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- 1 A student was investigating the conditions needed for photosynthesis. He used a variegated plant (one with green and white leaves). An example of a leaf is shown in Fig. 1.1.

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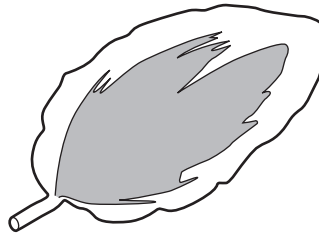


Fig. 1.1

The plant had been left in the dark before the experiment. The student selected three leaves and made a drawing of each so that he could remember the areas containing chlorophyll. He then set up the apparatus shown in Fig. 1.2.

After 24 hours in daylight he removed the leaves and tested them for the presence of starch.

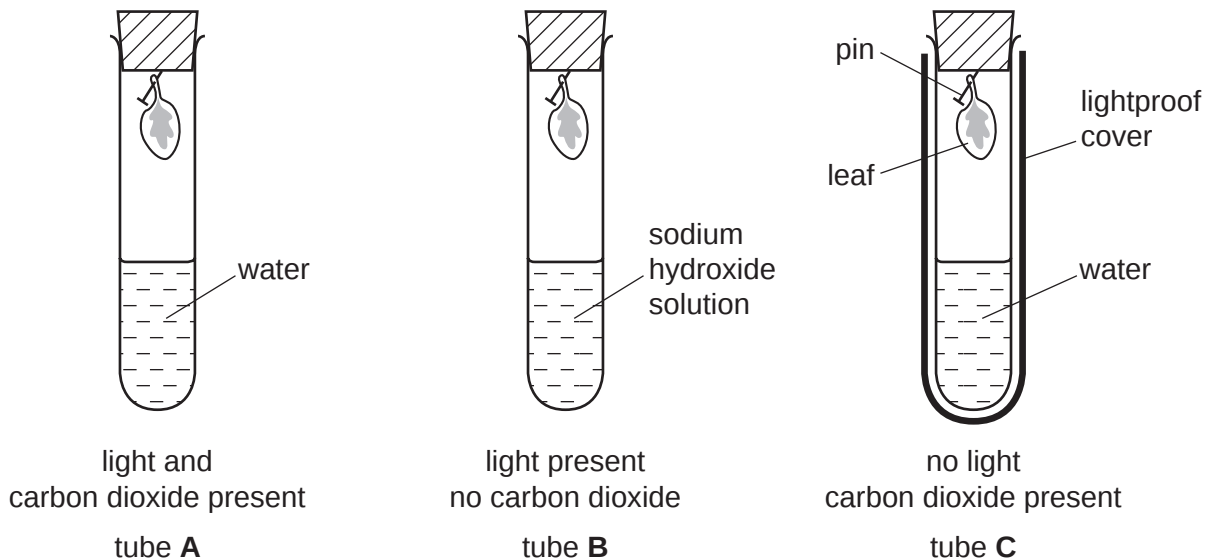


Fig. 1.2

He tested all three leaves for the presence of starch using the following method.

- He placed the leaf in a beaker of boiling water for one minute.
- He then took it out and put it into a test-tube.
- Then he added alcohol to the leaf in the tube and placed the tube into the beaker of hot water until the chlorophyll was removed from the leaf.
- He poured the alcohol out of the tube and rinsed the leaf using cold water.
- Then he spread the leaf out on a white tile, covered it with iodine solution and waited for any colour change to develop.

His results are shown in Fig. 1.3.

leaf	appearance before starch test	appearance after starch test
A		
B		
C		

Fig. 1.3

- (a) (i) On Fig. 1.3 add a label to one leaf to show where starch was found. Label this area **starch**. [1]

- (ii) What colour was this area after the starch test?

..... [1]

- (b) Write explanations for the results in terms of conditions needed for photosynthesis.

leaf **A**

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leaf **B**

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leaf **C**

..... [4]

- (c) Explain why the student

- (i) placed water in tubes **A** and **C**,

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- (ii) boiled the leaf before doing the starch test.

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..... [2]

- 2 A student has found three automobile lamps at the scrap yard.
The student finds some printing on the lamps, and copies this into Fig. 2.1.

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lamp	what is printed on the lamp	
1	24 V	36 W
2	12 V	18 W
3	6 V	18 W

Fig. 2.1

He wants to compare the resistances of the three lamps using the circuit shown in Fig. 2.2.

