

# Energy Transfers

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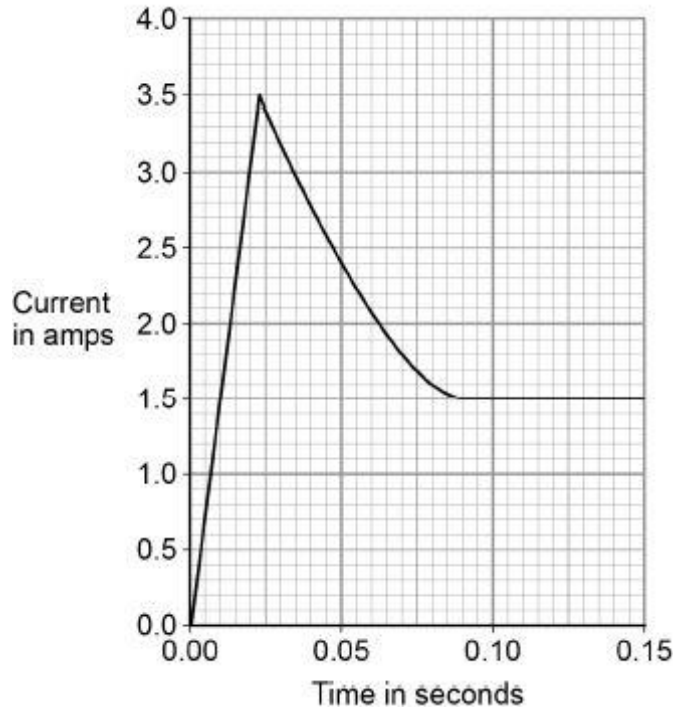
**Subject: Physics**

**Exam Board: GCSE AQA**

**Topic: Energy Transfers**

**Q1.**

The graph below shows how the current through a filament lamp changes after the lamp is switched on.



- (a) The normal current through the filament lamp is 1.5 A.

For how many seconds is the current through the filament lamp greater than 1.5 A?

Tick **one** box.

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| 0.01 s |  |
| 0.08 s |  |
| 0.09 s |  |
| 0.14 s |  |

(1)

- (b) Why might the filament inside a lamp melt when the lamp is first switched on?

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(1)

- (c) The lamp is connected to a 24 V power supply. The current through the lamp is 1.5 A.  
Calculate the power of the lamp.

Use the equation:

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

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Power = \_\_\_\_\_ W

(2)

- (d) LED lamps are much more efficient than filament lamps.

What does this statement mean?

Tick **one** box.

LED lamps have a similar power output to filament lamps.

LED lamps waste a smaller proportion of the input energy than filament lamps.

LED lamps have a higher power input than filament lamps.

LED lamps waste a larger proportion of the input energy than filament lamps.

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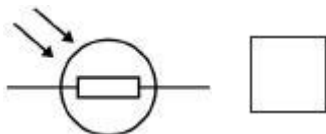
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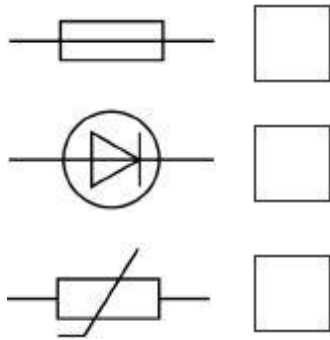
## Q2.

The plug of an electrical appliance contains a fuse.

- (a) What is the correct circuit symbol for a fuse?

Tick **one** box.





(1)

- (b) The appliance is connected to the mains electrical supply. The mains potential difference is 230 V.

Calculate the energy transferred when 13 C of charge flows through the appliance.

Use the equation:

$$\text{energy transferred} = \text{charge flow} \times \text{potential difference}$$

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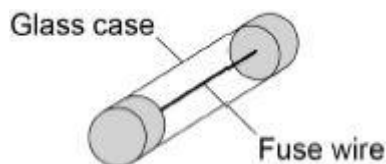


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Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ J

(2)

The diagram below shows the structure of a fuse.



- (c) Write down the equation that links charge flow, current and time.

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(1)

- (d) The fuse wire melts when 1.52 coulombs of charge flows through the fuse in 0.40 seconds.

Calculate the current at which the fuse wire melts.

