



ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY (AS)  
General Certificate of Education  
2018

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Candidate Number

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# Chemistry

Assessment Unit AS 3

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Module 3: Basic  
Practical Chemistry

Practical Booklet A

[SCH31]

**TUESDAY 1 MAY, MORNING**

**MV18**

## Time

1 hour 15 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.

**You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**

**Do not write on blank pages.**

Complete in black ink only. Answer **all three** questions.

## Information for Candidates

The total mark for this paper is 25.

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 (including some data) is provided.

**You may not have access to notes, textbooks and other material to assist you.**

**Safety glasses should be worn at all times and care should be taken during this practical examination.**

1 You are provided with a compound, **A**.

(a) Why does the colour of **A** suggest it contains a Group I or Group II ion? [1 mark]

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(b) Perform a flame test on **A**. State the colour produced in the Bunsen flame. [1 mark]

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(c) Add 2 cm<sup>3</sup> of dilute ethanoic acid to a test tube. Add one spatula measure of **A** and test the gas evolved with an appropriate reagent. Describe how you tested the gas and give the result. [2 marks]

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(d) Dissolve one spatula measure of A in 10 cm<sup>3</sup> of deionised water in a small beaker.

(i) Transfer 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of the solution of A to a test tube. Add 5 drops of magnesium sulfate solution to the test tube and note any observations. [2 marks]

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(ii) Add 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of dilute ethanoic acid to the test tube containing the mixture from (d)(i). State **three** observations, apart from smell. [3 marks]

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(iii) Add 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of lead(II) nitrate solution to 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of the solution of A in a test tube. Note any observations. [2 marks]

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**2** You are provided with:

- approximately 2.5 g of zinc powder
- a solution of copper(II) sulfate of concentration  $0.5 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

**(a)** Follow the procedure below:

- Use a measuring cylinder to transfer  $25 \text{ cm}^3$  of the copper(II) sulfate solution into a polystyrene cup held in a  $250 \text{ cm}^3$  beaker.
- Measure the temperature of the copper(II) sulfate solution to the nearest  $1^\circ\text{C}$ . Start a stopwatch. Repeat the temperature measurement after one minute and record these temperatures in the table below.
- At exactly two minutes add the whole of the sample of zinc powder to the polystyrene cup and stir continuously with the thermometer.
- Continue stirring with the thermometer and measure and record the temperature at the time intervals shown in the table below. [2 marks]

time/min	temperature/ $^\circ\text{C}$
0	
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	

(b) Filter the contents of the cup into a conical flask and record **one** observation each for the filtrate and for the residue. [2 marks]

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3 You are provided with four colourless liquids, B, C, D and E. They may be acidic, alkaline or neutral. You are required to determine which solutions are acidic and investigate the reactivity of these solutions with magnesium.

(a) Add approximately  $2\text{ cm}^3$  of each liquid to four separate test tubes. Add four drops of Universal Indicator solution to each liquid and shake gently. Complete the table below. [4 marks]

liquid	Universal Indicator colour	pH
B		
C		
D		
E		

**(b)** Add 5cm<sup>3</sup> of each **acidic** liquid identified in **(a)** to separate test tubes.

Add a 2cm strip of magnesium to each acidic liquid and time, to the nearest second, how long it takes for the strip of magnesium to completely react. In the space below draw an appropriate table and record your results. [6 marks]

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**THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER**

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Question Number	Marks
1	
2	
3	
<b>Total Marks</b>	

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## APPARATUS AND MATERIALS LIST

## **Advice for centres**

- All chemicals used should be at least laboratory reagent specification and labelled with appropriate safety symbols, e.g. irritant.
- For centres running multiple sessions – candidates for the later session should be supplied with clean, dry glassware. If it is not feasible, then glassware from the first session should be thoroughly washed, rinsed with deionised water and allowed to drain.
- Ensure all chemicals are in date otherwise expected observations may not be seen.
- It is the responsibility of the centre to be cognisant of all health and safety issues and to carry out a thorough risk assessment. Up to date information can be obtained at [www.cleapss.org.uk](http://www.cleapss.org.uk)

## Practical Examination

Each candidate must be supplied with safety goggles or glasses.