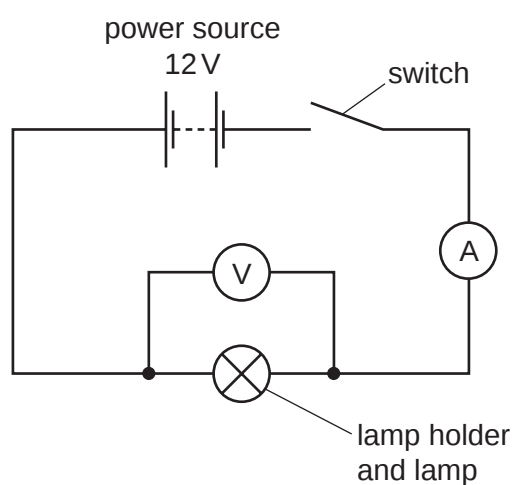


Fig. 2.2

- The student inserts lamp 1 into the lampholder.
- He closes the switch.
- He reads the voltmeter and ammeter and records the readings in Fig. 2.3.
- He repeats the experiment using lamp 2.

lamp	voltmeter reading / V	ammeter reading / A	brightness of the lamp
1	11.9	0.72	dim
2			bright

Fig. 2.3

- (a) The ammeter and voltmeter readings for lamp 2 are shown in Fig. 2.4. Record the readings in Fig. 2.3.

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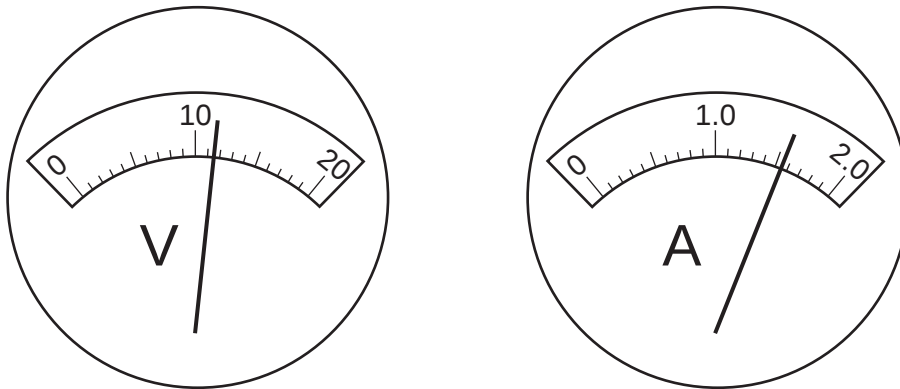
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Fig. 2.4

- (b) The student wants to use the equation $V = IR$ to find the resistance of the lamps 1 and 2.

- (i) Rearrange the equation $V = IR$.

$$R = \dots\dots\dots$$

[1]

- (ii) Calculate the resistance of lamp 1 using the data from Fig. 2.3.

$$\text{resistance of lamp 1} = \dots\dots\dots \text{ohms} \quad [1]$$

- (iii) Calculate the resistance of lamp 2 using the data from Fig. 2.3.

$$\text{resistance of lamp 2} = \dots\dots\dots \text{ohms} \quad [1]$$

- (c) The student repeats the experiment with lamp **3**.
He fixes the lamp in the lampholder and closes the switch. The lamp glows brightly for a short time and then the ammeter reading falls to 0.

Use data from Fig. 2.1 and 2.3 to help you to explain what happened to lamp **3** when the student used it in the circuit.

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 [2]

- (d) (i) Use data from Fig. 2.1 and Fig. 2.3 to suggest a reason why lamp **1** gave only a dim light.

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 [1]

- (ii) Calculate the power in watts of lamp **2**, using data from Fig. 2.3.

power of lamp **2** = watts [2]

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Please turn over for Question 3.

- 3 Potassium manganate(VII) (potassium permanganate) is a dark crystalline substance. Its solution in water is dark purple. Potassium permanganate solution reacts with solution **X**. When the reaction is complete the purple colour disappears.

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A student uses a dropping pipette and solution **X** to find out which one of three potassium permanganate solutions, **A**, **B** or **C** is the most concentrated. The apparatus is shown in Fig. 3.1.

