

# Multiple-Choice Practice Questions

## for AS / A Level Year 1 AQA Physics

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# Teacher's Introduction

For the AS and A Level Year 1 Physics course, the AQA exam board includes strong emphasis on multiple-choice questioning which is assessed in Section C of Paper 2. The assessment marks awarded for the multiple-choice section are 30 marks out of an available 70 marks for the whole of Paper 2.

Physics students sometimes find the multiple-choice questions testing, the format of the questions often challenges how complete the students' understanding is of the course and requires quick and accurate problem solving to complete all the questions in the time given. This multiple-choice bank resource has been designed with the intention of providing students with the opportunity to review their multiple-choice skills and to practise and familiarise themselves with the questioning format with an extensive spread of multiple-choice questions from sections 1 to 5 of the AS and Year 1 A Level courses.

The resource is split into two sections:

## Section One: Multiple-choice Question Bank 1

This section includes 100 multiple-choice questions that span each topic making up the AS and Year 1 A Level course. The questions mimic the exam style of the AQA exam board and reflect the depth, difficulty and format of the questions the student will face in their upcoming exam.

A mark scheme is provided at the end of the resource, which includes the answers along with worked solutions. The step-by-step solutions, and additional commentary to accompany them, give students an opportunity to identify the areas that still need improvement, and also to see where any mistakes were made and correct themselves for next time.

## Section Two: Multiple-choice Question Bank 2

This section includes another 100 multiple-choice questions that similarly span each topic that makes up the AS and Year 1 A Level course. The questions deliberately mimic those presented to the student in Section 1; this has been done so that, after working through the worked solutions of Section 1, students can complete another set of questions and directly compare their attempts. The format allows students to correct their mistakes from Section 1, identify areas where they have improved their understanding and highlight areas that still require further work.

A mark scheme for Section 2 is also provided at the end of the resource. The mark scheme does not include worked solutions.

This is followed by:

- The **Mark Scheme for Multiple-choice Question Bank 1** which provides a mark scheme with step-by-step solutions and additional accompanying commentary that gives students an explanation for the given solution.
- The **Mark Scheme for Multiple-choice Question Bank 2** which provides the answer to each question but does not provide step-by-step solutions.

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## Student's Introduction

### Aim:

The pack is designed to help you practise your multiple-choice questions and solutions, allow you to build effective strategies for completing these questions, questions now make up 30 of 70 marks on AS and A Level Year 1 Physics. The pack aims to provide you with the tools to confidently tackle your upcoming

### Structure:

The pack is comprised of two sections. Each section contains 100 multiple-choice questions at the level of the questions you will see in your exam. The 100 questions cover all five topics that make up the AS and A Level Year 1 Physics course.

- **Topic 1:** Use of SI Units and their Prefixes
- **Topic 2:** Particles and Radiation
- **Topic 3:** Waves
- **Topic 4:** Mechanics and Materials
- **Topic 5:** Electricity

After the questions there are two sections of answers. The answers to Section 1 contain solutions and additional commentary that indicates where you went wrong, giving an indication on how the problem should have been approached. This will allow you to learn from mistakes and develop strategies on how to tackle future questions. The answers to Section 2 provide any worked solutions.

### How to use this pack:

- You should first complete the questions in Section 1.
- After you have completed the questions you can then proceed by self-marking your answers against the answers and commentary given in the answers section. You should then go through the solutions to Section 1, taking note of your mistakes and identifying where you went wrong, before continuing with Section 2.
- After completing Section 2 you can proceed by self-marking your solutions. Additionally you can compare your answers to those obtained in the answers section to see whether you have improved your skills and identify areas that still need

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## Section One: Multiple-Choice Questions

### Topic 1: Use of SI Units and their Prefixes

- Which of the following forms represents the quantity  $5360\ \Omega$  ?
  - $5.36\ \text{M}\Omega$
  - $53.6\ \text{n}\Omega$
  - $5.36\ \text{k}\Omega$
  - $53.6\ \text{M}\Omega$
- What are the SI base units for temperature?
  - K
  - $^{\circ}\text{F}$
  - $^{\circ}\text{C}$
  - $^{\circ}\text{R}$
- Which of the following are the derived SI units for density ( $\rho$ ), given  $\rho = \frac{m}{V}$  ?
  - $\text{g m}^{-3}$
  - $\text{kg cm}^{-3}$
  - $\text{g cm}^{-3}$
  - $\text{kg m}^{-3}$
- What are the SI base units for time?
  - Minutes
  - Seconds
  - Hours
  - Milliseconds
- Which of the following represents  $0.2\ \mu\text{A}$  in standard form?
  - $0.2 \times 10^3\ \text{A}$
  - $0.2 \times 10^{-6}\ \text{A}$
  - $0.2 \times 10^{-3}\ \text{A}$
  - $0.2 \times 10^6\ \text{A}$

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6. Which of the following statements is true?
- A Systematic errors cause repeated measurements to alter from their true values by varying amounts.
  - B A source of systematic error can be temperature changes in the experimental surroundings.
  - C Systematic errors can be more easily identified and eliminated from measurements than random errors.
  - D A source of random error can be uncalibrated apparatus.
7. Which of the following statements is true?
- A Precision is a term used to describe the relationship between a measurement and its true value.
  - B Precision and accuracy are both terms that indicate how close a measurement is to its true value.
  - C Accuracy is a term used to discuss the relationship between a set of measurements.
  - D It is possible for a measurement to have both low accuracy and high precision.
8. A student obtains the values  $I = 0.2 \pm 0.1 \text{ A}$  and  $R = 2.3 \pm 0.2 \Omega$  in an experiment. The voltage is found using  $V = IR$ . What is the voltage?
- A  $0.46 \pm 58.7 \text{ V}$
  - B  $0.46 \pm 1.1 \text{ V}$
  - C  $0.46 \pm 0.27 \text{ V}$
  - D  $0.46 \pm 0.19 \text{ V}$
9. Which of the following is a valid estimate for the mass of an average man?
- A 120–130 kg
  - B 40–60 kg
  - C 70–80 kg
  - D 140–150 kg
10. A measurement is repeatable if:
- A The experiment is redone by the original experimenter using the same apparatus and the same result is achieved.
  - B The experiment method can be replicated by the same or another experimenter using the same apparatus and the same result is achieved.
  - C The experiment can be carried out using a different method and apparatus and the same result is achieved.
  - D The experiment can be redone using the same method but different apparatus and the same results are achieved.

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11. A student obtains the value  $F = 460 \pm 1$  N for the force.

What is the percentage uncertainty of the value for force?

- A 0.002%
- B 460%
- C 0.2%
- D 1%

12. What are the derived SI units for velocity, given  $v = \frac{d}{t}$ ?

- A  $\text{km s}^{-1}$
- B  $\text{m h}^{-1}$
- C  $\text{km h}^{-1}$
- D  $\text{m s}^{-1}$

13. What is the value  $E = 45$  eV converted into joules?

- A  $7.2 \times 10^{-18}$  J
- B  $2.8 \times 10^{20}$  J
- C  $7.2 \times 10^{20}$  J
- D  $2.8 \times 10^{-18}$  J

14. What is the value for energy  $E = 0.55$  kWh converted into J?

- A 550 J
- B 200 000 J
- C 33 000 J
- D 2 000 000 J

15. Which of the following is an accurate estimate of the order of magnitude for the volume of a human head?

- A  $\times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$
- B  $\times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3$
- C  $\times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$
- D  $\times 10^{-1} \text{ m}^3$

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16. A student obtains the values  $Q = 5.2 \pm 0.1 \text{ C}$  and  $E = 50 \pm 5 \text{ J}$  in a circuit.

The emf of the cell used in the experiment is found using  $\mathcal{E} = \frac{E}{Q}$ .

What is the emf?

- A  $9.6 \pm 11.9 \text{ V}$
- B  $9.6 \pm 1.1 \text{ V}$
- C  $9.6 \pm 0.8 \text{ V}$
- D  $9.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ V}$

17. Which of the following units are **not** equivalent to 1 joule (J)?

- A  $\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$
- B Nm
- C Ws
- D  $\text{CV}^{-1}$

18. Which of the following is the SI base unit for current?

- A A
- B mA
- C kA
- D G

19. A space shuttle can travel 700 metres in 0.09 seconds when at maximum speed.

What is the maximum speed of a space shuttle in  $\text{kms}^{-1}$ ?

- A  $780 \text{ kms}^{-1}$
- B  $78 \text{ kms}^{-1}$
- C  $7.8 \text{ kms}^{-1}$
- D  $7800 \text{ kms}^{-1}$

20. Which of the following units is **not** equivalent to J?

- A eV
- B kV
- C W
- D CV

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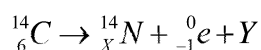
## Topic 2: Particles and Radiation

- Which of the following statements is true?
  - The mass of an electron is greater than the mass of a proton and the charge is equal.
  - The charge of an electron and a proton are equal and opposite.
  - The charge of a neutron is equal to the charge of a proton.
  - The mass of an electron is less than the mass of a proton but greater than the mass of a neutrino.

- How many neutrons are there in lithium-7 ( ${}^7_3\text{Li}$ )?

- 7
- 10
- 3
- 4

- $\beta^-$  decay can be represented by the following equation:



Which of the following are the correct missing values for X and Y?

- $X = 7$ ;  $Y = \nu_e$
- $X = 7$ ;  $Y = \bar{\nu}_e$
- $X = 7$ ;  $Y = \nu_e$
- $X = 8$ ;  $Y = \bar{\nu}_e$

- The antiparticles of the proton and electron and their charges are provided in the table below.

	Proton	
Antiparticle	antiproton	
Charge of Antiparticle	Y	

Which of the following are the correct missing values for X and Y?

- $X = \text{antielectron}$ ;  $Y = -e$
- $X = \text{positron}$ ;  $Y = +e$
- $X = \text{antielectron}$ ;  $Y = +e$
- $X = \text{positron}$ ;  $Y = -e$

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5. Which of the following values represents the energy of a photon with frequency  $4.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$ ?
- A  $1.4 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$
  - B  $3.2 \times 10^{47} \text{ J}$
  - C  $3.2 \times 10^{-48} \text{ J}$
  - D  $3.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ J}$

6. Which of the following is **not** one of the four fundamental interactions?

- A Weak
- B Strong
- C Radioactive
- D Electromagnetic

7. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A *Down* and *up* are both names of quarks.
- B Mesons and baryons are both hadrons.
- C Baryons are made up of three quarks and mesons are made up of two quarks.
- D Strange particles are quarks and are produced through strong interactions.

8. Light with frequency  $2.8 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$  is incident on the surface of zinc, which has a work function of  $4.3 \text{ eV}$ . The photoelectric effect causes photoelectrons to be emitted from the surface.

Calculate the maximum kinetic energy of the photoelectrons emitted from the surface.

- A  $1.2 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$
- B  $-4.3 \text{ J}$
- C  $2.5 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$
- D  $4.3 \text{ J}$

9. An electron de-excites from an excited energy state  $E = -0.90 \text{ eV}$  to a lower energy state  $E = -13.6 \text{ eV}$ .

What is the frequency of the photon emitted as a result of the electron transitions between the two energy states?

- A  $9.10 \times 10^{32} \text{ Hz}$
- B  $1.45 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$
- C  $5.70 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$
- D  $2.80 \times 10^{18} \text{ Hz}$

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10. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A All quarks have a charge of  $+\frac{2}{3}$  and all antiquarks have a charge of  $-\frac{2}{3}$ .
  - B All quarks have a baryon number of  $+\frac{1}{3}$ .
  - C Baryon number is a conserved quantity.
  - D All antiquarks have a baryon number of  $-\frac{1}{3}$ .

11. Which of the following statements is true?
- A Isotopes are nuclei of the same element with the same nucleon number and atomic number.
  - B Isotopes are nuclei of the same element with the same number of protons and number of neutrons.
  - C  ${}^4\text{Li}$  and  ${}^4\text{He}$  are examples of isotopes of each other.
  - D For nuclei of the same element to be referred to as isotopes they must have the same nucleon number and atomic number.

12. A high-energy gamma ray has energy 100 GeV.
- What is the wavelength of the gamma ray of 100 GeV?

- A  $1.99 \times 10^{-36} \text{ m}$
- B  $1.24 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$
- C  $1.24 \times 10^{-17} \text{ m}$
- D  $7.24 \times 10^{33} \text{ m}$

13. Which of the following statements is true?
- A The threshold frequency is the maximum frequency of light incident on a metal to cause electron emission from the surface.
  - B The rate of emission of electrons from the surface of a metal can be increased by increasing the metal to incident light for a longer time period.
  - C Light of frequency below the threshold frequency can increase the number of electrons emitted per second if the intensity of the light is increased.
  - D The stopping potential causes the maximum kinetic energy of an electron to be zero.

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14. The muon decay can be represented by the following decay equation:

$$\mu^- \rightarrow X + \bar{\nu}_e + Y$$

What are the missing values for X and Y?

A  $X = e^+ ; Y = \nu_\mu$

B  $X = e^- ; Y = \bar{\nu}_\mu$

C  $X = e^- ; Y = \nu_\mu$

D  $X = e^+ ; Y = \bar{\nu}_\mu$

15. An electron and positron meet and annihilation occurs.

What is the minimum energy of each photon produced during annihilation?

**Note:**  $E_0$  is the rest energy of the electron.

A  $E_0$

B  $2E_0$

C  $\frac{1}{2}E_0$

D  $4E_0$

16. A table of the four fundamental forces and their force carriers is given below.



Fundamental force	Force carrier
Electromagnetic force	X
Y	W boson
Z	pion

What are the missing values for X, Y and Z?

A  $X = \text{kaon}; Y = \text{Strong nuclear force}; Z = \text{Weak nuclear force}$

B  $X = \text{photon}; Y = \text{Weak nuclear force}; Z = \text{Strong nuclear force}$

C  $X = \text{kaon}; Y = \text{Weak nuclear force}; Z = \text{Gravity}$

D  $X = \text{photon}; Y = \text{Gravity}; Z = \text{Strong nuclear force}$



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17. The decay of the neutron is represented by the decay equation:

$$n \rightarrow X + Y + \bar{\nu}_e$$

What are the missing values for X and Y?

- A  $X = p; Y = e^+$
- B  $X = \bar{\nu}_\mu; Y = e^-$
- C  $X = p; Y = e^-$
- D  $X = \bar{\nu}_\mu; Y = e^+$
18. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Electrons can cause ionisation when they collide with gas in a fluorescent tube.
- B Alpha, beta and gamma radiation cause ionisation when they collide with gas in a fluorescent tube.
- C An ion is produced from adding or removing an electron from an atom.
- D An ion is a charged atom with the same number of electrons and protons.
19. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Strong nuclear force is the force that holds nucleons together in stable nuclei.
- B Strong nuclear force compensates for the electromagnetic repulsion between protons in the nucleus.
- C Strong nuclear force has a different effect between a proton and a neutron than between two protons.
- D The range of the strong nuclear force is 3–4 fm.
20. A photon has energy  $1.8 \times 10^{-19}$  J.

What will the wavelength of the photon be with this energy?

- A  $2.5 \times 10^{60}$  m
- B  $8.2 \times 10^{22}$  m
- C  $1.1 \times 10^{-6}$  m
- D  $1.2 \times 10^{-23}$  m

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### Topic 3: Waves

1. Which of the following statements **is** true?
  - A Phase difference can be measured in radians but not in degrees.
  - B Amplitude of a wave is the distance from a crest to its corresponding trough.
  - C If the frequency of a wave is increased the period of the wave will also increase.
  - D The wavelength of a wave is the distance of one complete cycle.
2. Which of the following is **not** an example of a transverse wave?
  - A Sound
  - B Electromagnetic
  - C Wave on a string
  - D Light
3. A transverse wave is travelling with a frequency of  $f = 5.6 \text{ Hz}$  and has a wavelength of  $\lambda = 0.04 \text{ m}$ . What is the wave speed of the wave?
  - A  $4.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - B  $0.04 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - C  $7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - D  $0.0007 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
4. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
  - A If a wave is plane-polarised then it is only oscillating in one direction.
  - B Plane of polarisation for an electromagnetic wave is the plane in which the electric field oscillates.
  - C To plane-polarise light you need two polarising filters at right angles.
  - D The intensity of light passing through polarising filters can be altered by rotating the filters relative to one another.

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5. A string fixed at both ends forms a stationary wave.

The length of the string is 1.2 m.

What is the wavelength of the first harmonic?

- A 0.6 m
- B 2.4 m
- C 1.2 m
- D 4.8 m

6. A stationary wave is created with a string of length 53 cm which has mass per unit length  $\mu = 0.015 \text{ kg m}^{-1}$ .

The string is fixed between two points creating tension of 0.2 N in the string.

What is the harmonic frequency?

- A 18.8 Hz
- B 4.2 Hz
- C 0.04 Hz
- D 0.2 Hz

7. Which of the following statements is **not** true?  
( $i$  is the angle of incidence and  $r$  is the angle of refraction.)

- A The refractive index of a substance is the ratio of the speed of light in the substance to the speed of light in a vacuum.
- B The refractive index of a substance is the ratio of  $\sin i$  to  $\sin r$ .
- C If the angle of incidence was increased it would increase the refractive index of the substance.
- D The refractive index ratio can also be referred to as Snell's law.

8. The refractive index of air is approximately 1 and the refractive index of diamond is approximately 2.42. Light travels from air into a diamond at an angle of incidence of  $37.0^\circ$ .  
What is the angle of refraction of the light ray in the diamond?

- A  $53.0^\circ$
- B  $37.0^\circ$
- C  $14.5^\circ$
- D  $75.5^\circ$

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9. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A If  $i > \text{critical angle}$ , then total internal reflection will always occur.
- B If  $i = \text{critical angle}$  and the incident substance has a larger refractive index than the refracting substance,  $r = 90^\circ$ .
- C If  $i < \text{critical angle}$  and the incident substance has a larger refractive index than the refracting substance, there will be partial reflection.
- D If  $i = \text{critical angle}$  and the incident substance has a larger refractive index than the refracting substance, there will be partial reflection.

10. Which of the following statements is true?

- A Core cladding surrounding the core of an optical fibre is made of a material with a greater refractive index than the core.
- B A narrow core in an optical fibre prevents modal dispersion.
- C Modal dispersion refers to pulse dispersion caused by using white light instead of monochromatic light.
- D Material dispersion refers to lengthening of a light pulse due to the different speeds down the optical fibre.

11. A monochromatic light source is diffracted through a diffraction grating with slit separation  $d = 3.07 \mu\text{m}$ .

The 4<sup>th</sup> order beam is observed at an angle of  $30^\circ$  from the zero order beam.

What is the wavelength of light used in this experiment?

- A  $6.65 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
- B  $1.53 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$
- C  $0.66 \text{ m}$
- D  $1.50 \text{ m}$

12. Young's double slit experiment is used to create an interference pattern on a screen.

The experiment uses light with wavelength  $\lambda = 720 \text{ nm}$ .

The separation between the fringes on the screen is  $20 \text{ cm}$  and the slit separation is  $0.5 \text{ mm}$ .

What is the slit spacing  $s$ ?

- A  $7.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$
- B  $7.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$
- C  $1.26 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$
- D  $1.26 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

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13. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Bright fringes are formed due to interference of light rays that arrive at another.
  - B Dark fringes are formed due to interference of light rays that arrive at another.
  - C If the slit spacing decreased, the fringe separation of the interference pattern will increase.
  - D The two slits in Young's double-slit experiment act as coherent sources.



14. Which of the following statements is true?
- A Reflection refers to the change in a wave's speed and wavelength at a boundary.
  - B Refraction is the effect of the angle of incidence being equal to angle of reflection at a surface of the boundary.
  - C Diffraction arises when waves spread round an obstacle or through a gap.
  - D The shorter the wavelength of a wave, the more the waves will diffract.

15. The distance between two points A and B on a transverse wave is 42 cm. The wavelength of the transverse wave is 2.5 m. What is the phase difference in radians between A and B?

A 0.44

B 0.44

C 27

D 2.7



16. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The frequency of a wave is the number of cycles of oscillation per second.
  - B The displacement is half the distance from a crest to the corresponding trough.
  - C The frequency of a wave can be defined as the number of complete cycles per second.
  - D The period is the time for one complete wave to pass a fixed point.



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17. A stationary wave is created in a string fixed at either end.

The frequency of the first harmonic is  $f_1 = \frac{c}{2L}$ .

What is the frequency of the second harmonic?

A  $2f_1$

B  $f_1$

C  $\frac{1}{2}f_1$

D  $4f_1$



18. A light ray enters a block at an angle of  $37^\circ$  and is refracted inside the block.

What is the refractive index of the block?

A 0.65

B 1.5

C 1.3

D 0.76

19. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

A Light from a filament lamp is comprised of a range of wavelengths.

B Vapour lamps produce light with one predominant colour.

C Laser light has light that is highly monochromatic.

D Laser beam light can permanently damage your retina if looked at directly, even if the light has first been reflected.



20. The period of a wave on a string is 1 minute.

What is the frequency of the wave?

