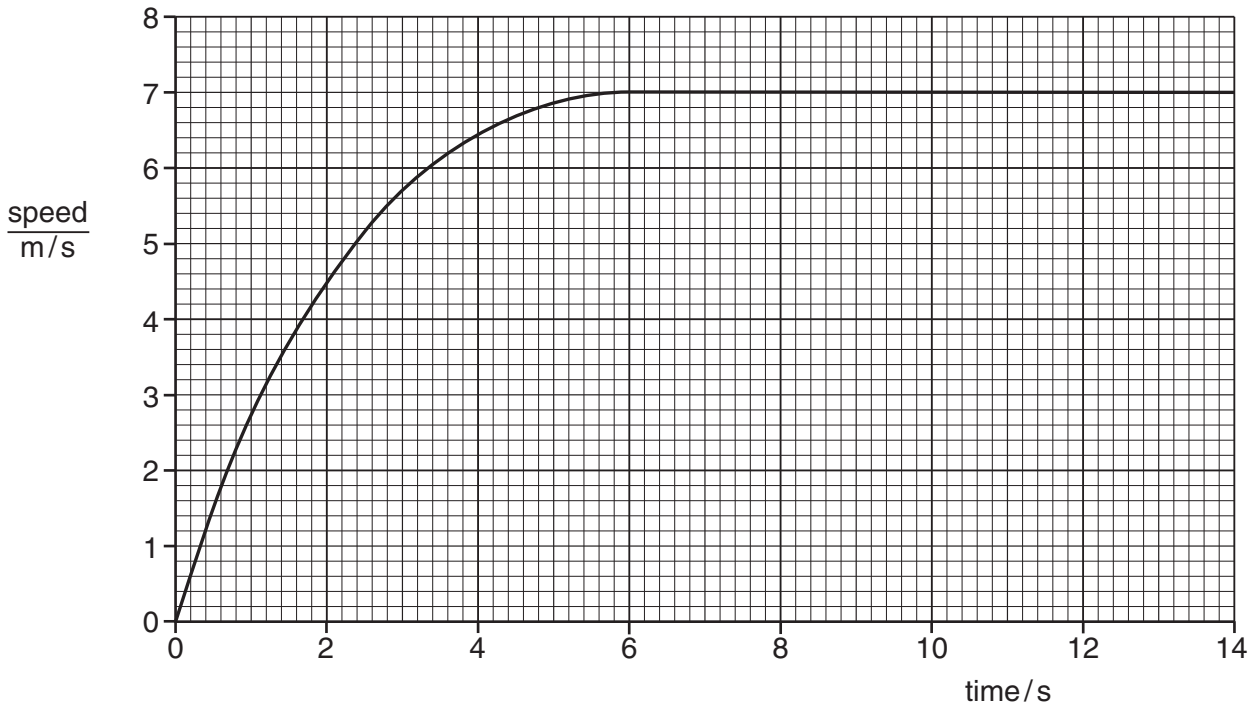


Fig. 2.1

(a) Explain the difference between speed and velocity.

..... [1]

(b) Use Fig. 2.1 for the following.

(i) Complete the following sentence.

The acceleration of the cyclist is zero from

..... seconds to seconds. [1]

(ii) Calculate how far the cyclist travels between the times of 9 seconds and 13 seconds.

distance = m [2]

(c) Further along the road, the cyclist stops the bicycle.

Complete the following sentence about energy.

As the cyclist uses the brakes, energy is converted

into energy. [2]

3 Methane is a hydrocarbon.

(a) State the name of the homologous series to which methane belongs.

.....

[1]

(b) Methane is used as a fuel.

The equation for the combustion of methane is



The relative molecular mass M_r of methane is 16.

[A_r : C, 12; O, 16]

Complete the following sentences.

16 g of methane reacts with g of oxygen and produces g of carbon dioxide.

1.6 g of methane reacts with g of oxygen and produces g of carbon dioxide.

0.4 g of methane produces g of carbon dioxide.

[4]

(c) State the test for oxygen.

test

result

.....