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Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

(3)

- (e) The mass of the fuse wire is 0.00175 kg. The specific latent heat of fusion of the fuse wire is 205 000 J/kg.

Calculate the energy needed to melt the fuse wire.

Use the Physics Equations Sheet.

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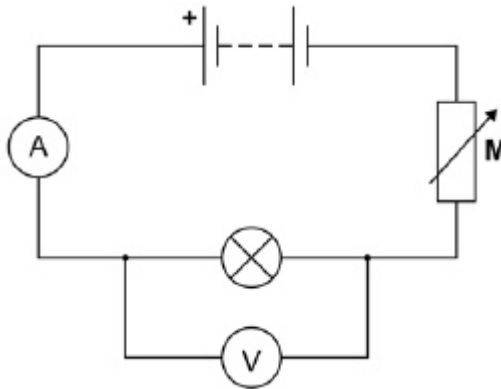
Energy = \_\_\_\_\_ J

(2)

(Total 9 marks)

**Q3.**

The diagram shows the circuit used to obtain the data needed to plot the current-potential difference graph for a filament lamp.



- (a) Why is component **M** included in the circuit?

Tick **one** box.

To keep the current constant.

To keep the potential difference constant.

To vary the current.



(1)

- (b) Why does the resistance of the lamp increase as the potential difference across the lamp increases?

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(1)

- (c) The potential difference across the lamp is 12.0 V

Calculate the energy transferred by the lamp when 8.5 C of charge flows through the lamp.

Use the equation:

$$\text{energy transferred} = \text{charge flow} \times \text{potential difference}$$

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Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ J

(2)

- (d) The table gives data about two types of lamp that householders may use in their homes.

Type of lamp	Energy efficiency	Mean lifetime in hours
Halogen	10%	2000
LED	90%	36000

Both types of lamp produce the same amount of light.

Describe the environmental advantages of using the LED lamp compared with the halogen lamp.

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(2)  
(Total 6 marks)

**Q4.**

The photograph below shows a coffee machine. The coffee machine uses an electric element to heat water.



- (a) The coffee machine has a metal case.

Why would it be dangerous for the live wire of the electric cable to touch the metal case?

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(1)

- (b) The power output of the coffee machine is 2.53 kW.

The mains potential difference is 230 V.

Calculate the current in the coffee machine.

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Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

(3)

(c) The coffee machine heats water from 20 °C to 90 °C.

The power output of the coffee machine is 2.53 kW.

The specific heat capacity of water is 4200 J/kg °C.

Calculate the mass of water that the coffee machine can heat in 14 seconds.

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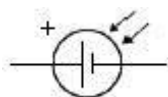
Mass = \_\_\_\_\_ kg

(5)

(Total 9 marks)

**Q5.**

Solar cells produce electricity using light from the Sun.



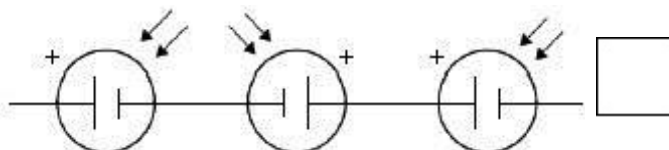
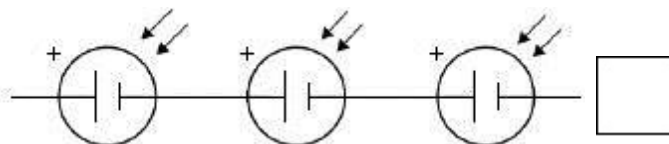
The symbol for a solar cell is:

A householder has three solar cells.

Each solar cell has an output potential difference of 0.70 V

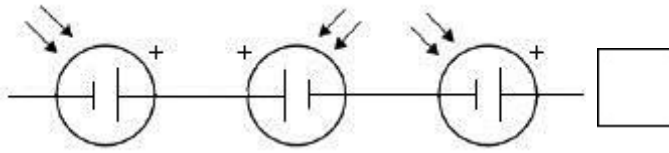
(a) Which arrangement of three solar cells will give a potential difference of 2.10 V?

Tick **one** box.



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(1)

- (b) A solar cell has a resistance of  $2.5 \Omega$  when the output potential difference is  $0.70 \text{ V}$   
 Calculate the current through the solar cell.

