Science test

Paper 2

Please read this page, but do not open the booklet until your teacher tells you to start. Write your name and the name of your school in the spaces below.

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Last name ________________________________
School ______________________________________

Remember

- The test is 1 hour long.
- You will need: pen, pencil, rubber, ruler, protractor and calculator.
- The test starts with easier questions.
- Try to answer all of the questions.
- The number of marks available for each question is given below the mark boxes in the margin. You should not write in this margin.
- If you are asked to plan an investigation, there will be space for you to write down your thoughts and ideas.
- Do not use any rough paper.
- Check your work carefully.
- Ask your teacher if you are not sure what to do.

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1. The drawing below shows a cardboard scale called an EasyWeigh. It can be used to estimate the mass of letters.

(a) Clare put a letter in the 20 g slot. The scale tipped as shown below.

She then put the same letter in the 40 g slot. The scale did not tip.

(i) What do these results tell you about the mass of Clare’s letter?

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(ii) What could Clare do to this cardboard scale to weigh her letter more accurately?

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(b) (i) Clare drew a short line to show where she thought she should cut a slot to weigh a 150 g letter. She labelled the slot Y.

Why could Clare not use a slot at Y to weigh a 150 g letter?

(ii) Clare wanted to cut a slot to weigh a 70 g letter.

On the diagram above, draw a short line to show where the slot should be cut.
2. The dotar is a musical instrument with two strings.

(a) Aftal plays the dotar very quietly.

What must he do to the strings to make a louder sound?

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(b) Aftal makes the strings tighter so they vibrate more quickly.

How does this affect the sound produced by the strings?
Tick the correct box.

- The sound has a lower pitch.
- The sound is louder.
- The sound has a higher pitch.
- The sound is quieter.

2a 1 mark

2b 1 mark
(c) One of the strings is thicker than the other, so it vibrates more slowly.

In what way is the sound made by the thicker string different from the sound made by the thinner string?

(d) Aftal played the dotar near a microphone connected to an oscilloscope. The diagrams below show the patterns made by four sounds.

(i) How does the sound shown in trace A differ from the sound in trace B?

(ii) How does the sound shown in trace A differ from the sound in trace C?

maximum 5 marks
3. Russell investigated the relationship between mass and weight. He weighed five different masses using a force meter.

His results are shown in the table.

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<td>400</td>
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<td>580</td>
<td>5.8</td>
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(a) He plotted four of his results on a grid as shown below.

(i) Plot the point for the 150 g mass on the graph.

(ii) Draw a line of best fit.
(b) One of the points Russell plotted does **not** fit the pattern.
Circle this point on the graph.

(c) Use your graph to predict:

(i) the mass of an object weighing 6.5 N;
   ______ g

(ii) the weight of an object of mass 50 g.
    ______ N

(d) Give one reason why it is more useful to present the results as a line graph rather than a table.

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*maximum 6 marks*
4. A science teacher showed her class three experiments, A, B and C. The experiments and the word equations for the reactions that took place are shown below. All the experiments were done in a fume cupboard.

**experiment A**

- Calcium carbonate is heated
- Calcium oxide forms in the test-tube

**word equation**

\[ \text{calcium carbonate} \rightarrow \text{calcium oxide + carbon dioxide} \]

**experiment B**

- Iron filings and sulphur are heated together

**word equation**

\[ \text{iron + sulphur} \rightarrow \text{iron sulphide} \]

**experiment C**

- Hot copper is added to chlorine
- Piece of copper covered with brownish solid

**word equation**

\[ \text{copper + chlorine} \rightarrow \text{[reaction product]} \]
(a) From the substances in experiments A, B and C, opposite, give the name of:

(i) one metallic element;


(ii) one non-metallic element;


(iii) two compounds.


(b) In experiment B, the iron filings weighed 2.0 g at the beginning of the experiment and the iron sulphide produced weighed 2.8 g.

Explain this increase in mass.


(c) Complete the word equation for the chemical reaction in experiment C.

copper + chlorine → ______________________


5. (a) Air is a mixture of gases. The pie chart represents the percentages of different gases in air.

On the line by each section of the pie chart, write the name of the correct gas.
Two have been done for you.

- 0.04% carbon dioxide
- 1.96% water vapour and other gases

(b) On a cold day, droplets of water form on a cold window.

Explain how these droplets form.

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(c) The word equation below represents a process taking place in the cells of the human body.

\[ \text{glucose} + \text{oxygen} \rightarrow \text{carbon dioxide} + \text{water} \]

(i) What process does this word equation represent?