[2]

4 Complete Fig. 4.1.

particle	relative mass	relative charge
proton	1	
neutron		
electron	negligible	-1

Fig. 4.1

[3]

5 Fig. 5.1 shows the structure of the heart in section as seen from the front.

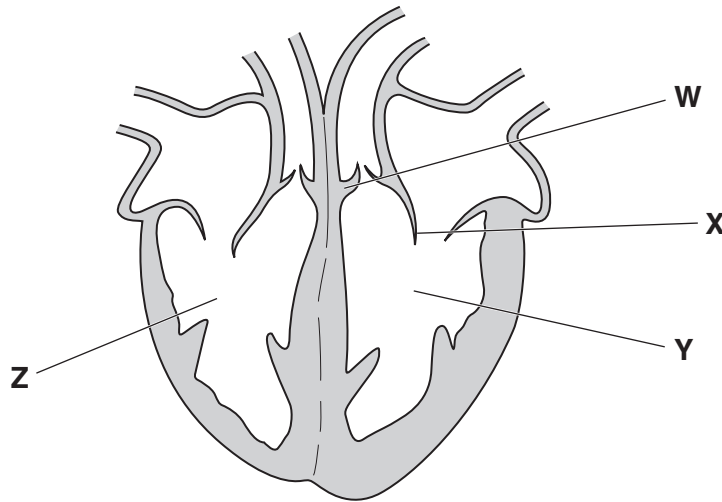


Fig. 5.1

- (a) What type of tissue is the heart mainly composed of?
 [1]
- (b) When the chamber labelled **Y** contracts, what happens to
- (i) valve **W**, [1]
- (ii) valve **X**? [1]
- (c) When chamber **Z** contracts, what effect does this have on the blood in that chamber?

 [2]
- (d) How does the composition of the blood in chamber **Z** differ from that in chamber **Y**?

 [2]

- 6 A pupil places a pin in front of a plane mirror so that he can see an image of the pin. Light from the pin is incident on the plane mirror as shown in Fig. 6.1. The position of the image of the pin is also shown.

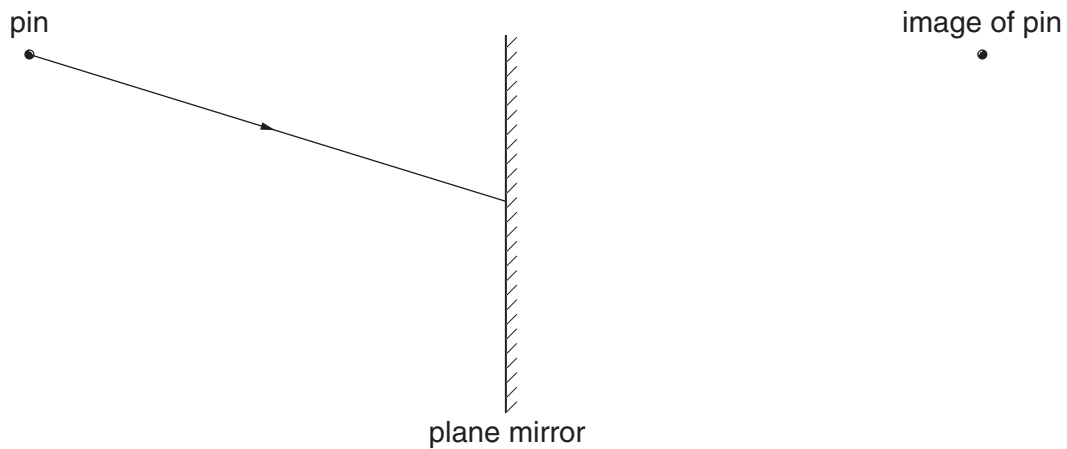


Fig. 6.1

- (a) On Fig. 6.1 draw
- (i) the normal where the ray is incident on the mirror, [1]
- (ii) the reflected ray. [1]
- (b) The pin is moved to the right, towards the mirror.
How does the position of the image of the pin move?
.....[1]
- (c) Light is an example of a transverse wave.
Name an example of a longitudinal wave.
..... [1]

7 Chlorine is a diatomic gas in Group VII of the Periodic Table.

(a) Complete Fig. 7.1 to show the outer shell electrons in a molecule of chlorine.

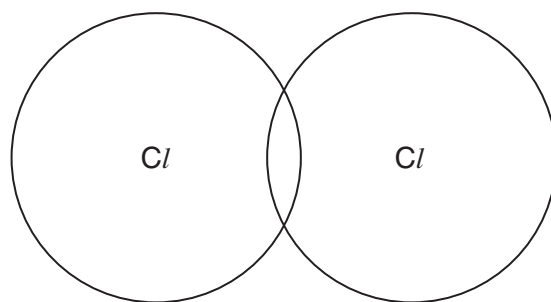


Fig. 7.1

[2]

(b) State how the boiling point of the elements in Group VII changes as the group is descended.

