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# Chemistry

Assessment Unit AS 1

*assessing*Basic Concepts in Physical  
and Inorganic Chemistry**[AC112]****FRIDAY 26 MAY, MORNING****MV18****Time**

1 hour 30 minutes, plus your additional time allowance.

**Instructions to Candidates**

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

Answer **all fifteen** questions.Answer **all ten** questions in **Section A**. Record your answers by marking the appropriate letter on the answer sheet provided. Use only the spaces numbered 1 to 10. Keep in sequence when answering.Answer **all five** questions in **Section B**. **You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**

Complete in black ink only.

## Information for Candidates

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question **11(d)(ii)**.

In Section A all questions carry equal marks, i.e. **two** marks for each question.

In Section B the figures in brackets printed at the end of each question indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

A Periodic Table of Elements, containing some data, is included in this question paper.

## Section A

For each of the following questions only **one** of the lettered responses (A–D) is correct.

**Select the correct response in each case and mark its code letter by connecting the dots as illustrated on the answer sheet.**

**1** Which one of the following compounds contains the greatest number of ions in 1 kg?

A NaCl

B Na<sub>2</sub>O

C MgCl<sub>2</sub>

D MgO

**2** The atomic radius of elements

A decreases down a group and decreases across a period.

B decreases down a group and increases across a period.

C increases down a group and decreases across a period.

D increases down a group and increases across a period.

- 3 The table below gives successive ionisation energies for the elements X and Y.

electron removed	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
X/ $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	577	1820	2740	11 600	14 800	18 400	23 400	27 500
Y/ $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	1680	3370	6040	8410	11000	15100	17900	91600

Which one of the following is the formula of the compound formed between X and Y?

- A  $\text{XY}_2$
  - B  $\text{XY}_3$
  - C  $\text{X}_2\text{Y}$
  - D  $\text{X}_3\text{Y}$
- 4 Which one of the following molecules is **not** polar?
- A Ammonia
  - B Hydrogen fluoride
  - C Hydrogen sulfide
  - D Methane

5 Some relative isotopic masses are given in the table below.

isotope	$^1\text{H}$	$^2\text{H}$	$^{12}\text{C}$	$^{14}\text{N}$	$^{16}\text{O}$
relative isotopic mass	1.0078	2.0141	12.0000	14.0031	15.9949

Which one of the following can have a relative mass of 19.0168?

- A  $\text{CH}_4$
- B  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- C  $\text{NH}_3$
- D  $\text{NH}_4^+$

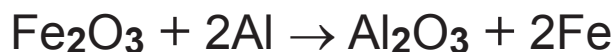
6 The intermolecular forces present in liquid ammonia are

- A hydrogen bonds.
- B hydrogen bonds and van der Waals forces.
- C permanent dipole attractions.
- D van der Waals forces.

7 A white solid gives a green colour in a flame test. A solution of the solid gives a cream precipitate when silver nitrate solution is added. Which one of the following is the white solid?

- A Barium bromide
- B Barium chloride
- C Copper(II) bromide
- D Copper(II) chloride

8 The thermite reaction is as follows:



What is the maximum mass of iron formed from 1 kg of iron(III) oxide and 0.5 kg of aluminium?

- A 0.35 kg
- B 0.52 kg
- C 0.70 kg
- D 1.04 kg

9 The melting points of the elements in the third period are shown in the table below.

Which one of the elements is silicon?

element	A			B	C			D
melting point / °C	−189	−101	44	98	113	650	660	1410

**10** Which one of the following does **not** have the same number of electrons as a sodium ion,  $\text{Na}^+$ ?





## Section B

Answer **all five** questions in this section.

**11** Calcium is found in Group II of the Periodic Table.

**(a)** Explain which block of the Periodic Table contains calcium. [2 marks]

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**(b) (i)** Write the electronic configuration of a calcium atom. [1 mark]

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**(ii)** Draw the shapes of an s and a p orbital. [2 marks]

(c) The relative atomic mass of calcium can be calculated from the abundance of its isotopes.

