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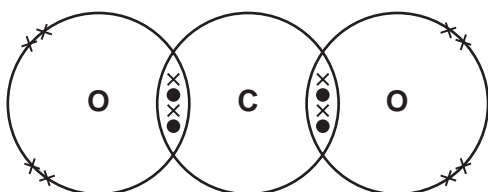
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- 1 (a) (i) label to palisade cell ;
- (ii) for photosynthesis ;  
(in which) water is combined with carbon dioxide ;  
to provide turgor / support ; [max 2]
- (b) (i) xylem / vessel ; [1]
- (ii) osmosis ; [1]
- (c) (i) increase in temperature increases, (rate of) transpiration / water loss ;  
particles move faster / have more kinetic energy ;  
diffusion faster ;  
evaporation faster ; [max 3]
- (ii) temperature increase increases, rate / amount, of water drawn up ;  
transpiration reduces, pressure / water potential (at top of plant) ;  
water moves up plant down, pressure / water potential, gradient ; [max 2]
- [Total: 10]
- 2 (a) [D C A B]  
D first and B last ;  
C and A right way round ; [2]
- (b) alpha radiation completely absorbed by paper ; [1]
- (c) (i) polonium(-210) ;  
longest half-life / decays most slowly ; [2]
- (ii) polonium(-210) and/or radon(-222) ;  
emits alpha radiation / alpha radiation is most ionising ; [2]
- [Total: 7]

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- 3 (a) (i) elements contain only one type of atom /  $H_2$  shows only H atoms bonded ;  
 compounds contain different atoms bonded / are made of more than one element  
 example quoted e.g.  $CO_2$  contains carbon and oxygen ;
- (ii) **A** releases more sulfur dioxide;  
 sulfur dioxide dissolves in / reacts with water ;  
 to form acid rain ;  
 more sulfur dioxide and less water from **A** compared to **B** so potentially acid  
 much more concentrated ;  
 negligible amounts of sulfur dioxide from **C** / **C** releases mainly water ; [max 3]

(b) (i)



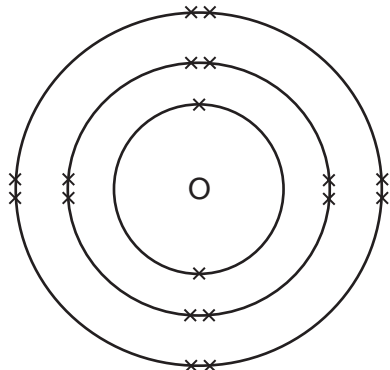
shared electrons ;  
 lone pairs / four other electrons in both Os ;

[2]

(ii)  $32 + (16 \times 2)$   
 64 ;

[1]

(c)



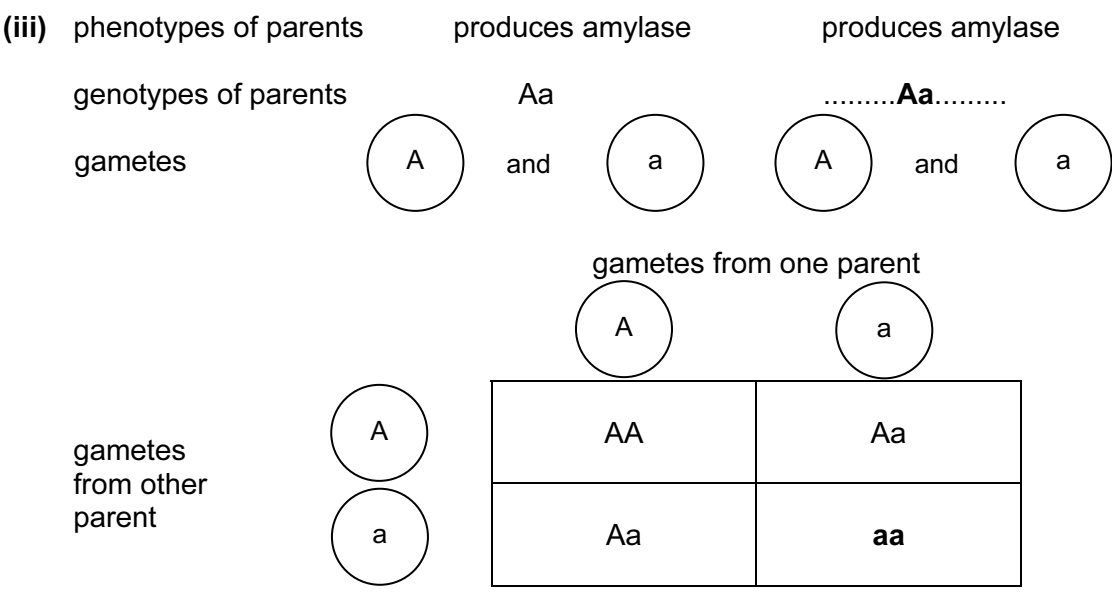
18 electrons;  
 arranged as shown ;