..... [1]

(c) State **one** industrial use of chlorine.

..... [1]

(d) Fig. 7.2 shows chlorine being bubbled into potassium iodide solution.

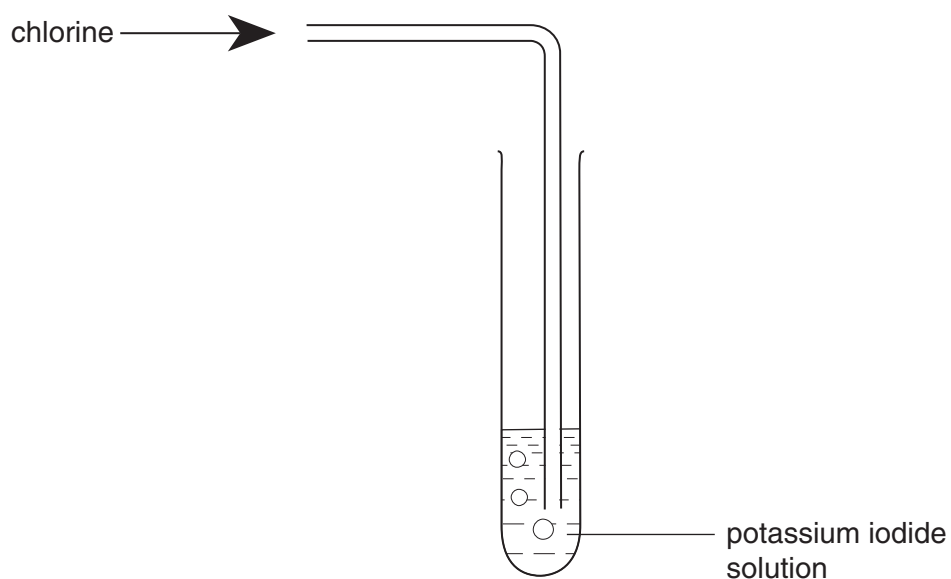


Fig. 7.2

State the names of the **two** products of the reaction between chlorine and potassium iodide.

..... and [2]

8 (a) There are four types of birth control – natural, chemical, mechanical and surgical.

(i) On Fig. 8.1, draw a line to match each birth control method to its type. One has been done for you.

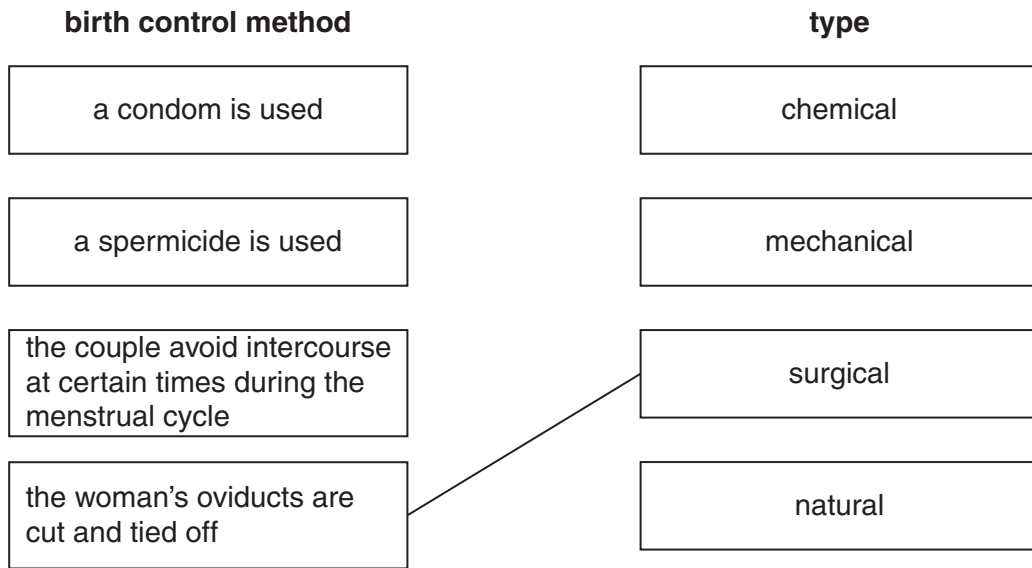


Fig. 8.1

[3]

(ii) Name a birth control method that depends on the use of hormones.

