

GCSE Chemistry Mock Test 1

Duration 1 hour

Marks: 60

Answer ALL questions.

1 An atom of an element has an atomic number of 6 and a mass number of 12.

(a) Using this information, complete the table to show the numbers of protons, neutrons and electrons in one atom of this element.

(2)

number of protons	
number of neutrons	
number of electrons	

(b) The Periodic Table shows the positions of five elements, J, Q, T, X and Z.

The letters do **not** represent the symbols for the elements.

Period	1	2	Group										3	4	5	6	7	0	
1																			
2	J																		Q
3	T																		
4														X		Z			
5																			
6																			

(i) How many electrons are there in the outer shell of an atom of X?

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(ii) There are 31 protons in an atom of X.

Using this information, explain how many protons there are in an atom of Z.

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(iii) What is the electronic configuration of an atom of Q?

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(iv) State one similarity and one difference between the electronic configurations of atoms of J and T.

(2)

similarity

difference

(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)



2 Ethene is an unsaturated hydrocarbon.

(a) (i) The molecular formula of ethene is

(1)

- A CH_4
- B C_2H_6
- C C_2H_4
- D C_3H_6

(ii) Ethene is bubbled into bromine water until there is no further change.

What is the appearance of the solution formed?

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- A brown
- B colourless
- C purple
- D red

(iii) Ethene can be formed from ethanol.

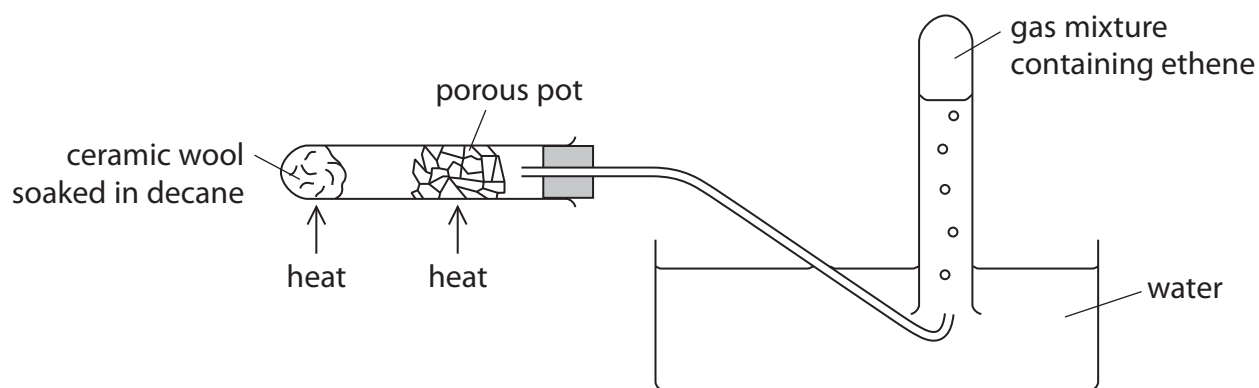
This type of reaction is called

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- A dehydration
- B oxidation
- C reduction
- D substitution



(b) This apparatus can be used to decompose decane ($C_{10}H_{22}$).



(i) What name is given to this type of thermal decomposition?

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(ii) Porous pot contains oxides such as silica and alumina.

What is the purpose of the porous pot in this experiment?

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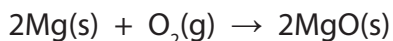
(iii) Suggest why the gas collected is a mixture and not pure ethene.

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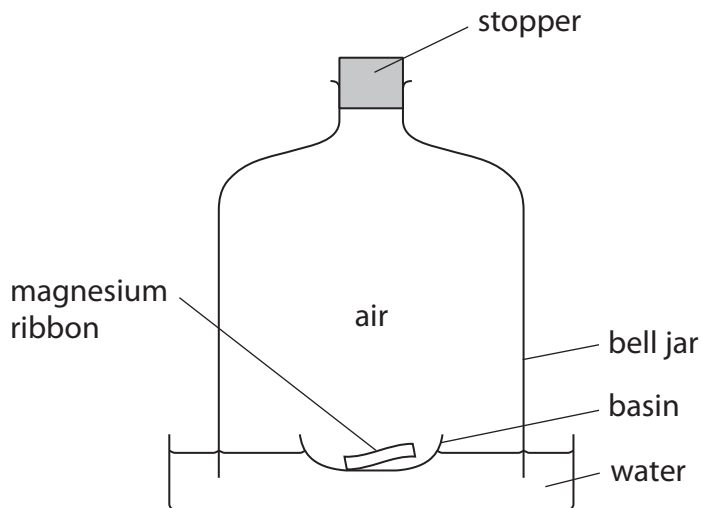
(Total for Question 2 = 6 marks)



3 Magnesium reacts with oxygen in the air to form magnesium oxide.



The apparatus in the diagram can be used to investigate the decrease in the volume of gas when magnesium burns in air.