(ii) As a result of this process, the proportions of oxygen and carbon dioxide in air breathed in and air breathed out change.

Which **one** of the statements below is true? Tick the correct box.

- Air breathed out has less carbon dioxide and more oxygen than air breathed in.  
- Air breathed out has less carbon dioxide and less oxygen than air breathed in.  
- Air breathed out has more carbon dioxide and less oxygen than air breathed in.  
- Air breathed out has more carbon dioxide and more oxygen than air breathed in.  

 maximum 6 marks

Total 6
6. Joe bought a potted plant. He kept it well watered but some of the leaves turned yellow.

Joe thought that the plant did not have enough light for photosynthesis. He moved the plant closer to the window but more leaves turned yellow.

(a) He then thought that the plant did not have enough minerals.

The table below gives information about minerals.

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<td>magnesium</td>
<td>to make chlorophyll</td>
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<td>nitrogen</td>
<td>to make protein</td>
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<tr>
<td>phosphorus</td>
<td>to grow and transfer energy</td>
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<td>potassium</td>
<td>to make fruit</td>
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(i) Joe’s plant did not have enough of one of the minerals in the table. Use the information in the table to suggest which mineral this was.

(ii) A plant growing in a pot is more likely to be affected by a shortage of minerals than a plant growing in a garden. Give the reason for this.
(b) Joe bought some fertiliser for his plant. The names and formulae of four different fertilisers are shown below.

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<td>Easy Grow</td>
<td>Epsom Salts</td>
<td>Saltpetre</td>
<td>Superphosphate</td>
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<td>NH₄NO₃</td>
<td>MgSO₄</td>
<td>KNO₃</td>
<td>Ca(H₂PO₄)₂</td>
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(i) Give the letter of one box of fertiliser, A, B, C or D, that would provide each of the minerals in the table below. Write the letters in the table.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<td>magnesium</td>
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<td>nitrogen</td>
<td>B</td>
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<td>phosphorus</td>
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(ii) Easy Grow is ammonium nitrate, NH₄NO₃.

How many different elements are present in ammonium nitrate?

(iii) How many atoms are present in the formula of ammonium nitrate?
7. The drawing below shows an alligator.

(a) Alligators are carnivores. What does the word carnivore mean?

(b) Alligators lay eggs in nests made from plant material. The eggs have tough shells containing calcium carbonate.

(i) How does the eggshell help the developing alligator to survive before it hatches?

(ii) Rotting plant material in the nest is acidic. When the acid comes into contact with calcium carbonate in the eggshell it makes the shell weaker. Why does the acid weaken the eggshell?

(iii) Suggest one reason why it is helpful to the developing alligator in the egg if the eggshell becomes weaker.

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(c) The table below shows the percentage of female and male alligators that hatch from the eggs when the eggs are kept at different temperatures.

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<th>% eggs hatching as males</th>
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<td>36</td>
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(i) Use the table to suggest how a zookeeper could make sure only females hatch from the eggs.

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(ii) Between which two temperatures are 50% of the eggs likely to hatch as females?
Tick the correct box.

- between 26°C and 30°C
- between 30°C and 32°C
- between 32°C and 34°C
- between 34°C and 36°C

maximum 6 marks
8. Jack compared the reaction times of ten different pupils in his class. He dropped a metre ruler between each pupil's finger and thumb. As soon as they saw the ruler begin to move, they had to catch it as quickly as possible.

(a) Jack did not measure time to compare pupils’ reactions. What did Jack measure to compare pupils’ reaction times?

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(b) Why was it more accurate to use the ruler rather than a stopwatch in this investigation?

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(c) What factor did Jack change as he carried out his investigation (the independent variable)?

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(d) Give **two** factors he should have kept the same to make his test fair.

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2. ____________________________________________________________

(e) What could he do to make his results more reliable?

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*maximum 6 marks*
9. Keith has a wind-up radio. It does **not** use batteries. It is powered by a steel spring.

(a) Keith winds up the spring. As the spring unwinds, potential energy in the spring is transferred to a generator, which then turns.

The generator provides electrical energy for the radio.

Fill the gaps in the sentences below to show the useful energy changes which take place in the generator and the speaker.

(i) As the generator turns, ________________ energy is changed to electrical energy.

(ii) In the speaker, electrical energy is changed to ________________ energy.
(b) When Keith turns the volume up so that the radio is louder, the spring unwinds more quickly.