### Question No. 1

Each candidate must be supplied with:

- four test tubes
- a test tube rack
- a piece of nichrome wire
- a spatula
- a delivery tube with stopper
- five droppers
- a  $10\text{ cm}^3$  measuring cylinder
- a  $100\text{ cm}^3$  beaker
- stirring rod
- deionised water
- Bunsen burner
- about 2g of anhydrous sodium carbonate in a  $50/100\text{ cm}^3$  beaker labelled **A**.
- about  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of concentrated hydrochloric acid in a stoppered reagent bottle labelled **concentrated hydrochloric acid and corrosive**.
- about  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of dilute ethanoic acid in a stoppered reagent bottle labelled **ethanoic acid** and **handle with caution**. This solution should be approximately  $1\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .
- about  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of a saturated solution of calcium hydroxide in a reagent bottle labelled **limewater**. This solution should be saturated.
- about  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of a solution of magnesium sulfate in a reagent bottle/beaker labelled **magnesium sulfate solution**. This solution should be approximately  $0.5\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .
- about  $10\text{ cm}^3$  of a solution of lead(II) nitrate in a reagent bottle/beaker labelled **lead(II) nitrate solution**. This solution should be approximately  $0.01\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

**Question No. 2**

Each candidate must be supplied with:

- a 50 cm<sup>3</sup> measuring cylinder
- a polystyrene cup of approximately 200 cm<sup>3</sup> capacity
- a 250 cm<sup>3</sup> beaker
- a thermometer, –10 °C to 110 °C with 1 °C graduations
- a stopclock/timer
- Approximately 2.5 g of zinc powder in a stoppered bottle, labelled **zinc** and **flammable**
- About 30 cm<sup>3</sup> of copper sulfate solution in a stoppered reagent bottle/beaker, labelled **copper sulfate solution**. This solution should be approximately 0.5 mol dm<sup>–3</sup>
- filter paper
- 100 cm<sup>3</sup> conical flask
- filter funnel

**Question No. 3**

Each candidate must be supplied with:

- six test tubes
- a test tube rack
- six droppers
- about 15 cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrochloric acid in a reagent bottle labelled **B** and **handle with caution**. This solution should be approximately 2 mol dm<sup>–3</sup>
- about 15 cm<sup>3</sup> of deionised water in a reagent bottle/beaker labelled **C**.
- about 15 cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrochloric acid in a reagent bottle labelled **D** and **handle with caution**. This solution should be approximately 1 mol dm<sup>–3</sup>.
- about 15 cm<sup>3</sup> of sodium hydroxide in a reagent bottle labelled **E** and **handle with caution**. This solution should be approximately 0.1 mol dm<sup>–3</sup>.
- four 1 cm lengths of magnesium ribbon.
- a stopclock/timer
- bottle of Universal Indicator solution with dropper and matching pH chart (1–11)



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## **Confidential Instructions to the Supervisor of the Practical Examination**

## INSTRUCTIONS TO THE SUPERVISOR OF THE PRACTICAL EXAMINATION

### General

1. The instructions contained in this document are for the use of the Supervisor **and are strictly confidential**. Under no circumstances may information concerning apparatus or materials be given before the examination to a candidate or other unauthorised person.
2. In a centre with a large number of candidates it may be necessary for two or more examination sessions to be organised. **It is the responsibility of the schools to ensure that there should be no contact between candidates taking each session.**
3. A suitable laboratory must be reserved for the examination and kept locked throughout the period of preparation. Unauthorised persons not involved in the preparation for the examination must not be allowed to enter. Candidates must not be admitted until the specified time for commencement of the examination.
4. The Supervisor must ensure that the solutions provided for the candidates are of the nature and concentrations specified in the Apparatus and Materials List.
5. **The Supervisor is to be granted access to the Teacher's Copy of Practical Booklet A on Thursday 26 April 2018.** The Supervisor is asked to check, at the earliest opportunity, that the experiments and tests in the question paper may be completed satisfactorily using the apparatus, materials and solutions that have been assembled. **This question paper must then be returned to safe custody** at the earliest possible moment after the Supervisor has ensured that all is in order. **No access to the question paper should be allowed before 26 April 2018.**
6. Centres may need to carry out multiple sessions to accommodate all their candidates sitting Practical Booklet A in a laboratory. Supervision must take place from 30 minutes after the scheduled starting time of the examination, as set out in the timetable, until the time when the candidate(s) begin(s) their examination(s). This is in order to ensure that there is no contact with other candidates. The centre must appoint a member of staff from the centre to supervise the candidate(s) at all times while he/she is on the premises.
7. All apparatus should be checked before the examination, and there should be an adequate supply of spare apparatus in case of breakages. The Apparatus and Materials List should be regarded as a minimum and there is no objection to candidates being supplied with more than the minimum amount of apparatus and materials.
8. **Candidates may not use text books and laboratory notes for reference during the examination, and must be informed of this beforehand.**