The stopper is removed and the magnesium is lit. The stopper is then quickly replaced.

After the flame goes out there is some magnesium left in the basin.

After the apparatus has cooled to its original temperature, the water level in the bell jar is higher than shown in the diagram.

(a) What is the colour of the flame produced when the magnesium burns? (1)

(b) What is the colour of the solid produced when the magnesium burns? (1)



(c) The volume of air in the bell jar at the start of the experiment is 1000 cm^3 .

Calculate the volume of gas you would expect to remain in the bell jar at the end of the experiment. Assume all the oxygen in the air is used up.

(2)

volume of gas remaining = cm^3

(d) In another experiment, the mass of magnesium that burned was 0.12 g .

Calculate the maximum mass of magnesium oxide that could be formed in this experiment.

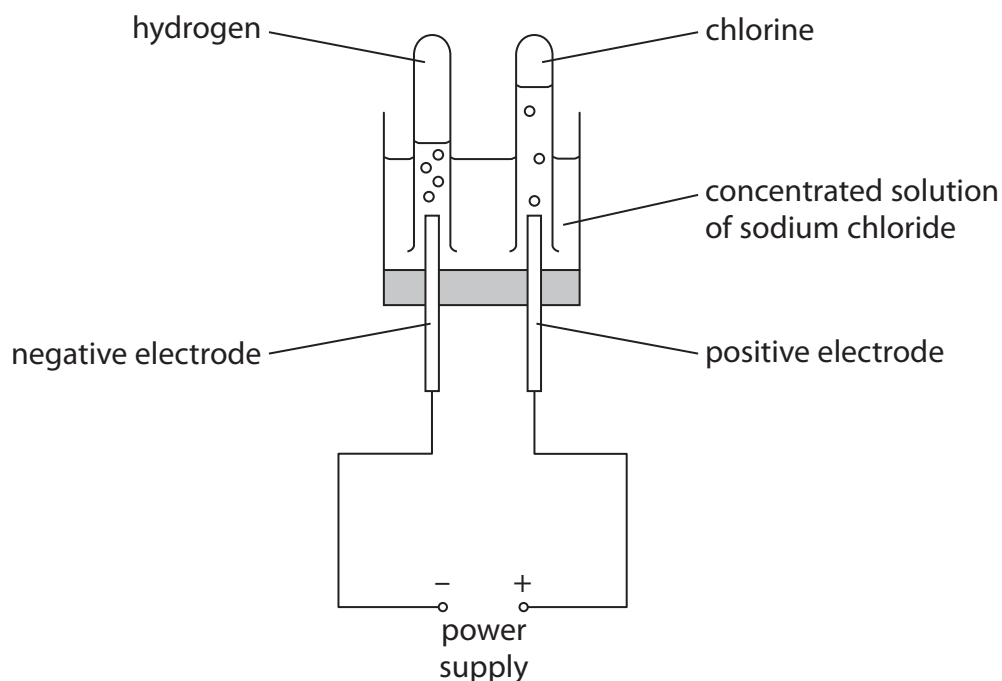
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mass of magnesium oxide formed = g

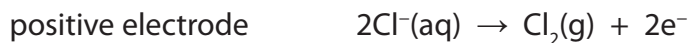
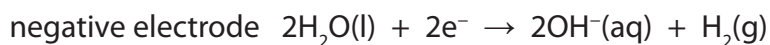
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4 This apparatus is used to electrolyse a concentrated solution of sodium chloride.



(a) The ionic half-equations for the reactions at the electrodes are



(i) State how these ionic half-equations show that equal volumes of the two gases should be collected.

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(ii) Suggest why the volume of chlorine collected is less than expected.