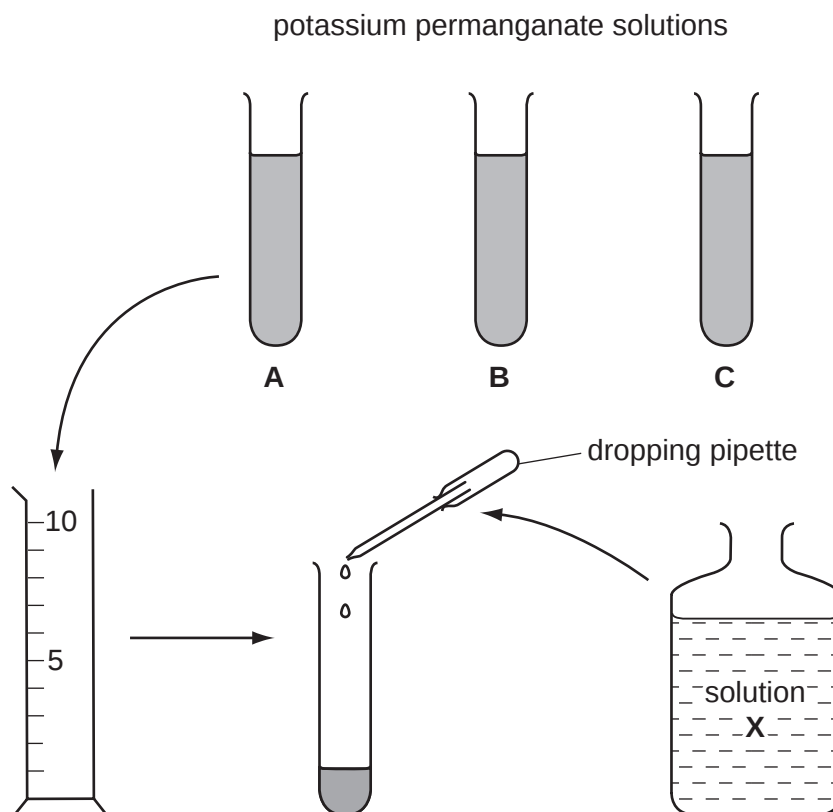


Fig. 3.1

Procedure

- She measures out some of solution **A** and pours it into a test-tube.
- She fills the dropping pipette with solution **X**.
- She adds solution **X** drop by drop to solution **A**, counting the drops, until the reaction has finished.
- She records the number of drops added in Fig. 3.2.
- She repeats the experiment using solutions **B** and **C**.

solution	number of drops used
A	15
B	24
C	18

Fig. 3.2

- (a) (i) What must the student do to make a fair comparison between the three solutions **A**, **B** and **C**?

..... [1]

- (ii) How will she make sure that all the reacting particles come into contact with each other when the drops are added ?

..... [1]

- (iii) How will she know when to stop adding the drops of solution **X**?

..... [1]

- (iv) Which is the most concentrated of the solutions, **A**, **B** or **C**?

..... [1]

- (b) Suggest a way, using the apparatus in Fig. 3.1, of finding the accurate volume of one drop of liquid from the teat pipette.

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 [2]

- (c) The student carries out tests on solution **X**. She writes the results in Fig. 3.3.

Complete Fig. 3.3.

test	observation	conclusion
(i) To 2 cm ³ of solution X , add a few drops of dilute hydrochloric acid followed by aqueous barium chloride.	 [1]	solution X contains sulfate ions
(ii) To 2 cm ³ of solution X , add aqueous sodium hydroxide until no further change occurs.	 [1]	solution X contains iron(II) ions

Fig. 3.3

The student wants to discover the product of the reaction of solution **X** with potassium permanganate.

She places 2 cm³ of potassium permanganate solution in a test-tube. She adds dilute sulfuric acid. Then she carefully adds solution **X** drop by drop until the reaction is complete. To the mixture, she adds aqueous sodium hydroxide until no further change occurs. She observes a brown precipitate.

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(d) (i) Suggest the name of this brown precipitate.

..... [1]

(ii) What happens to the iron(II) ions when they react with potassium permanganate?

..... [1]

- 4 African elephants have big ears to help with temperature control.

A student set up an experiment as a model to investigate the effect of large ears. She had two insulated beakers as shown in Fig. 4.1. Both beakers had insulated lids. Beaker **B** also had two model 'ears' made from copper. The student filled both beakers with hot water, then took the temperatures of the water every two minutes. The apparatus is shown in Fig. 4.1.