A 1 Hz

B 0.02 Hz

C 60 Hz

D 0.01 Hz



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## Topic 4: Mechanics and Materials

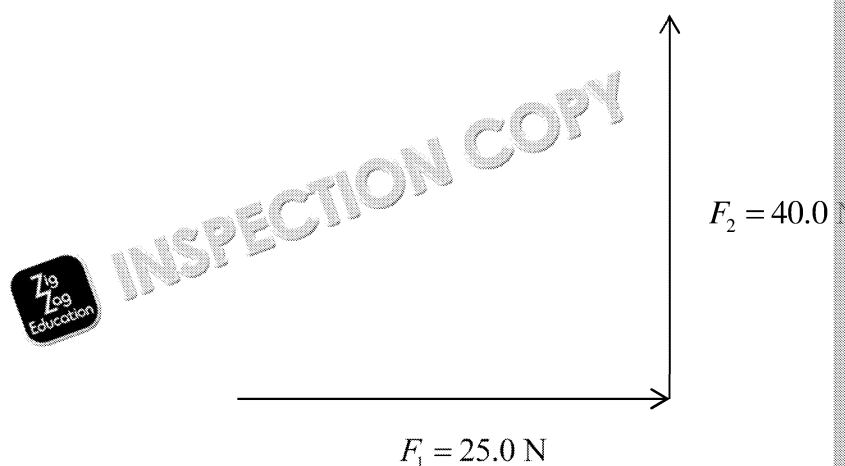
1. Which of the following quantities is **not** a scalar?

- A Mass
- B Energy
- C Displacement
- D Speed

2. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A A scalar is defined by both magnitude and direction.
- B Force and weight are both vectors.
- C A vector is defined by both magnitude and direction.
- D Acceleration is a vector and time is a scalar.

3. Two forces act at right angles to each other:



Which of the following rows gives the correct magnitude and direction

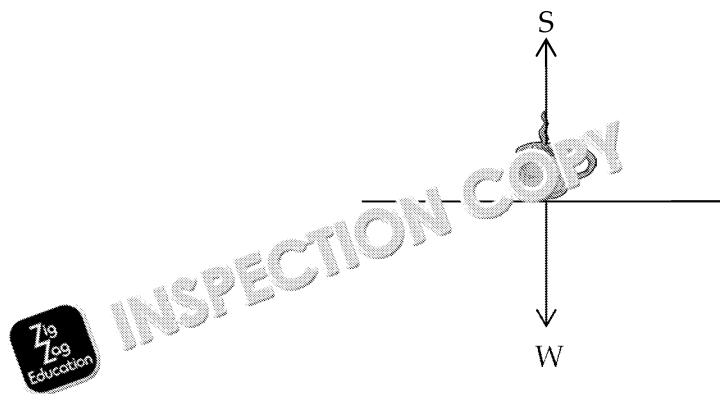
A		
B		
C		
D		

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4. A coffee mug is at rest on the surface of a table.



Which of the following statements is true for the forces  $S$  and  $W$ ?

- A  $S \leq W$
- B  $S > W$
- C  $S < W$
- D  $S = W$
5. An engineer turns a spanner with a force of  $140 \text{ N}$ .  
The engineer's hand is  $390 \text{ mm}$  from the pivot.  
What is the moment of the force about the pivot?
- A  $0.00546 \text{ Nm}$
- B  $54.6 \text{ Nm}$
- C  $359.0 \text{ Nm}$
- D  $3.59 \text{ Nm}$

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6. Which of the following statements is true?

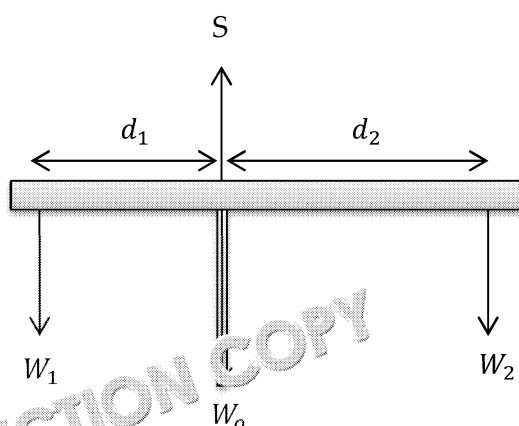
The principle of moments states that for a body in equilibrium:

- A The sum of the clockwise moments is equal to half the sum of the anticlockwise moments.
- B The sum of the clockwise moments is equal to twice the sum of the anticlockwise moments.
- C The sum of the clockwise moments is equal to the sum of the anticlockwise moments.
- D The sum of the clockwise moments is equal to four times the sum of the anticlockwise moments.



7. Supports are being built during the construction of a house.

The supports are in equilibrium:



Which of the following statements is true for the supports to be in equilibrium?

- A  $S = W_1 + W_2 - W_0$
- B  $W_1 d_1 = -W_2 d_2$
- C  $W_1 = \frac{W_2 d_1}{d_2}$
- D  $d_1 = \frac{W_2 d_2}{W_1}$



8. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A The displacement of an object can be determined by the area under a velocity-time graph.
- B The acceleration of an object can be determined using the gradient of a velocity-time graph.
- C The velocity of an object can be determined using the gradient of a displacement-time graph.
- D The acceleration of an object can be determined by the area under a velocity-time graph.



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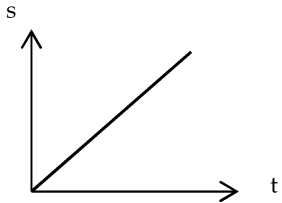
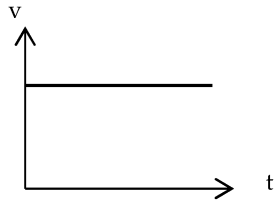

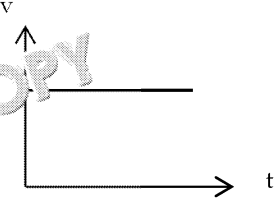
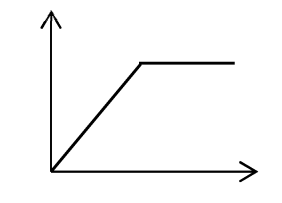
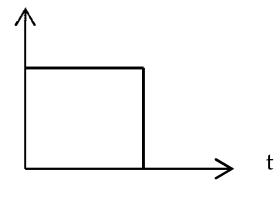
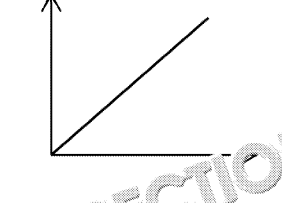
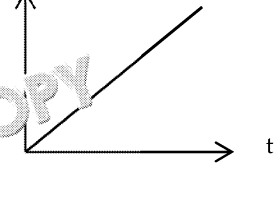
9. A cyclist sets off at  $2.1 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

The cyclist travels for 5 minutes and reaches  $4.9 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

What is the acceleration of the cyclist?

- A  $0.02 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- B  $0.56 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- C  $0.01 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- D  $1.4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

10. Which of the following rows identifies three graphs related to the same

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B		
C		
D		

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11. A ball is projected horizontally off a cliff.  
What will the height of the ball be after 2.20 seconds? Assume air resistance is negligible.
- A 10.8 m
  - B -23.7 m
  - C -10.8 m
  - D 23.7 m
12. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The acceleration of a projectile is always equal to  $g$  if air resistance is negligible.
  - B The horizontal motion and vertical motion of a projectile are dependent.
  - C The horizontal velocity of a projectile is constant if air resistance is negligible.
  - D A ball projected horizontally and a ball dropped vertically will reach the ground at the same time if air resistance is negligible.
13. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Newton's first law states that if no external force is applied to an object, it will remain at rest or continue travelling at a constant velocity.
  - B An object will experience acceleration if its speed remains constant.
  - C If a student pushes a wall with a force of 150 N, the wall will push back with a force of 150 N in the opposite direction.
  - D An applied force is proportional to the velocity of the object.
14. A skydiver opens her parachute in the last stage of her jump and creates a drag force. The skydiver has mass  $m = 65 \text{ kg}$  and accelerates towards the ground at  $2 \text{ m/s}^2$ .  
What is the value for the drag force created by the parachute?
- A 39 N
  - B 640 N
  - C 600 N
  - D -600 N

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15. A footballer kicks a 430 g football.

The football was travelling at  $21 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  before being kicked. After being kicked, it was travelling at  $29 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

What is the value for the impulse of the force on the football?

- A  $3.4 \text{ Ns}$   
 B  $3.4 \times 10^3 \text{ Ns}$   
 C  $-3.4 \times 10^3 \text{ Ns}$   
 D  $-3.4 \text{ Ns}$

16. A 0.50 kg ball is dropped from a 10.0 m building.

What will the kinetic energy of the ball be 2.00 m above the ground?

- A 39.2 J  
 B 9.80 J  
 C 58.8 J  
 D 49.0 J

17. An object has a density  $\rho = m / V$ .

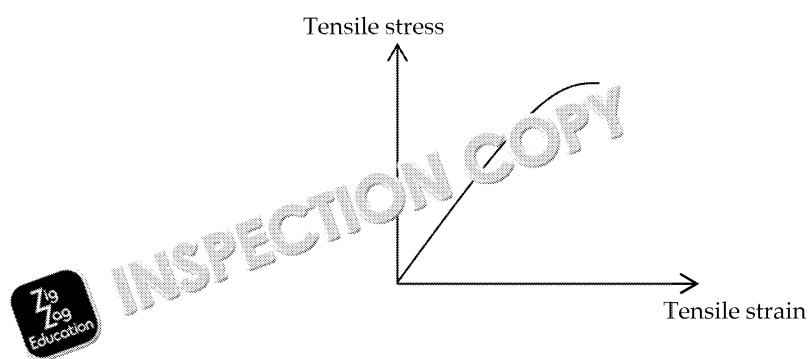
What is the volume of a new object with a mass of  $2m$  and with the same density?

- A  $2V$   
 B  $\frac{1}{2}V$   
 C  $V$   
 D  $\frac{1}{V}$

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18. The graph below shows how the tensile stress of a material varies with



How can you determine the Young modulus from the graph?

- A The y-intercept of the graph
- B The area under the graph
- C The gradient of the straight line section of the graph
- D Any x-coordinate on the curve
19. A force of 56.0 N is applied to an elastic band in order to stretch it by 0.032 m. What is the value of the energy stored in the elastic band?
- A 0.001 J
- B 0.18 J
- C 18 J
- D 11.8 J
20. The period of a wave on a string is 3 minutes. What is the frequency of the wave?
- A 0.3 Hz
- B 0.003 Hz
- C 180 Hz
- D 0.006 Hz

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## Topic 5: Electricity

1. Which of the following statements is true?
  - A Electric current is the rate of flow of charge.
  - B Potential difference is the work done per unit charge.
  - C The resistance of an electrical component is the ratio of voltage to charge.
  - D Charge is the ratio of resistance to voltage.
2. A student measures 5.0 A of current flowing through an electrical circuit. What is the charge flow in the circuit?
  - A 100 C
  - B 2500 C
  - C 0.01 C
  - D 5.0 C
3. The charge flow through a cell is measured to be 24 C. How many electrons have passed through the cell?
  - A  $1.5 \times 10^{20}$
  - B  $6.7 \times 10^{-21}$
  - C  $2.6 \times 10^{31}$
  - D 1.5
4. A filament bulb is connected in series with a cell. The bulb does 40.0 J of work as charge flows through it. What is the potential difference across the bulb?
  - A 12 V
  - B 120 V
  - C 0.01 V
  - D 13.3 V
5. Which of the following statements is not true?
  - A A filament bulb is an example of an ohmic conductor.
  - B Ohm's law states that the resistance of a component is equal to the potential difference across the component and the current flowing through it.
  - C Ohm's law states that the potential difference across a conductor is proportional to the current through it, if the temperature of the conductor remains constant.
  - D Ohmic conductors are components that obey Ohm's law.

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6. A wire of cross-sectional area  $A$  and length  $L$  and resistance  $R$ .  
A second wire with a cross-sectional area of  $4A$  and length  $2L$  is found to have the same resistance.

What is the resistivity of the second wire?

A  $2\rho$

B  $\frac{1}{2}\rho$

C  $\rho$

D  $4\rho$

7. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

A When a device is displaying superconductivity it has no resistance.

B Superconductors can be used to make high-power electromagnets to create strong magnetic fields.

C A superconductor is a device made of a material that has zero resistance.

D Superconductivity is the property of a material indicating that any temperature above its critical temperature will result in the material having zero resistance.

8. Three  $16.5\ \Omega$  resistors are connected in parallel.

What is the total resistance of the parallel circuit?

A  $49.5\ \Omega$

B  $5.5\ \Omega$

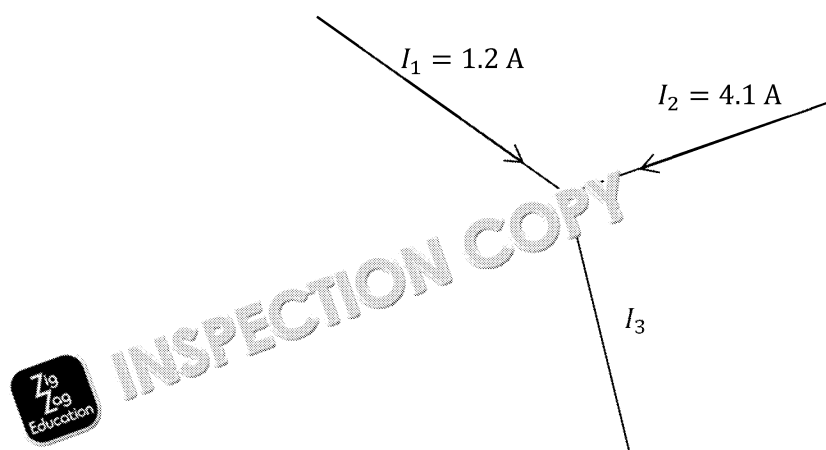
C  $0.18\ \Omega$

D  $16.5\ \Omega$





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9. A junction in an electrical circuit is demonstrated below:



Which of the following rows correctly identifies the direction and value

A		
B		
C		
D		

10. A kettle is fitted with a heating element to heat the water inside it.

The heating element has a resistance of  $150\ \Omega$ . When the kettle is connected to the mains, a current of  $1.50\text{ A}$  flows through it.

What is the rate of heat transfer to the water in the kettle?

- A  $2.00\text{ mW}$
- B  $225\text{ W}$
- C  $338\text{ W}$
- D  $67.0\text{ W}$

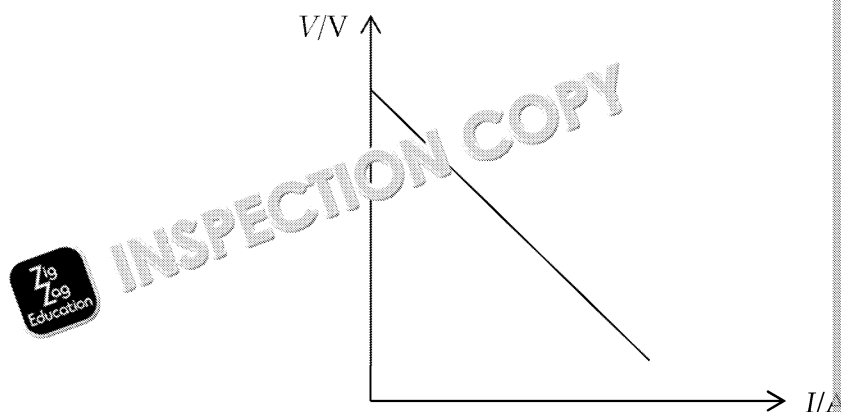
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11. A student completes an experiment to determine the internal resistance of a cell. The student plots a graph of potential difference across the cell against the current through the cell:



Which of the following rows correctly identifies how to determine the internal resistance of the cell from the graph?

	Internal resistance	
A	gradient	
B	y-intercept	
C	$\frac{1}{\text{gradient}}$	
D	x-intercept	

12. An  $8.00 \Omega$  resistor is connected in series with a cell. The e.m.f. of the cell is  $12.0 \text{ V}$  and the internal resistance of the cell is  $110 \text{ m}\Omega$ .

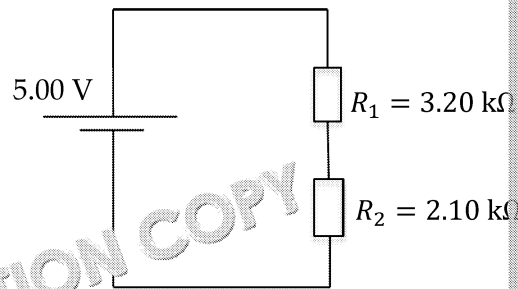
What is the terminal potential difference of the cell?

- A  $5.44 \text{ V}$   
 B  $12.0 \text{ V}$   
 C  $0.800 \text{ V}$   
 D  $11.8 \text{ V}$
13. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A When the temperature of a thermistor increases, the resistance of the thermistor decreases.  
 B When the intensity of the light incident on an LDR increases, the resistance of the LDR decreases.  
 C When the intensity of the light incident on an LDR decreases, the resistance of the LDR decreases.  
 D When the temperature of a thermistor increases, the potential difference across the thermistor decreases.

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14. A potential divider is set up as below:



What is the potential difference across  $R_1$ ?

- A 2.0 V
- B 2.50 V
- C 2.12 V
- D 3.01 V

15. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A The potential difference across each component connected in series is the same as the terminal potential difference across the cell of the circuit.
- B The total resistance in a series circuit is the sum of all the resistances connected in series.
- C The current in a series circuit is the same at all points in the circuit.
- D The total resistance of two resistors in a parallel circuit is equal to the sum of the two resistances.

16. A  $2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$  resistor is connected in series with a cell. The potential difference across the resistor is 14 V. What is the rate of energy transfer through the resistor?

- A 14 W
- B 0.01 W
- C 2.50 W
- D  $2.50 \times 10^3 \text{ W}$

17. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

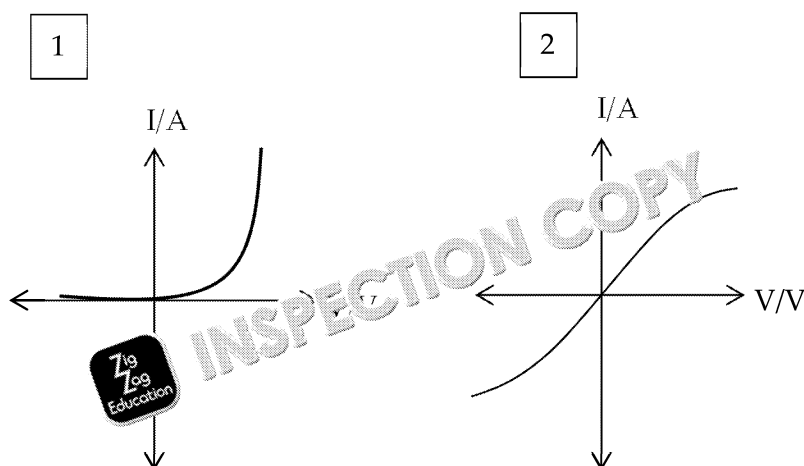
- A In an insulator each electron is connected to an atom and fixed to that atom.
- B Electrons that are connected to atoms in a metallic conductor are the conduction electrons.
- C In a semiconductor the number of charge carriers increases with an increase in temperature.
- D Most electrons within a metallic conductor are connected to atoms and are delocalised.

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18. A student plots graphs of current against potential difference for three components.



Which of the following rows correctly identifies the electrical components above?

	1	2
A	Thermistor	Diode
B	Lamp	Thermistor
C	Diode	Lamp
D	Thermistor	Lamp

19. Which of the following statements is not true?

- A A metal has a positive temperature coefficient as its resistance increases with temperature.
- B The resistance of a thermistor decreases non-linearly with increase in temperature.
- C Semiconductors have a negative temperature coefficient.
- D The charge carriers in a conductor travel through the conductor with a constant drift velocity when a potential difference is applied across the conductor.

20. The power output of a filament lamp is 0.15 kW. The current flowing through the lamp is 3.8 A.

What is the potential difference across the lamp when there is current flowing through it?

- A 38 V
- B 0.04 V
- C 600 V
- D 0.6 V

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# Answers to Multiple-Choice Questions

## Topic 1: Use of SI Units and their Prefixes

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### Question 1

A	✗	<b>M</b> = 'mega' = $\times 10^6$ $5.36 \times 10^6 \Omega$ $= 5\,360\,000 \Omega$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have used $\times 10^3$ as the order of magnitude instead of its true order of magnitude $\times 10^6$
B	✗	<b>n</b> = 'nano' = $\times 10^{-9}$ $5.36 \times 10^{-9} \Omega$ $= 0.000\,000\,005\,36 \Omega$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have used $\times 10^3$ as the order of magnitude instead of its true order of magnitude $\times 10^{-9}$
C	✓	<b>k</b> = 'kilo' = $\times 10^3$ $5.36 \times 10^3 \Omega$ $= 5\,360 \Omega$	
D	✗	<b>c</b> = 'centi' = $\times 10^{-2}$ $5.36 \times 10^{-2} \Omega$ $= 0.0536 \Omega$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have used $\times 10^3$ as the order of magnitude instead of its true order of magnitude $\times 10^{-2}$

### Question 2

A	✓	Kelvin is the SI base unit for temperature.	
B	✗	Fahrenheit can be used as a unit for temperature but it is not the SI base unit.	
C	✗	Celsius can be used as a unit for temperature but it is not the SI base unit.	
D	✗	Rankine can be used as a unit for temperature but it is not the SI base unit.	

