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Paper 1 Part A Multiple Choice

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1 hour

Additional Materials:

Multiple Choice Answer Sheet

Soft clean eraser

Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

Data Booklet

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write in soft pencil.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number on the Answer sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.

There are 40 questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions. For each question there are four possible answers **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**.

Choose the one you consider correct and record your choice in soft pencil on the separate Answer Sheet.

Read the instructions on the Answer Sheet very carefully.

Each correct answer will score one mark. A mark will not be deducted for a wrong answer.

Any rough working out should be done in this booklet.



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1 Which statement about an element in the Periodic Table is correct?

A Magnesium is a metalloid, has a giant structure and is a good conductor of electricity.

B Silicon is a metalloid, has a simple molecular structure and is a semi-conductor of electricity.

C Sodium is a metal, has a giant structure and is a good conductor of electricity.

D Sulfur is a non-metal, has a giant structure and is a poor conductor of electricity.

2 The hydrolysis of S_2Cl_2 proceeds by two reactions.

reaction 1
$$S_2Cl_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow H_2S + SO_2 + 2HCl$$

reaction 2
$$2H_2S + SO_2 \rightarrow \frac{3}{8}S_8 + 2H_2O$$

Which row correctly describes the two reactions?

	reaction 1	reaction 2	
Α	acidic solution formed	disproportionation	
В	acidic solution formed	reverse disproportionation	
С	neutral solution formed	disproportionation	
D	neutral solution formed	reverse disproportionation	

3 During the electrolysis of molten aluminium oxide, Al^{3+} ions are converted to aluminium metal at the cathode.

How many electrons are required to produce 81.0 g of aluminium? [L = the Avogadro constant]

- **A** 9L
- **B** 3L
- C L
- D $\frac{L}{3}$

4 Which atom has the highest ratio of unpaired electrons to paired electrons in its ground state?

- A boron
- **B** carbon
- C nitrogen
- **D** oxygen

5 The double salt (NH₄)₂SO₄.FeSO₄.6H₂O is used as a standard in volumetric analysis for titrations with oxidising agents.

What is the electronic configuration of the metal ion in this salt?

- **A** $[Ar]4s^23d^6$
- **B** [Ar]4s²3d⁴
- **C** [Ar]3d⁶
- **D** [Ar]3d⁵

6 Which sequence of first ionisation energies for the elements of the third period is correct?

	energies/kJ mol ⁻¹							
	Na Mg A <i>l</i> Si P S C <i>l</i> Ar							Ar
Α	496	578	738	789	1000	1060	1251	1521
В	496	738	578	789	1000	1060	1251	1521
С	496	578	738	789	1012	1000	1251	1521
D	496	738	578	789	1012	1000	1251	1521

7 Which shows the chemical bonds in order of increasing bond length?

- **A** C*l*–C*l*
- F-F
- O=O
- C*l*–C*l*
- N≡N

C N≡N

B F-F

- 0=0
- Cl-Cl

O=O

F-F

Cl-Cl

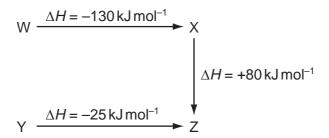
 $N \equiv N$

D N≡N

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- O=O
- F–F
- Which statement about bond formation is **not** correct?
- **A** A triple bond consists of one σ bond and two π bonds.
- **B** A π bond restricts rotation about the σ bond axis.
- **C** Bonds formed from atomic s orbitals are always σ bonds.
- **D** End-to-end orbital overlap results in a bond with electron density above and below the bond axis.

9 The diagram represents the energy changes for some reactions.

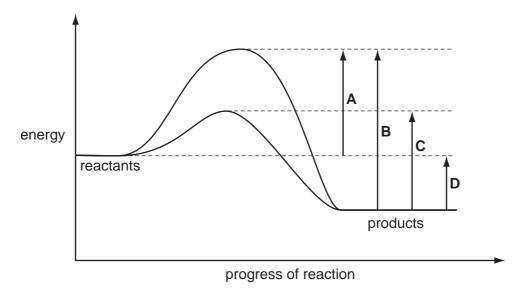


What are the natures of the conversions $W \to Y$, $Y \to X$ and $Z \to W$?