[2]

[Total: 10]

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- 4 (a) (i) sugar / maltose ;  
 (ii) small intestine / duodenum ;
- (b) (i) person with only one copy still produces amylase ; [1]  
 (ii) cannot digest starch / cannot produce sugar from starch ;  
 cannot absorb, starch / sugar / glucose ;  
 into the blood ;  
 cells / body, do not get sugar ;  
 cannot use (starch / sugar) for respiration ; [max 3]



second parent shown as **Aa** ;  
all gametes correct ;  
 all offspring genotypes correct ;  
**aa** offspring identified as not producing amylase ; [4]

[Total: 10]

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- 5 (a) (i) effervescence / gas given off / fizzing ;
- (ii) Y is coloured / green ;
- (b) (i) copper carbonate → copper oxide + carbon dioxide ; [1]
- (ii) carbon / C ; [1]
- (iii)  $2\text{CuO} + \text{C} \rightarrow 2\text{Cu} + \text{CO}_2$   
(symbols C and  $\text{CO}_2$  ; then balanced ;) [2]
- (iv) (gain)  
because copper ions are positively charged ;  
and so must gain negative charges / electrons, to be neutralised / discharged /  
because atoms are not charged / owtte ; [2]
- (c) (i) (dilute) sulfuric acid ; [1]
- (ii) allow more reactive metals except alkali metals ;  
e.g. Ca Mg Al Zn Fe [1]
- (iii) displacement / redox / reduction / oxidation ; [1]
- (iv) because the metal from (i) is more reactive than copper /  
or statements which imply it e.g. magnesium is able to “take” sulfate from copper ; [1]
- [Total: 12]**
- 6 (a) (i) 15 s ; [1]
- (ii) 30 s ; [1]
- (iii) C to D and G to H / 60 s to 80 s and 140 s to 160 s ; [1]
- (iv)  $300 + 600 + 200$  ;  
= 1100 m ; [2]
- (b) constant speed / no acceleration ;  
balanced forces / equal and opposite forces / total force is zero ; [2]
- (c) centre of mass high ;  
narrow, base / tyre / wheel ;  
easy to move so centre of mass not over base ;  
weight produces turning force ; [max 3]
- (d)  $1 / R = 1 / R_1 + 1 / R_2$  ;  
substitution and working ;  
resistance =  $0.67 \Omega$  [3]

**[Total: 13]**

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- 7 (a) (i) [*increase (soil erosion)*]  
 soil not protected from rain by leaves ;  
 soil not held by roots ;  
 easily washed away / more run-off ; (ignore wind) [max 2]
- (ii) [*decrease (species diversity)*]  
 loss of habitats ; (not 'homes')  
 loss of particular food supplies / disrupts food chains ;  
 more hunting (by humans) ; [max 2]
- (b) (i) other animals might be harmed by the poison ;  
 poison may accumulate up the food chain ;  
 poison needs to be put down repeatedly ;  
 not all rats will eat poison ;  
 rats may develop resistance ; [max 2]
- (ii) owls will not kill all the rats / owls may eat other species / owls may harm other species ; [1]
- [Total: 7]
- 8 (a) conduction ; [1]
- (b) (density =) mass / volume ;  
 use of 200 ;  
 2.7 g / cm<sup>3</sup> ; [3]
- (c) immerse in water ;  
 measure volume of water displaced ; [2]
- [Total: 6]
- 9 (a) two correct displayed formulae of ethene ;  
 segment of poly(ethene) molecule showing (at least) four carbon atoms with single bonds  
 and at least eight hydrogen atoms ;  
 result is a (very) long chain / spare bonds at each end on diagram ; [3]
- (b) orange solution decolourised ;  
 ref. to, double bonds (in ethene) / unsaturated compounds ; [2]
- [Total: 5]