..... [1]

(iii) Which method of birth control helps to protect against HIV infection? Explain how.

method

explanation

..... [2]

(b) Describe **two** advantages for the baby of breast-feeding instead of bottle-feeding.

1.

.....

2.

..... [2]

9 A circuit contains a cell, a lamp, an ammeter and a variable resistor all connected in series.

(a) In the space below, draw a diagram of this circuit.

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[3]

(b) When the current in the lamp is 0.2 A, the potential difference across the lamp is 1.8 V.

Calculate

(i) the resistance of the lamp,

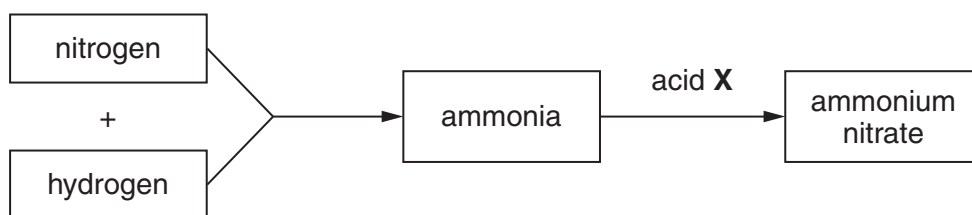
resistance = unit [3]

(ii) the power of the lamp.

power = W [2]

10 Study the following reaction scheme.

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- (a) (i) Name the catalyst used to speed up the reaction between nitrogen and hydrogen in the manufacture of ammonia.

..... [1]

- (ii) Balance the equation for the formation of ammonia.



- (iii) Ammonia solution turns Universal Indicator blue. Suggest the pH of the solution.

..... [1]

- (b) Name acid X and state the type of reaction that occurs between acid X and ammonia.

acid X [1]

type of reaction [1]

11 (a) Define an *enzyme*.

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 [2]

(b) Fig. 11.1 shows the effect of pH on the activity of the enzyme amylase at two different temperatures.

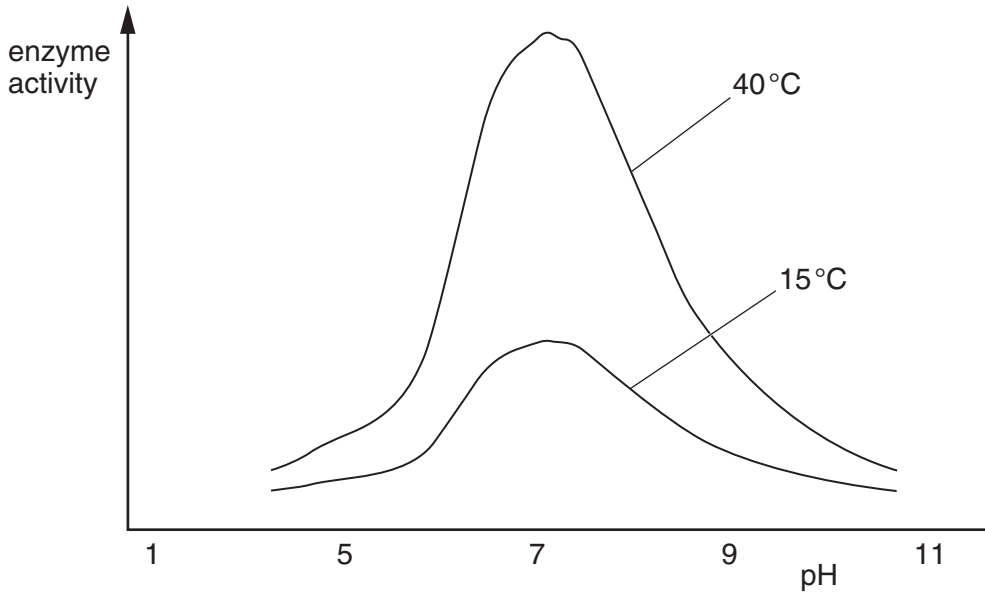


Fig. 11.1

Use Fig. 11.1 to describe how this enzyme's activity is affected by

- (i) temperature,
-
-
- (ii) pH.
-
-

[2]

(c) On Fig. 11.1, draw a line to show the effect of pH on the activity of the enzyme at 100°C. [1]

