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Paper 2 (Theory), maximum raw mark 100

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- 1 (a) (i)** tree / grass / flower
- (ii)** cow / snail / rabbit
- (b)** Box 2 = snail
Box 4 = hawk [2]
- (c)** Sun / sunlight (not light alone) [1]
- (d)** decomposer / bacteria / fungi [1]
- (e)** energy supply is limited
energy is used by the organisms
energy is lost at each stage
insufficient energy left (for another level) } any 2 [2]
- 2 (a)** copper / Cu [1]
- (b)** potassium / K [1]
- (c)** iron / Fe [1]
- (d)** copper / Cu [1]
- (e)** zinc / Zn [1]
- 3 (a) (i)** $Q = It$ or 0.2×180
36 (0.6 gains 1 mark) [2]
- (ii)** $V = IR$ or 7×0.2
= 1.4 [2]
- (b)** 0.6 / 2.0–(a)(ii) [1]

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- 4 (a) limewater
milky / cloudy / white (precipitate)
- (b) (i) $\text{CH}_4 = 16$
 $\text{CO}_2 = 44$ [2]
- (ii) $16 \rightarrow 44$
 $\therefore 4 \rightarrow 44 \times 4/16 = 11 \text{ g}$ [2]
correct method from wrong numbers in (b)(ii) gains 2
- 5 (a) blue pink [1]
- (b) (i) transpiration [1]
- (ii) **upper surface** has waxy layer
fewer / no stomata [2]
answer could be in terms of **lower surface**
- (c) root hair
osmosis [2]
- 6 (a) reduction [1]
- (b) conducts electricity
conducts heat
malleable
ductile
high density
high melting point
high boiling point } any 2 [2]
- (c) boils at 100°C /boils at single temperature [1]
- 7 (a) (i) gravity / weight [1]
- (ii) gravitational / potential [1]
- (b) line is curved / not straight [1]
- (c) $F = ma$ or $a = F/m$ or $300/80$
 $= 3.75$
 m/s^2 [3]

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- 8 (a) matt black is a better absorber / shiny is a better reflector
- (b) (i) stays the same / no change / none
- (ii) decreases / gets less / lowers [1]
- (c) microwaves and radiowaves (either order) [2]
- 9 (a) cuts / grinds food
large pieces to smaller pieces
mixes food with saliva
dissolves (soluble particles) } any 2 [2]
- (b) secrete liquid / saliva
secrete enzymes / amylase
lubricate / softens food
enzymes convert starch to maltose / sugar } any 2 [2]
- (c) bacteria
cavities / enamel to dissolve / tooth decay [2]
- 10 (a) hydrogen / H^+ [1]
- (b) (i) red [1]
- (ii) orange / yellow [1]
- (c) (i) $Mg + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow MgSO_4 + H_2$ [1]
- (ii) magnesium carbonate
magnesium hydroxide
magnesium oxide } any 2 [2]
- 11 (a) like charges (repel) [1]
- (b) positive [1]

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12 frequency = Hz or s^{-1}
period = s

13 (a) diagram showing 3 bonding pairs
and one lone pair
(if inner shell drawn it must be correct) [2]

(b) 400–500 °C
200–300 atm
iron [3]

(c) potassium
phosphorus (either order) [2]

14 (a) lack of (enough) food [1]

(b) lack of (enough) rain / water
not enough light
too much rain / water / floods
civil unrest / war

earthquake / hurricane
cause and explanation gains 2 marks

plants die / crop fails
no photosynthesis / growth
plants washed away / die
no one to tend crops
or crops destroyed
food destroyed / lost [4]

15 (a) sinusoidal shape with
both positive and negative values
with two cycles shown [3]

(b) increased speed of rotation
stronger magnet
more turns in coil } any 1 [1]

16 (a) $0.1 \times 30 = W \times 0.2$
 $W = 0.15$ [2]

(b) tips anticlockwise / iron rod goes down / left goes down
iron rod attracted by the magnet [2]

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17 (a) (i) electronic structure drawn as 2 8

(ii) +3

(b) group 3
forms a positive ion
on the left of the Periodic Table
trend across period is metal to non-metallic



any 2

[2]

(c) protected by a layer of (aluminium) oxide
OR oxide layer / on surface of metal

[2]

18 (a) A = testa
B = cotyledon
C = plumule
D = radicle

[4]

(b) water
oxygen
suitable / named temperature

[3]

19 (a) $26 - 14 = 12 \text{ cm}^3$
(one correct reading from diagrams gains 1 mark)

[2]

(b) 0.24 or (a)/50

[1]

20 (a) 5

[1]

(b) extension = 10 (cm)
load = 4

[2]