	$W \rightarrow Y$	$Y \rightarrow X$	$Z \rightarrow W$
Α	exothermic	endothermic	endothermic
В	exothermic	exothermic	endothermic
С	endothermic	exothermic	exothermic
D	endothermic	endothermic	exothermic

10 The diagram shows the energy profile for a reaction both with and without a catalyst present.

What is the activation energy of the uncatalysed reverse reaction?



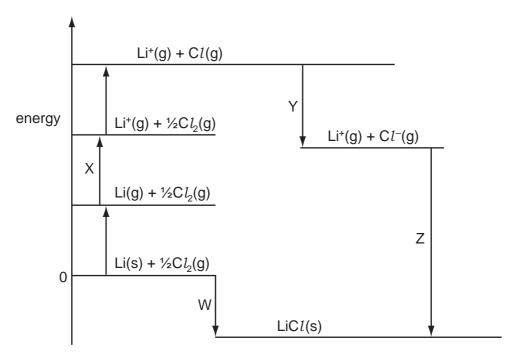
11 The metal niobium, Nb, has a relative atomic mass of 92.9 and is used in various stainless steel alloys. It is made by reducing niobium chloride with sodium. In this reaction, 54.08 g of niobium chloride produces 18.58 g of niobium.

What is the formula of the niobium chloride used?

- **A** NbC l_2 **B** NbC l_3 **C** NbC l_4
- **D** NbC l_5

12 Many compounds containing lithium, such as lithium chloride, have pharmacological uses.

The diagram shows the Born-Haber cycle showing the formation of lithium chloride.



What are the correct names of the four steps W, X, Y and Z?

	W	X	Y	Z
A	enthalpy of formation	ionisation energy	enthalpy of atomisation	lattice energy
В	enthalpy of formation	ionisation energy	electron affinity	lattice energy
С	lattice energy	enthalpy of atomisation	electron affinity	enthalpy of formation
D	lattice energy	enthalpy of atomisation	ionisation energy	enthalpy of formation

13 A protonated oxoanion of vanadium has been characterised at pH3 with the formula $HV_{10}O_{28}^{\quad 5-}$.

Which oxoanion contains vanadium in a **different** oxidation state from that shown in $HV_{10}O_{28}^{5-}$?

- VO_2^+ **B** VO_{2+}^{2+} **C** $V_4O_{12}^{4-}$ **D** VO_4^{3-}

14 Four compounds of period 3 elements are listed.

 Na_2O $SiCl_4$ SO_2 NaCl

Water is added to each of the four compounds.

Pairs of the resulting solutions are mixed together.

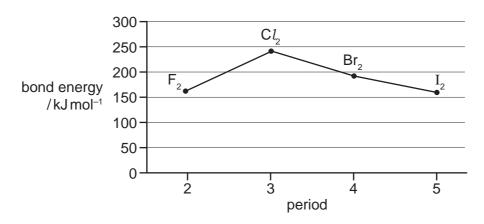
From which pair of solutions is it possible to get a solution with a pH of 7?

- A NaCl and Na₂O
- **B** NaCl and SO₂
- **C** Na₂O and SiC l_4
- **D** SiC l_4 and SO₂

15 In Group 2, what are the trends in charge density of the metal cations and thermal stability of the metal carbonates as the atomic number of the metal increases?

	charge density	thermal stability
Α	decreases	decreases
В	decreases	increases
С	increases	decreases
D	increases	increases

16 The diagram shows bond energies in halogen molecules.



Why does the value for fluorine **not** follow the trend shown by chlorine, bromine and iodine?

