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TWENTY FIRST CENTURY SCIENCE
ADDITIONAL SCIENCE A

Unit 4: Ideas in Context (Foundation Tier)

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Afternoon
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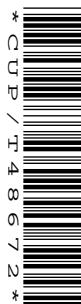
Candidates answer on the question paper.

Additional materials (enclosed):

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Calculators may be used.

Additional materials: Pencil
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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the boxes above.
- Use blue or black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 40.
- A list of physics equations is printed on page two.
- The Periodic Table is printed on the back page.
-  Where you see this icon you will be awarded a mark for the quality of written communication in your answer.

FOR EXAMINER'S USE

Qu.	Max.	Mark
1	14	
2	13	
3	13	
TOTAL	40	

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EQUATIONS

Useful Relationships

Explaining Motion

$$\text{speed} = \frac{\text{distance travelled}}{\text{time taken}}$$

$$\text{momentum} = \text{mass} \times \text{velocity}$$

$$\text{change of momentum} = \text{resultant force} \times \text{time for which it acts}$$

$$\text{work done by a force} = \text{force} \times \text{distance moved by the force}$$

$$\text{change in energy} = \text{work done}$$

$$\text{change in GPE} = \text{weight} \times \text{vertical height difference}$$

$$\text{kinetic energy} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{mass} \times [\text{velocity}]^2$$

Electric Circuits

$$\text{resistance} = \frac{\text{voltage}}{\text{current}}$$

$$\frac{V_p}{V_s} = \frac{N_p}{N_s}$$

$$\text{energy transferred} = \text{power} \times \text{time}$$

$$\text{power} = \text{potential difference} \times \text{current}$$

$$\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{energy usefully transferred}}{\text{total energy supplied}} \times 100\%$$

The Wave Model of Radiation

$$\text{wave speed} = \text{frequency} \times \text{wavelength}$$

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Question 1 starts on page 4

Answer **all** the questions.

This question is based on the article 'Tufa towers at Mono Lake, California'.

1 (a) Salt crystals form around the edges of the lake.

(i) Explain how the salt crystals form.

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..... [2]

(ii) The amount of salt crystals that form varies through the year.

Give **two** reasons why.

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2 [2]

(iii) The lake water contains sodium, potassium, magnesium, sulfate, chloride and carbonate ions.

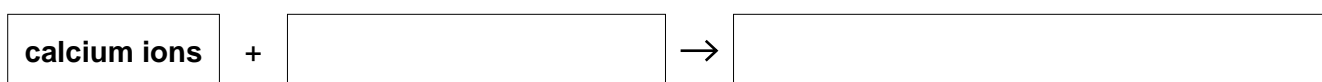
One solid salt that forms is sodium chloride.

Give the name of one **other** salt that forms.

..... [1]

(b) The towers of tufa rock are formed when calcium ions from the hot springs react with carbonate ions in the lake water. Calcium carbonate forms.

Complete the word equation for this reaction by filling in the boxes.



[1]

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- (c) Calcium carbonate is an ionic solid.

The table shows some information about ions dissolved in the lake water and ions in solid calcium carbonate.

Complete the table.

	ions dissolved in the lake water	ions in solid calcium carbonate
movement of ions	move freely around other ions and water molecules	
arrangement of ions	random arrangement	

[2]

- (d) Joe visits the lake and carries out some experiments.

- (i) He finds that the water is a good electrical conductor.

Explain how water that contains dissolved ionic compounds conducts electricity.

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 [2]

- (ii) Joe wants to check the pH of the water.

Give **two** ways that Joe could do this.

1
 2 [2]

- (iii) What would you expect the pH of the **alkaline** lake water to be?

Put a ring around the correct answer.

2 5 7 10

[1]

- (iv) Joe is worried about handling the lake water because he knows it is alkaline.

Suggest a safety precaution that Joe should take when working with the lake water.

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 [1]

[Total: 14]

This question is based on the article 'Bendy lampposts save lives'.

2 (a) (i) Read the statements below about collision times at low speeds.

They compare bendy lampposts with rigid steel lampposts.

Which **one** of the statements is correct?

Put a tick (✓) in the correct box.

The collision time with a bendy lamppost is longer.

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The collision time with a bendy lamppost is shorter.

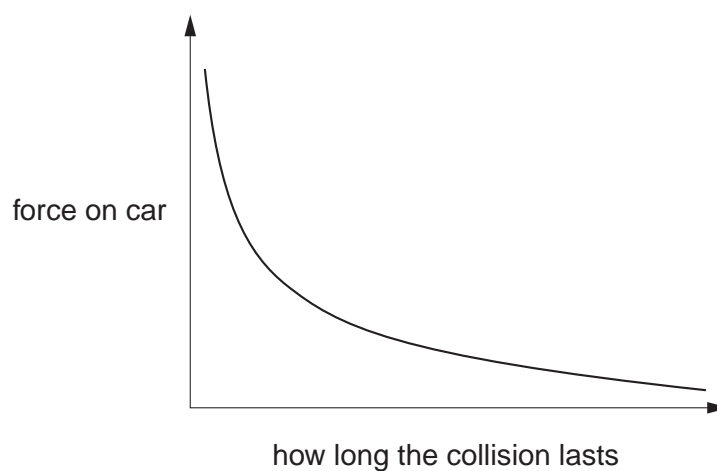
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The collision time is the same.