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(iii) A sample of the solution near to the negative electrode is tested with phenolphthalein indicator.

Explain why the phenolphthalein turns pink.

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(b) The table shows two methods of testing for chlorine.

Complete the table by giving the observation made in each test.

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Test	Observation
add damp blue litmus paper	
bubble chlorine into a solution of potassium iodide	

(c) (i) State why chlorine is sometimes added to water supplies.

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(ii) Chlorine is used to manufacture hydrogen chloride gas, HCl(g).

Write a chemical equation to show the formation of hydrogen chloride from hydrogen and chlorine.

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(iii) How is hydrogen chloride gas converted into hydrochloric acid?

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(Total for Question 4 = 9 marks)



5 A teacher investigates the temperature changes that occur when sodium hydroxide solution is added to dilute hydrochloric acid.

This is the method she uses.

- place some of the acid in a glass beaker and measure its temperature
- add a known volume of sodium hydroxide solution
- stir the mixture and record the highest temperature reached
- repeat the experiment with different volumes of sodium hydroxide solution

(a) State two factors that the teacher must keep constant to make this a valid investigation (a fair test).

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(b) Explain how the use of a polystyrene cup, in place of a glass beaker, will affect the accuracy of the results.

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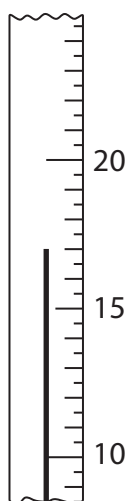
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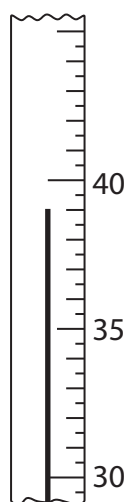
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(c) (i) The diagram shows the thermometer readings for one of the experiments.



initial temperature



final temperature

Record the temperatures and calculate the temperature change.

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final temperature of mixture °C
initial temperature of acid °C
temperature change °C

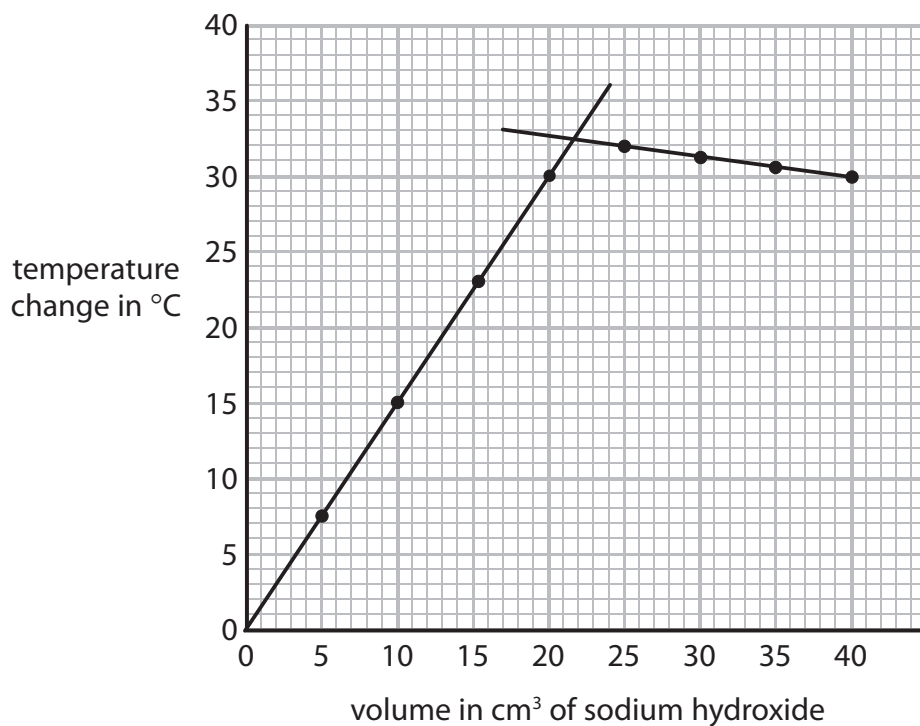
(ii) State how the temperature change shows whether the reaction between sodium hydroxide and hydrochloric acid is exothermic or endothermic.

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(d) The graph shows the result of the teacher's investigation.



Explain the shape of the graph.