- A Fluorine is more electronegative than the other halogens.
- **B** Lone electron pairs in fluorine repel more strongly than those in the other halogens.
- **C** The bonds in fluorine are more polar than those in the other halogens.
- **D** The bonds in fluorine have some π -character.

- 17 Which statement about the element astatine (atomic number 85) is **not** correct and is **not** consistent with its position in Group 17?
 - **A** Astatine is a product of the reaction between sodium astatide and concentrated sulfuric acid.
 - **B** Astatine is a solid at room temperature and pressure.
 - **C** Silver astatide is soluble in aqueous ammonia.
 - **D** The bond energy of hydrogen astatide is less than that of hydrogen iodide.
- 18 In the gas phase, ammonia reacts with chlorine.

$$8NH_3 + 3Cl_2 \rightarrow N_2 + 6NH_4Cl$$

Which row indicates the correct combination of statements about this reaction?

	ammonia acts as a reducing agent	ammonia acts as a base	a dative bond is formed
Α	✓	✓	✓
В	✓	×	x
С	x	✓	✓
D	X	x	✓

19 Sulfuric acid, one of the most important industrial chemicals, can carry out several functions in chemical reactions.

Three examples of industrial reactions in which sulfuric acid is used are shown below.

reaction 1
$$Al_2O_3 + 3H_2SO_4 \rightarrow Al_2(SO_4)_3 + 3H_2O$$

reaction 2 Cu +
$$H_2SO_4 \rightarrow CuO + SO_2 + H_2O$$

reaction 3 (CH₃)₃COH + H₂SO₄
$$\rightarrow$$
 (CH₃)₂C=CH₂ + H₂SO₄ + H₂O

What is the function of sulfuric acid in each reaction?

	reaction 1	reaction 2	reaction 3
Α	acidic	oxidising	dehydrating
В	acidic	acidic	dehydrating
С	dehydrating	oxidising	catalytic
D	dehydrating	acidic	catalytic

20 An organic molecule contains

only carbon, hydrogen and one oxygen atom; one carbon atom at the carbonyl functional group level; one asymmetric carbon atom.

What is the smallest number of carbon atoms such a molecule could possess?

A 4

B 5

C 6

D 7

21 The diagram shows the structure of propofol, a short-acting intravenous anaesthetic used for both adults and children, and also in veterinary medicine.

When reacted with a very dilute solution of Cl_2 a chlorine atom may substitute for a hydrogen atom on the benzene ring but **not** for a hydrogen atom on the alkyl branches or in the –OH group.

Given that any number of the benzene hydrogens may be substituted, how many possible products of the reaction are there?

A 3

B 4

C 5

D 6

22 Which pair of reactions could **not** regenerate the original organic reactant?

- A addition followed by elimination
- **B** addition followed by substitution
- **C** hydrolysis followed by substitution
- **D** substitution followed by hydrolysis
- 23 Partial hydrolysis of an animal protein produces a dipeptide with the structure shown.

H₂NCH₂CONHCH(CH₃)CO₂H

How many carbon atoms, at the functional group levels shown, does this molecule possess?

	alcohol	carbonyl	carboxylic acid
Α	1	1	2
В	2	0	2
С	2	1	1
D	3	0	1

- 24 How many of the structural isomers of dibromopropane will react with aqueous sodium hydroxide to produce a compound with a carbon atom at the carbonyl functional group level?
 - **A** 0 **B** 1 **C** 2 **D** 3
- Which conversion involves an increase in bond angle in the molecule involved and a decrease in functional group level of a carbon atom?

$$CH_3CHO \xrightarrow{A} C_2H_5OH \xrightarrow{B} C_2H_4 \xrightarrow{C} C_2H_6 \xrightarrow{D} CO_2$$