Use the equation:

$$\text{current} = \frac{\text{potential difference}}{\text{resistance}}$$

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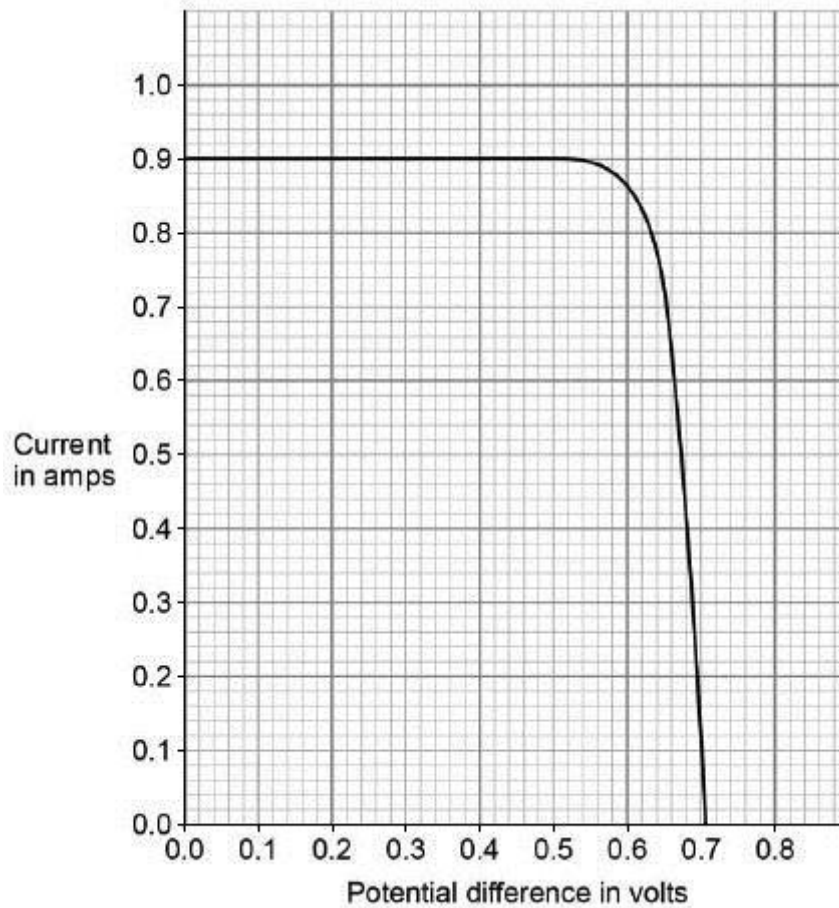


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Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

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The graph below shows a graph of current against potential difference for a different type of solar cell.



(c) The power output of the solar cell is calculated using the equation.

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

Which value of potential difference on the graph above gives the maximum power output of the solar cell?

Tick **one** box.

0.1 V

0.3 V

0.6 V

0.7 V

Give the reason for your answer.

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(2)

(d) Write down the equation that links efficiency, total power input and useful power output.

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(1)

- (e) The total power input to the solar cell is 2.4 W when the efficiency is 0.20

Calculate the useful power output of the solar cell.

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Useful power output = \_\_\_\_\_ W

(3)

(Total 9 marks)

**Q6.**

The image shows a battery-powered drone.



- (a) Complete the sentences.

Choose the answers from the box.

chemical	elastic potential	
gravitational potential	kinetic	nuclear

As the drone accelerates upwards

its \_\_\_\_\_ energy increases

and its \_\_\_\_\_ energy increases.

The \_\_\_\_\_ energy store

of the battery decreases.

(3)

- (b) In the USA, drones are not allowed to be flown too high above the ground.

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Suggest **one** possible risk of flying a drone too high above the ground.

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(2)

- (c) Write down the equation that links energy transferred, power and time.

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(1)

- (d) The drone can fly for 25 minutes before the battery needs recharging.

The power output of the battery is 65.0 W

Calculate the maximum energy stored by the battery.

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Maximum energy = \_\_\_\_\_ joules

(3)

(Total 8 marks)

**Q7.**

Most electric kettles use the ac mains electricity supply.

- (a) Complete the sentence.