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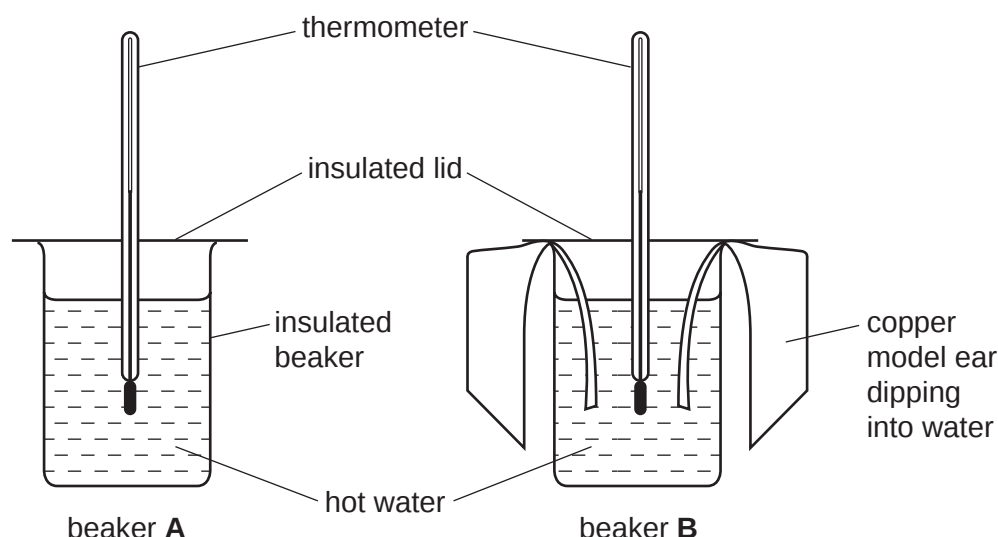


Fig. 4.1

The results are shown in Fig. 4.3.

- (a) Read the thermometers in Fig. 4.2 and enter the readings in the correct places in Fig. 4.3. [2]