- **26** Which sequence shows an **overall** change that moves a carbon atom up one functional group level?
 - $\textbf{A} \quad \text{CH}_{3}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{Br} \rightarrow \text{CH}_{3}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{CH}_{3}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CO}_{2}\text{H}$
 - $\textbf{B} \quad \text{CH}_{3}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{Br} \rightarrow \text{CH}_{3}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{NH}_{2} \rightarrow \text{CH}_{3}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CN}$
 - C $CH_3CH_2CH_3 \rightarrow CH_3CH_2CH_2Br \rightarrow CH_3CH_2CH_2NH_2$
 - **D** $CH_3CH_2CH_3 \rightarrow CH_3CH=CH_2 \rightarrow 3CO_2 + 3H_2O$
- 27 An organic compound X is reacted with an ethanolic solution of cyanide ions to form compound Y. Y is hydrolysed in acid solution to form compound Z, a carboxylic acid.

Which statement is correct?

- A X is an alcohol with the same number of carbon atoms in one molecule as Z.
- **B** X is an alcohol with fewer carbon atoms in its molecule than Z.
- **C** X is a halogenoalkane with the same number of carbon atoms in one molecule as Z.
- **D** X is a halogenoalkane with fewer carbon atoms in its molecule than Z.

28 One of the chemicals giving blue cheese its unique aroma is heptan-2-one.

The diagram shows reactions involving heptan-2-one.

$$Cr_2O_7^{2-}/H^+$$
 O $Cr_2O_7^{2-}/H^+$ reflux apparatus V

Which row correctly identifies compound W, reagent X and compound Y?

	compound W	reagent X	compound Y
Α	heptane	NaBH₄ heptanoic a	
В	heptan-2-ol	NaBH₄	heptanoic acid
С	heptanal	C ₂ H ₅ MgBr	heptan-2-one
D	heptan-2-ol	NaBH₄	heptan-2-one

29 The diagram shows a molecule of propenal, which is used to make many polymers.

When CH₃MgBr reacts with propenal, which bond in the above molecule is broken?

- **A** the σ bond in C=O
- **B** the σ bond in C=C
- **C** the π bond in C=O
- **D** the π bond in C=C
- **30** What causes carbonyl groups, C=O, to react by a nucleophilic mechanism while alkene groups, C=C, react by an electrophilic mechanism?
 - A oxygen is more reactive than carbon
 - **B** the different lengths of the double bonds
 - **C** the electronegativity difference between the carbon and oxygen atoms in the carbonyl group
 - **D** the relative strengths of the double bonds

31 Ibuprofen is an over-the-counter pain killer. There are a number of ways to synthesise the drug.

The first step in the synthesis of ibuprofen involves the production of compound T by either reaction 1 or reaction 2.

Assuming compound T is the only utilised product, which statement is correct?

- **A** Adding a catalyst to either reaction will increase its atom economy.
- **B** Reaction 1 has a higher atom economy than reaction 2.
- **C** Reaction 2 has a higher atom economy than reaction 1.
- **D** Since both reactions use the same starting material, and the utilised product is the same in both cases, there is no difference in atom economy.
- 32 The diagram shows some reactions of salt Q.

white ppt. soluble in excess NaOH(aq)
$$Q(aq)$$
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What is the identity of Q?

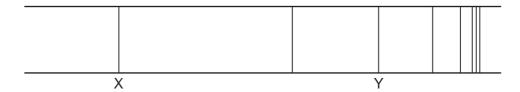
A $Al_2(SO_4)_3$ **B** $PbSO_4$ **C** $ZnSO_3$ **D** $ZnSO_4$

33	12.5 cm ³ of 0.0500 mol dm ⁻³	³ sodium hydroxide is	added to 25.0 cm	3 of 0.100 mol dm $^{-3}$	hydrochloric ³
	acid.				

Which concentration of hydrochloric acid remains in the reaction mixture?