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[1]

(ii) The graph shows how the force on the car changes with how long the collision lasts.



Describe how the force changes with how long the collision lasts.

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 [1]

(iii) Suggest **two** safety features that are built into **cars** that also help to reduce injuries.

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 2 [2]

(b) When the very **first breakable** lampposts were invented a reporter said:

‘The danger of a broken post hitting a pedestrian or another car means they are unlikely to be used in towns.’

Why is this less of a problem for the **newer** lampposts?

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 [2]

(c) When a car hits a lamppost it has energy of motion.

(i) What is the name for this energy of motion?

..... [1]

(ii) During the collision, some of the energy goes to the lamppost and some to sound and heat.

How does the **total** amount of energy before the collision compare to the **total** amount of energy after the collision?

..... [1]

(d) The article says that the momentum of the car can be reduced by 30%.

(i) What **two** measurements do scientists need to make to calculate momentum?

How do you use the measurements to calculate momentum?



One mark is for a clear, ordered answer.

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 [3+1]

(ii) Any collision involves two forces.

One force changes the momentum of the car.

What does the other force do?

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 [1]

[Total: 13]

This question is based on the article 'Cot deaths linked to brain abnormality'.

3 (a) Babies, like all living organisms, respond to many stimuli.

(i) Which stimulus described in the article does the baby respond to?

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..... [1]

(ii) How does a normal baby respond to this stimulus?

..... [1]

(b) The response by the baby is an example of an involuntary reflex action.

(i) Suggest an advantage to the body of **involuntary** reflexes.

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..... [1]

(ii) Describe **two** other examples of simple involuntary reflexes found in newborn babies.

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..... [2]

(c) Describe **two** differences between the brains of babies who died of SIDS and the brains of the other babies.

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..... [2]

(d) Serotonin is released into synapses.

(i) What is a synapse?

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..... [1]

(ii) Information is transmitted across synapses using chemicals.

How is information transmitted along neurons?

..... [1]

(e) The pictures show scans through part of the brain called the cerebral cortex.

Describe **two** functions of the cerebral cortex.

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..... [2]

(f) Kinney and Paterson thought that a lack of receptors for serotonin was responsible for SIDS.

Look at the article about cot deaths and suggest **two** reasons why the evidence is not conclusive.

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[Total: 13]

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The Periodic Table of the Elements

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1	2	Key										3	4	5	6	7	0						
		relative atomic mass atomic symbol name atomic (proton) number																1 H hydrogen 1		4 He helium 2			
7 Li lithium 3	9 Be beryllium 4																	11 B boron 5	12 C carbon 6	14 N nitrogen 7	16 O oxygen 8	19 F fluorine 9	20 Ne neon 10
23 Na sodium 11	24 Mg magnesium 12																	27 Al aluminium 13	28 Si silicon 14	31 P phosphorus 15	32 S sulfur 16	35.5 Cl chlorine 17	40 Ar argon 18
39 K potassium 19	40 Ca calcium 20	45 Sc scandium 21	48 Ti titanium 22	51 V vanadium 23	52 Cr chromium 24	55 Mn manganese 25	56 Fe iron 26	59 Co cobalt 27	59 Ni nickel 28	63.5 Cu copper 29	65 Zn zinc 30	70 Ga gallium 31	73 Ge germanium 32	75 As arsenic 33	79 Se selenium 34	80 Br bromine 35	84 Kr krypton 36						
85 Rb rubidium 37	88 Sr strontium 38	89 Y yttrium 39	91 Zr zirconium 40	93 Nb niobium 41	96 Mo molybdenum 42	[98] Tc technetium 43	101 Ru ruthenium 44	103 Rh rhodium 45	106 Pd palladium 46	108 Ag silver 47	112 Cd cadmium 48	115 In indium 49	119 Sn tin 50	122 Sb antimony 51	128 Te tellurium 52	127 I iodine 53	131 Xe xenon 54						
133 Cs caesium 55	137 Ba barium 56	139 La* lanthanum 57	178 Hf hafnium 72	181 Ta tantalum 73	184 W tungsten 74	186 Re rhenium 75	190 Os osmium 76	192 Ir iridium 77	195 Pt platinum 78	197 Au gold 79	201 Hg mercury 80	204 Tl thallium 81	207 Pb lead 82	209 Bi bismuth 83	[209] Po polonium 84	[210] At astatine 85	[222] Rn radon 86						
[223] Fr francium 87	[226] Ra radium 88	[227] Ac* actinium 89	[261] Rf rutherfordium 104	[262] Db dubnium 105	[266] Sg seaborgium 106	[264] Bh bohrium 107	[277] Hs hassium 108	[268] Mt meitnerium 109	[271] Ds darmstadtium 110	[272] Rg roentgenium 111	Elements with atomic numbers 112-116 have been reported but not fully authenticated												

Key

relative atomic mass
atomic symbol
name
atomic (proton) number

* The lanthanoids (atomic numbers 58-71) and the actinoids (atomic numbers 90-103) have been omitted.

The relative atomic masses of copper and chlorine have not been rounded to the nearest whole number.