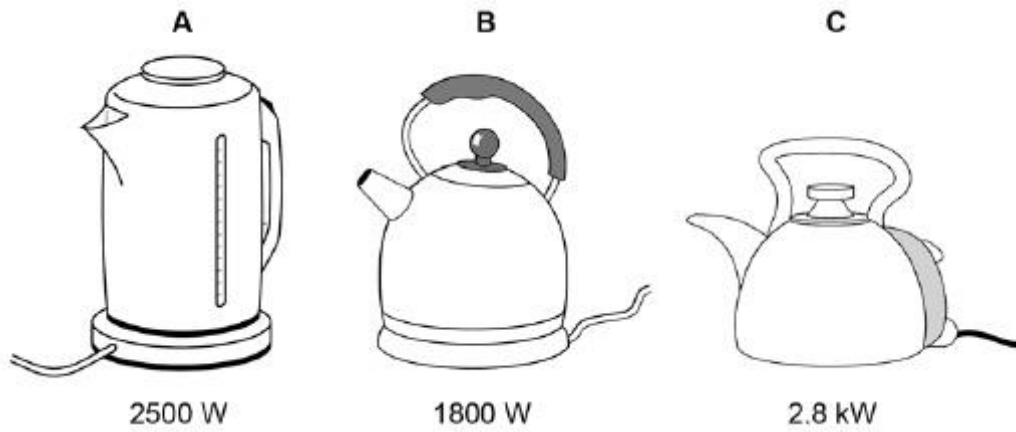
The ac mains supply has a potential difference that continuously

\_\_\_\_\_ polarity

(1)

**Figure 1** gives the power output of three electric kettles.

**Figure 1**



A student investigated how the power output of a kettle affected the time taken to boil a fixed volume of water.

The water in all three kettles had an initial temperature of 25 °C.

(b) What type of variable was the time?

Tick **one** box.

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(1)

(c) Which kettle will boil the water in the shortest time?

Give a reason for your answer.

Kettle \_\_\_\_\_

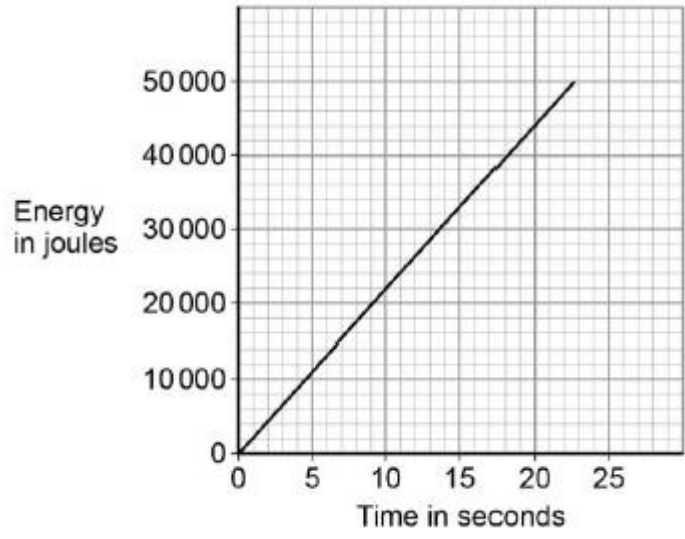
Reason \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(2)

(d) **Figure 2** shows how the amount of energy transferred by a kettle varies with time.

**Figure 2**



The power output of the kettle is given by the gradient of the graph.

Calculate the power output of the kettle.

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Power output = \_\_\_\_\_ W

(2)

(e) Write down the equation that links charge flow, current and time.

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(f) Calculate the current through the kettle when 2400 coulombs of charge flows in 250 seconds.

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Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

