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0653 COMBINED SCIENCE	
0653/32	Paper 3 (Extended Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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- 1 (a) haemoglobin ;
- (b) (i) absorb, water / mineral ions / correct named ion ;
- (ii) large surface area ;
idea that more water / ions can be absorbed (at the same time) ; [2]
- (c) (i) inner parts of at least one oval shaded ; [1]
- (ii) **C, B, A** ; [1]
- (iii) transpiration / evapotranspiration ;
as water vapour / reference to evaporation ;
through the stomata ;
by diffusion ; [max 3]
- [Total: 9]**
- 2 (a) 118 ;
7 ; [2]
- (b) (i) accept yellow through orange ;
and brown through black (solid) ;
(reaction occurs because) chlorine displaces / oxidises the other
halide / halogen ;
because chlorine is more reactive / reactivity decreases down the group ; [3]
- (ii) (no)
most vigorous would be between most reactive halogen and most reactive
alkali metal ;
most reactive alkali metal is rubidium / reactivity increases down Group 1 ;
student should use rubidium (with fluorine) ; [max 2]
- (c) $2K + Br_2 \longrightarrow 2KBr$; ;
[1 mark for KBr, 1 mark for Br₂, 1 for balanced] [3]
(do not allow balance mark for $K + Br \longrightarrow KBr$)
- [Total: 10]**

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- 3 (a) (i) particles are closer together in liquid / correct reference to density ;
particles collide / transmit energy more quickly in liquid ;
- (ii) greater amplitude ;
same frequency ; [2]
- (iii) 10 to 20 (Hz) **to** 20 000 to 25 000 (Hz) ; [1]
- (iv) sound waves – longitudinal ;
water waves – transverse ; [1]
- (b) (i) (time =) distance/speed ;
= 0.0012 s ; [2]
- (ii) speed = frequency × wavelength **or** wavelength = speed/frequency ;
= 330/2200 = 0.15 m ; [2]

[Total: 10]

- 4 (a) (i) (all) organisms and their environment ;
interacting together ; [2]
- (ii) energy (flow) ; [1]
- (iii) secondary consumer / third trophic level ; [1]
- (iv) energy lost, between trophic levels / from one organism to another ;
not enough energy to support more than five levels ; [2]
- (b) reference to sexual reproduction ;
pollination ;
bees carry pollen from anther / to stigma / to a another plant ;
pollen contains male gametes ;
reference to fertilisation (following pollination) ;
seeds formed ; [max 3]

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- 5 (a) goes cloudy ;
because solid / precipitate / calcium carbonate produced ;
OR
goes cloudy and then clears ;
because precipitate / calcium carbonate forms and re-dissolves ; [max 2]
- (b) (i) D ; [1]
- (ii) increasing temperature increases rate / ORA ;
decreasing concentration / higher ratio water:acid decreases rate / ORA ; [2]
- (iii) increasing temperature causes increase in particle speed / K.E. ;
increases frequency of collisions between acid particles and tablet ;
increases energy of collisions between acid particles and tablet ; [max 2]
- [Total: 7]
- 6 (a) (i) $R = V/I$;
 $= 2/0.2 = 10\ \Omega$ and $= 4/0.31 = 12.9\ \Omega$; [2]
- (ii) current not (directly) proportional / current does not increase as much / rate of
increase decreases / begins to level off ; [1]
- (b) (i) angle of incidence labelled and angle of reflection labelled ; [1]
- (ii) 45° ; [1]
- [Total: 5]

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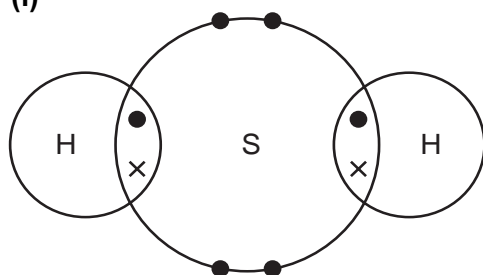
- 7 (a) E ;
C ;
- (b) (i) fatty acids produced ;
acids lower pH ; [2]
- (ii) tube B was at a higher temperature ;
the reaction took place faster ;
reference to greater kinetic energy of (reacting) particles / greater collision
frequency between enzyme and substrate ; [3]
- (c) heart disease ;
reference to atherosclerosis / build-up of plaques / cholesterol in arteries ;

reference to obesity ;
(obesity leads to) greater risk of diabetes / heart disease / high blood pressure ; [max 2]

[Total: 9]

- 8 (a) (i) methane ;
methane + oxygen ; \longrightarrow carbon dioxide + water ; (LHS,RHS) [3]
- (ii) fuels combusted reference to combustion / oxidation ;
sulfur dioxide produced ;
reacts / dissolves in atmospheric water to form acid rain ;
acidic water gathers in rivers and lakes / acid does not evaporate from lakes ; [4]

(b) (i)



- two shared pairs ;
lone pairs on sulfur ; [2]
(max 1 if symbols missing or incorrect or if extraneous electrons present)

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- 9 (a) $(KE =) \frac{1}{2}mv^2$;
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times 0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.0625 \text{ J}$;
- (b) friction ;
friction between materials ;
electrons are lost from car/gained by plastic surface ;
correct reference to imbalance of positive and negative charges ; [max 3]
- (c) (i) **D to E** ; [1]
- (ii) **B to C** (no mark)
0.4 (m/s) ; [1]
- (iii) **A to B** ;
acceleration = change in speed/time = $0.4/5 = 0.08 \text{ m/s}^2$; [2]
- (iv) area under graph implied ;
 $= (\frac{1}{2} \times 0.4 \times 5) + (0.4 \times 2.5) + (\frac{1}{2} \times 0.4 \times 12.5) = 1.0 + 1.0 + 2.5$;
4.5 m ; [3]
- [Total: 12]