- **A** $0.0019 \, \text{mol dm}^{-3}$
- **B** $0.0333 \, \text{mol dm}^{-3}$
- C 0.0500 mol dm⁻³
- **D** $0.0750 \, \text{mol dm}^{-3}$
- 34 Which mixture of gaseous oxygen and nitrogen would occupy 0.12 dm³ at room temperature and pressure?
 - **A** $0.032 g O_2$ and $0.084 g N_2$
 - $\textbf{B} \quad 0.096\,g\;O_2 \; and \; 0.028\,g\;N_2$
 - **C** 0.096 g O_2 and 0.056 g N_2
 - **D** $0.096 \, g \, O_2 \, and \, 0.084 \, g \, N_2$
- 35 The mass spectrum of CH₂F₂ would **not** contain a peak at which m/z value?
 - **A** 14
- **B** 19
- **C** 38
- **D** 52
- **36** In the absence of reference spectra, infra-red spectroscopy can most easily be used to distinguish between
 - **A** 1-chloropropane and 1-bromopropane.
 - **B** cis but-2-ene and trans but-2-ene.
 - C ethanol and ethanal.
 - **D** propan-2-ol and propan-1-ol.

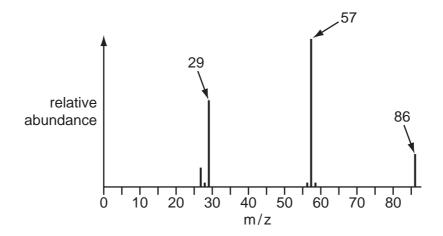
37 The diagram shows part of a simplified emission spectrum of hydrogen.



Which statement about the lines X and Y is correct?

- A The energy of line Y is greater than the energy of line X but the frequencies are the same.
- **B** The energy of line Y is lower than the energy of line X.
- **C** The frequency of line Y is lower than the frequency of line X.
- **D** X and Y are caused by transitions to the same energy level.

38 The diagram shows a simplified mass spectrum for pentan-3-one.

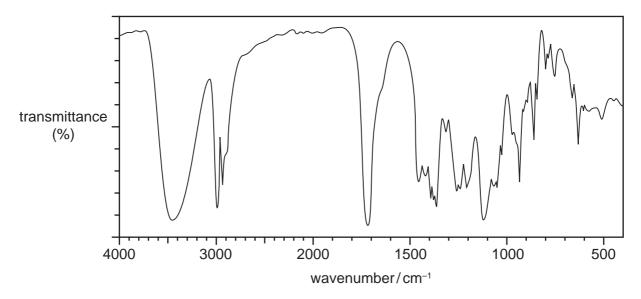


Which equation represents the process that produces the particle responsible for the peak at m/z 57?

- A $CH_3CH_2COCH_2CH_3^{\bullet +} \rightarrow CH_3CH_2CO^{+} + {^{\bullet}CH_2CH_3}$
- **B** $CH_3CH_2COCH_2CH_3^{\bullet +} \rightarrow CH_3CH_2CO^{\bullet} + {}^{+}CH_2CH_3$
- **C** $CH_3CH_2COCH_2CH_3^{\bullet +} \rightarrow CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2^{\bullet} + {}^{+}CHO$
- **D** $CH_3CH_2COCH_2CH_3^{\bullet,+} \rightarrow CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2^+ + {}^{\bullet}CHO$

39 An organic compound has the empirical formula C₂H₄O.

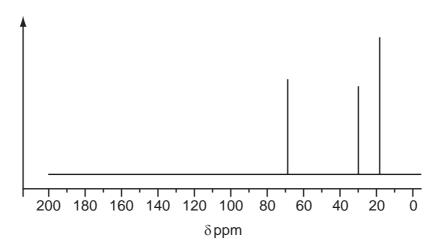
The diagram shows the infra-red spectrum of the compound.



What is the structural formula of this compound?

- A CH₃CHO
- B C₃H₇CO₂H
- C HCO₂C₃H₇
- D CH₃COCH(OH)CH₃

40 The diagram shows the 13 C NMR spectrum of an alcohol of formula $C_4H_{10}O$.



What is the alcohol?

- A butan-1-ol
- B butan-2-ol
- C 2-methylpropan-2-ol
- **D** 2-methylpropan-1-ol

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