### Question 3

A	✗	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ Units: $m = \text{g}$ and $V = \text{m}^3$ $\rho = \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^3}$ $\rho = \text{g m}^{-3}$	You have correctly determined the units. <b>Mistake:</b> You have not determined the correct units. You have not converted mass into its SI base unit.  Both <b>mass</b> and <b>volume</b> quantities need to be converted into SI base units to determine the <b>derived base units</b> for density.
B	✗	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ Units: $m = \text{kg}$ and $V = \text{cm}^3$ $\rho = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{cm}^3}$ $\rho = \text{kg cm}^{-3}$	You have correctly determined the units. <b>Mistake:</b> You have not determined the correct units. You have not converted volume into its SI base unit.  Both <b>mass</b> and <b>volume</b> quantities need to be converted into SI base units to determine the <b>derived base units</b> for density.

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C	✗	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ Units: $m = \text{g}$ and $V = \text{cm}^3$ $\rho = \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}$ $\rho = \text{g cm}^{-3}$	<p>You have correctly determined the units for density.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have not determined the correct units for density. You have converted neither mass nor volume into SI units. You have converted <math>\text{cm}^3</math> into <math>\text{m}^3</math> and g into kg.</p> <p>Both <b>mass</b> and <b>volume</b> quantities need to be converted into SI units to determine the <b>derived base units</b> for density.</p>
D	✓	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ Units: $m = \text{kg}$ and $V = \text{m}^3$ $\rho = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$ $\rho = \text{kg m}^{-3}$	
<b>Question 4</b>			
A	✗	Minutes are units that can be used for time, but they are <b>not the SI base unit</b> for time.	
B	✓	Seconds are the <b>SI base unit</b> for time.	
C	✗	Hours are units that can be used for time, but they are <b>not the SI base unit</b> for time.	
D	✗	Milliseconds are units that can be used for time, <b>but are not the SI base unit</b> for time.	
<b>Question 5</b>			
A	✗	$k = \text{'kilo'} = \times 10^3$ $0.2 \times 10^3 \text{ A} = 0.2 \text{ kA}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used <math>\times 10^{-3}</math> as the order of magnitude instead of its true order of magnitude <math>\times 10^3</math>.</p>
B	✗	$\mu = \text{'micro'} = \times 10^{-6}$ $0.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ A} = 0.2 \mu\text{A}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used <math>\times 10^{-3}</math> as the order of magnitude instead of its true order of magnitude <math>\times 10^{-6}</math>.</p>
C	✓	$m = \text{'milli'} = \times 10^{-3}$ $0.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A} = 0.2 \text{ mA}$	
D	✗	$M = \text{'Mega'} = \times 10^6$ $0.2 \times 10^6 \text{ A} = 0.2 \text{ MA}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used <math>\times 10^{-3}</math> as the order of magnitude instead of its true order of magnitude <math>\times 10^6</math>.</p>
<b>Question 6</b>			
A	✗	Systematic errors do cause <b>repeated measurements</b> to alter from the <b>same amount</b> .	
B	✗	Temperature changes in the experiment's surroundings are a source of <b>random error</b> that <b>cannot be foreseen</b> .	
C	✓	True. Systematic errors can be foreseen and are usually to do with inaccurate or uncalibrated apparatus or misuse of experimental equipment whereas random errors are due to external factors that cannot be foreseen.	
D	✗	Random errors will cause <b>repeated measurements</b> to deviate from the <b>same amount</b> and is therefore a source of <b>systematic error</b> .	

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### Question 7

A	✗	Accuracy is a term used to describe the <b>relationship</b> between a measu
B	✗	Only <b>accuracy</b> is a term used to describe <b>how close</b> a <b>measured value</b>
C	✗	<b>Precision</b> is a term used to discuss the <b>relationship</b> between a <b>set of</b> r
D	✓	A measurement can be described as being <b>close</b> to its <b>true value</b> (high precision) <b>proximity to the rest of the repeated measurements</b> (high precision)

### Question 8

A	✗	$V = IR$ $0.2 \times 2.3 = 0.46$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } I = \frac{0.1}{0.2} \times 100 = 50\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } R = \frac{0.2}{2.3} \times 100 = 8.7\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } V = (50 + 8.7) = 58.7\%$ $V = 0.46 \pm 58.7 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You should have another.</p> <p>The rule for quantities added or subtracted is:</p> <p>If <math>C = A \pm B</math></p> <p><math>C = (A \pm a) \pm (B \pm b)</math></p> <p><math>C = (A \pm B) \pm (a \pm b)</math></p> <p>Additionally, from percent uncertainty:</p> <p>The equation for percent uncertainty is:</p> <p><math>\% \text{ uncertainty in } C = \frac{\Delta C}{C} \times 100</math></p> <p>Therefore to find the percent uncertainty in <math>V</math>:</p> <p><math>\Delta V = \frac{\% \text{ uncertainty in } V}{100} \times V</math></p>
B	✗	$V = IR$ $V = 0.2 \times 2.3 = 0.46$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } I = \frac{0.1}{0.2} \times 100 = 50\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } R = \frac{0.2}{2.3} \times 100 = 8.7\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } V = (50 - 8.7) = 41.3\%$ $V = 0.46 \pm 41.3 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You should have another.</p> <p>The rule for quantities multiplied or divided is:</p> <p>If <math>C = AB</math></p> <p><math>C = (A \pm a)(B \pm b)</math></p> <p><math>C = (A \times B) \pm (a \times B + A \times b + a \times b)</math></p> <p>Additionally, from percent uncertainty:</p> <p>The equation for percent uncertainty is:</p> <p><math>\% \text{ uncertainty in } C = \frac{\Delta C}{C} \times 100</math></p> <p>Therefore to find the percent uncertainty in <math>V</math>:</p> <p><math>\Delta V = \frac{\% \text{ uncertainty in } V}{100} \times V</math></p>

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C	✓	$V = IR$ $V = 0.2 \times 2.3 = 0.46$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } I = \frac{0.1}{0.2} \times 100 = 50\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } R = \frac{0.2}{2.3} \times 100 = 8.7\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } V = (50 + 8.7) = 58.7\%$ $\text{absolute uncertainty in } V = \left( \frac{\% \text{ uncertainty}}{100} \times V \right)$ $\text{absolute uncertainty in } V = \left( \frac{58.7}{100} \times 0.46 \right) = 0.27$ $V = 0.46 \pm 0.27 \text{ V}$	
D	✗	$V = IR$ $V = 0.2 \times 2.3 = 0.46$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } I = \frac{0.1}{0.2} \times 100 = 50\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } R = \frac{0.2}{2.3} \times 100 = 8.7\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } V = (50 - 8.7) = 41.3\%$ $\text{absolute uncertainty in } V = \left( \frac{\% \text{ uncertainty}}{100} \times V \right)$ $\text{absolute uncertainty in } V = \left( \frac{41.3}{100} \times 0.46 \right) = 0.19$ $V = 0.46 \pm 0.19 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You should have added the uncertainties, not subtracted them.</p> <p>The rule for combining uncertainties for quantities added or subtracted is:</p> <p>If <math>C = A + B</math>  <math>C = (A \pm a) + (B \pm b)</math>  <math>C = (A + B) \pm (a + b)</math></p>
<b>Question 9</b>			
A	✗	Too heavy for an average man	
B	✗	Too light for an average man – more suited to an average boy	
C	✓	Correct	
D	✗	Too heavy for an average man	
<b>Question 10</b>			
A	✓		
B	✗	<b>Reproducibility</b> refers to property of an experiment whereby its method can be repeated by the same or another experimenter working independently.	
C	✗	The experiment has to be carried out using the same method and apparatus. The results achieved for the measurement to be said to be <b>repeatable</b> .	
D	✗	The experiment has to be carried out using the same method and apparatus. The results achieved for the measurement to be said to be <b>repeatable</b> .	

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### Question 11

A	✗	$F = 460 \pm 1 \text{ N}$ percentage uncertainty = $\frac{1}{460}$ percentage uncertainty = 0.002 %	<b>Mistake:</b> You have calculated $\frac{1}{460}$ instead of the percentage. You should have <b>multiplied</b> $\frac{1}{460}$ by <b>100</b> to obtain the percentage.
B	✗	$F = 460 \pm 1 \text{ N}$ percentage uncertainty = $\frac{460}{1}$ percentage uncertainty = 460 %	<b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly calculated the percentage uncertainty. You have <b>divided</b> by its <b>absolute uncertainty</b> instead of <b>dividing</b> the <b>absolute uncertainty</b> by its <b>value</b> (460). Additionally you should <b>multiply</b> the result by <b>100</b> to obtain the percentage.
C	✓	$F = 460 \pm 1 \text{ N}$ percentage uncertainty = $\frac{1}{460} \times 100$ percentage uncertainty = 0.2 %	
D	✗	$F = 460 \pm 1 \text{ N}$ uncertainty = 1 percentage uncertainty = 1 %	<b>Mistake:</b> You have mistaken the absolute uncertainty ( $\pm 1$ ) to be the percentage uncertainty.

### Question 12

A	✗	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ Units: $d = \text{km}; t = \text{s}$ $v = \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}$ $v = \text{km s}^{-1}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have not determined the <b>derived base units</b> for velocity. You have not converted displacement into its <b>SI base units</b> . Both <b>distance</b> and <b>time</b> quantities need to be converted into their <b>SI base units</b> to determine the <b>derived base units</b> for velocity.
B	✗	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ Units: $d = \text{m}; t = \text{h}$ $v = \frac{\text{m}}{\text{h}}$ $v = \text{m h}^{-1}$	You have determined the units for velocity. <b>Mistake:</b> You have not determined the <b>derived base units</b> for velocity. You have not converted time into its <b>SI base units</b> . Both <b>distance</b> and <b>time</b> quantities need to be converted into their <b>SI base units</b> to determine the <b>derived base units</b> for velocity.

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C	✗	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ Units: $d = \text{km}; t = \text{h}$ $v = \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}}$ $v = \text{km h}^{-1}$	<p>You have determined the units for velocity.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have not determined the <b>derived base units</b>. You have not converted time into its <b>SI base units</b>. You have not converted displacement into its <b>SI base units</b>.</p> <p>Both <b>distance</b> and <b>time</b> quantities need to be converted into <b>SI base units</b> to determine the <b>derived base units</b> for velocity.</p>
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D	✓	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ Units: $d = \text{m}; t = \text{s}$ $v = \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$ $v = \text{m s}^{-1}$	
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### Question 13

A	✓	$E = 45 \text{ eV}$ $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $45 \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19})$ $= 7.2 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$	
B	✗	$E = 45 \text{ eV}$ $\frac{45}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$ $= 2.8 \times 10^{20} \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have not correctly converted. You have <b>divided</b> by the value <math>e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}</math> instead of <b>multiplied</b>.</p>
C	✗	$E = 45 \text{ eV}$ $45 \times 1.6 \times 10^{19}$ $= 7.2 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used the wrong constant for converting between electron volts and joules. You have used <math>1.6 \times 10^{19}</math> instead of <math>1.6 \times 10^{-19}</math>.</p>
D	✗	$E = 45 \text{ eV}$ $\frac{45}{1.6 \times 10^{19}}$ $= 2.8 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have not correctly converted. You have <b>divided</b> by the value <math>e = 1.6 \times 10^{19}</math> instead of <b>multiplied</b>.</p> <p>Additionally, you have used the wrong constant for converting between electron volts and joules. You have used <math>1.6 \times 10^{19}</math> instead of <math>1.6 \times 10^{-19}</math>.</p>

### Question 14

A	✗	$E = 0.55 \text{ kWh}$ $1 \text{ W} = 1 \text{ Js}^{-1}$ $k = \times 10^3$ $0.55 \times 1000$ $= 550 \text{ J}$	<p>You have correctly multiplied by 1000 to convert kW to W.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have not converted from J to kJ. You have multiplied the value for energy by 1000 instead of dividing by 1000.</p>
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B	x	$E = 0.55 \text{ kWh}$ $1 \text{ W} = 1 \text{ Js}^{-1}$ $k = \times 10^2$ $1 \text{ kW} = 100 \text{ J}$ $1 \text{ hour} = 60 \times 60 \text{ seconds}$ $1 \text{ kWh} = 100 \times 60 \times 60 \text{ J}$ $0.55 \times 100 \times 60 \times 60$ $= 200\,000 \text{ J}$	<p>You have correctly multiplied by 3600 to convert from hours to seconds.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly <b>multiplied by 100</b> to convert from kW to W, when you should have <b>multiplied by 1000</b>.</p>
C	x	$E = 0.55 \text{ kWh}$ $1 \text{ W} = 1 \text{ Js}^{-1}$ $k = \times 10^3$ $1 \text{ kW} = 1000 \text{ J}$ $1 \text{ hour} = 60 \text{ minutes}$ $0.55 \times 1000 \times 60$ $= 33\,000 \text{ J}$	<p>You have correctly multiplied by 1000 to convert from kW to W.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly <b>multiplied by 60 minutes</b>, when you need to <b>multiply by 60 minutes to seconds</b>.</p>
D	✓	$E = 0.55 \text{ kWh}$ $1 \text{ W} = 1 \text{ Js}^{-1}$ $k = \times 10^3$ $1 \text{ kW} = 1000 \text{ J}$ $1 \text{ hour} = 60 \times 60 \text{ seconds}$ $1 \text{ kWh} = 1000 \times 60 \times 60 \text{ J}$ $0.55 \times 3\,600\,000$ $= 2\,000\,000 \text{ J}$	
Question 15			
A	x		
B	x		
C	✓	<p>The radius of a human head is around 0.1 m (10 cm).</p> <p>The volume of a human head can be estimated as the volume of a sphere.</p> $\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$ <p>Therefore,</p> $\frac{4}{3} \pi \times (0.1)^3 \approx \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$	
D	x		

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## Question 16

A	x	$\varepsilon = \frac{E}{Q}$ $\varepsilon = \frac{50}{5.2} = 9.6 \text{ V}$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } Q = \frac{0.1}{5.2} \times 100\% = 1.9\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } E = \frac{5}{50} \times 100\% = 10\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } \varepsilon = (10\% + 1.9\%) = 11.9\%$ $\varepsilon = 9.6 \pm 11.9 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have added the percentage uncertainties to find the percentage uncertainty in <math>\varepsilon</math>.</p> <p>The equation for the percentage uncertainty in <math>\varepsilon</math> is:</p> $\Delta a = \frac{\% \text{ uncertainty}}{100\%}$ <p>Therefore to combine the percentage uncertainties you should use the rule for combining uncertainties for division.</p>
B	✓	$\varepsilon = \frac{E}{Q}$ $\varepsilon = \frac{50}{5.2} = 9.6 \text{ V}$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } Q = \frac{0.1}{5.2} \times 100\% = 1.9\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } E = \frac{5}{50} \times 100\% = 10\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } \varepsilon = (10\% + 1.9\%) = 11.9\%$ $\text{absolute uncertainty in } \varepsilon = \frac{11.9}{100} \times 9.6 = 1.1$ $\varepsilon = 9.6 \pm 1.1 \text{ V}$	
C	x	$\varepsilon = \frac{E}{Q}$ $\varepsilon = \frac{50}{5.2} = 9.6 \text{ V}$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } Q = \frac{0.1}{5.2} \times 100\% = 1.9\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } E = \frac{5}{50} \times 100\% = 10\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } \varepsilon = (10\% - 1.9\%) = 8.1\%$ $\text{absolute uncertainty in } \varepsilon = \frac{8.1}{100} \times 9.6 = 0.8$ $\varepsilon = 9.6 \pm 0.8 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have subtracted the uncertainties from one another to find the uncertainty in <math>\varepsilon</math>.</p> <p>The rule for combining uncertainties for division is:</p> <p>If <math>C = \frac{A}{B}</math></p> $A \pm a \text{ and } B \pm b$ $C = \frac{(A \pm a)}{(B \pm b)}$ $C = \frac{A}{B} \pm \left( \frac{a}{A} + \frac{b}{B} \right)$

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D	x	$\varepsilon = \frac{E}{Q}$ $\varepsilon = \frac{50}{5.2} = 9.6 \text{ V}$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } Q = \frac{0.1}{5.2} \times 100\% = 1.9\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } E = \frac{5}{50} \times 100\% = 10\%$ $\% \text{ uncertainty in } \varepsilon = (10\% - 1.9\%) = 8.1\%$ $\varepsilon = 9.6 \pm 8.1 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>subtracted the uncertainties</b> from one another when you should have <b>added the uncertainties</b> together.</p> <p>The rule for combining uncertainties when quantities are divided by one another is:</p> <p>If <math>C = \frac{A}{B}</math></p> <p><math>A \pm a</math> and <math>B \pm b</math></p> $C = \frac{(A \pm a)}{(B \pm b)}$ $C = \frac{A}{B} \pm (a + b)$ <p>Additionally, you can combine percentage uncertainties. The equation for combining percentage uncertainties is:</p> $\% \text{ uncertainty in } C = \% \text{ uncertainty in } A + \% \text{ uncertainty in } B$ <p>Therefore to combine percentage uncertainties for division, the equation for percentage uncertainty form is:</p> $\Delta a = \frac{\% \text{ uncertainty in } A}{100\%}$
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### Question 17

A	x	$E = F \times d$ $J = \text{kg ms}^{-2} \cdot \text{m}$ $J = \text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$	
B	x	$E = F \times d$ $J = \text{Nm}$	
C	x	$E = P \times t$ $J = \text{Ws}$	
D	✓	$E = \frac{Q}{V}$ $J = \text{CV}^{-1}$	<p>The relationship between energy, charge and potential difference is <math>E = QV</math> which gives joules as CV.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used <math>J = \frac{Q}{V}</math> when you should have used <math>J = QV</math>.</p>

### Question 18

A	✓	
B	x	These units can be used for current but are various orders of magnitude. The unit for current is amperes (A).
C	x	
D	x	

### Question 19

A	✗	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ $v = \frac{700}{0.09}$ $v = 7777.8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ $v = \frac{7777.8}{\times 10} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ $v = 777.78 \text{ km s}^{-1} = 780 \text{ km s}^{-1} (2 \text{ s.f.})$	<p>The correct number has been carried out.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have converted <math>\text{m s}^{-1}</math> to <math>\text{km s}^{-1}</math> instead of <math>\times 10^3</math>.</p>
B	✗	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ $v = \frac{700}{0.09}$ $v = 7777.8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ $v = \frac{7777.8}{\times 10^2} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ $v = 77.8 \text{ km s}^{-1} = 78 \text{ km s}^{-1} (2 \text{ s.f.})$	<p>The correct number has been carried out.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have converted <math>\text{m s}^{-1}</math> to <math>\text{km s}^{-1}</math> instead of <math>\times 10^3</math>.</p>
C	✓	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ $v = \frac{700}{0.09}$ $v = 7777.8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ $v = \frac{7777.8}{\times 10^3} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ $v = 7.7778 \text{ km s}^{-1} = 7.8 \text{ km s}^{-1} (2 \text{ s.f.})$	
D	✗	$v = \frac{d}{t}$ $v = \frac{700}{0.09}$ $v = 7777.8 \text{ km s}^{-1} = 7800 \text{ km s}^{-1} (2 \text{ s.f.})$	<p>The correct number has been carried out.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have converted <math>\text{m s}^{-1}</math> to <math>\text{km s}^{-1}</math>. You need to divide by 1000 to get <math>\text{km s}^{-1}</math>.</p>

### Question 20

A	✗	These are equivalent to J.
B	✗	These units are equivalent to J.
C	✓	These units are <b>not</b> equivalent to J, as these are the units for power.
D	✗	These units are not equivalent to J.