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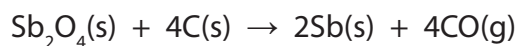
(Total for Question 5 = 10 marks)



6 This question is about the reactions of compounds of antimony and phosphorus.

(a) Antimony (Sb) can be obtained from its oxide (Sb_2O_4) by heating it with carbon.

The equation for this reaction is



(i) Give the name of the gas produced in this reaction.

(1)

(ii) State why this gas is poisonous to humans.

(1)

(b) Phosphorus sulfide (P_4S_3) is one of the reactants used in match heads.

When a match is struck, energy is transferred to the reactants in the match head, starting a reaction.

(i) Balance the equation that represents this reaction.

(2)



(ii) What term is used to describe the energy required to start a reaction?

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(Total for Question 6 = 5 marks)



7 Bromine and iodine are halogens.

(a) Complete the table by giving the colour and physical state of each of these halogens at room temperature.

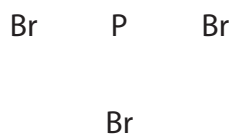
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Halogen	Colour	Physical state
bromine	red-brown	
iodine		solid

(b) Bromine reacts with phosphorus to form the covalent compound phosphorus tribromide.

Draw a dot and cross diagram to show the outer electrons in a molecule of phosphorus tribromide.

(2)



(c) Phosphorus tribromide reacts with water to form a mixture of two acids, HBr and H_3PO_3

Write a chemical equation for this reaction.

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(Total for Question 7 = 6 marks)



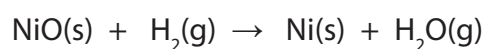
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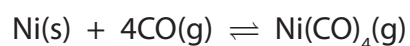
8 Nickel is an important metal.

(a) Three of the stages in the extraction of nickel from its ore are

stage 1 nickel(II) oxide is reduced by heating with H_2 to produce impure nickel



stage 2 the impure nickel is reacted with CO



stage 3 Ni(CO)_4 is decomposed by heating to produce pure nickel



(i) State why the reaction in stage 1 is described as reduction.

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(ii) Suggest why a low temperature produces a high yield of Ni(CO)_4 in stage 2.

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Number of protons	6								
Number of neutrons	6								
Number of electrons	6								
b	i 3 ii M1 33 M2 Z is two places/columns/groups/positions after X OR Z is in Group 5 and X is in Group 3 iii 2.8 / 2,8 / 2 and 8 separated by other mark eg : or / or) or space	Accept has 2 more protons (than X) Ignore references to atomic number increasing by 2 Ignore number of protons increases with group number Ignore references to elements being arranged according to number of protons 31 + 5 - 3 = 33 scores 2 marks Do not accept 28 (ie no space) Accept correct sp notation	1 2 1						

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1 b iv	<p>M1 (similarity) one electron/same number of electrons in outer shell</p> <p>M2 (difference) different number of (electron) shells / T has (one) more (electron) shell / J has (one) less (electron) shell /J has 2 shells and T has 3 /J is 2.1 and T is 2.8.1</p>	<p>Accept rings and energy levels in place of shells in M1 and M2</p> <p>Accept valence electrons in place of outer shell electrons Accept configuration ends in 1 Accept same outer shell Accept 2 electrons in first/inner shell</p> <p>Accept going down the column there is 1 more shell Ignore T has an extra number Ignore T has 8 more electrons</p>	2
		Total 8 marks	

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
2 a i	C (C ₂ H ₄)		1
	ii B (colourless)		1
	iii A (dehydration)		1
b i	cracking	<p>Accept (to provide an alternative route with) lower activation energy Accept decomposition / cracking in place of reaction</p> <p>Accept molecules / hydrocarbons / alkanes / alkenes in place of products</p> <p>Accept any hydrogen and any hydrocarbon with 8 or fewer carbon atoms (name or formula)</p> <p>Ignore decane decomposes / decane contains impurities Ignore references to air / oxygen / nitrogen / carbon dioxide Accept equation for cracking of decane showing two or more possible products (even if unbalanced)</p>	1
ii	(to act as a) catalyst OR to increase rate / speed up reaction		1
iii	cracking produces 2 or more products OR other products are formed OR identified possible product OR not all decane decomposed OR water vapour present (not just water)		1
			Total 6 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
3 a	white		1
b	white		1
c	M1 $\frac{1000 \times 21}{100} / 210$ M2 $(1000 - 210) = 790 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$ OR M1 $100 - 21 = 79$ M2 $\frac{1000 \times 79}{100} = 790 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$	Accept calculation based on any value in range 20 - 21 % M2 CQ on incorrect percentage of oxygen, but this must be stated Correct final answer with no working scores 2 marks	2
d	M1 $n(\text{Mg}) = 0.12 \div 24 / 0.0050 \text{ (mol)}$ M2 $(0.0050 \times 40 =) 0.2(0) \text{ (g)}$ OR M1 $m(\text{MgO}) = \frac{40 \times 0.12}{24} \text{ or } \frac{80 \times 0.12}{48}$ M2 $= 0.2(0) \text{ (g)}$	Accept fraction 1/200 Correct final answer scores 2 marks	2
Total 6 marks			