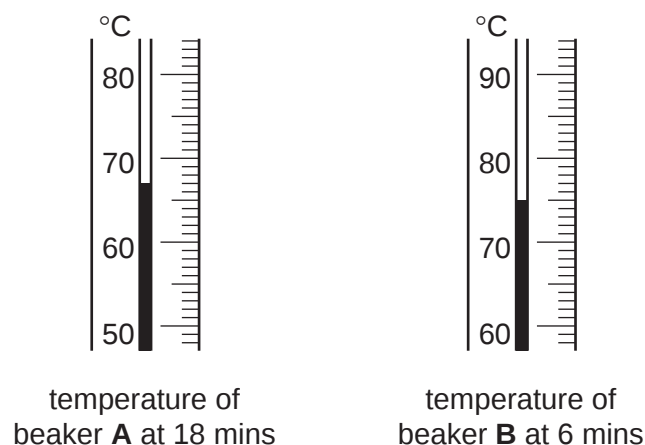


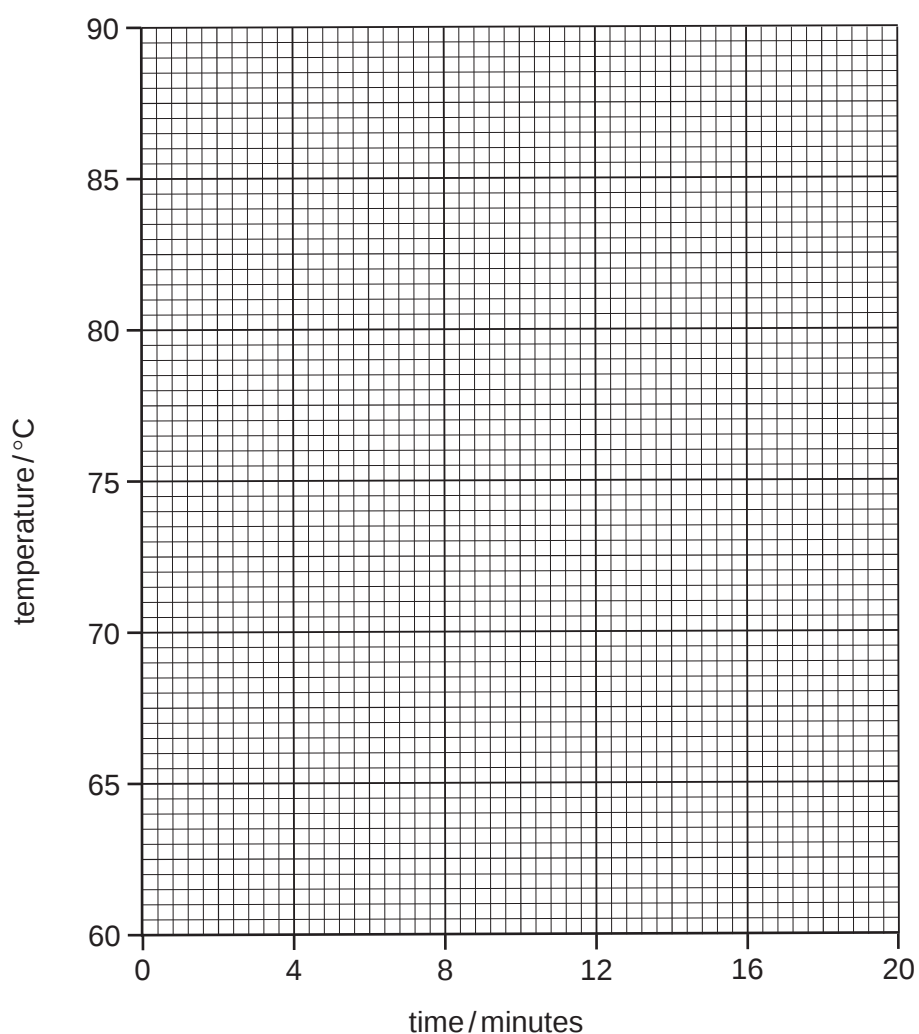
Fig. 4.2

time / mins	temperature of beaker A / °C	temperature of beaker B / °C
0	84	84
2	83	81
4	81	78
6	78	
8	76	72
10	74	70
12	72	67
14	70	65
16	68	63
18		61
20	65	60

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Fig. 4.3

- (b) Plot temperature (vertical axis) against time for beaker **A**. Draw a smooth curve and label it **A**. Using the same axes plot the results for beaker **B** and label it **B**. [4]



(c) (i) Study the results. Which beaker cooled more quickly?

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How do you know?

[1]

(ii) In terms of heat transfer explain the effect of the copper.

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[1]

(d) How are large ears an advantage for elephants living in Africa?

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[2]

(e) Describe two ways the student could make sure the experiment was a fair test.

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[2]

- 5 A student is investigating the path of a light ray through a parallel-sided glass block as shown in Fig. 5.1. Look at Fig. 5.1.

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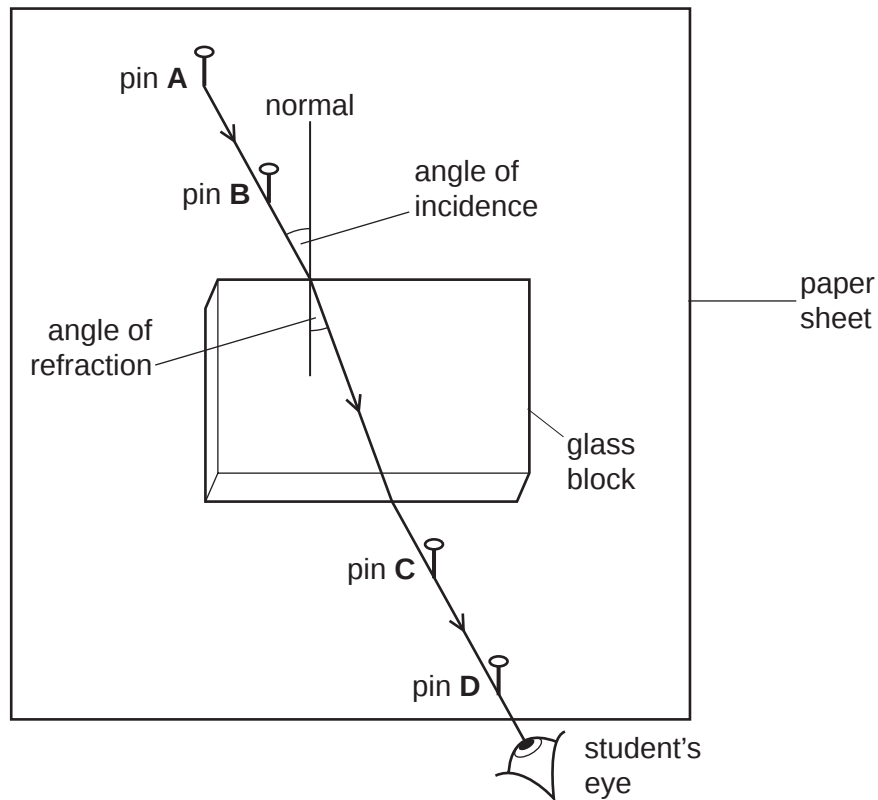


Fig. 5.1

- He places the glass block on a sheet of paper on top of a flat piece of soft wood.
- He draws a line on the paper all round the glass block.
- He places two upright pins, **A** and **B**, in a line, at an angle to the side of the block.
- Then he looks through the glass block at the two pins.
- When he sees the two pins **A** and **B** in line, he places pins **C** and **D** on his side of the block, in line with pins **A** and **B**.
- He removes the glass block and draws the path of a ray of light through the block.