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## Topic 2: Particles and Radiation

### Question 1

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified the mass of the mass of a proton and neutron.</p> $m_n = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ <p>Therefore <math>m_e &lt; m_p</math> and <math>m_e &lt; m_n</math></p> <p>The mass of the electron is therefore smaller than the mass of the proton and the neutron.</p>
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	$q_e = -e$ $q_p = +e$ $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ <p>Therefore <math>q_e = -q_p</math></p>
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the charge of a proton.</p> $q_n = 0$ $q_p = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ <p>Therefore <math>q_n \neq q_p</math></p> <p>The charge of a neutron is therefore not equal to the charge of a proton.</p>
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	<p>You have correctly identified that the mass of a proton.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified the mass of a neutron.</p> $m_n = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ <p>Therefore <math>m_e &lt; m_p</math> and <math>m_e &lt; m_n</math></p> <p>The mass of the electron is therefore smaller than the mass of the proton and the neutron.</p>

### Question 2

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified the number of neutrons.</p> <p>The number of neutrons should be four (A - Z).</p> <p>A = nucleon number = number of neutrons + number of protons Z = proton number = number of protons</p>
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B	✗	${}^A_Z\text{Li}$ $A + Z$ $= 7 + 3$ $= 10$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>added</b> the nucleon number (A + Z). You should have <b>subtracted</b> Z from A.</p> <p>A = nucleon number = number of neutrons + number of protons Z = proton number = number of protons</p>
C	✗	${}^A_Z\text{Li}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified the <b>number of neutrons</b>.</p> <p>The <b>number of neutrons</b> should be four (A - Z).</p> <p>A = nucleon number = number of neutrons + number of protons Z = proton number = number of protons</p>
D	✓	${}^A_Z\text{Li}$ <p>A = number of neutrons and protons Z = number of protons Number of neutrons = A - Z = 7 - 3 = 4</p>	

### Question 3

A	✗	${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_X\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + Y$ ${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_7\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + \nu_e$ <p>X = 7 Y = <math>\nu_e</math></p>	<p>You have correctly identified X by underlining the <b>numbers (Z)</b> and <b>nucleon numbers (A)</b>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified Y as the <b>neutrino</b>. An antineutrino is needed because <b>lepton number</b> is <b>conserved</b>; the neutrino has a lepton number of +1.</p>
B	✓	${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_X\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + \bar{\nu}_e$ ${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_7\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + \bar{\nu}_e$ <p>Y = <math>\bar{\nu}_e</math></p>	
C	✗	${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_X\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + Y$ ${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_8\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + \nu_e$ <p>X = 8 Y = <math>\nu_e</math></p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not equated the proton numbers (Z)</b> on either side of the equation. The <b>proton numbers</b> are <b>not conserved</b>.</p> <p>Additionally, you have identified Y as the <b>neutrino</b>. An antineutrino is needed because <b>lepton number</b> are <b>conserved</b>; the neutrino has a lepton number of +1.</p>
D	✗	${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_X\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + Y$ ${}^{14}_6\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{14}_8\text{N} + {}^0_{-1}e + \bar{\nu}_e$ <p>X = 8 Y = <math>\bar{\nu}_e</math></p>	<p>You have correctly identified Y as the <b>antineutrino</b>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified the <b>proton numbers (Z)</b> and <b>nucleon numbers (A)</b>.</p>

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### Question 4

A	✗	X = Incorrect Y = Correct	You have correctly identified Y. <b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified X as the antiparticle of the electron. The electron is the positron.
B	✗	X = Correct Y = Incorrect	You have correctly identified X. <b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified Y as $+e$ . The charge of a proton is $+e$ therefore its antiparticle has a charge of $-e$ .
C	✗	X = Incorrect Y = Incorrect	<b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified X as the antiparticle of the electron. The electron is the positron. Additionally, you have incorrectly identified Y as $+e$ . The charge of a proton is $+e$ therefore its antiparticle has an opposite charge of $-e$ .
D	✓	X = Correct Y = Correct	

### Question 5

A	✓	$E = (6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (2.1 \times 10^{14})$ $E = 1.4 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$	
B	✗	$E = \frac{2.1 \times 10^{14}}{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}$ $E = 3.2 \times 10^{47} \text{ J}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have divided by $h$ instead of multiplied by $h$ .  The correct relationship between $E$ and $f$ is $E = hf$ .
C	✗	$E = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}{2.1 \times 10^{14}}$ $E = 3.2 \times 10^{-48} \text{ J}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have divided by $f$ instead of multiplied by $f$ .  The correct relationship between $E$ and $f$ is $E = hf$ .
D	✗	$E = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 2.1 \times 10^{14}$ $E = 3.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ J}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly used the value for the constant $h$ . The value for $h$ is $6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ .

### Question 6

A	✗	Weak interaction is a fundamental interaction.
B	✗	Strong interaction is a fundamental interaction.
C	✓	Radioactive is <b>not</b> a fundamental interaction.
D	✗	Electromagnetic interaction is a fundamental interaction.

### Question 7

A	✗	True
B	✗	True
C	✓	False <b>Baryons</b> are made up of <b>three quarks</b> but <b>mesons</b> are made up of a quark and an antiquark. Therefore the statement is false.
D	✗	True

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Question 8

A	✓	$E_{k \max} = hf - \phi$ $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $E_{k \max} = (6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (2.8 \times 10^{15})$ $- (4.3 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})$ $E_{k \max} = 1.2 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$	
B	✗	$E_{k \max} = hf - \phi$ $E_{k \max} = (6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (2.8 \times 10^{15}) - 4.3$ $E_{k \max} = -4.3 \text{ J}$	<p>You have correctly calculated <math>E_{k \max}</math>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have subtracted the work function (<math>\phi</math>) from the energy of the photon. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the work function by the number of electrons.</p>
C	✗	$E_{k \max} = hf + \phi$ $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $E_{k \max} = (6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (2.8 \times 10^{15})$ $+ (4.3 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})$ $E_{k \max} = 2.5 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have added the work function to the energy of the photon. You should have <b>subtracted</b> it.</p> <p>The maximum possible kinetic energy of the photoelectrons is in fact the energy of the photon (<math>hf</math>) minus the work function (<math>E_{k \max} = hf - \phi</math>).</p>
D	✗	$E_{k \max} = hf + \phi$ $E_{k \max} = (6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (2.8 \times 10^{15}) + 4.3$ $E_{k \max} = 4.3 \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have added the work function to the energy of the photon. You should have <b>subtracted</b> it.</p> <p>Additionally, you have not converted the work function (<math>\phi</math>) to the energy of the photon. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the work function by the number of electrons.</p> <p>The maximum possible kinetic energy of the photoelectrons is in fact the energy of the photon (<math>hf</math>) minus the work function (<math>E_{k \max} = hf - \phi</math>).</p>

Question 9

A	✗	$hf = E_1 - E_2$ $f = \frac{E_1 - E_2}{h}$ $f = \frac{(-0.9) - (-1.5)}{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}$ $f = 9.05 \times 10^{32} \text{ Hz}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have subtracted the energy values from eV into joules. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the energy values by the number of electrons.</p> <p>This needs to be done in joules.</p>
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B	✓	$hf = E_1 - E_2$ $f = \frac{E_1 - E_2}{h}$ $1 \text{ eV} = (1.6 \times 10^{-19})$ $f = \frac{(-0.9 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}) - (-1.5 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})}{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}$ $f = \frac{(-0.9 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}) + (1.5 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})}{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}$ $f = 1.45 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$	
C	✗	$hf = E_1 - E_2$ $f = \frac{E_1 - E_2}{h}$ $1 \text{ eV} = (1.6 \times 10^{-19})$ $f = \frac{(-0.9 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}) - (-1.5 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})}{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}$ $f = \frac{(-0.9 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}) - (1.5 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19})}{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}$ $= -5.79 \times 10^{14}$ $f = 5.79 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$	<p>Mistake: You have equate to a positive value.</p>
D	✗	$E = 45 \text{ eV}$ $\frac{45}{1.6 \times 10^{19}}$ $= 2.8 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$	<p>Mistake: You have eV and J. You have <math>e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}</math> which is by the constant.</p> <p>Additionally have value <math>1.6 \times 10^{19}</math> for value is <math>1.6 \times 10^{-19}</math></p>
Question 10			
A	✓	<p>Up and Charm both have charge <math>+\frac{2}{3}</math> and Down and Strange</p> <p>Since all four are quarks, then all quarks cannot have the same charge.</p> <p>The charge of their antiparticles will be equal in magnitude but opposite in sign.</p> <p>Anti-up, Anti-charm, Anti-down and Anti-strange will have charges of <math>-\frac{2}{3}</math>, <math>-\frac{2}{3}</math>, <math>+\frac{1}{3}</math> and <math>+\frac{1}{3}</math> respectively.</p> <p>Therefore all antiquarks also cannot have the same value for charge.</p>	
B	✗	True	
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	

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### Question 11

A	✗	Not true	Isotopes are two or more of the same element with the same number of protons but different number of neutrons.
B	✓	True	
C	✗	Not true	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have said that <math>^3\text{H}</math> and <math>^4\text{He}</math> are isotopes. Isotopes are two or more of the same <b>element</b> with the same number of protons but different number of neutrons.</p>
D	✗	Not true	<p>You have correctly said that isotopes have the same atomic number.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have said that isotopes also have different atomic numbers. Isotopes have a different number of neutrons therefore they must have different mass numbers.</p>

### Question 12

A	✗	$E = hf$ $f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$ $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$ $100 \times 10^9 \text{ eV}$ $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $\lambda = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (3 \times 10^8)}{100 \times 10^9}$ $\lambda = 1.99 \times 10^{-36} \text{ m}$	<p>You have correctly said that <math>E = hf</math>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have said that <math>100 \times 10^9 \text{ eV}</math> is equal to <math>100 \text{ J}</math>. You need to multiply by <math>e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV}</math>.</p>
B	✗	$E = hf$ $f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$ $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$ $\lambda = \frac{hc}{E}$ $100 \times 10^9 \text{ eV}$ $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $\lambda = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (3 \times 10^8)}{100 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$ $\lambda = 1.24 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$	<p>You have correctly said that <math>E = hf</math>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have said that <math>100 \times 10^9 \text{ eV}</math> is equal to <math>100 \text{ J}</math>. You need to multiply by <math>e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/eV}</math>.</p>

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C	✓	$E = hf$ $f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$ $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$ $\lambda = \frac{hc}{E}$ $\text{GeV} = \times 10^9 \text{ eV}$ $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $\lambda = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (3 \times 10^8)}{(100 \times 10^9) \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19})}$ $\lambda = 1.24 \times 10^{-17} \text{ m}$	
D	✗	$E = hf$ $f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$ $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$ $\lambda = \frac{Ec}{h}$ $\text{GeV} = \times 10^9 \text{ eV}$ $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $\lambda = \frac{(100 \times 10^9) \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19}) \times (3 \times 10^8)}{(6.63 \times 10^{-34})}$ $\lambda = 7.24 \times 10^{33} \text{ m}$	<p>You have correctly from eV to J.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have speed of light <math>c</math> w speed of light <math>c</math> by</p> <p>The relationship be</p>

## Question 13

A	✗	False	<b>Mistake:</b> You have identified the <b>threshold frequency</b> required to <b>induce electron emission</b> (the <b>minimum frequency to induce electron emission</b> ).
B	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified time as a factor in emission.</p> <p><b>Only intensity of the radiation</b> affects the rate</p>
C	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have indicated that <b>light of frequency</b> can <b>increase the number of emitted electrons</b>.</p> <p>Any frequency below the threshold frequency will not emit any electrons.</p>
D	✓	True	

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### Question 14

A	x	$\mu^- \rightarrow X + \bar{\nu}_e + Y$ $\mu^- \rightarrow e^+ + \bar{\nu}_e + \nu_\mu$ $X = e^+$ $Y = \nu_\mu$	<p>You have correctly identified Y.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>incorrectly identified X</b> as <b>charge is conserved</b> during the decay:</p> <p><math>-1 \rightarrow +1 + 0 + 0</math></p> <p>The charge is <math>-1</math> before and <math>+1</math> after which breaks conservation of charge.</p>
B	x	$\mu^- \rightarrow X + \bar{\nu}_e + Y$ $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- + \bar{\nu}_e + \nu_\mu$ $X = e^-$ $Y = \bar{\nu}_\mu$	<p>You have correctly identified X.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>incorrectly identified Y</b> as <b>ensured that the lepton number is conserved</b>:</p> <p><math>+1 \rightarrow -1 -1 -1</math></p> <p>The lepton number is <math>+1</math> before and <math>-3</math> after which breaks conservation of lepton number.</p>
C	✓	$\mu^- \rightarrow X + \bar{\nu}_e + Y$ $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- + \bar{\nu}_e + \nu_\mu$ $X = e^-$ $Y = \nu_\mu$	
D	x	$\mu^- \rightarrow X + \bar{\nu}_e + Y$ $\mu^- \rightarrow e^+ + \bar{\nu}_e + \nu_\mu$ $X = e^+$ $Y = \bar{\nu}_\mu$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>incorrectly identified X</b> as <b>charge is conserved</b> during the decay:</p> <p><math>-1 \rightarrow +1 + 0 + 0</math></p> <p>The charge is <math>-1</math> before and <math>+1</math> after which breaks conservation of charge.</p> <p>Additionally, you have <b>incorrectly identified Y</b> as <b>ensured that the lepton number is conserved</b>:</p> <p><math>+1 \rightarrow -1 -1 -1</math></p> <p>The lepton number is <math>+1</math> before and <math>-3</math> after which breaks conservation of lepton number.</p>

### Question 15

A	✓	<p>total energy before = total energy after</p> <p>total energy of electron + positron</p> <p>= total energy of 2 photons</p> <p><math>2E_o = 2hf_{\min}</math></p> <p>Energy of one photon:</p> <p><math>hf_{\min} = E_o</math></p>	
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B	x	<p>total energy before = total energy after</p> <p>total energy of electron + positron =</p> <p>= total energy of 2 photons</p> $2E_o = 2hf_{\min}$ <p><b>Energy of photons :</b></p> $2hf_{\min} = 2E_o$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have determined the <b>energy of both of the photons</b> created in the annihilation process. The question <b>only asks for the energy of one photon</b>, therefore you need to divide the total energy by 2.</p> <p>The total energy before annihilation is <math>2E_o</math>. The energy difference between each photon pair is <math>E_o</math>.</p> <p>The energy of one photon is <math>E_o</math>.</p>
C	x	<p>total energy before = total energy after</p> <p>total energy of electron + positron =</p> <p>= total energy of 2 photons</p> $E_o = hf_{\min}$ <p>Energy of one photon:</p> $\frac{1}{2}hf_{\min} = \frac{1}{2}E_o$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified the <b>combined energy</b> of an electron and its antiparticle, the positron. The <b>combined energy</b> will be <math>2E_o</math>.</p> <p>Additionally, you have incorrectly identified the <b>combined energy</b> of two photons. Each photon has energy <math>hf_{\min}</math>. The <b>combined energy</b> will be <math>2hf_{\min}</math>.</p>
D	x	<p>total energy before = total energy after</p> <p>total energy of electron + positron =</p> <p>= total energy of photon</p> $2E_o = hf_{\min}$ <p>Energy of 2 photons:</p> $2hf_{\min} = 4E_o$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified the <b>energy before</b> the annihilation process. The <b>energy before</b> is <b>split equally</b> between the two photons created.</p> <p>Additionally, you have incorrectly identified the <b>energy of the photons</b> created in the annihilation process. The question <b>only asks for the energy of one photon</b> and therefore you need to divide the energy by 2.</p>

### Question 16

A	x
B	✓
C	x
D	x

### Question 17

A	x	<p>You have correctly identified X.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>incorrectly identified Y as <math>e^+</math></b> and in turn <b>charge is conserved</b> during the decay:</p> $0 \rightarrow +1 +1 +0$ <p>The charge before is 0 and the charge after is +2, which <b>breaks</b> charge conservation.</p>
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B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified X as <math>\bar{\nu}_{\mu}</math> and in turn baryon number is conserved:</p> $+1 \rightarrow 0 + 0 + 0$ <p>The baryon number before is +1 but after is 0 which <b>breaks conservation</b></p>
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified Y as <math>e^{+}</math> and in turn charge is not conserved during the decay:</p> $0 \rightarrow 0 + 1 + (-1)$ <p>You have also <b>incorrectly identified X</b> as <math>\nu_{\mu}</math> not ensuring conservation of baryon number (see question B).</p> <p>The charge before is 0 and after is +1, which <b>breaks conservation</b></p>

### Question 18

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not true	<p>An <b>ion</b> by definition is an atom or molecule that has a net electric charge. Therefore it must have lost or gained electrons and protons.</p>

### Question 19

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not true	<p><b>Strong nuclear force</b> acts between two neutrons, two protons and a neutron and a proton.</p>
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	

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## Question 20

A	✗	$E = \frac{f}{h}$ $E = \frac{c}{h\lambda}$ $\lambda = \frac{c}{hE}$ $\lambda = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{(6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (1.8 \times 10^{-19})}$ $\lambda = 2.5 \times 10^{60} \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> frequency by Planck's constant when you should have <b>multiplied f</b> by Planck's constant.</p> <p>The correct relationship between energy and wavelength is <math>E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}</math>.</p>
B	✗	$E = hf$ $E = h \frac{\lambda}{c}$ $\lambda = \frac{Ec}{h}$ $\lambda = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-19} \times 3 \times 10^8}{(6.63 \times 10^{-34})}$ $\lambda = 8.2 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> wavelength by Planck's constant when you should have <b>divided</b> Planck's constant by wavelength.</p> <p>The correct relationship between energy and wavelength is <math>E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}</math>.</p>
C	✓	$\lambda = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34}) \times (3 \times 10^8)}{(1.8 \times 10^{-19})}$ $\lambda = 1.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$	
D	✗	$E = \frac{h}{\lambda c}$ $\lambda = \frac{h}{Ec}$ $\lambda = \frac{(6.63 \times 10^{-34})}{(1.8 \times 10^{-19}) \times (3 \times 10^8)}$ $\lambda = 1.2 \times 10^{-23} \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> the Planck's constant by wavelength when you should have <b>multiplied f</b> by Planck's constant.</p> <p>The correct relationship between energy and wavelength is <math>E = hf</math>.</p> <p>Additionally, you have <b>multiplied</b> wavelength <math>\lambda</math> when you should have <b>divided</b> Planck's constant <math>h</math> by <math>\lambda</math>.</p> <p>The correct relationship between energy and wavelength is <math>E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}</math>.</p>

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## Topic 3: Waves

### Question 1

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	Phase difference is a measured in angles, and therefore can be in degrees.
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	Amplitude is half the distance between a crest and a corresponding trough.
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	The equation relating frequency and the period: $f = \frac{1}{T}$ Therefore if frequency is increased the period of the wave decreases.
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	

### Question 2

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sound is a longitudinal wave.
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

### Question 3

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$v = f\lambda$ $v = 5.6 \times 0.8$ $v = 4.48 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the value for wavelength. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the value for wavelength by 100 to convert it to m. Your answer is in fact in $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ .
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$v = f\lambda$ $v = 5.6 \times 0.8 \times 10^{-2}$ $v = 0.0448 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$f = \frac{v}{\lambda}$ $v = \frac{5.6}{0.8}$ $v = 7.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> frequency <b>f</b> by wavelength <b>λ</b> . You should have <b>multiplied</b> the two values together. The correct relationship is $v = f\lambda$ . Additionally, you have <b>not converted</b> the value for wavelength. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the value for wavelength by 100 to convert it to m. Your answer is in fact in $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ .
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	$v = \frac{\lambda}{f}$ $v = \frac{0.8 \times 10^{-2}}{5.6}$ $v = 0.0010 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	You have correctly converted from cm to m. <b>Mistake:</b> You have divided wavelength <b>λ</b> by frequency <b>f</b> . You should have <b>multiplied</b> the two values together. The correct relationship is $v = f\lambda$ .