12 A copper saucepan containing cold water is heated as shown in Fig. 12.1.

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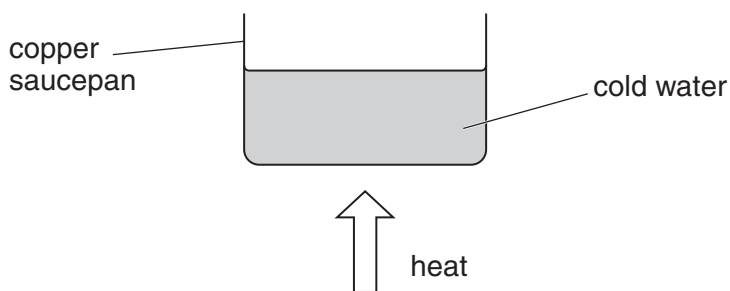


Fig. 12.1

(a) Name the process by which heat is transferred through the copper.

..... [1]

(b) The water at the bottom of the saucepan is heated.

Explain how the rest of the water becomes hot.

.....

 [3]

(c) The hot water is placed in a container that is then sealed with a cork.
 The water is required to stay warm for as long as possible.

State the advantage of

(i) using a plastic container rather than a metal container,

..... [1]

(ii) using a white, rather than black, outer surface for the container.

..... [1]

13 The following is a list of apparatus.

balance	measuring cylinder	condenser
filter funnel	burette	pipette
		thermometer

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(a) From the list, name one piece of apparatus which **must** be used when each of the following experiments is carried out.

Each piece of apparatus may be used once, more than once or not at all.

(i) distilling a mixture of ethanol and water [1]

(ii) separating mud from muddy water [1]

(iii) finding the volume of a liquid [1]

(b) From the list, complete the following sentence.

During a titration experiment, an alkali is measured into a conical flask using a

..... and an acid is added to the alkali using a

..... [2]

14 Fig. 14.1 shows an alveolus in the lungs.

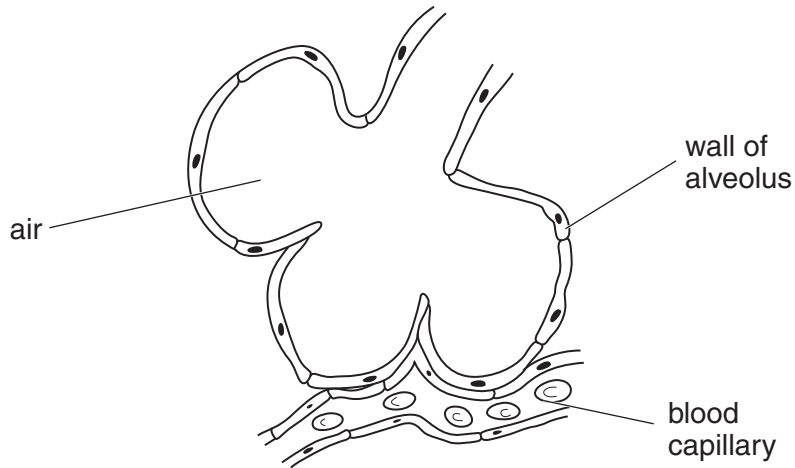


Fig. 14.1

(a) State **two** ways in which the structure of alveoli allows the efficient exchange of gases between blood and air.

1.
.....
2.
.....

[2]

(b) Name a substance that is excreted through the alveoli.

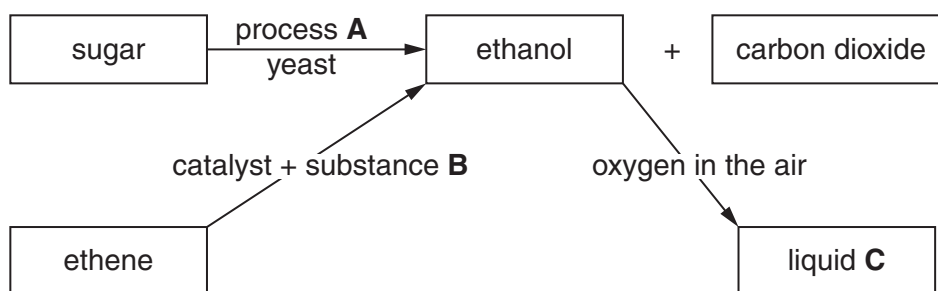
..... [1]

(c) Explain why air pollution by smoke or soot causes the alveoli to be less efficient for gas exchange.

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

15 Study the following reaction scheme.

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(a) Name

(i) process **A**, [1]

(ii) substance **B**, [1]

(iii) liquid **C**. [1]

(b) State the name of the substances, present in yeast, which cause process **A** to occur.