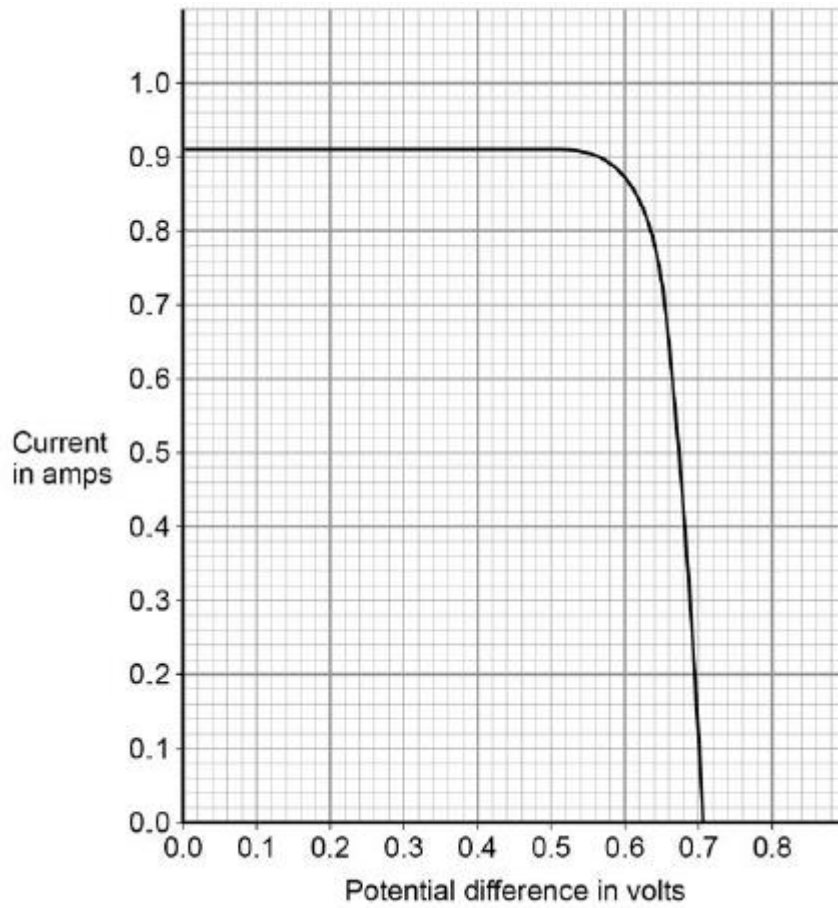
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**(Total 10 marks)**

**Q8.**

**Figure 1** shows a graph of current against potential difference for a solar cell when light of intensity  $450 \text{ W/m}^2$  is incident on it.

**Figure 1**



- (a) Determine the power output of the solar cell when the potential difference is 0.5 V  
Use data from **Figure 1**.

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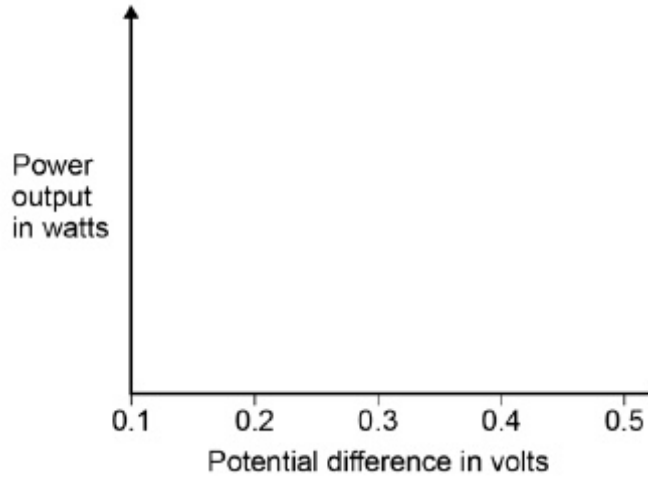
Power = \_\_\_\_\_ W

(3)

- (b) Draw a sketch graph on **Figure 2** to show how the power output of the solar cell varies with potential difference between 0.1 V and 0.5 V

**No values** need to be included on the vertical axis.

**Figure 2**



(2)

- (c) The maximum power output of this solar cell is 0.52 W

When the light intensity is  $450 \text{ W/m}^2$  the cell has an efficiency of 0.15 at the maximum power output.

Calculate the area of the solar cell.

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Area = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{m}^2$

(4)

- (d) A householder has four solar cells.

Each of the solar cells has a resistance of  $0.78 \Omega$

Explain how the solar cells should be connected so that the total resistance is as low as possible.

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(2)

(Total 11 marks)



**Q9.**

The image shows a battery-powered drone.



- (a) The battery in the drone can store 97.5 kJ of energy.

When the drone is hovering, the power output of the battery is 65.0 W

Calculate the time for which the drone can hover.

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Time = \_\_\_\_\_ seconds

**(3)**

- (b) The battery powers 4 motors in the drone.

