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Science A Unit Physics P1

Unit Physics P1

Physics

Unit Physics P1

Thursday 17 January 2013 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm

For this paper you must have:

- a ruler
- a calculator
- the Physics Equations Sheet (enclosed).

Time allowed

1 hour

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer all questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
- You are expected to use a calculator where appropriate.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.
- Question 8(b) should be answered in continuous prose. In this question you will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

• In all calculations, show clearly how you work out your answer.



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2 (b)	When the total energy input to the solar cells is 200 joules, the useful energy output from the solar cells to the batteries is 50 joules.			
	Calculate the efficiency of the solar cells.			
	Use the correct equation from the Physics Equations Sheet.			
	Efficiency =(2 marks)			
2 (c)	Which one of the following statements gives the reason for using solar cells to charge the batteries?			
	Tick (✓) one box.			
	Solar cells will charge the batteries day and night.			
	The information board can be used anywhere it is needed.			
	A small number of solar cells produce a lot of electricity. (1 mark)			
	Turn over for the next question			









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Turn over ►

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5 (c)	Why does the cooking pot have a lid?
	(1 mark)
5 (d)	Calculate how much energy is needed to increase the temperature of 2kg of water by 80 °C.
	The specific heat capacity of water = 4200 J/kg °C.
	Use the correct equation from the Physics Equations Sheet.
	Energy =
	Turn over for the next question









6 (d) In some countries, people are too poor to pay for electricity. Some people living in small houses with no natural light use bottles filled with water as a sort of light bulb.

The bottles are fitted into small holes in the roof of the house. Sunlight goes into the bottle of water. When the light leaves the bottle, the light is refracted, causing sunlight to spread into the room.













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7 (b)	Observations help scientists answer questions about the Universe.		
	Scientists cannot answer every question.		
	Which one of the following questions cannot be answered by scientists?		
	Tick (\checkmark) one box.		
	How old is the Universe?		
	Why was the Universe created?		
	How fast does light travel through the Universe? (1	mark)	
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8 (a) The graph shows how the demand for electricity in the UK changes during one 24-hour

The table gives the start-up times for two types of power station.

Type of power station	Start-up time
Gas	A few minutes
Nuclear	Several days

How would these two types of power station be used to meet the demand for electricity during this 24-hour period?

(3 marks)



In this question you will be assessed on using good English, organising information 8 (b) clearly and using specialist terms where appropriate. A farmer plans to generate all the electricity needed on her farm, using either a biogas generator or a small wind turbine. The biogas generator would burn methane gas. The methane gas would come from rotting the animal waste produced on the farm. When burnt, methane produces carbon dioxide. The biogas generator would cost £18000 to buy and install. The wind turbine would cost £25000 to buy and install. The average power output from the wind turbine would be the same as the continuous output from the biogas generator. Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of the two methods of generating electricity. Conclude, with a reason, which system would be better for the farmer to buy and install. (6 marks)







9 (a) (ii)	In the winter, the heating system is switched on for a total of 7 hours each day.		
	Calculate, in kilowatt-hours, the energy transferred each day from the heating system to the inside of the house.		
	Use the correct equation from the Physics Equations Sheet.		
	Energy transferred each day = kWh (2 marks)		
9 (a) (iii)	Energy costs 15p per kilowatt-hour.		
	Calculate the cost of heating the house for one day.		
	Cost =(1 mark)		
	Question 9 continues on the next page		









9 (c) A homeowner has part of the outside wall of her house removed and replaced with double-glazed glass doors.

U-value of the wall = 0.3 U-value of glass doors = 1.8

Explain the effect of replacing part of the outside wall with glass doors on the rate of energy transfer from the house.

END OF QUESTIONS

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