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
4 c i	to sterilise / disinfect (the water) OR to make it safe to drink	Accept kill bacteria / microbes / pathogens / microorganisms / (harmful) organisms / germs / viruses Ignore references to cleaning / purifying / bleaching / changing pH	1
	ii $H_2 + Cl_2 \rightarrow 2HCl$	Ignore state symbols	1
	iii dissolve in / add to water	Accept mixing with water / bubbling through water / react with water / make aqueous Ignore adding to liquid	1
		Total 9 marks	

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5 a	Any two of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (same) volume of acid • (same) concentration of acid • (same) concentration of alkali • (same) rate of stirring / stir for the same time • (same) starting temperature / temperature of acid/alkali/solutions/room 	Reject volume(s) of solutions Accept amount of acid as alternative to either of first two bullet points	2
b	M1 correct reference to accuracy / temperature rise M2 correct reference to insulation / heat loss	eg accuracy improved or increased / temperature rise greater or more accurate or closer to correct value(s) / final temperatures higher Accept temperatures more accurate Ignore just higher temperatures Ignore results more reliable / valid eg polystyrene is a (better) insulator / poorer conductor (than glass) / reduces heat loss / more heat trapped Ignore <u>no</u> heat loss Accept reverse argument for glass	2

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
5 c i	M1 (final) 39(.0) M2 (initial) 17(.0) M3(change) (+)22(.0)	Both values correct but in wrong order scores 1 mark (of M1 and M2) M3 CQ on final and initial values	3
ii	<u>exothermic</u> AND temperature has increased / temperature change is positive / final temperature higher than initial temperature	Accept heat / thermal energy given out or transferred to the surroundings Reject just energy has been given out	1

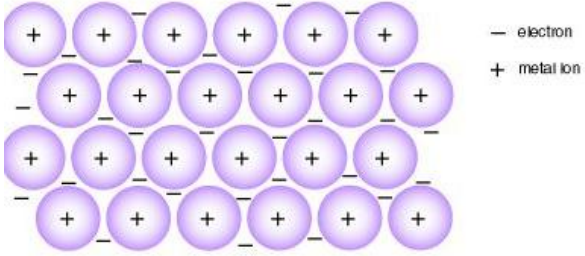
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5 d	<p>Any two of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • correct statement about first part of graph, identified as positive gradient / positive correlation / temperature increase / temperatures up to 30 or 32.5 °C / volumes up to 20 or 22 cm³ / experiments 1-4 • correct statement about top of graph, identified as where lines cross / intersection / peak / maximum • correct statement about second part of graph, identified as negative gradient / negative correlation / temperature decrease / temperatures after 30 or 32.5 °C / volumes after 20 or 22 cm³ or up to 40 cm³ / experiments 5-8 	<p>eg reaction continuing or acid being neutralised or some acid still unreacted or heat being produced</p> <p>eg reaction complete or all acid neutralised or neutralisation point reached or shows volume of alkali needed to neutralise acid</p> <p>eg further alkali causes cooling or sodium hydroxide absorbs heat or no reaction occurs or no acid left or alkali in excess Reject reaction becomes endothermic</p> <p>Ignore references to direct proportion / particle collisions / limiting reagents / rate of reaction</p>	2
		Total 10 marks	