Each motor has a resistance of 1.60  $\Omega$  when the power input to each motor is 19.6 W

The 4 motors are connected in parallel with the battery.

Calculate the current through the battery.

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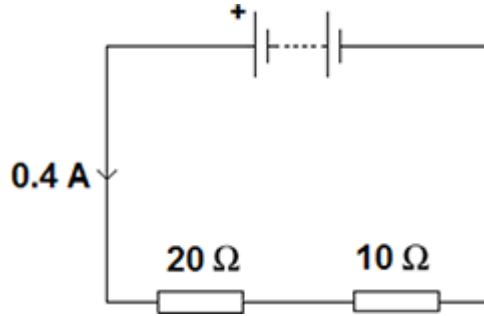
Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

(4)

(Total 7 marks)

**Q10.**

An electrical circuit is shown in the figure below.



- (a) The current in the circuit is direct current.

What is meant by direct current?

Tick **one** box.

Current that continuously changes direction.

Current that travels directly to the component.

Current that is always in the same direction.

(1)

- (b) The equation which links current, potential difference and resistance is:

potential difference = current  $\times$  resistance

Calculate the potential difference across the battery in the circuit in the figure above.

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Potential difference = \_\_\_\_\_ V

(3)

- (c) The equation which links current, potential difference and power is:

power = current  $\times$  potential difference

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Calculate the power output of the battery in the figure above.

Give your answer to one significant figure.

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Power = \_\_\_\_\_ W

(2)

(Total 6 marks)

**Q11.**

An electrician is replacing an old electric shower with a new one.

The inside of the old shower is shown in the figure below.



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- (a) The electrician should **not** change the shower unless he switches off the mains electricity supply.

Explain why.

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(2)

- (b) The new shower has a power output of 10 690 W when it is connected to the 230 V mains electricity supply.

The equation which links current, potential difference and power is:

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

Calculate the current passing through the new shower.

Give your answer to two significant figures.

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Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

(4)

- (c) The new shower has a higher power rating than the old shower.

How does the power of the new shower affect the cost of using the shower?

Give a reason for your answer.

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(2)

(Total 8 marks)

### Q12.

An electrician is replacing an old electric shower with a new one.

The inside of the old shower is shown in **Figure 1**.

**Figure 1**



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- (a) If the electrician touches the live wire he will receive an electric shock.  
Explain why.

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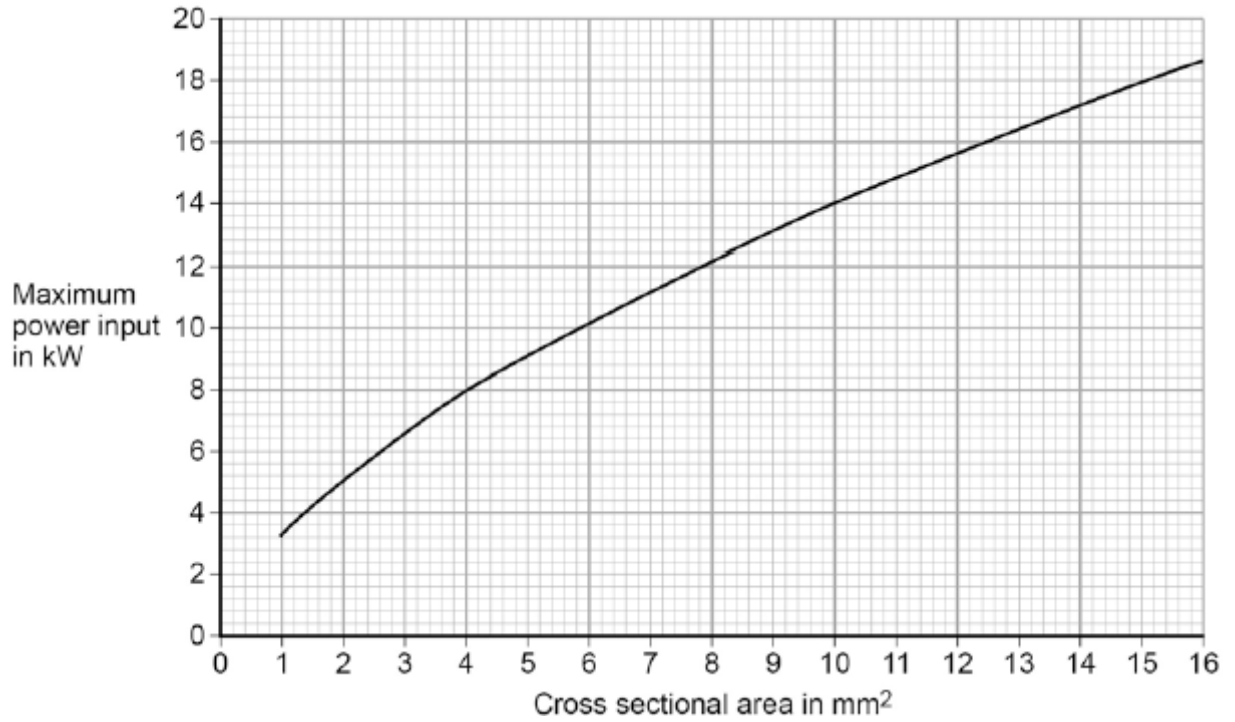
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(4)