### Question 4

A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	False	Two polarising filters at <b>right angles</b> to each other would <b>block</b> both planes and therefore let through <b>no light</b> at all.
D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	True	

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Question 5

A	✗	$\lambda = \frac{1}{2}L$ $\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \times 1.2$ $\lambda = 0.6 \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used the first harmonic of a string fixed at both ends. The ends will represent nodes. You have then determined the wavelength of the wave will therefore be half the length of the string, <math>\frac{1}{2}L</math>.</p> <p>The first harmonic of a string fixed at both ends will have a node at each end and therefore the wavelength will be twice the length of the string.</p>
B	✓	$\lambda = 2L$ $\lambda = 2 \times 1.2$ $\lambda = 2.4 \text{ m}$	
C	✗	$\lambda = L$ $\lambda = 1.2 \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used the first harmonic of a string fixed at both ends. The ends will represent nodes. You have then determined the wavelength of the wave will therefore be half the length of the string, <math>L</math>.</p> <p>The first harmonic of a string fixed at both ends will have a node at each end and therefore the wavelength will be twice the length of the string.</p>
D	✗	$\lambda = 4L$ $\lambda = 4 \times 1.2$ $\lambda = 4.8 \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used the first harmonic of a string fixed at both ends. The ends will represent nodes. You have then determined the wavelength of the wave will therefore be half the length of the string, <math>L</math>.</p> <p>The first harmonic of a string fixed at both ends will have a node at each end and therefore the wavelength will be twice the length of the string.</p>

Question 6

A	✗	$f = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$ $f = \frac{1}{2 \times 0.5} \sqrt{\frac{0.01}{0.01}}$ $f = 10 \text{ Hz}$	<p>You have used the wrong frequency.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used the <math>\frac{T}{\mu}</math> term in the formula.</p>
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B	✓	$f = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$ $f = \frac{1}{2 \times 53 \times 10^{-2}} \times \sqrt{\frac{0.2}{0.01}}$ $f = 4.2 \text{ Hz}$	
C	✗	$f = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$ $f = \frac{1}{2 \times 53} \times \sqrt{\frac{0.2}{0.01}}$ $f = 0.04 \text{ Hz}$	<p>You have used the wrong frequency.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used length <b>from cm</b> instead of <b>m</b> value for length.</p> <p>You need to double the frequency to have the correct value.</p>
D	✗	$f = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{T}}$ $f = \frac{1}{2 \times 53 \times 10^{-2}} \times \sqrt{\frac{0.01}{0.2}}$ $f = 0.2 \text{ Hz}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used length <b>μ</b> by period <b>T</b> instead of <b>divided</b> the period by length <b>μ</b>.</p> <p>The correct equation is:</p> $f = \frac{1}{2l} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$

### Question 7


A	✗	True	
B	✗	True	
C	✓		<p>The <b>refractive index</b> of a substance is a property of the material.</p> <p>Therefore the <b>angle of incidence</b> has no <b>effect</b> on the <b>refractive index</b>.</p>
D	✗	True	

### Question 8

A	✗	$i + r = 90^\circ$ $r = 90^\circ - 37^\circ$ $r = 53^\circ$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified the angle of incidence <math>i</math> and <math>r</math> is that they add to <math>90^\circ</math>. You should have used the refractive indices to determine the angle of refraction.</p> <p><math>n_1 \sin i = n_2 \sin r</math></p>
B	✗	$i = r$ $r = 37^\circ$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified the angle of incidence <math>i</math> and <math>r</math> is that they are equal to the angle of incidence. You should have used the refractive indices to determine the angle of refraction.</p> <p><math>n_1 \sin i = n_2 \sin r</math></p>

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C	✓	$n_1 \sin i = n_2 \sin r$ $\sin r = \frac{n_1 \sin i}{n_2}$ $\sin r = \frac{1 \times \sin 37}{2.41}$ $\sin r = 0.249$ $r = 14.5^\circ$	
D	✗	 $n_1 \sin i = n_2 \sin r$ $\sin r = \frac{n_1 \sin i}{n_2}$ $\sin r = \frac{1 \times \sin 37}{2.41}$ $\sin r = 0.249$ $r = 14.5^\circ$ $90^\circ - 14.5^\circ$ $= 75.5^\circ$	<p>You have used the correct refractive indices for incidence and the angle of refraction.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have obtained the angle of refraction, <math>14.5^\circ</math>, but then have subtracted it from <math>90^\circ</math> when you didn't need to.</p>


### Question 9

A	✓	False	<p>If <math>i &gt;</math> critical angle <b>and</b> the incident substance has a larger refractive index <b>other</b>, then total internal reflection will occur.</p> <p>Both conditions need to hold in order for total internal reflection to occur. The incident angle <math>i</math> must be greater than the critical angle <math>c</math> and the incident substance must have a higher refractive index than the substance it is reflecting off.</p>
B	✗	True	
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	

### Question 10

A	✗	False	Core cladding needs to be of a <b>lower</b> refractive index than the core for total internal reflection.
B	✓	True	Narrow cores ensure light can enter at a smaller range of angles and still be totally internally reflected at the same velocity.
C	✗	False	Modal dispersion is the pulse dispersion caused by monochromatic light travelling through the core at <b>different angles and directions</b> .
D	✗	False	Light always travels at the <b>same speed</b> within a medium.

### Question 11

A	✓	 $n\lambda = d \sin \theta$ $\lambda = \frac{d \sin \theta}{n}$ $\lambda = \frac{(3.0 \times 10^{-6}) \times \sin 60}{4}$ $\lambda = 6.65 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$	
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B		$\lambda = \frac{n}{d \sin \theta}$ $\lambda = \frac{4}{(3.07 \times 10^{-6}) \times \sin 60}$ $\lambda = 1.50 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> have <b>divided</b> $d \sin \theta$ by $n$ .
C	✗	$n\lambda = d \sin \theta$ $\lambda = \frac{d \sin \theta}{n}$ $\lambda = \frac{(3.07 \times 10^{-6}) \times \sin 60}{4}$ $\lambda = 0.66 \text{ m}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> separation from $\mu\text{m}$ to $\text{m}$ . $3.07 \mu\text{m}$ by $10^{-6}$ to convert
D	✗	$\lambda = \frac{n}{d \sin \theta}$ $\lambda = \frac{4}{(3.07) \times \sin 60}$ $\lambda = 1.50 \text{ m}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> have <b>divided</b> $d \sin \theta$ by $n$ . Additionally, you have <b>no</b> diffraction separation from <b>multiplied</b> $3.07 \mu\text{m}$ by $10^{-6}$

### Question 12

A	✓	$s = \frac{\lambda D}{w}$ $s = \frac{(720 \times 10^{-9}) \times 2.2}{(20 \times 10^{-2})}$ $s = 7.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$	
B	✗	$s = \frac{\lambda L}{w}$ $s = \frac{(720 \times 10^{-9}) \times 2.2}{(20)}$ $s = 7.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> spacing $w$ from $\text{cm}$ to $\text{m}$ . You have used the value for fringe spacing, $20$ ,
C	✗	$s = \frac{w}{\lambda D}$ $s = \frac{20 \times 10^{-2}}{(720 \times 10^{-9}) \times 2.2}$ $s = 1.26 \times 10^5 \text{ m}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> have divided $\lambda D$ by $w$ . The correct relationship for
D	✗	$s = \frac{w}{\lambda D}$ $s = \frac{20}{(720 \times 10^{-9}) \times 2.2}$ $s = 20 \times 10^7 \text{ m}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> have divided $\lambda D$ by $w$ . The correct relationship for Additionally, you have <b>no</b> spacing $w$ from $\text{cm}$ to $\text{m}$ . You have used the value for fringe spacing, $20$ ,


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### Question 13

A	✗	True	
B	✓	False	Dark fringes are formed from the interference of light rays one another.
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	

### Question 14

A	✗		<b>Refraction</b> refers to the change in a wave's speed and wavelength at a boundary.
B	✗	False	<b>Reflection</b> is the effect of the angle of incidence being equal to the angle of reflection on a surface of the boundary.
C	✓	True	
D	✗	False	The <b>longer</b> the wavelength of the wave the more it will diffract.

### Question 15

A	✗	$\text{phase difference} = \frac{d}{\lambda}$ $\text{phase difference} = \frac{(42 \times 10^{-2})}{0.96}$ $\text{phase difference} = 0.44 \text{ radians}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have not included $2\pi$ in the equation to ensure the answer is in radians. The correct equation is $\frac{2\pi d}{\lambda}$
B	✗	$\text{phase difference} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d}$ $\text{phase difference} = \frac{0.96}{2\pi \times (42 \times 10^{-2})}$ $\text{phase difference} = 0.36 \text{ radians}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have divided $\lambda$ by $2\pi$ . You should have divided $2\pi d$ by $\lambda$ . The correct equation for phase difference is $\frac{2\pi d}{\lambda}$
C	✗	$\text{phase difference} = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda}$ $\text{phase difference} = \frac{2\pi \times (42)}{0.96}$ $\text{phase difference} = 270 \text{ radians}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have not converted from cm to m. You should convert 42 cm to 0.42 m in order to obtain the answer.
D	✓	$\text{phase difference} = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda}$ $\text{phase difference} = \frac{2\pi \times (42 \times 10^{-2})}{0.96}$ $\text{phase difference} = 2.7 \text{ radians}$	



### Question 16

A	✗		
B	✓		The amplitude is half the distance from a crest to the next trough.
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	


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### Question 17

A	✓	$f_2 = \frac{c}{\lambda_2}$ $f_2 = \frac{c}{L}$ $f_1 = \frac{c}{2L}$ $f_2 = 2f_1$	
B	✗	 $f_2 = \frac{c}{2L}$ $f_1 = \frac{c}{2L}$ $f_2 = f_1$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the relationship between wavelength of the second harmonic is $\lambda_2 = 2L$ . The correct wavelength for the second harmonic is $\lambda_2 = L$ .
C	✗	$f_2 = \frac{c}{\lambda_2}$ $f_2 = \frac{c}{4L}$ $f_1 = \frac{c}{2L}$ $f_2 = \frac{1}{2}f_1$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the relationship between wavelength of the second harmonic is $\lambda_2 = 4L$ . The correct wavelength for the second harmonic is $\lambda_2 = 2L$ .
D	✗	 $f_2 = \frac{c}{\lambda_2}$ $f_2 = \frac{2}{L}c$ $f_1 = \frac{c}{2L}$ $f_2 = 4f_1$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the relationship between wavelength of the second harmonic is $\lambda_2 = \frac{L}{2}$ . The correct wavelength for the second harmonic is $\lambda_2 = L$ .


### Question 18

A	✗	$n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$ $n = \frac{\sin 23}{\sin 37}$ $n = 0.65$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have substituted the numerical values for refraction the wrong way round: $i = 23^\circ$ instead of $i = 37^\circ$ and $r = 37^\circ$ instead of $r = 23^\circ$
B	✓	 $n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$ $n = \frac{\sin 37}{\sin 23}$ $n = 1.5$	

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C	$\times$	$n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$ $n = \frac{\sin 23}{\sin 37}$ $n = 1.3$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>substituted</b> the <b>numerical values</b> for angle of <b>refraction</b> the <b>wrong way round</b> : $i = 23^\circ$ instead of $i = 37^\circ$ and $r = 37^\circ$ instead of $r = 23^\circ$ Additionally, you have completed the calculation on your <b>setting</b> instead of the <b>degrees setting</b> .
D	$\times$	 $n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r}$ $n = \frac{\sin 37}{\sin 23}$ $n = 0.76$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have completed the calculation on your <b>setting</b> instead of the <b>degrees setting</b> .

### Question 19

A	$\times$	True	
B	$\times$	True	
C	$\times$	True	
D	$\checkmark$	False	Laser beam light can permanently damage your retina <b>light has first been reflected</b> .

### Question 20

A	$\times$	$f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{1}$ $f = 1 \text{ Hz}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the value to <b>seconds</b> . You need <b>multiply</b> the value by 60.
B	$\checkmark$	 $f = \frac{1}{T}$ 1 minute = 60 seconds $f = \frac{1}{1 \times 60}$ $f = 0.02 \text{ Hz}$	
C	$\times$	$f = 1 \times T$ 1 minute = 60 seconds $f = 1 \times (1 \times 60)$ $f = 60 \text{ Hz}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>multiplied</b> 1 by the period. You need to <b>divide</b> 1 by the period.  The correct relationship is $f = \frac{1}{T}$ .
D	$\times$	$f = \frac{1}{T}$ 1 minute = 100 seconds  $f = \frac{1}{100} \times 100$ $f = 0.01 \text{ Hz}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>multiplied by 100</b> to convert to seconds when you should have <b>multiplied by 60</b> .

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## Topic 4: Mechanics and Materials

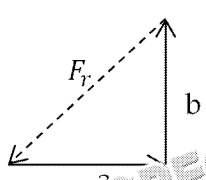
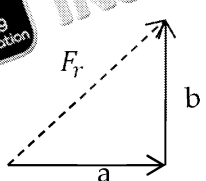
### Question 1

A	✗	Scalar
B	✗	Scalar
C	✓	Vector
D	✗	Scalar

### Question 2

A	✓	
B	✗	True
C	✗	True
D	✗	True

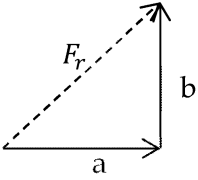
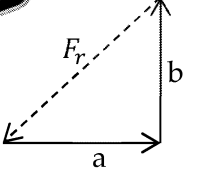
### Question 3

A	✗	$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ $F_r = \sqrt{(40)^2 + (25)^2}$ $F_r = 47.2 \text{ N}$ 	<p>You used have determined the resultant vector <math>F_r</math> from the two perpendicular vectors <math>a</math> and <math>b</math>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have determined the resultant vector <math>F_r</math> from finish to start. It should always be from start to finish.</p>
B	✗	 $a^2 + c^2 = b^2$ $F_r = \sqrt{b^2 - a^2}$ $F_r = \sqrt{(40)^2 - (25)^2}$ $F_r = 31.2 \text{ N}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have determined the resultant vector <math>F_r</math> from the two perpendicular vectors <math>a</math> and <math>b</math> using Pythagoras's theorem. The correct relation is <math>a^2 + b^2 = c^2</math>.</p> <p>You have stated one of the small sides of the triangle as the hypotenuse. The hypotenuse is the longest side of the triangle. The other small side is the side opposite the angle of interest.</p> <p><b>The correct relation is:</b>  <math>a^2 + b^2 = c^2</math></p> <p>The sum of the squares of the two small sides is equal to the square of the hypotenuse.</p> <p>Therefore:  <math>F_r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}</math></p>

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C	✓	 $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ $F_r = \sqrt{(40)^2 + (25)^2}$	
D	✗	 $a^2 + c^2 = b^2$ $F_r = \sqrt{(40)^2 - (25)^2}$ $F_r = 31.2 \text{ N}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used Pythagoras's theorem incorrectly for the vector <math>F_r</math>.</p> <p>You have stated one of the small sides as the hypotenuse. The other small side is the hypotenuse.</p> $a^2 + c^2 = b^2$ <p>The correct relationship is <math>a^2 + b^2 = c^2</math> where the sum of the squares of the two small sides equals the square of the hypotenuse.</p> <p>Therefore:</p> $F_r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ <p>Additionally, you have stated the vector is directed from the top-right corner to the bottom-left corner. It should always be directed from the bottom-left corner to the top-right corner.</p>

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### Question 4

A	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not identified</b> that if an object <b>external forces acting</b> on the object. Therefore the directions must be <b>equal to each other</b> (<math>S = W</math>).</p> <p>If <math>S \leq W</math> then the coffee mug would <b>either</b> be <b>at rest</b> or <b>accelerate downwards</b> as the forces are <b>either equal or the force upwards is greater than the force downwards</b>.</p> <p>The question states the <b>mug is at rest</b> therefore <math>S = W</math>.</p>
B	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not identified</b> that if an object <b>external forces acting</b> on the object. Therefore the directions must be <b>equal to each other</b> (<math>S = W</math>).</p> <p>If <math>S &gt; W</math> then the coffee mug would be <b>accelerating upwards</b> as the <b>force upwards is greater than the force downwards</b>.</p> <p>The question states the <b>mug is at rest</b> therefore <math>S = W</math>.</p>
C	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not identified</b> that if an object <b>external forces acting</b> on the object. Therefore the directions must be <b>equal to each other</b> (<math>S = W</math>).</p> <p>If <math>S &lt; W</math> then the coffee mug would be <b>accelerating downwards</b> as the <b>force downwards is greater than the force upwards</b>.</p> <p>The question states the <b>mug is at rest</b> therefore <math>S = W</math>.</p>
D	✓	True	

### Question 5


A	✗	<p>moment = <math>F \times d</math></p> <p>moment = <math>140 \times 39</math></p> <p>moment = <math>5.46 \times 10^3</math> Nm</p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the distance to metres. You have used 39 instead of 0.39.</p>
B	✓	<p>moment = <math>F \times d</math></p> <p><math>1 \text{ mm} = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}</math></p> <p>moment = <math>140 \times (390 \times 10^{-3})</math></p> <p>moment = 54.6 Nm</p>	
C	✗	<p>moment = <math>\frac{F}{d}</math></p> <p><math>1 \text{ mm} = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}</math></p> <p>moment = <math>\frac{140}{(390 \times 10^{-3})}</math></p> <p>moment = 359.0 Nm</p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not used the correct formula</b> for moment. You have used <math>\text{moment} = \frac{F}{d}</math> instead of <math>\text{moment} = F \times d</math>.</p>

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D	x	$\text{moment} = \frac{\mathbf{F}}{\mathbf{d}}$ $\text{moment} = \frac{140}{39}$ $\text{moment} = 3.59 \text{ Nm}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> force <b>F</b> by distance <b>d</b> when you should have <b>multiplied</b> the force <b>F</b> by distance <b>d</b></p> <p>The</p> <p>mon</p> <p>Add</p> <p>conv</p> <p>from</p> <p>mul</p> <p>390</p>
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### Question 6

A	x	 <p>False</p>	The principle of moments states that the <b>sum of the clockwise moments</b> to the <b>sum of the anticlockwise moments</b> .
B	x	False	The principle of moments states that the <b>sum of the clockwise moments</b> to the <b>sum of the anticlockwise moments</b> .
C	✓	True	
D	x	False	The principle of moments states that the <b>sum of the clockwise moments</b> to the <b>sum of the anticlockwise moments</b> .

### Question 7

A	x	 <p>False</p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>incorrectly</b> identified the correct condition for equilibrium:</p> <p>Upwards Force = Downwards Force</p> $S = W_1 + W_2 + W_0$
B	x	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>incorrectly</b> identified the relationship between the <b>sum of clockwise moments</b> to be '<b>Sum of clockwise moments = - Sum of anticlockwise moments</b>'.</p> <p>The principle should be '<b>Sum of clockwise moments = Sum of anticlockwise moments</b>'.</p> <p>Therefore the correct relationship is:</p> $W_1 d_1 = W_2 d_2$

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C	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used an <b>incorrect equation</b> for the principle of moments. You have used <math>W_1 d_2 = W_2 d_1</math> when you should have used <math>W_1 d_1 = W_2 d_2</math>.</p> <p>The correct relationship is therefore:</p> $W_1 = \frac{W_2 d_2}{d_1}$
D	✓	True	
Question 8			
A	✗	True	
B	✗	True	
C	✗	True	
D	✓	False	The <b>displacement</b> can be determined by the area under the graph.
Question 9			
A	✗	$a = \frac{v+u}{t}$ <p>1 minute = 60 seconds</p> $a = \frac{4.9 + 2.1}{(5 \times 60)}$ $a = 0.02 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>added</b> the initial velocity <b>u</b> when you should have <b>subtracted u</b> from the final velocity <b>v</b>.</p>
B	✗	$a = \frac{v-u}{t}$ $a = \frac{4.9 - 2.1}{(5)}$ $a = 0.56 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted minutes to seconds</b>. You should have converted the time, in minutes, by 60.</p>
C	✓	$a = \frac{v-u}{t}$ $a = \frac{4.9 - 2.1}{(5 \times 60)}$ $a = 0.01 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	
D	✗	$a = \frac{v+u}{t}$ $a = \frac{4.9 + 2.1}{(5)}$ $a = 1.4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>added</b> the initial velocity <b>u</b> when you should have <b>subtracted u</b> from the final velocity <b>v</b>.</p> <p>Additionally you have <b>not converted minutes to seconds</b>. You should have converted the time, in minutes, by 60.</p>

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### Question 10

A	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that <b>velocity</b> and <b>acceleration</b> can be the same.</p> <p>If an object has <b>constant velocity</b> then by Newton's second law it is <b>not accelerating</b> as there is <b>no net external force</b> acting on the object.</p> <p>Therefore the velocity–time, acceleration–time and displacement–time graphs are for the same motion.</p>
B	✓	True	
C	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that an object can be <b>gaining displacement</b> and <b>accelerates at a linear rate</b>.</p> <p>If the acceleration of the object is increasing at a constant rate then the object is accelerating at an <b>exponential rate</b>.</p> <p>Therefore the velocity–time, acceleration–time and displacement–time graphs are for the same motion.</p>
D	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that an object can be <b>gaining displacement</b> and <b>velocity is increasing at a linear rate</b>.</p> <p>If an object is <b>increasing its velocity at a linear rate</b> then it will be accelerating at an <b>exponential rate</b>.</p> <p>Therefore the velocity–time, acceleration–time and displacement–time graphs are for the same motion.</p>

### Question 11

A	✗	$y = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$ $y = \frac{1}{2} \times 9.8 \times (2.2)^2$ $y = 10.8 \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not squared</b> the term <math>t^2</math>.</p> <p>Additionally, you have not included the <b>negative value</b> to account for the fact it is acting in the <b>opposite direction</b>. You should have used the value <math>-9.8</math>.</p>
B	✓	$y = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$ $y = \frac{1}{2} \times -9.8 \times (2.2)^2$ $y = -23.7 \text{ m}$	
C	✗	$y = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$ $y = \frac{1}{2} \times -9.8 \times (2.2)$ $y = -10.8 \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not squared</b> the term <math>t^2</math>.</p>
D	✗	$y = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$ $y = \frac{1}{2} \times 9.8 \times (2.2)^2$ $y = 23.7 \text{ m}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have not included the <b>numerical value</b> to account for the fact it is acting in the <b>opposite direction</b>. You should have used the value <math>-9.8</math>.</p>

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### Question 12

A	✗	True	
B	✓	False	The horizontal motion and vertical motion of a projectile are independent.
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	

### Question 13

A	✗	True	
B	✗		
C	✗		
D	✓	False	An applied force is proportional to the <b>acceleration</b> of the object.