9. Clear instructions must be given by the Supervisor to all candidates at the beginning of the examination concerning appropriate safety procedures and precautions. Supervisors are also advised to remind candidates that all substances in the examination must be treated with caution. **Only those tests specified in the question paper should be attempted. Candidates must not attempt any additional confirmatory tests.** Anything spilled on the skin should be washed off immediately with plenty of water. The use of appropriate eye protection is essential.
10. Supervisors are reminded that they may not assist candidates during the examination. However if, in the opinion of the Supervisor, a candidate is about to do something which may endanger him/herself or others, the Supervisor should intervene. A full written report must be sent to CCEA at once.
11. Upon request, a candidate may be given additional quantities of materials (answer paper, reagents and unknowns) without penalty. No notification need be sent to CCEA.
12. The examination room must be cleared of candidates immediately after the examination.
13. No materials will be supplied by CCEA.
14. All JCQ procedures for conducting examinations should be followed for this practical examination including displaying JCQ posters with examination information in the laboratory and removal of mobile phones. Posters should be available from your Examinations Officer.

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## Chemistry

**Centre Number**

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## **Candidate Number**

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**Tuesday 1 May 2018**

This report must be completed by the Supervisor during the examination. The complete report should include all candidates taking this Practical Examination. This Supervisor's Report should be copied and attached to **Each Advice Note** bundle and returned to CCEA in the normal way.

### Comments:

Supervisor's Signature . . . . . Date . . . . .

## SYMBOLS OF SELECTED IONS

## Positive ions

Name	Symbol
Ammonium	$\text{NH}_4^+$
Chromium(III)	$\text{Cr}^{3+}$
Copper(II)	$\text{Cu}^{2+}$
Iron(II)	$\text{Fe}^{2+}$
Iron(III)	$\text{Fe}^{3+}$
Lead(II)	$\text{Pb}^{2+}$
Silver	$\text{Ag}^+$
Zinc	$\text{Zn}^{2+}$

## Negative ions

Name	Symbol
Butanoate	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{COO}^-$
Carbonate	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$
Dichromate	$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$
Ethanoate	$\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$
Hydrogencarbonate	$\text{HCO}_3^-$
Hydroxide	$\text{OH}^-$
Methanoate	$\text{HCOO}^-$
Nitrate	$\text{NO}_3^-$
Propanoate	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{COO}^-$
Sulfate	$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$
Sulfite	$\text{SO}_3^{2-}$

SOLUBILITY IN COLD WATER OF COMMON SALTS,  
HYDROXIDES AND OXIDES

## Soluble

All sodium, potassium and ammonium salts

All nitrates

Most chlorides, bromides and iodides

EXCEPT silver and lead chlorides, bromides and iodides

Most sulfates EXCEPT lead and barium sulfates

Calcium sulfate is slightly soluble

## Insoluble

Most carbonates

EXCEPT sodium, potassium and ammonium carbonates

Most hydroxides

EXCEPT sodium, potassium and ammonium hydroxides

Most oxides

EXCEPT sodium, potassium and calcium oxides which react with water

New Specification

Data Leaflet  
Including the Periodic Table of the ElementsFor the use of candidates taking  
Science: Chemistry,  
Science: Double Award  
or Science: Single Award

Copies must be free from notes or additions of any kind. No other type of data booklet or information sheet is authorised for use in the examinations

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# THE PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS

## Group

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

**a** = relative atomic mass  
(approx)

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**X** = atomic symbol  
**b** = atomic number

140 <b>Ce</b> Cerium 58	141 <b>Pr</b> Praseodymium 59	144 <b>Nd</b> Neodymium 60	145 <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