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Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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1	n u	tate pa nea init loes	word required electron; ammeter; volt; insulator;	[4]	
	(b) (i		goes out ; incomplete circuit/circuit is broken ;		[2]
	(ii		so that they can be individually turned on and off; so that they all get the full mains voltage; so that if one fails the rest still operate;		[max 2]
	(iii	-	$R = R_1 + R_2;$ = 2.4 \Omega;		[2]
					[Total: 10]
2	(a) (i	i)	A ;		[1]
	(i	i)	B, E, F;		[1]
	(iii	i)	starch/cellulose/sugar/any other correct;		[1]
	(iv	/)	0.04%; (allow 0.03%)		[1]
	(b) (i		remove undigested substances; from the, alimentary canal/digestive system/anus	or as faeces ;	[2]
	(ii	i)	consumer and herbivore ;		[1]
	(iii		to prevent extinction (of earthworms); reference effect on, food chains/ecosystem; because they improve the soil by aeration;		
			because they improve the soil by releasing plant n other valid point;	utrients ;	[max 2]
					[Total: 9]
3	(a) (i		7 ; >7 to 14 ; <7 to 0 ;		[3]
	(i	-	meter is more accurate/precise/reference to qua shows that solution is acidic/owtte;	antitative/litmus paper only	′
			meter can show degree of acidity ;		[max 1]

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((b)) add the silver nitrate to the solution ; white precipitate/solid indicates chloride (ions)/no reaction shows chloride absent ;						oride [2]
((c)	(i)	refer	Group 1 (also strontiu ence to explosive/rea eyes ;		corrosive subs	stances splashing	onto [2]
		(ii)	pops hydr	; ogen given off ;				[2]
								[Total: 10]
4	kinetic change only gra change			energy in muscles; nergy as she takes off to gravitational poten itational potential ene back to kinetic energy sound energy on land	tial energy ; rgy at top of j v/ as she falls	•		[max 3]
	(b)	(i)	(as) heat	r/sweat turns to a gar particles get further a is needed/used to ca e) energetic particles	oart ; iuse evaporat			[max 2]
		(ii)		is needed/used to ca heat (energy) of body	•	ion ;		[max 1]
								[Total: 6]
5	(a)	(i)	suga	r and starch ;				[2]
		(ii)	prote	ein ;				[1]
	(i		A an	d C ;				[1]
		(iv)	A/C	;				[1]
		(v)	D ;					[1]
((b)	(i)	weal	k bones/rickets;				[1]
		(ii)	tired	ness/anaemia ;				[1]

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	(c)	reference to bacteria; bacteria feed on sugar; produce acids; acid dissolves tooth enamel;						[max 3] [Total: 11]
6	(a)	(i)	heat light soun					[max 2]
		(ii)	incre	ases the rate ;				[1]
	(b)	 (b) (i) (B) particle B is uncharged/neutral/also has 13 electrons/number of protonumber of electrons; (ii) A and D; (A is) ion of oxygen and (D is) ion of aluminium; metals and non-metals bond ionically/owtte; they have opposite electrical charges/they attract each other; 						ons = [1]
								[max 3]
	(c)	(i)	oxyg	en ;				[1]
		(ii)	pota: idea	ork mixture needs oxy ssium perchlorate prod that oxygen needs t ork mixture;	duces oxygen wher			t into [max 2]
								[Total: 10]
7	(a)	amplitude labelled ; wavelength labelled ; correct dimensions ;				[3]		
	(b)	(i)	A is	ouder than B ;				[1]
		(ii)	X ha	s higher pitch/sound;				[1]
	(c)) radiation ; only radiation can travel through vacuum/conduction and convection ne medium ;						need [2]
								[Total: 7]
8	(a)	(i)		rotum ; ethra ;				[2]

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(ii)	(ii) carries, sperm/semen; produce fluid, for sperm to swim in/containing sugar;					
(iii)	labe	I to testis;		[1]		
froi sha blo	(b) from mother to baby in uterus/during birth; from mother to baby in breast milk; sharing needles; blood transfusion;					
exc	exchange of blood ;					
				[Total: 7]		
9 (a) (i)	chlo more chlo	rine/an element is in the Periodic Table/compounds rine/an element only contains one type of atom e than one type; rine/an element cannot be broken do stances/compounds (usually) can;	/compounds cor	ntain npler		
		atoms in a compound are bonded together ;		[max 2]		
(ii)		us/Universal Indicator paper/solution ; ched ;		[2]		
(b) (i)	the p	positive electrode ;		[1]		
(ii)		lium chloride) ains (the) chlorine/owtte ;		[1]		
(c) (i)	liquio solid			[2]		
(ii)	chlo	rine reacts with (sodium) bromide; rine displaces bromine/bromine is produced; rine is more reactive than bromine/reactivity decrea	ses down the arc	oup :		
		nine is orange ;	3.3	[max 2]		
				[Total: 10]		