### Question 14

A	✗	$F_d = F_{net}$ $F_d = ma$ $F_d = 65 \times 0.6$ $F_d = 39 \text{ N}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the drag force <math>F_d</math> acting on the skydiver.</p> <p>The <b>net force</b> is the <b>contribution of all</b> forces therefore will contribute to the acceleration.</p> <p>The correct relationship for net force is:</p> $F_{net} = W - F_d$ <p>The minus sign has been included to indicate the forces are acting in opposite directions.</p>
B	✗	$F_d = W$ $F_d = 65 \times 9.8$ $F_d = 640 \text{ N}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the drag force <math>F_d</math>.</p> <p>If the object is <b>accelerating</b> then the forces <b>cannot be equal to one another</b> as the object <b>accelerates</b> as a result of a <b>net force</b>.</p>
C	✓	$F_{net} = W - F_d$ $F_d = W - F_{net}$ $F_d = (mg) - (ma)$ $F_d = (65 \times 9.8) - (65 \times 0.6)$ $F_d = 600 \text{ N}$	
D	✗	$F_{net} = W + F_d$ $F_d = F_{net} - W$ $F_d = (ma)$ $F_d = (65 \times 0.6) - (65 \times 9.8)$ $F_d = -600 \text{ N}$	<p>You have correctly identified that both forces contribute to the net force.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not included</b> a minus sign to account for the <b>forces acting in opposite directions</b>.</p> <p>The correct equation for net force is:</p> $F_{net} = W - F_d$

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### Question 15

A	✓	$\text{impulse} = mv - mu$ $1\text{ g} = 10^{-3}\text{ kg}$ $\text{impulse} = (430 \times 10^{-3}) \times 29 - (430 \times 10^{-3}) \times 21$ $\text{impulse} = 3.4\text{ Ns}$	
B	✗	$\text{impulse} = mv - mu$ $\text{impulse} = (430) \times 29 - (430) \times 21$ $\text{impulse} = 3.4 \times 10^3\text{ Ns}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have mass <b>from g to kg</b> the value for mass
C	✗	$\text{impulse} = mv - mu$ $\text{impulse} = (430) \times 21 - (430) \times 29$ $\text{impulse} = -3.4 \times 10^3\text{ Ns}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have the mass <b>from g to kg</b> <b>multiplied</b> the value by <b><math>10^{-3}</math></b> .  Additionally, you have <b>values</b> for the final <b>u</b> the <b>wrong way</b> .  The correct number should be : $v = 29\text{ ms}^{-1}$ and
D	✗	$\text{impulse} = mv - mu$ $1\text{ g} = 10^{-3}\text{ kg}$ $\text{impulse} = (430 \times 10^{-3}) \times 29 - (430 \times 10^{-3}) \times 21$ $\text{impulse} = -3.4 \times 10^3\text{ Ns}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>values</b> for the final <b>u</b> the <b>wrong way</b> .  The correct number should be : $v = 29\text{ ms}^{-1}$ and

### Question 16

A	✓	$E_p(\text{at } 10\text{ m}) = E_{\text{Total}} = mgh$ $E_p = 0.5 \times 9.8 \times 10$ $E_p = 49\text{ J}$ $E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) = E_{\text{Total}} - E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})$ $E_k = 49 - 0.5 \times 9.8 \times 2$ $E_k = 39.2\text{ J}$	
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B	✗	<p><math>E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) = E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})</math></p> <p><math>E_k = mgh</math></p> <p><math>E_k = 0.5 \times 9.8 \times 2</math></p> <p><math>E_k = 9.80\text{ J}</math></p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly used the <b>conservation of energy principle</b>. You have identified that <math>E_k</math> is equal to <math>E_p</math> at all stages of motion.</p> <p>The <b>conservation of energy</b> states that <b>total energy is conserved</b> and is the same at all stages of motion.</p> <p>The correct relationship for conservation of energy is</p> $E_{\text{Total}} = E_k + E_p$ <p>Therefore the relationship of the energies at 2 m is</p> $E_{\text{Total}} = E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) + E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})$ $E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) = E_{\text{Total}} - E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})$
C	✗	<p><math>E_p(\text{at } 10\text{ m}) = mgh</math></p> <p><math>E_p = 0.5 \times 9.8 \times 10</math></p> <p><math>E_p = 49\text{ J}</math></p> <p><math>E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) = E_{\text{Total}} + E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})</math></p> <p><math>E_k = 49 + 0.5 \times 9.8 \times 2</math></p> <p><math>E_k = 58.8\text{ J}</math></p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly used the <b>conservation of energy principle</b>. You have identified that <math>E_{\text{total}}</math> and <math>E_p</math> are equal.</p> <p>The correct principle of <b>conservation of total energy is conserved</b> and is the same at all stages of motion.</p> <p>The correct relationship for conservation of energy is</p> $E_{\text{Total}} = E_k + E_p$ <p>Therefore the relationship of the energies at 2 m is</p> $E_{\text{Total}} = E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) + E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})$ $E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) = E_{\text{Total}} - E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})$
D	✗	<p><math>E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) = E_p(\text{at } 10\text{ m})</math></p> <p><math>E_k = mgh</math></p> <p><math>E_k = 0.5 \times 9.8 \times 10</math></p> <p><math>E_k = 49\text{ J}</math></p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly used the <b>conservation of energy principle</b>. You have identified that <math>E_k</math> (at 2 metres) is equal to <math>E_k</math> at any stage of motion.</p> <p>The correct principle of <b>conservation of total energy is conserved</b> and is the same at all stages of motion.</p> <p>The correct relationship for conservation of energy is</p> $E_{\text{Total}} = E_k + E_p$ <p>Therefore the relationship of the energies at 2 m is</p> $E_{\text{Total}} = E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) + E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})$ $E_k(\text{at } 2\text{ m}) = E_{\text{Total}} - E_p(\text{at } 2\text{ m})$

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### Question 17

A	✓	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ $\rho = \frac{(2m)}{V_2}$ $V' = \frac{(2m)}{\rho}$ $V' = \frac{(2m)V}{\rho}$	
B	✗	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ $V' = \frac{(m)}{\rho}$ $V' = \frac{(m)V}{2m}$ $V' = \frac{1}{2}V$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly substituted $m$ instead of $2m$ as stated in the question.
C	✗	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ $\rho = \frac{(2m)}{V}$ $V' = \frac{(2m)}{\rho}$ $V' = \frac{(2m)V}{2m}$ $V' = V$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have used an <b>incorrect substitution</b> for volume $V'$ in the fourth line. You have substituted $\rho = \frac{2m}{V}$ . You should have substituted $\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ .
D	✗	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ $\rho = \frac{(2m)}{V'}$ $V' = \frac{(2m)}{\rho}$ $V' = \frac{(2m)}{2mV}$ $V' = \frac{1}{V}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have used an <b>incorrect substitution</b> for volume $V'$ in the fourth line. You have substituted $\rho = 2mV$ . You should have substituted $\rho = \frac{m}{V}$ .

### Question 18

A	✗	False
B	✗	False
C	✓	True
D	✗	False

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### Question 19

A	✗	$E = \frac{1}{2} F \Delta L^2$ $E = \frac{1}{2} \times 56 \times (0.65 \times 10^{-2})^2$ $E = 1.18 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have included the length <math>L</math> in the equation for energy when it <b>should not</b> be included.</p> <p>The correct equation for energy stored in a spring is <math>E = \frac{1}{2} F \Delta L</math>.</p>
B	✓	$E = \frac{1}{2} F \Delta L$ $E = \frac{1}{2} \times 56 \times (0.65 \times 10^{-2})$ $E = 0.18 \text{ J}$	
C	✗	$E = \frac{1}{2} F \Delta L$ $E = \frac{1}{2} \times 56 \times (0.65)$ $E = 18.2 \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the value of <math>\Delta L</math> <b>to m</b>. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the value of <math>\Delta L</math> in centimetres, <b>by <math>10^{-2}</math></b>.</p>
D	✗	$E = \frac{1}{2} F \Delta L^2$ $E = \frac{1}{2} \times 56 \times (0.65)^2$ $E = 11.8 \text{ J}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the value of <math>\Delta L</math> <b>to m</b>. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the value of <math>\Delta L</math> in centimetres, <b>by <math>10^{-2}</math></b>.</p> <p>Additionally you have included the length <math>L</math> in the equation for energy when it <b>should not</b> be included.</p> <p>The correct equation for energy stored in a spring is <math>E = \frac{1}{2} F \Delta L</math>.</p>

### Question 20

A	✗	$f = \frac{1}{T}$ $f = \frac{1}{3}$ $f = 0.3 \text{ Hz}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the value of <math>T</math> <b>from minutes to seconds</b>. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the value of <math>T</math> in minutes, <b>by 60</b>.</p>
B	✗	$f = \frac{1}{T}$ <b>1 minute = 100 seconds</b> $f = \frac{1}{3 \times 100} = 0.003 \text{ Hz}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>multiplied</b> the period <math>T</math> <b>from minutes to seconds</b>. You should have <b>divided</b> the value of <math>T</math> in minutes, <b>by 60</b>.</p>
C	✗	<b><math>f = 1 \times T</math></b> $f = 1 \times 3 \times 60$ $f = 180 \text{ Hz}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>multiplied</b> 1 by the period <math>T</math> instead of <b>dividing</b> 1 by the period <math>T</math>.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>f = \frac{1}{T}</math>.</p>
D	✓	$f = \frac{1}{T}$ $f = \frac{1}{3 \times 60}$ $f = 0.006 \text{ Hz}$	

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## Topic 5: Electricity


### Question 1

A	✓	True	
B	✗	False	Potential difference is the <b>work done</b>
C	✗	False	The resistance of an electrical device is
D	✗	False	Charge is the <b>product of current and t</b>

### Question 2

A	✗	 $I = \frac{\Delta Q}{t}$ $\Delta Q = \frac{500}{5}$ $\Delta Q = 100 \text{ C}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> time <b>t</b> by <b>I</b> . You have <b>multiplied t</b> by <b>I</b> . The correct equation is $\Delta Q = It$ .
B	✓	$\Delta Q = It$ $\Delta Q = 500 \times 5$ $\Delta Q = 2500 \text{ C}$	
C	✗	$\Delta Q = \frac{I}{t}$ $\Delta Q = \frac{5}{500}$ $\Delta Q = 0.01 \text{ C}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> the current <b>I</b> by time <b>t</b> . You have <b>multiplied t</b> by <b>I</b> . The correct equation is $\Delta Q = It$ .
D	✗	$\Delta Q = I$ $\Delta Q = 5 \text{ C}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the current <b>I</b> is 5 A. The correct relationship is $\Delta Q = It$ .

### Question 3

A	✓	$n = \frac{\text{total } Q}{\text{charge of electron}}$ $n = \frac{24}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$ $n = 1.5 \times 10^{20}$	
B	✗	$n = \frac{\text{charge of electron}}{\text{total charge } Q}$ $n = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{24}$ $n = 6.7 \times 10^{-21}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have divided <b>charge of electron</b> by <b>total charge Q</b> . you should have divided <b>total charge</b> by <b>charge of electron</b> . The correct relationship is: $n = \frac{\text{total } Q}{\text{charge of electron}}$
C	✗	 $n = \frac{\text{total charge } Q}{\text{mass of electron}}$ $n = \frac{24}{9.11 \times 10^{-31}}$ $n = 2.6 \times 10^{31}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have divided <b>total charge Q</b> by <b>mass of electron</b> . should have divided <b>total charge</b> by <b>charge of electron</b> . The correct relationship is : $n = \frac{\text{total charge } Q}{\text{charge of electron}}$



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D		$n = \frac{\text{total } Q}{\text{charge of electron}}$	Mistake: You have used an <b>incorrect</b> $e$ . You should have used $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ .
	✗	$n = \frac{24}{1.6 \times 10^{19}}$ $n = 1.5 \times 10^{-18}$	

#### Question 4

A	✗	 $V = W \times Q$ $V = 4 \times 3$ $V = 12 \text{ V}$	<p>Mistake: You have <b>multiplied</b> <math>W</math> and <math>Q</math> when you should have divided.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>V = \frac{W}{Q}</math>.</p> <p>Additionally, you have used an <b>incorrect number</b>. You have used <b>4 J</b> when <b>40 J</b> was the value given.</p>
B	✗	$V = W \times Q$ $V = 40 \times 3$ $V = 120 \text{ V}$	<p>Mistake: You have <b>multiplied</b> <math>W</math> and <math>Q</math> when you should have divided.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>V = \frac{W}{Q}</math>.</p>
C	✗	$V = \frac{Q}{W}$ $V = \frac{3}{40}$ $V = 0.01 \text{ V}$	<p>Mistake: You have divided <math>Q</math> by <math>W</math> when you should have multiplied.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>V = \frac{W}{Q}</math>.</p>
D	✓	 $V = \frac{40}{3}$ $V = 13.3 \text{ V}$	



#### Question 5

A	✓	False	<p>A filament bulb is an example of a <b>non-ohmic conductor</b>.</p> <p>A filament bulb <b>does not</b> maintain <b>constant temperature</b> and current are <b>not directly proportional</b> to voltage.</p>
B	✗	True	
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	

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### Question 6

A	✓	$\rho = \frac{RA}{L}$ $= \frac{R4A}{2L}$ $= 2\left(\frac{RA}{L}\right)$ $= 2\rho$	
B	✗	 $\frac{RL}{A}$ $= \frac{R2L}{4A}$ $= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{RL}{A}\right)$ $= \frac{1}{2}\rho$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have multiplied by length L and divided by length L and multiplied by area A.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>\rho = \frac{RL}{A}</math>.</p>
C	✗	$\rho = \frac{RA}{L}$	<p>You have used the correct equation for resistivity.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have not included any of the information from the question in the correct equation.</p>
D	✗	 $\rho = \frac{RA}{L}$ $= \frac{R4A}{L}$ $= \left(\frac{R4}{L}\right)\rho$	<p>You have used the correct equation for resistivity.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly substituted the length L for 2L, the value for length given in the question.</p>

### Question 7

A	✗	True	
B	✗	True	
C	✗	True	
D	✓	False	Superconductivity is the property of a material in which resistance below its critical temperature will result in the material becoming a superconductor.

### Question 8

A	✗	$R_T = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$ $R_T = 16.5 + 16.5 + 16.5$ $R_T = 49.5 \Omega$ 	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have used the equation for series resistors (<math>R_T = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + \dots</math>) as the circuit is a parallel circuit.</p> $\left(\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} + \dots\right)$
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B	✓	$\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$ $\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{16.5} + \frac{1}{16.5} + \frac{1}{16.5}$ $\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{3}{16.5}$ $R_T = \frac{16.5}{3}$ $R_T = 5.5 \Omega$	
C	✗	$R_T = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$ $R_T = \frac{1}{16.5} + \frac{1}{16.5} + \frac{1}{16.5}$ $R_T = \frac{3}{16.5}$ $R_T = 0.18 \Omega$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have incorrectly identified that the <b>inverse</b> of the total resistance is <b>equal</b> to the <b>sum of the inverse resistances</b> of the three resistors. You have identified that the <b>inverse of the total resistance</b> is <b>equal</b> to the <b>sum of the inverse resistances</b> of the three resistors.</p> <p>The correct equation is:</p> $\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$
D	✗	$R_T = R_1 = R_2 = R_3$ $R_T = 16.5 \Omega$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have indicated that the total resistance <math>R_T</math> is <b>equal</b> to the value of <b>all of the individual resistors</b> in the parallel circuit.</p> <p>The correct equation is:</p> $\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$

Question 9





A	✓	True	
B	✗	False	<p>You have identified the correct direction for <math>I_3</math>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>subtracted</b> <math>I_1</math> and <math>I_2</math> to obtain the value of <math>I_3</math>. You have not taken into consideration the <b>conservation of current law</b>.</p> <p>The <b>conservation of current law</b> states that the <b>total current flowing into a junction is equal</b> to the total current flowing <b>out</b> of a junction.</p> <p><math>I_3</math> will therefore be the sum of <math>I_1</math> and <math>I_2</math>.</p>

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C		False	<p>You have identified the correct value for <math>I_3</math>.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified the current <math>I_3</math> as <b>entering</b> the case as it <b>breaks the conservation of current law</b>.</p> <p>The <b>conservation of current law</b> states that the <b>total current entering</b> a junction is <b>equal</b> to the <b>total current</b> flowing <b>out</b> of a junction.</p> <p>Since <math>I_1</math> and <math>I_2</math> are <b>entering</b> the junction then by deduction the current <math>I_3</math> must be <b>leaving</b> the junction in order for the conservation of current law to hold.</p>
D		False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>subtracted</b> <math>I_1</math> and <math>I_2</math> to obtain the value of <math>I_3</math>. You have not taken into consideration the <b>conservation of current law</b>.</p> <p>Additionally, you have identified the current <math>I_3</math> as <b>entering</b> the case as it <b>breaks the conservation of current law</b>.</p> <p>The <b>conservation of current law</b> states that the <b>total current entering</b> a junction is <b>equal</b> to the <b>total current</b> flowing <b>out</b> of a junction.</p> <p>Since <math>I_1</math> and <math>I_2</math> are entering the junction then by deduction the current <math>I_3</math> must be <b>leaving</b> the junction in order for the conservation of current law to hold.</p> <p>Therefore the value of <math>I_3</math> will be the sum of <math>I_1</math> and <math>I_2</math>.</p>

Question 10

A		$P = \frac{I^2}{R}$ $P = \frac{(1.5)^2}{150}$ $P = 2.00 \text{ mW}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> the square of the current by the resistance. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the two values.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>P = I^2 R</math>.</p>
B		$P = IR$ $P = 1.5 \times 150$ $P = 225 \text{ W}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>multiplied</b> the current <math>I</math> by the resistance <math>R</math>. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the <b>square of the current</b> by the resistance.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>P = I^2 R</math>.</p>
C		$P = I^2 R$ $P = (1.5)^2 \times 150$ $P = 338 \text{ W}$	
D		$P = \frac{R}{I^2}$ $P = \frac{150}{(1.5)^2}$ $P = 7.0 \text{ W}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>divided</b> the resistance <math>R</math> by the square of the current <math>I^2</math>. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the two values.</p> <p>The correct equation is <math>P = I^2 R</math>.</p>

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### Question 11

A	✓	True	
B	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified the value for the <b>internal resistance</b> as the <b>wrong way round</b>.</p> <p>The equation for e.m.f. of source is:  <math>V = \mathcal{E} - Ir</math></p> <p>Comparing to straight line equation:  <math>y = mx + c</math></p> <p>Therefore <math>m = -r</math> and <math>c = \mathcal{E}</math>.</p>
C	✗	False	<p>You have correctly identified the value for the e.m.f.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified the <b>internal resistance</b> as the <b>gradient</b>.</p> <p>The equation for e.m.f. of source is:  <math>V = \mathcal{E} - Ir</math></p> <p>Comparing to straight line equation:  <math>y = mx + c</math></p> <p>Therefore <math>m = -r</math> and <math>c = \mathcal{E}</math>.</p>
D	✗	False	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>incorrectly identified</b> the value for e.m.f.</p> <p>The equation for e.m.f. of source is:  <math>V = \mathcal{E} - Ir</math></p> <p>Comparing to straight line equation:  <math>y = mx + c</math></p> <p>Therefore <math>m = -r</math> and <math>c = \mathcal{E}</math>.</p>

### Question 12

A	✗	<p> <math display="block">I = \frac{(R + r)}{\mathcal{E}}</math> <math display="block">I = \frac{8 + 110 \times 10^{-3}}{12}</math> <math display="block">I = 0.68</math> <math display="block">V = IR</math> <math display="block">V = 0.68 \times 8 = 5.44 \text{ V}</math> </p>	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have divided the term <math>\mathcal{E}</math> by <math>(R + r)</math>.</p> <p>The relationship for e.m.f. of a source is:  <math>\mathcal{E} = IR + Ir</math>  <math>\mathcal{E} = I(R + r)</math>  <math display="block">I = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{R + r}</math></p> <p>Therefore the correct equation for current is:</p>
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B	✗	$V = \mathcal{E}$ $V = 12.0 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the <b>terminal potential difference</b> is <b>equal to</b> the <b>e.m.f.</b> of the source.</p> <p>Due to the presence of internal resistance, a voltage develops across the internal resistance, therefore the full e.m.f. is not available. Some voltage is 'lost' across the internal resistance, leaving the remaining voltage supplied to the external circuit as the terminal potential difference.</p>
C	✗	$I = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{(R + r)}$ $I = \frac{12}{(8 + 110)}$ $I = 0.1$ $V = 0.1 \times 8 = 0.80 \text{ V}$	<p>You have used the correct equation.</p> <p><b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the internal resistance from <math>\text{m}\Omega</math> to <math>\Omega</math>. You should have multiplied the resistance, <math>110 \text{ m}\Omega</math>, by <math>10^{-3}</math>.</p>
D	✓	$I = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{(R + r)}$ $I = \frac{12}{(8 + 110 \times 10^{-3})}$ $I = 1.48$ $V = IR$ $V = 1.48 \times 8 = 11.8 \text{ V}$	

### Question 13

A	✗	True	
B	✗	True	
C	✓	False	When the intensity of the light incident on an LDR decreases, the resistance of the LDR increases.
D	✗	False	

### Question 14

A	✗	$I = \frac{V_T}{(R_1 + R_2)}$ $I = \frac{5}{(3.2 \times 10^3 + 2.1 \times 10^3)}$ $I = 0.0009$ $V_1 = IR_1$ $V_1 = 0.0009 \times 3.2 \times 10^3$ $V_1 = 2.88 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have rounded too much. You should have only written <math>I</math> to 1 significant figure.</p>
B	✗	$V_1 = \frac{V_T}{2}$ $V_1 = 2.5 \text{ V}$	<p><b>Mistake:</b> You have identified that the potential difference is <b>divided equally</b> across the two resistors.</p> <p>This would only be the case if the resistors were the same, as voltage is proportional to resistance. As the resistance values are different, the potential difference is not divided equally.</p>

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C	✗	$I = \frac{V}{(R_1 + R_2)}$ $I = \frac{5}{(3.2 \times 10^3 + 2.1 \times 10^3)}$ $I = 0.0009$ $V_1 = V_T - IR_1$ $V_1 = 5 - 2.88 = 2.12 \text{ V}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have calculated the voltage across $R_1$ . You should have calculated the voltage across $R_2$ .
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D	✓	$I = \frac{V}{(R_1 + R_2)}$ $I = \frac{5}{(3.2 + 2.1) \times 10^3}$ $I = 9.4 \times 10^{-4}$ $V_1 = 9.4 \times 10^{-4} \times 3.2 \times 10^3 = 3.01 \text{ V}$	
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### Question 15

A	✓	False	The sum of the potential difference connected in series is equal to the terminal voltage across the cell.
B	✗	True	
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	

### Question 16

A	✗	$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$ $P = \frac{5.6 \times 5.6}{2.2}$ $P = 14 \text{ W}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have not converted the resistance to $\Omega$ . You should have multiplied the resistance by $10^3$ .
B	✓		

C	✗	$P = \frac{V}{R}$ $P = \frac{5.6}{2.2}$ $P = 2.5 \text{ W}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have divided the voltage by the resistance, you should have divided the square of the voltage by the resistance $R$ . The correct equation is $P = \frac{V^2}{R}$ . Additionally, you have not converted $\text{k}\Omega$ to $\Omega$ . You should have multiplied the resistance, by $10^3$ .
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D	✗	$P = \frac{V}{R}$ $P = \frac{5.6}{2.2 \times 10^3}$ $P = 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ W}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have divided the voltage by the resistance, you should have divided the square of the voltage by the resistance $R$ .
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### Question 17

A	✗	True	
B	✓	False	Electrons that are <b>not connected</b> to atoms in a metallic conductor are free to move through the conductor.
C	✗	True	
D	✗	True	

### Question 18

A	✗	False	
B	✗	False	
C	✓	True	Diodes only allow current to flow above a threshold voltage. A filament lamp and it heats up its resistance ( $V/I$ ) increases. The resistance is the same temperature.
D	✗	False	

### Question 19

A	✗	True	A positive temperature coefficient implies a positive ratio of resistance and resistance increase.
B	✗	True	Thermistors have a non-linear negative temperature coefficient.
C	✗	True	As a semiconductor heats up, it can conduct more easily.
D	✓	False	The charge carriers in a conductor travel through the conductor. The potential difference is applied across the conductor.