..... [1]

(c) Complete the following sentences.

Ethene is made into poly(ethene) by a process known as
polymerisation.

The ethene molecules are known as the units. [2]

16 (a) State a test to show the difference between magnetic and non-magnetic materials.

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

(b) Iron and steel are both magnetic materials.

Describe a difference between the magnetic properties of iron and steel.

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

17 A spacecraft has a mass of 50 000 kg and the accelerating force is 225 000 N.

(a) Calculate the acceleration of the spacecraft.

acceleration = units [3]

(b) The spacecraft is ejecting exhaust gases. The accelerating force does not change but the acceleration increases.

Explain why the acceleration increases.

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

18 Fig. 18.1 shows a food chain.



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Fig. 18.1

(a) A food chain shows the energy flow in an ecosystem.

In this food chain, how does the amount of energy in the cheetahs compare with the amount of energy in the grass?

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

(b) There are fewer cheetahs than wildebeest.

Use ideas of energy flow in food chains to explain why.

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

(c) What type of organisms, important in the ecosystem, are not shown in this food chain?

.....[1]

19 Fig. 19.1 shows the arrangement of the electrons in the atoms of six different elements, **R–W**.

The letters are not the chemical symbols of the elements.

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atom	R	S	T	U	V	W
electron arrangement	2,8,6	2,8,4	2,6	2,8,8	2,7	2,2

Fig. 19.1

Use the letters in Fig. 19.1 to answer the following questions.

Each letter may be used once, more than once or not at all.

- (a) Which element has an atomic number 14? [1]
- (b) Which element has a nucleon number 16 and has an isotope that contains 8 neutrons?
..... [1]
- (c) Which **two** elements are in the same group of the Periodic Table?
..... and [2]
- (d) Which element does **not** form an acidic oxide? [1]

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DATA SHEET The Periodic Table of the Elements

		Group																			
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	0														
1 H Hydrogen 1											2 He Helium 2										
3 Li Lithium 3	4 Be Beryllium 4	5 B Boron 5	6 C Carbon 6	7 N Nitrogen 7	8 O Oxygen 8	9 F Fluorine 9	10 Ne Neon 10					11 B Boron 11									
11 Na Sodium 11	12 Mg Magnesium 12	13 Al Aluminium 13	14 Si Silicon 14	15 P Phosphorus 15	16 S Sulfur 16	17 Cl Chlorine 17	18 Ar Argon 18					19 K Potassium 19									
19 K Potassium 19	20 Ca Calcium 20	21 Sc Scandium 21	22 Ti Titanium 22	23 V Vanadium 23	24 Cr Chromium 24	25 Mn Manganese 25	26 Fe Iron 26	27 Co Cobalt 27	28 Ni Nickel 28	29 Cu Copper 29	30 Zn Zinc 30	31 Ga Gallium 31	32 Ge Germanium 32	33 As Arsenic 33	34 Se Selenium 34	35 Br Bromine 35	36 Kr Krypton 36				
37 Rb Rubidium 37	38 Sr Strontium 38	39 Y Yttrium 39	40 Zr Zirconium 40	41 Nb Niobium 41	42 Mo Molybdenum 42	43 Tc Technetium 43	44 Ru Ruthenium 44	45 Rh Rhodium 45	46 Pd Palladium 46	47 Ag Silver 47	48 Cd Cadmium 48	49 In Indium 49	50 Sn Tin 50	51 Sb Antimony 51	52 Te Tellurium 52	53 I Iodine 53	54 Xe Xenon 54				
55 Cs Caesium 55	56 Ba Barium 56	57 La Lanthanum 57	72 Hf Hafnium 72	73 Ta Tantalum 73	74 W Tungsten 74	75 Re Rhenium 75	76 Os Osmium 76	77 Ir Iridium 77	78 Pt Platinum 78	79 Au Gold 79	80 Hg Mercury 80	81 Tl Thallium 81	82 Pb Lead 82	83 Bi Bismuth 83	84 Po Polonium 84	85 At Astatine 85	86 Rn Radon 86				
87 Fr Francium 87	88 Ra Radium 88	89 Ac Actinium 89																			
		* 58–71 Lanthanoid series										† 90–103 Actinoid series									
		a = relative atomic mass										X = atomic symbol									
		b = atomic (proton) number										†									
		Key										†									

The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm³ at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).