(i) Explain what is meant by the term **relative atomic mass**. [2 marks]

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(ii) Use the information in the table below to calculate the relative atomic mass of calcium to two decimal places. [2 marks]

isotope	$^{40}\text{Ca}$	$^{42}\text{Ca}$	$^{43}\text{Ca}$	$^{44}\text{Ca}$	$^{48}\text{Ca}$
relative abundance (%)	96.94	0.65	0.13	2.09	0.19

(d) Calcium compounds can be identified by their flame colour.

(i) What is the flame colour of the calcium ion? [1 mark]

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- (ii) Explain how the flame colour of the calcium ion arises. [3 marks]

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Quality of written communication [2 marks]

**12** Lithium is the first metallic element in the Periodic Table.

**(a) (i)** Draw a labelled diagram to show the bonding present in lithium metal. [3 marks]

**(ii)** Explain why lithium can conduct electricity.  
[2 marks]

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**(iii)** Explain why magnesium is a better conductor of electricity than lithium. [1 mark]

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**(b)** Lithium reacts with oxygen to form lithium oxide.

- (i)** Draw a dot and cross diagram for the formation of lithium oxide from lithium and oxygen atoms showing outer electrons only. [3 marks]

- (ii) State **two** physical properties you would expect lithium oxide to have. [2 marks]

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- (c) Graphite, a non-metal, is an electrical conductor whereas diamond is not.

- (i) Explain why the structure of graphite allows it to conduct electricity. [1 mark]

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- (ii) Explain why the structure of diamond prevents it from conducting electricity. [1 mark]

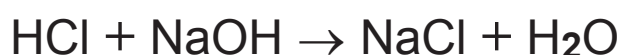
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- 13** Barium carbonate,  $\text{BaCO}_3$ , is found in the mineral Witherite. The percentage of barium carbonate in a sample of Witherite can be found by back titration. The Witherite is reacted with an excess of hydrochloric acid.



The excess hydrochloric acid is titrated with standard sodium hydroxide solution.



- (a)** Explain what is meant by the term **standard solution**.  
[1 mark]

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- (b)** Suggest a suitable indicator for the titration and state the colour change at the end point. [3 marks]

Indicator: \_\_\_\_\_

Colour change: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

(c)  $20.0\text{ cm}^3$  of  $2.0\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  hydrochloric acid were added to  $1.85\text{ g}$  of Witherite. The solution formed was made up to  $250\text{ cm}^3$  in a volumetric flask. A  $25.0\text{ cm}^3$  portion of this solution required  $22.4\text{ cm}^3$  of  $0.1\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  sodium hydroxide solution for complete reaction.

How many moles of hydrochloric acid were added to the Witherite?

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How many moles of sodium hydroxide reacted with the  $25.0\text{ cm}^3$  portion of solution?

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How many moles of hydrochloric acid were in the  $25.0\text{ cm}^3$  portion?

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How many moles of hydrochloric acid were in  $250\text{ cm}^3$  of the solution?

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How many moles of hydrochloric acid reacted with the Witherite?

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How many moles of barium carbonate were present in the sample of Witherite?

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What mass of barium carbonate was present in the Witherite?

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What is the percentage mass of barium carbonate in the sample of Witherite? [6 marks]

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(d) What assumption about impurities in the Witherite has been made in the back titration? [1 mark]

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**14** The table below gives some information about the halogens.

	<b>fluorine</b>	<b>chlorine</b>	<b>bromine</b>	<b>iodine</b>
<b>appearance at room temperature</b>	yellow gas			
<b>boiling point/°C</b>	−188	−34	59	sublimes*
<b>first ionisation energy/ kJ mol<sup>−1</sup></b>	1680	1251	1140	1008

\*changes directly from solid to gas

**(a) (i)** Complete the table by describing the appearance of each halogen. [3 marks]

**(ii)** Explain the change in the boiling points of the halogens. [2 marks]

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**(iii)** Explain the change in the first ionisation energies of the halogens. [2 marks]

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(b) Iodine undergoes different reactions with solutions of cold dilute hydroxide ions and hot concentrated hydroxide ions.