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
6 a i	carbon monoxide		1
ii	decreases capacity of blood (cells) to carry oxygen OR stops blood (cells) from carrying oxygen	Accept CO combines with haemoglobin / forms carboxyhaemoglobin Accept CO displaces/replaces oxygen in haemoglobin Ignore CO combines with red blood cells Ignore references to suffocation / lack of oxygen in lungs stopping breathing / gas exchange Ignore just affects haemoglobin Reject destroys haemoglobin	1
b i	$6\text{KClO}_3 + \text{S} + \text{P}_4\text{S}_3 \rightarrow \mathbf{6}\text{KCl} + \mathbf{4}\text{SO}_2 + \text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$	M1 coefficient of 6 for KCl M2 coefficient of 4 for SO ₂ Max 1 mark if equation unbalanced Ignore 1 for other coefficients 0 for other coefficients loses M2	2
ii	activation (energy)		1
Total 5 marks			

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7 a	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="367 384 584 443">Halogen</th> <th data-bbox="584 384 797 443">Colour</th> <th data-bbox="797 384 1043 443">Physical state</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="367 443 584 502">bromine</td> <td data-bbox="584 443 797 502"></td> <td data-bbox="797 443 1043 502">liquid</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="367 502 584 561">iodine</td> <td data-bbox="584 502 797 561">black</td> <td data-bbox="797 502 1043 561"></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Halogen	Colour	Physical state	bromine		liquid	iodine	black		M1 (bromine) liquid / (l) M2 (iodine) black allow (dark) grey	2
Halogen	Colour	Physical state										
bromine		liquid										
iodine	black											
b	<pre> •• xx •• : Br x P x Br : •• x• •• : Br : •• </pre>	M1 three bonding pairs of electrons correct M2 rest of electrons correct Accept any combination of dots and crosses Ignore circles	2									
c	$\text{PBr}_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 3\text{HBr} + \text{H}_3\text{PO}_3$	M1 all formulae correct M2 balanced M2 DEP on M1	2									

Total 6 marks

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
8 a i	Ni/nickel has lost oxygen (atoms / ions) OR nickel <u>ions</u> gain electrons	Accept NiO/nickel oxide has lost oxygen Accept nickel(II) loses oxygen Ignore <u>it</u> loses oxygen / gains electrons Reject nickel oxide gains electrons Reject nickel loses oxygen molecules Reject any answer that does not refer to Ni or NiO	1
ii	M1 equilibrium (position) shifts to right M2 (forward) reaction is exothermic	Mark independently Ignore forward reaction favoured/occurs more readily/is faster / more product formed Accept heat / thermal energy given out Ignore just gives out energy Ignore because stage 3 is decomposition which is endothermic/takes in heat Ignore references to bond breaking and making and Le Chatelier's principle and different numbers of (gas) moles on each side and rate of reaction	2

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
8 b i	<p>diagram showing:</p> <p>M1 minimum of 5 circles in regular pattern in 2 rows</p> <p>M2 +/2+ charges in each circle / appropriate key</p> <p>M3 some indication of electrons between ions / appropriate key</p>	<p>Accept labelled as cations/positive ions not just ions Reject atoms / protons / nuclei</p> <p>eg e / e⁻ / - / (shaded) area labelled electrons Do not award M3 if electrons shown in circles more than half the size of the ions Ignore lines between circles Max 1 if negative ions shown Reject electrons shown in pairs between nickel particles for M3 Ignore intermolecular forces label Example:</p> 	3

Question number	Answer	Notes	Marks
8 b ii	<p>malleability (2 marks):</p> <p>M1 layers / sheets / planes / rows AND (positive) ions / atoms / particles</p> <p>M2 slide (over each other)</p> <p>conductivity (2 marks):</p> <p>M3 – delocalised electrons</p> <p>M4 – that flow (when a potential difference is applied)</p>	<p>Reject molecules / protons / electrons</p> <p>M2 needs reference to either layers or equivalent OR ions/particles/atoms Allow OWTTE, eg slip / flow / shift / roll / move M2 DEP on mention of EITHER layers or equivalent OR mention of ions or equivalent</p> <p>Do not award M2 if protons / electrons / nuclei / molecules in place of ions, etc If reference to ionic bonding / covalent bonding / molecules / intermolecular forces, no M1 or M2</p> <p>Accept sea of electrons Ignore free electrons</p> <p>Accept move / mobile in place of flow M4 DEP on mention of electrons Ignore reference to intermolecular forces for M3 and M4</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total 10 marks</p>	4