Fig. 5.2 shows the piece of paper after the glass block has been removed.

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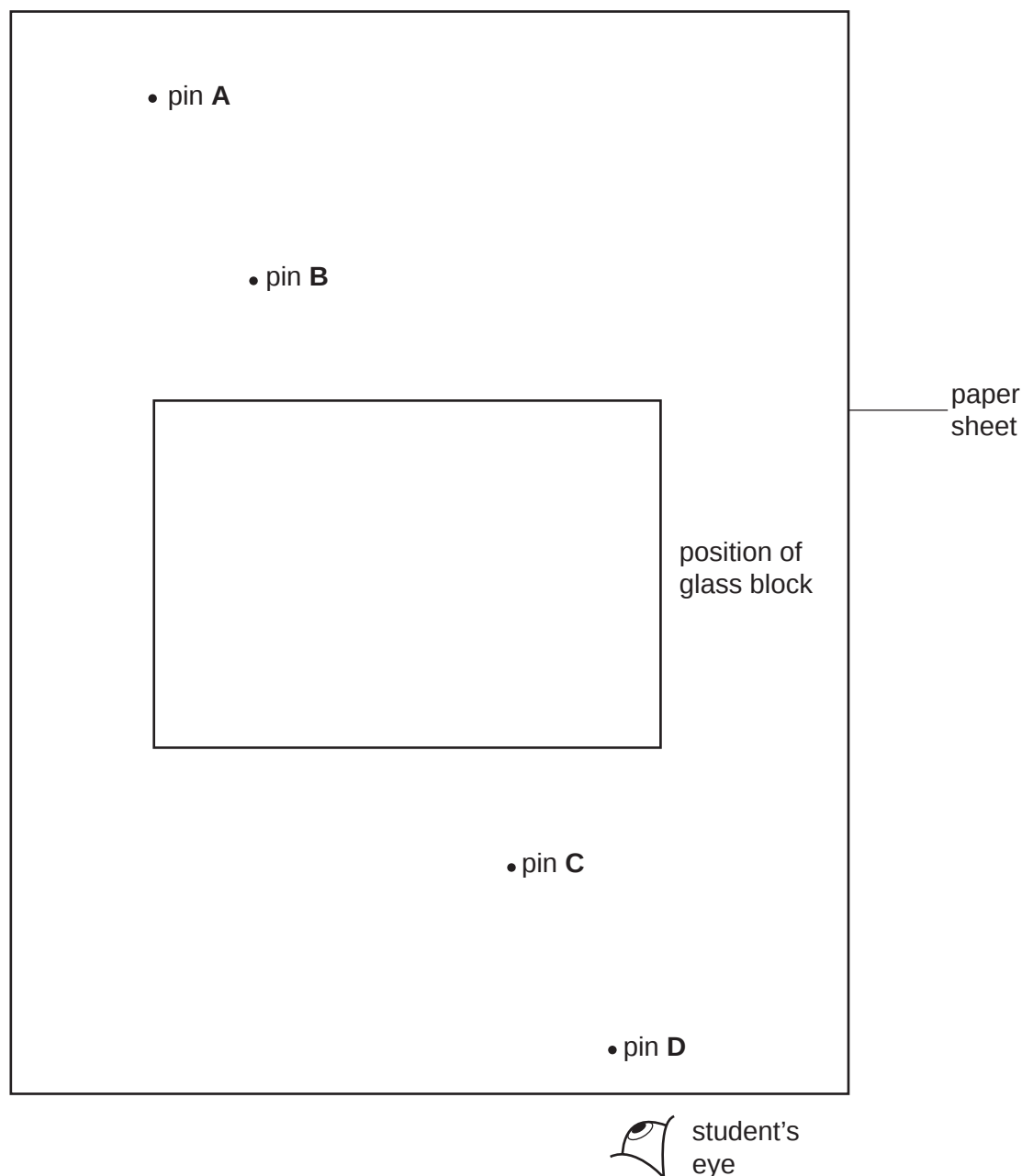


Fig. 5.2

- (a) (i) On Fig. 5.2, draw the path of a light ray that travels from pin **A** through the glass block into the student's eye. [1]
- (ii) Draw the normal where the incident ray enters the glass block. See Fig. 5.1. [1]
- (iii) On Fig. 5.2, label **i**, the angle of incidence, and **r**, the angle of refraction. [1]
- (iv) On Fig. 5.2, measure **i**, the angle of incidence and **r**, the angle of refraction to the nearest degree. Record them in the first line of Fig. 5.3, on page 16. [2]

The student repeats the experiment, changing the angle of incidence each time, to give four more sets of readings. He records them in Fig. 5.3.