### Question 20

A	✓	$V = \frac{P}{I} = \frac{0.15 \times 10^3}{4} = 38 \text{ V}$	
B	✗	$V = \frac{P}{I}$ $V = \frac{0.15}{4}$ $V = 0.04 \text{ V}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the value of power. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the value of power by 1000.
C	✗	$V = P \times I$ $V = 0.15 \times 10^3 \times 4$ $V = 600 \text{ V}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>multiplied</b> the power and current. You should have <b>divided</b> the power $P$ by $I$ . The correct equation is $V = \frac{P}{I}$ .
D	✗	$V = P \times I$ $V = 0.15 \times 10^3 \times 4$ $V = 600 \text{ V}$	<b>Mistake:</b> You have <b>not converted</b> the value of power. You should have <b>multiplied</b> the value of power by 1000. Additionally, you have <b>multiplied</b> the power and current. You should have <b>divided</b> the power $P$ by $I$ . The correct equation is $V = \frac{P}{I}$ .

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## Section Two: Multiple-Choice Questions

### Topic 1: Use of SI Units and their Prefixes

- Which of the following forms represents the quantity  $4\,250\,000\,\Omega$  ?
  - $4.25\,\text{m}\Omega$
  - $4.25\,\text{M}\Omega$
  - $4.25\,\text{p}\Omega$
  - $4.25\,\text{k}\Omega$
- Which of the following are the SI base units for mass?
  - g
  - lb
  - kg
  - Tonnes
- Which of the following are the derived SI units for current density ( $J$ )?
  - $\text{A m}^{-2}$
  - $\text{mA m}^{-2}$
  - $\text{A m}^{-2}$
  - $\text{mA m}^{-2}$
- Which of the following are the SI base units for the amount of substance?
  - mol
  - kg
  - $\text{m}^3$
  - g
- Which of the following represents  $9.6\,\text{TJ}$  in standard form?
  - $9.6 \times 10^6\,\text{J}$
  - $96 \times 10^{11}\,\text{J}$
  - $9.6 \times 10^{12}\,\text{J}$
  - $96 \times 10^{10}\,\text{J}$

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6. Which of the following statements is true?
- A A source of random errors can be zero error.
  - B A source of systematic error can be inaccurate experimental method.
  - C Random errors and systematic errors can both easily be identified.
  - D Random errors cause repeated measurements to vary from the true amount.
7. Which of the following statements is true?
- A It is possible for a measurement to have low precision and high accuracy.
  - B Precision and accuracy are both terms that indicate how close repeated measurements are in relation to one another.
  - C Precision is a term to describe how many repeated measurements are in proximity to the true value.
  - D Accuracy is a term used to describe the relationship between a measurement and its true value.
8. A student obtains the values  $F = 45 \pm 1 \text{ N}$  and  $m = 12.3 \pm 0.1 \text{ kg}$  in an experiment to find the mass of an object. The acceleration is found using  $a = \frac{F}{m}$ . What is the acceleration?
- A  $3.7 \pm 1.4 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
  - B  $3.7 \pm 3.0 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
  - C  $3.7 \pm 0.1 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
  - D  $3.7 \pm 0.05 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
9. Which of the following values is a valid estimate for the weight of an average adult?
- A 690–780 N
  - B 40–60 N
  - C 330–550 N
  - D 70–80 N
10. An experiment has the property of reproducibility if:
- A The results obtained during the experiment are the same when the method is repeated or a different piece of equipment is used.
  - B The experiment and method can be replicated by the same experimenter or independently by another independent experimenter.
  - C The experiment's method can be replicated by the same experimenter or by a different experimenter working independently.
  - D The experiment can be redone using the same method but different equipment and the same results are achieved.

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11. A student obtains the value  $f = 12.9 \pm 0.5$  Hz for frequency of a simple harmonic oscillator. What is the percentage uncertainty of the value for frequency?
- A 0.04%  
B 0.5%  
C 3.9%  
D 25.8%
12. Which of the following are the derived SI units for acceleration, given that  $1 \text{ km} = 10^3 \text{ m}$ ?
- A  $\text{km s}^{-1}$   
B  $\text{m s}^{-2}$   
C  $\text{km s}^{-1}$   
D  $\text{m s}^{-1}$
13. Which of the following represents 630 eV in joules?
- A  $1.01 \times 10^{-16} \text{ J}$   
B  $3.94 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}$   
C  $3.94 \times 10^{21} \text{ J}$   
D  $1.01 \times 10^{22} \text{ J}$
14. What is the value for energy  $E = 2.4 \text{ kWh}$  converted into J?
- A  $2.4 \times 10^3 \text{ J}$   
B  $1.44 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$   
C  $8.64 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$   
D  $8.64 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$
15. Which of the following is an accurate estimate of the order of magnitude of the wavelength of visible light?
- A  $\times 10^2 \text{ cm}$   
B  $\times 10^{-2} \text{ cm}$   
C  $\times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$   
D  $\times 10 \text{ cm}$

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16. A student obtains the values  $Q = 4.3 \pm 0.05 \text{ V}$  and  $E = 30 \pm 1 \text{ J}$  in a circuit. The e.m.f. is found using  $\mathcal{E} = \frac{E}{Q}$ . What is the e.m.f.?
- A  $7.0 \pm 2.17 \text{ V}$   
B  $7.0 \pm 4.5 \text{ V}$   
C  $7.0 \pm 0.31 \text{ V}$   
D  $7.0 \pm 0.15 \text{ V}$
17. Which of the following units are **not** equivalent to 1 joule (J)?
- A CV  
B Ws  
C eV  
D  $\text{kg m}^2 \text{ s}^2$
18. Which of the following are the SI base units for temperature?
- A K  
B  $^{\circ}\text{C}$   
C mK  
D  $\text{m}^{\circ}\text{C}$
19. A space shuttle travels 600 metres in 0.07 seconds. What is the speed of a space shuttle in km/s?
- A 8571.4 km/s  
B 857.1 km/s  
C 85.71 km/s  
D 8.57 km/s
20. Which of the following is the value of 1 eV?
- A  $1.67 \times 10^{27} \text{ J}$   
B  $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$   
C  $1.6 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}$   
D  $1.6 \times 10^{19} \text{ J}$

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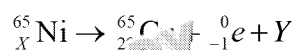
## Topic 2: Particles and Radiation

- Which statement is true?
  - The charge of a neutron is greater than the charge of an electron.
  - The proton and the neutron have approximately equal masses.
  - The charge of the proton is smaller than the charge of an electron.
  - The mass of an electron is less than the mass of a neutron but greater than the mass of a proton.

- How many neutrons are there in carbon-14 ( $^{14}_6\text{C}$ )?

- 8
- 6
- 14
- 20

- $\beta^-$  decay can be represented by the following equation:



Which of the following are the correct missing values for X and Y?

- $\text{X} = 30$ ;  $\text{Y} = \nu_e$
- $\text{X} = 28$ ;  $\text{Y} = \bar{\nu}_e$
- $\text{X} = 28$ ;  $\text{Y} = \nu_e$
- $\text{X} = 30$ ;  $\text{Y} = \bar{\nu}_e$

- The antiparticles of the neutron and electron and their charges are provided in the table below.

	Neutron	
Antiparticle	X	
Charge of Antiparticle	0	

Which of the following are the correct missing values for X and Y?

- $\text{X} = \text{antineutrino}$ ;  $\text{Y} = +e$
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- $\text{X} = \text{antineutrino}$ ;  $\text{Y} = e$

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5. The energy of a photon can be determined from  $E = hf$ .  
What is the energy of a photon with frequency  $8.9 \times 10^{15}$  Hz?
- A  $7.4 \times 10^{-50}$  J  
B  $1.3 \times 10^{16}$  J  
C  $5.9 \times 10^{-18}$  J  
D  $1.4 \times 10^{-3}$  J
6. Which of the following is **not** one of the four fundamental interactions?
- A Gravitational  
B Strong  
C Heavy  
D Electromagnetic
7. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Mesons are a classification of leptons and baryons are a classification of hadrons.  
B Electrons, muons and neutrinos all have lepton number +1.  
C Baryons are made up of three quarks and mesons are made up of two quarks.  
D Pions and kaons are hadrons.
8. Light with frequency  $1.7 \times 10^{15}$  Hz is incident on the surface of beryllium which has a work function of 5.0 eV.  
The photoelectric effect causes photoelectrons to be emitted from its surface.  
What is the maximum kinetic energy of the photoelectrons emitted from the surface?
- A -5 J  
B  $3.3 \times 10^{-19}$  J  
C  $1.9 \times 10^{-18}$  J  
D  $1.1 \times 10^{-18}$  J
9. An electron de-excites from an excited energy state  $E = -4.9$  eV to a lower energy state  $E = -7.65$  eV.  
What is the frequency of the photon emitted as the electron transitions between the two states?
- A  $1.9 \times 10^{14}$  Hz  
B  $1.2 \times 10^{34}$  Hz  
C  $3.0 \times 10^{15}$  Hz  
D  $6.6 \times 10^{14}$  Hz

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10. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A All antiquarks have a baryon number of  $-\frac{1}{3}$ .
- B Baryon number is conserved quantity.
- C All quarks have a baryon number of 1.
- D A Baryon is composed of three quarks.

11. Which of the following statements is true?

- A  ${}^3_1\text{H}$  and  ${}^3_2\text{He}$  are an example of isotopes.
- B Isotopes are two or more nuclei of different elements with the same different nucleon numbers.
- C  ${}^3_1\text{H}$  and  ${}^2_1\text{H}$  are examples of hydrogen isotopes.
- D Isotopes are two or more nuclei of the same element with the same a different number of protons.

12. An ultra-high energy gamma ray can reach energies of 1 TeV.

What is the wavelength of a gamma ray at 1 TeV?

- A  $1.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$
- B  $1.99 \times 10^{-25} \text{ m}$
- C  $7.24 \times 10^{34} \text{ m}$
- D  $1.99 \times 10^{-18} \text{ m}$

13. When electrons are emitted from the surface of a metal due to incident light, which of the following statements is true?

- A  $\phi > hf$ ; where  $\phi$  is the work function,  $h$  is Planck's constant and  $f$  is the frequency of incident light.
- B An electron at the surface of a metal absorbs two photons of light.
- C The rate of emission of electrons is proportional to the intensity of incident light.
- D The stopping potential applied to a metal plate can increase the number of electrons emitted per second.

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14. The muon decay can be represented by the following decay equation

$$\mu^{-1} \rightarrow X + Y + \nu_{\mu}$$

What are the missing values for X and Y?

A  $X = e^{+}; Y = \nu_e$

B  $X = e^{-}; Y = \bar{\nu}_e$

C  $X = e^{-}; Y = \nu_e$

D  $X = e^{+}; Y = \bar{\nu}_e$

15. In pair production, a photon forms a particle and its corresponding antiparticle.

What is the minimum energy of the photon required to form this pair?

**Note:**  $E_0$  is the rest energy of the electron.

A  $\frac{1}{2}E_0$

B  $2E_0$

C  $E_0$

D  $4E_0$

16. A table of the fundamental forces and their force carriers is given below.

Fundamental force	Force carrier
X	pion
Weak nuclear force	Y
Z	photon

What the missing values for X, Y and Z?

A  $X = \text{Gravitational}; Y = \text{kaon}; Z = \text{Strong nuclear force}$

B  $X = \text{Gravitational}; Y = W \text{ boson}; Z = \text{Strong nuclear force}$

C  $X = \text{Strong nuclear force}; Y = \text{kaon}; Z = \text{Electromagnetic force}$

D  $X = \text{Strong nuclear force}; Y = W \text{ boson}; Z = \text{Electromagnetic force}$

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17. The decay of the neutron is represented by the decay equation:

$$n \rightarrow X + e^- + Y$$

What are the missing values for X and Y?

- A  $X = p; Y = \nu_e$   
 B  $X = \bar{\nu}_\mu; Y = \nu_e$   
 C  $X = p; Y = \bar{\nu}_e$   
 D  $X = \bar{\nu}_\mu; Y = \bar{\nu}_e$

18. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A An ion is only produced when an electron is removed from an atom.  
 B Alpha, beta and gamma radiation cause ionisation when they collide with an atom.  
 C If an electron does not have sufficient energy to cause ionisation, it is called a free electron.  
 D An ion is positively charged when an electron is removed from the atom.

19. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A The exchange particle of weak nuclear force is the W boson.  
 B Weak nuclear force causes the changes in neutrons and protons.  
 C Weak nuclear force exchange particle has a non-zero rest mass.  
 D The exchange particle of weak nuclear force has an extremely long range.

20. A photon has energy  $2.7 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}$ .

What will the wavelength of the photon be with this energy?

- A  $1.38 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$   
 B  $1.68 \times 10^{58} \text{ m}$   
 C  $8.19 \times 10^{-26} \text{ m}$   
 D  $7.37 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$

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### Topic 3: Waves

1. Which of the following statements is true?
- A The frequency of a wave is dependent upon the amplitude of the wave.
  - B One complete cycle is the maximum displacement to the next minimum.
  - C Amplitude of a wave is the maximum displacement of an oscillating particle.
  - D Phase difference can be measured in degrees and in radians.
2. Which of the following is an example of a transverse wave?
- A Sound wave
  - B Electromagnetic wave
  - C Stretched and compressed slinky toy
  - D Pressure wave
3. A transverse wave is travelling with a frequency of  $f = 17.9 \text{ Hz}$  and has a wavelength of  $\lambda = 0.17 \text{ m}$ . What is the wave speed of the wave?
- A  $3.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m s}^{-1}$
  - B  $2.98 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
  - C  $10.74 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
  - D  $0.11 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
4. Which of the following statements is true?
- A Plane of polarisation for an electromagnetic wave is the plane in which the electric field oscillates.
  - B If a wave is plane-polarised then it is said to only be oscillating in two dimensions.
  - C The intensity of light passing through polarising filters can be altered by rotating the filters relative to one another.
  - D To plane-polarise light you need two polarising filters at right angles to each other.
5. A string fixed at both ends forms a stationary wave. The length of the string is  $2.3 \text{ m}$ . What is the wavelength of the first harmonic?
- A  $4.6 \text{ m}$
  - B  $1.6 \text{ m}$
  - C  $9.2 \text{ m}$
  - D  $0.6 \text{ m}$

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6. A stationary wave is created with a string of length 132 cm which has  $\mu = 0.03 \text{ kg m}^{-1}$ .  
The string is fixed between two points, creating a tension of 0.7 N in the string.  
What is the harmonic frequency?
- A 0.06 Hz  
B 13.3 Hz  
C 1.83 Hz  
D 0.183 Hz
7. Which of the following statements is **not** true?  
( $i$  is the angle of incidence and  $r$  is the angle of refraction.)
- A The refractive index of air is approximately 1.  
B The refractive index of a substance when light goes from air into the substance is the ratio of  $\sin i$  and  $\sin r$ .  
C The refractive index of a substance is the ratio of the speed of sound in the substance to the speed of sound in a vacuum.  
D The ratio of  $\sin i$  and  $\sin r$  as a light ray crosses a boundary between two substances is equal to the ratio between the speed of light in each substance.
8. The refractive index of air is approximately 1 and the refractive index of glass is 1.5.  
Light travels from air into a glass block at an angle of incidence of  $42^\circ$ .  
What is the angle of refraction of the light ray in the glass block?
- A  $30.2^\circ$   
B  $0.5^\circ$   
C  $62.8^\circ$   
D  $0.89^\circ$
9. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A If  $i = \text{critical angle}$  and the incident substance has a larger refractive index than the refracting substance, then  $r > 90^\circ$ .  
B If  $i > \text{critical angle}$  and the incident substance has a larger refractive index than the refracting substance, then total internal reflection will occur.  
C If  $i = \text{critical angle}$  and the incident substance has a larger refractive index than the refracting substance, then there will be some partial reflection.  
D If  $i < \text{critical angle}$  and the incident substance has a larger refractive index than the refracting substance, then the light ray will refract.

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10. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A There are no methods of preventing modal dispersion in optical fibre.
  - B Core cladding surrounding the core of the optical fibre is of lower refractive index than the optical fibre.
  - C Modal dispersion is the lengthening of a light pulse due to the light rays undergoing total internal reflection.
  - D Material dispersion causes pulse dispersion from the use of white light in optical fibre.
11. A monochromatic light source is diffracted through a diffraction grating. The light has a wavelength of 715 nm and it is observed at an angle of  $30^\circ$ . What is the order of the light beam?
- A 4
  - B 3
  - C 1
  - D 2
12. Young's double slit experiment is used to create an interference pattern. The experiment uses light with wavelength  $\lambda = 650 \text{ nm}$ . The fringe separation is 4.1 mm and the slit-screen distance is 4.1 m. What is the slit spacing  $s$ ?
- A  $2.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
  - B  $4.9 \times 10^5 \text{ m}$
  - C  $4.9 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$
  - D  $2.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$
13. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Dark fringes are formed due to interference, when light waves arrive at a point out of phase with each other.
  - B Bright fringes are formed due to interference when light waves arrive at a point in phase with each other.
  - C The fringes created by Young's double slit experiment are evenly spaced.
  - D If the slit spacing increased, the fringe separation of the interference pattern would increase.

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14. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The shorter the wavelength of a wave, the less the waves will diffract.
  - B Reflection refers to when the angle of incidence is equal to the angle of reflection.
  - C Diffraction is the process of combining two waves to create a resultant wave.
  - D Refraction refers to the change in a wave's speed and wavelength at a boundary.

15. The distance between two points A and B on a transverse wave is 85 cm. The wavelength of the transverse wave is 1.46 m.

What is the phase difference in radians between A and B?

- A 366
  - B 3.66
  - C 0.58
  - D 0.27
16. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The frequency of a wave can be defined as the number of complete cycles per second.
  - B The period is the time for one complete wave to pass a fixed point.
  - C The frequency of a wave is the number of cycles of oscillation per second.
  - D The displacement is the distance and direction from a particle's rest position.

17. A stationary wave is created in a string fixed at both ends.

The frequency of the first harmonic is  $f_1$ .

What is the frequency of the second harmonic?