(i) Write the ionic equation for the reaction of cold dilute hydroxide ions with iodine to give iodate(I) ions.  
[2 marks]

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(ii) Write the ionic equation for the reaction of hot concentrated hydroxide ions with iodine to give iodate(V) ions. [2 marks]

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(c) Iodide ions react with iodate ions as follows:



Using oxidation numbers explain why this is described as a redox reaction. [3 marks]

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(d) Iron(III) ions are reduced to iron(II) ions by iodide ions.

(i) Write an ionic equation for the reaction. [1 mark]

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(ii) State the colour change which is observed in the reaction. [2 marks]

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(e) Solid potassium iodide reacts with concentrated sulfuric acid to produce a variety of products. Give **three** observations which could be made during the reaction. [3 marks]

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(f) Some public water supplies are fluoridated.

(i) Explain what is meant by the term **fluoridation**. [1 mark]

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(ii) Give **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of fluoridation. [2 marks]

Advantage: \_\_\_\_\_

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Disadvantage: \_\_\_\_\_

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**15** The name flerovium, symbol Fl, was assigned to element 114 in 2012.

**(a)** Flerovium has three isotopes.

**(i)** Explain what is meant by the term **isotopes**.  
[1 mark]

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**(ii)** Complete the table below showing the number of protons, neutrons and electrons present in each isotope of flerovium. [2 marks]

	$^{287}\text{Fl}$	$^{289}\text{Fl}$	$^{292}\text{Fl}$
protons			
neutrons			
electrons			

**(iii)** Explain why there is no difference in the chemical properties of the isotopes of flerovium. [1 mark]

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- (b) The table below shows the number of electrons in each of flerovium's shells.

electron shell	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
number of electrons	2	8	18	32	32	18	4

- (i) Suggest in which period of the Periodic Table flerovium is found. [1 mark]

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- (ii) Suggest in which group of the Periodic Table flerovium is found. [1 mark]

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- (c) Flerovium forms a number of compounds and ions, including  $\text{FlF}_4$ ,  $\text{FlH}_4$ ,  $\text{FlO}_2^{2-}$  and  $\text{FlF}_6^{2-}$ .

- (i) Write an equation for the formation of  $\text{FlF}_4$  from its elements. [1 mark]

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- (ii)  $\text{FlH}_4$  is unstable and decomposes to form  $\text{FlH}_2$ . Write an equation for the decomposition. [1 mark]

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(iii)  $\text{FIO}_2^{2-}$  is formed when  $\text{FIO}$  reacts with water. Write an equation for the reaction. [1 mark]

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(iv) Draw dot and cross diagrams, using only the outer electrons, for  $\text{FIF}_4$  and  $\text{FIF}_6^{2-}$ . [2 marks]

(v) Suggest the shapes of the  $\text{FIF}_4$  molecule and the  $\text{FIF}_6^{2-}$  ion. [2 marks]

$\text{FIF}_4$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\text{FIF}_6^{2-}$  \_\_\_\_\_



(d) The first ionisation energy of flerovium is  $823.9 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ .

(i) Write an equation for the first ionisation of flerovium.  
[2 marks]

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(ii) Calculate the frequency of the light associated with the value of the first ionisation energy of flerovium.  
[3 marks]

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# Periodic Table of the Elements