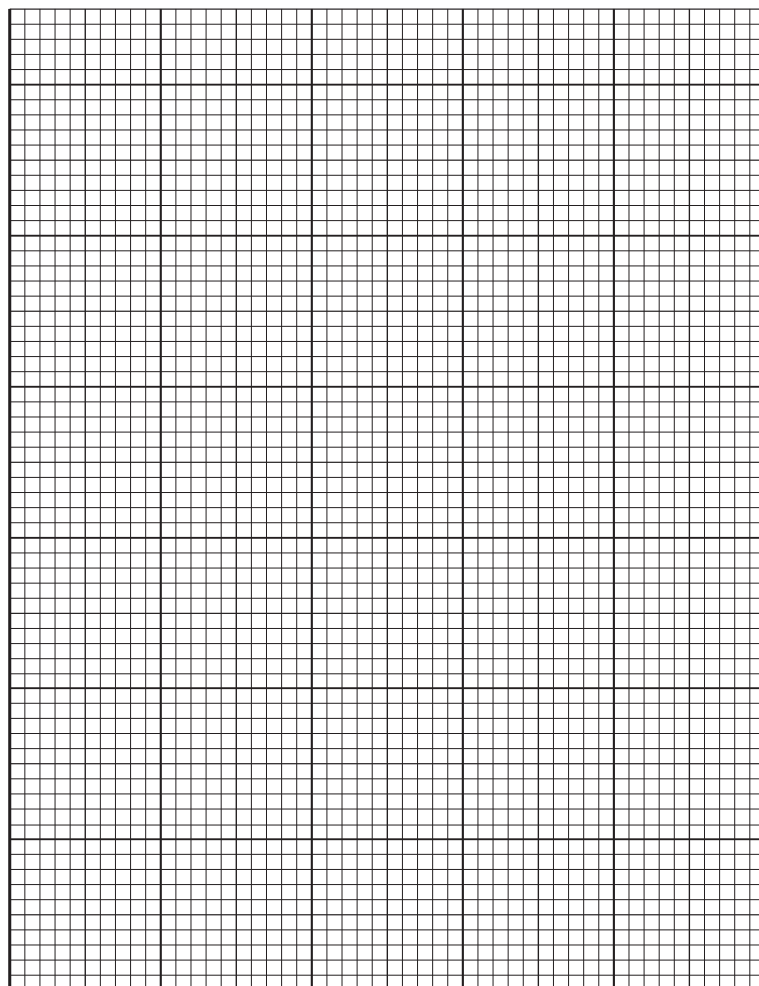
angle of incidence i / degrees	angle of refraction r / degrees
38	24
46	28
54	32
63	35

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Fig. 5.3

- (b)** On the graph grid provided, plot a graph of i (vertical axis) against r .
Draw a smooth curve. Do not try to extend the line beyond the plotted points.

[3]



- (c) Use your graph to determine the angle of incidence when the angle of refraction is 26° . Show how you do this on the graph.

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angle of incidence =degrees [2]

- 6 The science class is doing experiments with Bunsen burners. The gas used in the burners is butane, C_4H_{10} . A student finds out that he can get three different types of flame using his Bunsen burner. These are shown in Fig. 6.1.

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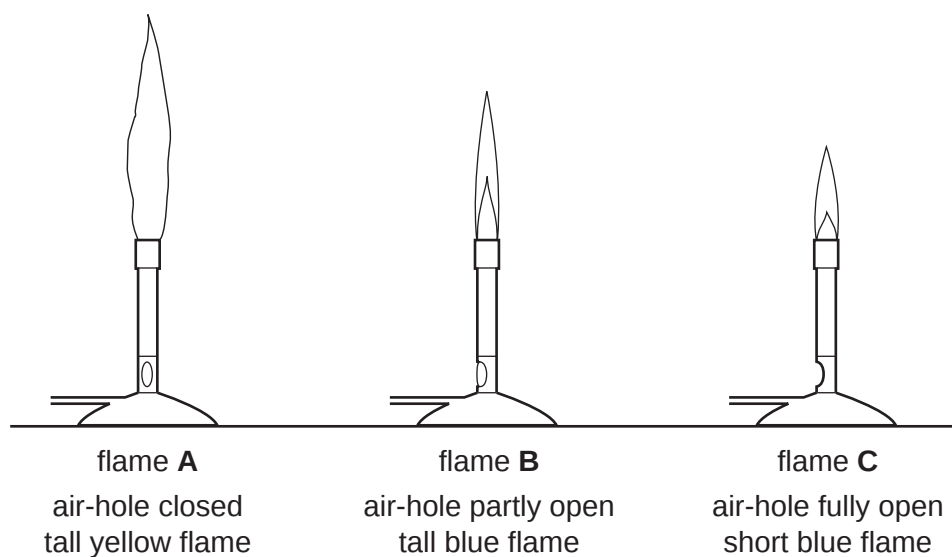