- A  $f_1$
- B  $4f_1$
- C  $\frac{1}{2}f_1$
- D  $2f_1$

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18. A light ray enters a block at an angle of  $35^\circ$  and is refracted inside the block. What is the refractive index of the block?
- A 1.17
  - B 0.85
  - C 0.47
  - D 0.43
19. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Light from a filament lamp is comprised of a range of wavelengths.
  - B Vapour lamps produce light with one predominant colour.
  - C Laser light has light that is highly monochromatic.
  - D Laser beam light can permanently damage your retina if looked at directly, even if the light has first been reflected.
20. The period of a wave on a string is 2 minutes. What is the frequency of the wave?
- A 0.005 Hz
  - B 2 Hz
  - C 0.5 Hz
  - D 0.002 Hz

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## Topic 4: Mechanics and Materials

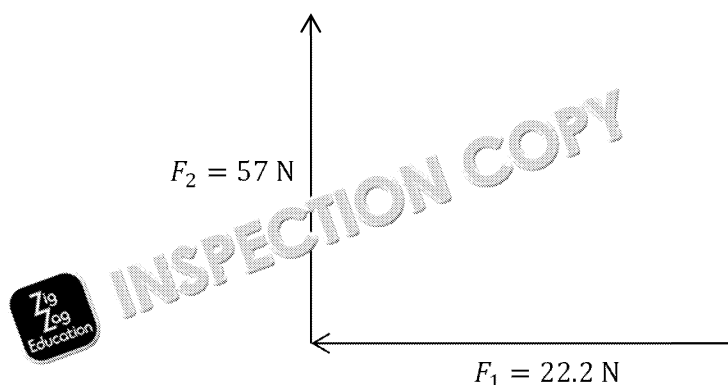
1. Which of the following quantities is **not** a scalar?

- A Time
- B Distance
- C Temperature
- D Acceleration

2. Which of the following statements is **not** true?

- A Acceleration is a vector and energy is a scalar.
- B A scalar can be defined by magnitude.
- C Energy and mass are both scalar quantities.
- D A vector can be defined by only magnitude.

3. Two forces acting at right-angles to each other are demonstrated below



Which of the following rows gives the correct magnitude and direction

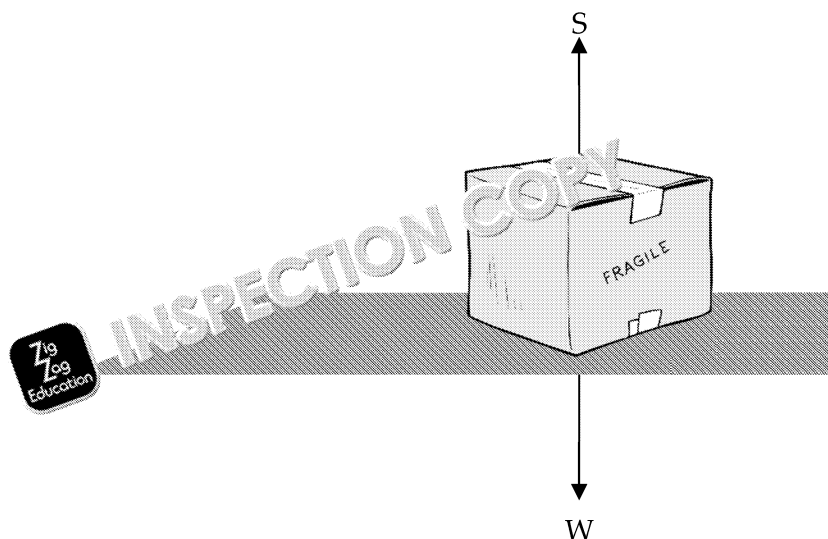
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4. A box is sitting at rest on a conveyor belt at a factory.



Which of the following statements is true?

- A  $S > W$
  - B  $S = W$
  - C  $S < W$
  - D  $S \leq W$
5. An engineer turns a spanner with a force of 600 N.

The engineer's hand is 0.3 m from the pivot.

What is the moment of the force about the pivot?

- A 21.7 Nm
  - B  $21.7 \times 10^2$  Nm
  - C  $115 \times 10^2$  Nm
  - D 115 Nm
6. Which of the following statements is true?

The principle of moments states that:

- A The sum of the clockwise moments is equal to the sum of the anticlockwise moments.
- B The sum of the clockwise moments is equal but opposite to the sum of the anticlockwise moments.
- C The sum of the clockwise moments is equal to a quarter of the sum of the anticlockwise moments.
- D The sum of the clockwise moments is equal to twice the sum of the anticlockwise moments.

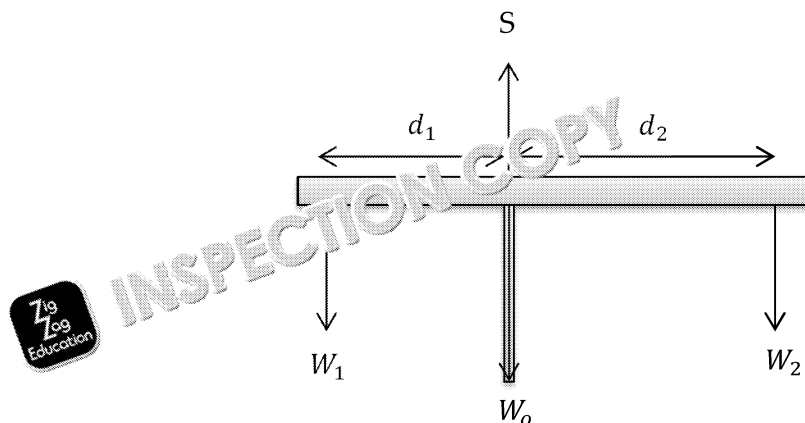
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7. Supports are being built during the construction of a house.

The supports are in equilibrium:



Which of the following statements is true for the supports to be in equilibrium?

- A  $d_1 = \frac{W_1 d_2}{W_2}$
- B  $-W_1 d_1 = W_2 d_2$
- C  $S = W_1 + W_2 - W_0$
- D  $W_2 = \frac{W_1 d_1}{d_2}$
8. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The velocity of an object can be determined using the gradient of an acceleration-time graph.
- B The acceleration of an object can be determined using the gradient of a velocity-time graph.
- C The distance travelled by an object can be determined by the area under a velocity-time graph.
- D The displacement of an object can be determined by the area under an acceleration-time graph.

9. A cyclist sets off at  $1.9 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

The cyclist travels for 3 minutes and reaches  $3.8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

What is the acceleration of the cyclist?

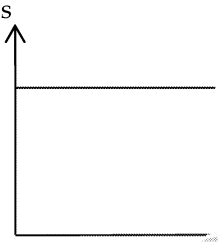
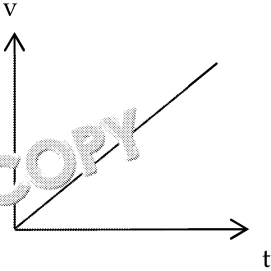
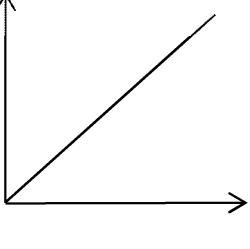
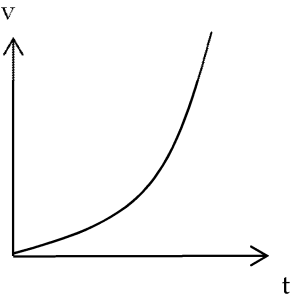
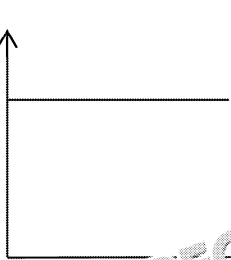
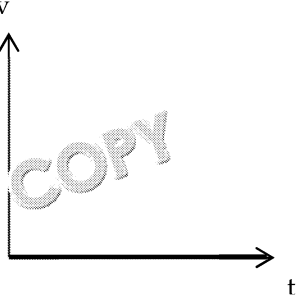
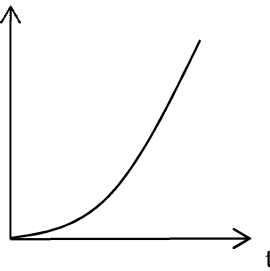
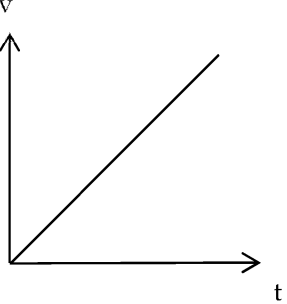
- A  $0.03 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
- B  $1.9 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
- C  $0.03 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
- D  $0.63 \text{ ms}^{-2}$

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10. Which of the following rows correctly identifies three graphs related

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11. A ball is projected horizontally off a cliff. What is the height of the ball? Assume air resistance is negligible.

- A -12.5 m
- B -23.7 m
- C 12.5 m
- D 23.7 m

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12. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The horizontal velocity of a projectile changes with time if air resistance is not neglected.
  - B A ball projected horizontally and a ball dropped vertically will reach the ground at the same time.
  - C The acceleration of a projectile is always  $9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$  if air resistance is neglected.
  - D The horizontal motion and vertical motion of a projectile are independent.
13. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Acceleration is proportional to the force applied to the object.
  - B If a student pushed a wall with a force of 100 N, the wall will push back with a force of 100 N.
  - C An object will experience acceleration if its speed remains constant but its direction changes.
  - D Newton's first law states that if no external force is applied to an object it will remain at rest or continue travelling at a constant velocity.
14. A skydiver opens her parachute in the last stage of her jump and creates a drag force. The skydiver has mass  $m = 57 \text{ kg}$  and accelerates towards the ground at  $2.2 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . What is the value for the drag force created by the parachute?
- A 1095 N
  - B 559 N
  - C 536 N
  - D 22 N
15. A footballer kicks a 430 g football.
- The football was travelling at  $18 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  before being kicked. It leaves the foot in the opposite direction at  $22 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .
- What is the value for the impulse of the force?
- A  $-9.3 \times 10^3 \text{ N s}$
  - B  $9.3 \times 10^3 \text{ N s}$
  - C  $-17.2 \text{ N s}$
  - D  $17.2 \text{ N s}$
16. A 0.8 kg ball is dropped from the top of a building.
- What will the kinetic energy of the ball be 3 m above the ground?
- A 6.3 J
  - B 23.5 J
  - C 86.3 J
  - D 39.2 J

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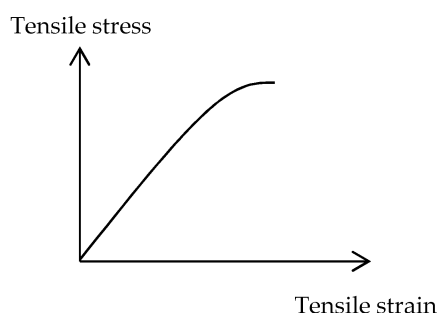
17. An object has a density  $\rho = M / V$ .

What is the volume of another object with a mass of  $4M$  and with the

- A  $2V$   
 B  $\frac{1}{2}V$   
 C  $V$   
 D  $\frac{1}{V}$



18. The graph below shows how the tensile stress of a material varies with



How can you determine the Young modulus from the graph?

- A The y-intercept of the graph  
 B The area under the graph  
 C The gradient of the straight-line section of the graph  
 D A point on the line



19. A force of 77 N is applied to stretch an elastic band by 0.55 cm.

What is the value of the energy stored in the elastic band?

- A 42.4 J  
 B 21.2 J  
 C 0.42 J  
 D 0.2 J

20. The period of a wave on a string is 0.017 minutes.

What is the frequency of the wave?

- A 3 Hz  
 B 0.3 Hz  
 C 0.006 Hz  
 D 0.017 Hz



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## Topic 5: Electricity

1. Which of the following statements is true?
- A Charge is the ratio of resistance to current.
  - B The resistance of an electrical device is the ratio of voltage to power.
  - C Potential difference is the work done per unit charge.
  - D Electric current is a rate of flow of electrical energy.
2. A student measures 6.7 mA of current flowing through an electrical circuit. What is the charge flow in the circuit?
- A 2.3 C
  - B  $2.3 \times 10^3$  C
  - C 0.02 C
  - D  $1.9 \times 10^{-5}$  C
3. There are  $5.8 \times 10^{20}$  electrons flowing in a series circuit. What is the value of charge flowing in the circuit when this number of electrons have passed?
- A  $3.63 \times 10^{39}$  C
  - B  $2.76 \times 10^{-40}$  C
  - C 92.8 C
  - D 32.5 C
4. A filament bulb is connected in a series circuit. The bulb does 0.6 J of work when 0.003 C of charge flows through it. What is the potential difference across the bulb?
- A 200 V
  - B 0.2 V
  - C 5 V
  - D  $5 \times 10^{-3}$  V

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5. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Ohmic conductors are components that obey Ohm's law.
  - B Ohm's law states that the potential difference across a conductor is proportional to the current through it, if the temperature of the conductor remains constant.
  - C Ohm's law states that the resistance of a component is equal to the potential difference across the component and the current flowing through it.
  - D A metal wire is an example of an ohmic conductor.

6. A wire of resistivity  $\rho$ , length  $L$ , cross-sectional area  $A$  and a resistance  $R$  is connected in series with a cell to determine its resistance. A second wire has a resistivity of  $8\rho$ , length  $2L$  and cross-sectional area  $4A$ . What is the resistance of the second wire?

- A  $16R$
- B  $\frac{1}{4}R$
- C  $R$
- D  $4R$

7. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A Aluminium is an example of a superconductor.
  - B Superconductivity is the property of a material whereby at any temperature the material will have zero resistivity.
  - C Superconductivity is a phenomenon which occurs when metals are cooled to temperatures close to their melting points.
  - D Superconductors are used in MRI and particle accelerator machines.

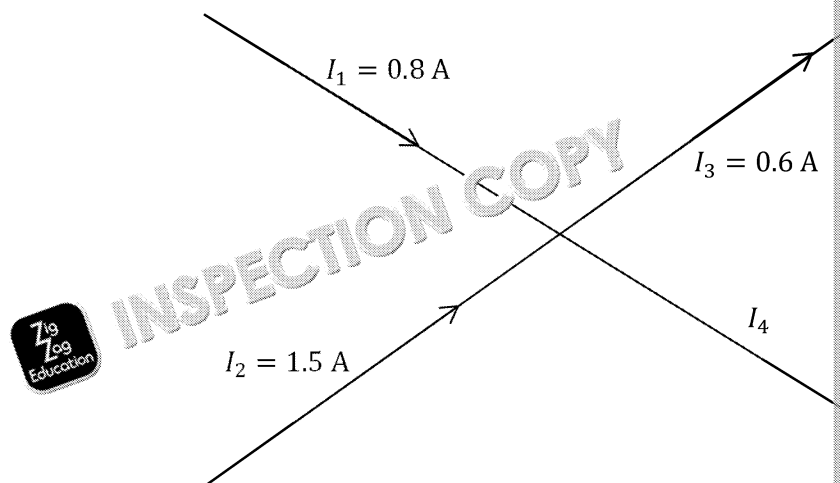
8. Four  $1.2 \text{ k}\Omega$  resistors are connected in parallel. What is the total resistance of the parallel circuit?

- A  $0.3 \Omega$
- B  $4.8 \text{ k}\Omega$
- C  $300 \Omega$
- D  $4.8 \Omega$

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9. A junction in an electrical circuit is demonstrated below:



Which of the following rows correctly identifies the direction and value

A		
B		
C		
D		

10. An iron is fitted with a heating element to take out creases in clothing. The heating element has a rate of heat transfer of 260 W. When the iron is connected to a 230 V AC supply it has 1.2 A of current flowing through it.

What is the resistance of the heating element of the iron?

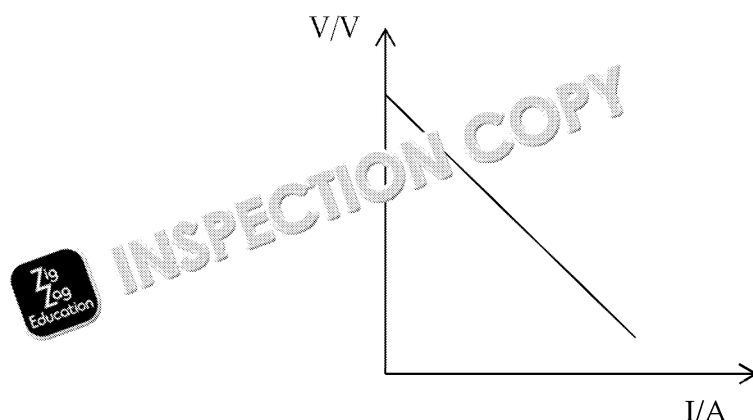
- A 374  $\Omega$
- B 181  $\Omega$
- C 217  $\Omega$
- D 312  $\Omega$

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11. A student completes an experiment to determine the internal resistance of a cell. The student plots a graph of potential difference across the cell against the current through the cell:



Which of the following rows correctly identifies how to determine the internal resistance of the cell from the graph?

	Internal resistance	
A	$\frac{1}{\text{gradient}}$	
B	gradient	
C	y-intercept	
D	x-intercept	

12. A  $15\ \Omega$  resistor is connected in series with a cell. The e.m.f. of the cell is  $24\ \text{V}$  and the internal resistance of the cell is  $250\ \text{m}\Omega$ .

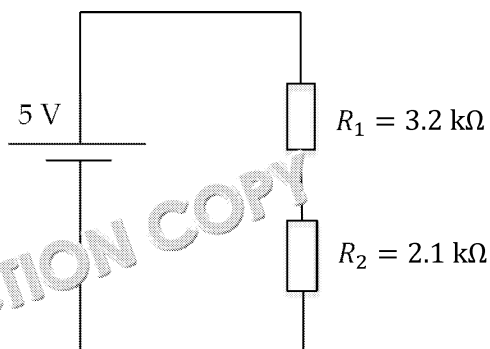
What is the terminal potential difference of the cell?

- A  $24\ \text{V}$   
 B  $15.2\ \text{V}$   
 C  $9.5\ \text{V}$   
 D  $23.6\ \text{V}$
13. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A When the temperature of a thermistor increases, the resistance of the thermistor increases.
- B When the intensity of the light incident on an LDR decreases, the resistance of the LDR increases.
- C When the intensity of the light incident on an LDR increases, the resistance of the LDR decreases.
- D When the temperature of a thermistor increases, the resistance of the thermistor decreases.

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14. A potential divider is set up as below:



What is the potential difference across  $R_2$ ?

- A 2.0 V
- B 3.9 V
- C 2.5 V
- D 0.9 V
15. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The current in a series circuit is the same at all points in the circuit.
- B The total voltage of two bulbs in series is equal to  $V_1 + V_2$ .
- C The potential difference across each component connected in parallel is equal to the terminal potential difference across the cell.
- D The total resistance of three resistors in a parallel circuit is equal to the sum of their individual resistances.
16. A  $5.3 \text{ k}\Omega$  resistor is connected in series to a cell. The potential difference across the resistor is 16.4 V.

What is the rate of energy transfer through the resistor?

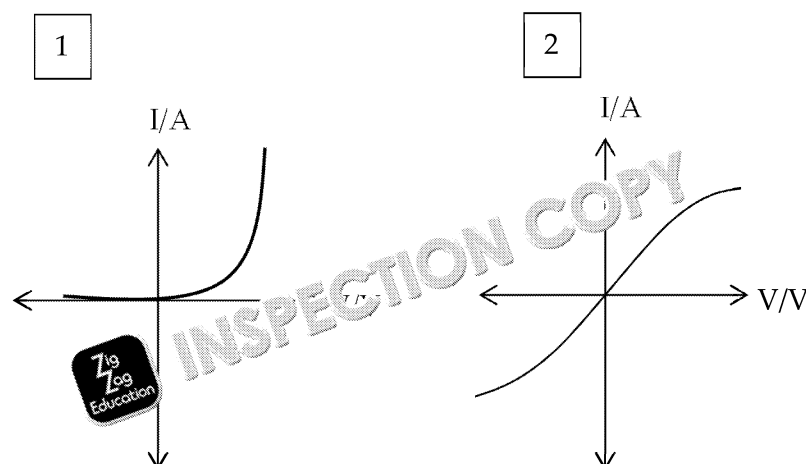
- A 19.7 W
- B 50.7 W
- C 0.05 W
- D  $3.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ W}$
17. Which of the following statements is **not** true?
- A The resistance of a semiconductor decreases as its temperature increases.
- B In an insulator, when a voltage is applied across it, conduction electrons move towards the positive terminal.
- C In an insulator most electrons are connected to atoms but others are free to move.
- D When a voltage is applied across an insulator no current passes through it.

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18. A student plots graphs of current against potential difference for three



Which of the following rows correctly identifies the electrical component above?

	1	2
A	Diode	Lamp
B	Metal wire	Lamp
C	Diode	Metal wire
D	Lamp	Thermistor

19. Which of the following statements is not true.

- A A metal has a positive temperature coefficient as its resistance increases with temperature.
- B The resistance of a thermistor decreases non-linearly with increase in temperature.
- C Semiconductors have a negative temperature coefficient.
- D The charge carriers in a conductor travel through the conductor with a constant drift velocity when a potential difference is applied across the conductor.

20. A bulb is connected in series with a cell with terminal potential difference 24 V. The current flowing through the lamp is 1.2 A.

What is power output of the bulb?

- A 29 W
- B 20 W
- C 0.05 W
- D 24 W

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## Answers to Multiple-Choice Questions

Topic 1		Topic 2		Topic 3		Topic 4	
1	B	1	B	1	D	1	
2	C	2	A	2	P	2	
3	A	3	C	3	D	3	
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9	A	9	D	9	A	9	
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11	C	11	C	11	B	11	
12	B	12	D	12	D	12	
13	A	13	C	13	D	13	
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19	D	19	D	19	D	19	
20	P	20	D	20	D	20	

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