Why does the spring unwind more quickly?

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(c) The radio has a solar cell which can also provide electrical energy.

Keith winds up his radio and takes it outside without changing the volume. The steel spring unwinds more slowly when sunlight falls on the solar cell. Explain why.

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(d) The wind-up radio was designed for use in poorer countries.

Suggest why wind-up radios are useful in poorer countries.

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*maximum 5 marks*
10. The diagram below shows a container filled with a liquid. At each end of the container there is a piston. Piston A has a smaller area than piston B.

(a) (i) Rebekah pushes on the pedal. This produces a force of 200 N on piston A. Calculate the pressure that piston A exerts on the liquid. Give the unit.

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(ii) The liquid in the container exerts the same pressure on piston B. Use this pressure to calculate the force on piston B.

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(b) Rebekah set up a different experiment as shown below. She measured the volume of the liquid and the air in the cylinders before and after a 200 g load was added to the piston.

(i) When the loads were added to the pistons, the volume of the liquid did not change but the volume of the air decreased.

Explain why this happened.  

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(ii) The diagram on the opposite page represents the way the brake system of a car works. The brake pedal pushes piston A. Piston B pushes the brakes on.

If air bubbles get into the liquid, the brakes do not work properly. Explain why. Use the diagrams above to help you.

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maximum 5 marks
11. The diagram below shows a section through a volcano. Magma is moving up from a magma chamber. Some of the magma erupts to form lava. The liquid lava cools and becomes solid rock.

(a) Explain why magma deep underground stays liquid longer than lava on the surface.

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(b) As the magma cools underground, it solidifies and crystals are formed.

(i) In what way will these crystals be different from the crystals formed when lava solidifies above ground?

(ii) Give the reason for your answer.

(c) A zone of rock surrounding the magma has become a metamorphic rock.

(i) What conditions would cause this to happen?

(ii) Give the name of the metamorphic rock which is formed from limestone in this way.

*maximum 5 marks*
12. Some pupils investigate whether double glazing or roof insulation is more efficient at reducing heat loss from houses.

They have a model house which can have these features:

- window with single glazing
- window with double glazing
- roof without insulation
- roof with insulation.

(a) A temperature sensor and a small lamp are placed inside the house. The lamp is used as a heat source. When the model house reaches a given temperature, the lamp is switched off. A datalogger then records temperature regularly over time.

(i) What can the combination of single glazing and no roof insulation tell pupils that is relevant to their investigation?

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(ii) Which two combinations must they use to find the more efficient way of preventing heat loss in their model house?

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(b) The pupils predicted that the roof insulation will be more effective than double glazing at reducing heat loss.

What evidence would support this prediction?
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(c) On the grid below, sketch the shape of the two graphs you would expect to see on the datalogger if the pupils’ prediction is correct.

You do not need to add scales to the axes.
Use a solid line (——) to show the graph for double glazed windows.
Use a dotted line (-------) to show the graph for roof insulation.

maximum 5 marks
13. (a) The diagram shows a sperm cell. Sperm cells are adapted for fertilisation.

Sperm cells use their tails to swim towards an ovum (egg). Give one other way the sperm cell is adapted for fertilisation.
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(b) The diagrams below show two other cells.

(i) Look at the diagrams above.
What is the difference between the location of the genetic material in the bacterium and in the cell from the lining of the intestine?
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(ii) What is the function of the genetic material in a cell?

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(c) Cells in the lining of the intestine are adapted to absorb digested food. How does the folded membrane of these cells enable them to absorb the maximum amount of digested food?

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(d) A group of cells in the lining of the intestine is a tissue. Why is a number of sperm cells not a tissue?

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maximum 5 marks
14. An ecosphere is a model habitat that can last for many years. The ecosphere below is a sealed glass ball containing sea water, green algae, bacteria, a snail and shrimps.

(a) The ecosphere must receive plenty of light. Explain why light is necessary for the survival of the green algae and the animals in the ecosphere.

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(b) When organisms in the ecosphere die, they are broken down by bacteria. Nutrients, such as nitrates, are released back into the ecosphere. Why is this necessary for the survival of the other organisms in the ecosphere?

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(c) The table shows how the mass of oxygen dissolved in water changes with temperature.

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This ecosphere was kept at a temperature between 17°C and 23°C.

In this ecosphere, respiration in the organisms is affected less if the temperature falls to 15°C than if it rises to 27°C.
Use information in the table to explain this.

maximum 5 marks
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