Fig. 6.1

- (a) He holds a thin white card horizontally in each flame for about 5 seconds, as shown in Fig. 6.2. The results are shown in Fig. 6.3.

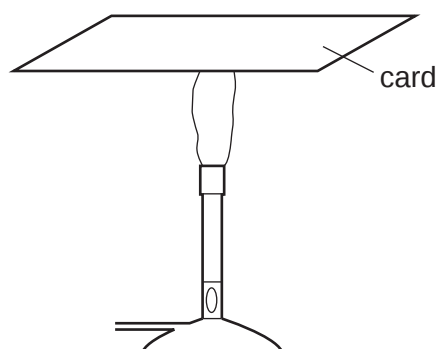
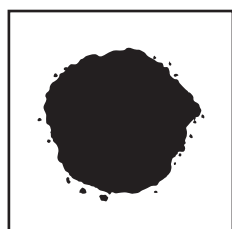
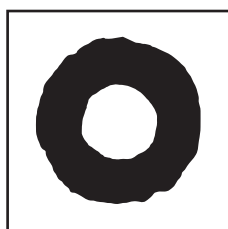


Fig. 6.2



flame A
there is a black powder
on the card



flame B
there is a
partly-burned ring



flame C
the card bursts
into flames

Fig. 6.3

- (i) Explain why black soot forms on the card in flame **A**.

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- (ii) Suggest why there is a partly-burned ring with an unburned centre, on the card that was held in flame **B**.

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The teacher gives the student a sample of sodium nitrate crystals in a test-tube. The student heats the tube in each flame for 3 minutes, beginning with flame **A**. Fig. 6.4 shows the results.

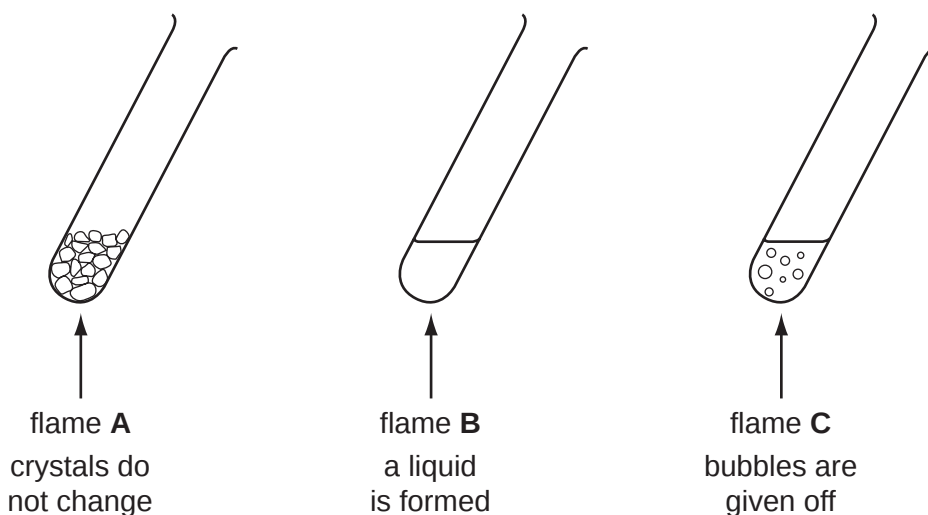


Fig. 6.4

- (b) Use **one word** in each case to suggest what happens to the sodium nitrate when it is heated.

- (i) In flame **B**, the sodium nitrate [1]
- (ii) In flame **C**, the sodium nitrate [1]

- (c) The student thinks that oxygen is being given off from the sodium nitrate in flame **C**.

Explain how he can show that the gas given off is oxygen. Give all necessary details of the test.

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- (d) The teacher asks the student to explain why flame **C** is hotter than the other flames.

Suggest why flame **C** is the hottest.

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