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I	II	THE PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS Group										III	IV	V	VI	VII	0
1 <b>H</b> Hydrogen 1	One mole of any gas at 20°C and a pressure of 1 atmosphere (10 <sup>5</sup> Pa) occupies a volume of 24 dm <sup>3</sup> . Planck Constant = 6.63 × 10 <sup>-34</sup> Js Gas Constant = 8.31 J mol <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> Avogadro Constant = 6.02 × 10 <sup>23</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup>															4 <b>He</b> Helium 2	
7 <b>Li</b> Lithium 3	9 <b>Be</b> Beryllium 4											11 <b>B</b> Boron 5	12 <b>C</b> Carbon 6	14 <b>N</b> Nitrogen 7	16 <b>O</b> Oxygen 8	19 <b>F</b> Fluorine 9	20 <b>Ne</b> Neon 10
23 <b>Na</b> Sodium 11	24 <b>Mg</b> Magnesium 12											27 <b>Al</b> Aluminium 13	28 <b>Si</b> Silicon 14	31 <b>P</b> Phosphorus 15	32 <b>S</b> Sulfur 16	35.5 <b>Cl</b> Chlorine 17	40 <b>Ar</b> Argon 18
39 <b>K</b> Potassium 19	40 <b>Ca</b> Calcium 20	45 <b>Sc</b> Scandium 21	48 <b>Ti</b> Titanium 22	51 <b>V</b> Vanadium 23	52 <b>Cr</b> Chromium 24	55 <b>Mn</b> Manganese 25	56 <b>Fe</b> Iron 26	59 <b>Co</b> Cobalt 27	59 <b>Ni</b> Nickel 28	64 <b>Cu</b> Copper 29	65 <b>Zn</b> Zinc 30	70 <b>Ga</b> Gallium 31	73 <b>Ge</b> Germanium 32	75 <b>As</b> Arsenic 33	79 <b>Se</b> Selenium 34	80 <b>Br</b> Bromine 35	84 <b>Kr</b> Krypton 36
85 <b>Rb</b> Rubidium 37	88 <b>Sr</b> Strontium 38	89 <b>Y</b> Yttrium 39	91 <b>Zr</b> Zirconium 40	93 <b>Nb</b> Niobium 41	96 <b>Mo</b> Molybdenum 42	99 <b>Tc</b> Technetium 43	101 <b>Ru</b> Ruthenium 44	103 <b>Rh</b> Rhodium 45	106 <b>Pd</b> Palladium 46	108 <b>Ag</b> Silver 47	112 <b>Cd</b> Cadmium 48	115 <b>In</b> Indium 49	119 <b>Sn</b> Tin 50	122 <b>Sb</b> Antimony 51	128 <b>Te</b> Tellurium 52	127 <b>I</b> Iodine 53	131 <b>Xe</b> Xenon 54
133 <b>Cs</b> Caesium 55	137 <b>Ba</b> Barium 56	139 <b>La</b> <sup>*</sup> Lanthanum 57	178 <b>Hf</b> Hafnium 72	181 <b>Ta</b> Tantalum 73	184 <b>W</b> Tungsten 74	186 <b>Re</b> Rhenium 75	190 <b>Os</b> Osmium 76	192 <b>Ir</b> Iridium 77	195 <b>Pt</b> Platinum 78	197 <b>Au</b> Gold 79	201 <b>Hg</b> Mercury 80	204 <b>Tl</b> Thallium 81	207 <b>Pb</b> Lead 82	209 <b>Bi</b> Bismuth 83	210 <b>Po</b> Polonium 84	210 <b>At</b> Astatine 85	222 <b>Rn</b> Radon 86
223 <b>Fr</b> Francium 87	226 <b>Ra</b> Radium 88	227 <b>Ac</b> <sup>†</sup> Actinium 89															

\* 58–71 Lanthanum series  
† 90–103 Actinium series

a  
b

x

a = relative atomic mass (approx.)  
x = atomic symbol  
b = atomic number

140 <b>Ce</b> Cerium 58	141 <b>Pr</b> Praseodymium 59	144 <b>Nd</b> Neodymium 60	147 <b>Pm</b> Promethium 61	150 <b>Sm</b> Samarium 62	152 <b>Eu</b> Europium 63	157 <b>Gd</b> Gadolinium 64	159 <b>Tb</b> Terbium 65	162 <b>Dy</b> Dysprosium 66	165 <b>Ho</b> Holmium 67	167 <b>Er</b> Erbium 68	169 <b>Tm</b> Thulium 69	173 <b>Yb</b> Ytterbium 70	175 <b>Lu</b> Lutetium 71
232 <b>Th</b> Thorium 90	231 <b>Pa</b> Protactinium 91	238 <b>U</b> Uranium 92	237 <b>Np</b> Neptunium 93	242 <b>Pu</b> Plutonium 94	243 <b>Am</b> Americium 95	247 <b>Cm</b> Curium 96	245 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97	251 <b>Cf</b> Californium 98	254 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium 99	253 <b>Fm</b> Fermium 100	256 <b>Md</b> Mendelevium 101	254 <b>No</b> Nobelium 102	257 <b>Lr</b> Lawrencium 103