- (b) Different electrical wires need to have a cross-sectional area that is suitable for the power output.

**Figure 2** shows the recommended maximum power input to wires of different cross-sectional areas.

**Figure 2**



The new electric shower has a power input of 13.8 kW.

Determine the minimum **diameter** of wire that should be used for the new shower.

The diameter,  $d$ , can be calculated using the equation:

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{4A}{\pi}}$$

$A$  is the cross-sectional area of the wire.

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Minimum diameter = \_\_\_\_\_ mm

(2)

- (c) The charge that flows through the new shower in 300 seconds is 18 000 C.  
The new electric shower has a power of 13.8 kW.

Calculate the resistance of the heating element in the new shower.

Write down any equations you use.

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Resistance = \_\_\_\_\_  $\Omega$

(5)

(Total 11 marks)

**Q13.**

A small community of people live in an area in the mountains.  
The houses are not connected to the National Grid.

The people plan to buy an electricity generating system that uses either the wind or the flowing water in a nearby river.

**Figure 1** shows where these people live.

**Figure 1**



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- (a) It would not be economical to connect the houses to the National Grid.  
Give **one** reason why.

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(1)

- (b) **In this question you will be assessed on using good English, organising information clearly and using specialist terms where appropriate.**

Information about the two electricity generation systems is given in **Figure 2**.

**Figure 2**

The wind turbine costs £50 000 to buy and install.  
The hydroelectric generator costs £20 000 to buy and install.  
The average power output from the wind turbine is 10 kW.  
The hydroelectric generator will produce a constant power output of 8 kW.

Compare the advantages and disadvantages of the two methods of generating electricity.

Use your knowledge of energy sources as well as information from **Figure 2**.

(6)  
(Total 7 marks)

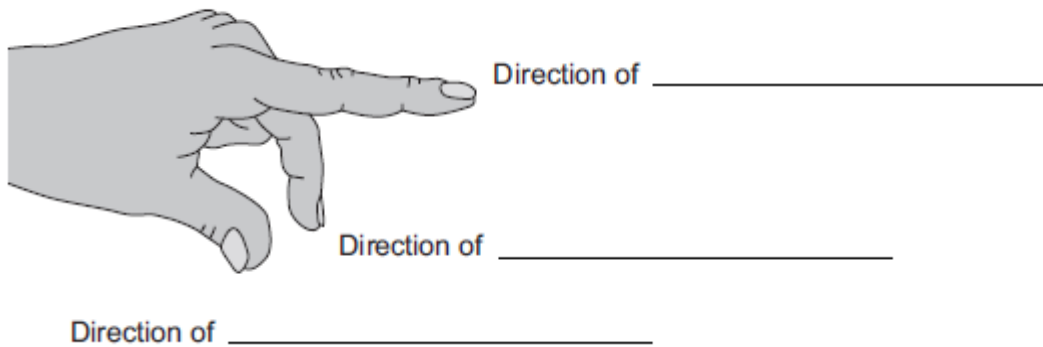
**Q14.**

The left-hand rule can be used to identify the direction of the force acting on a current-carrying conductor in a magnetic field.

(a) Use words from the box to label **Figure 1**.

**current      field      force      potential difference**

**Figure 1**

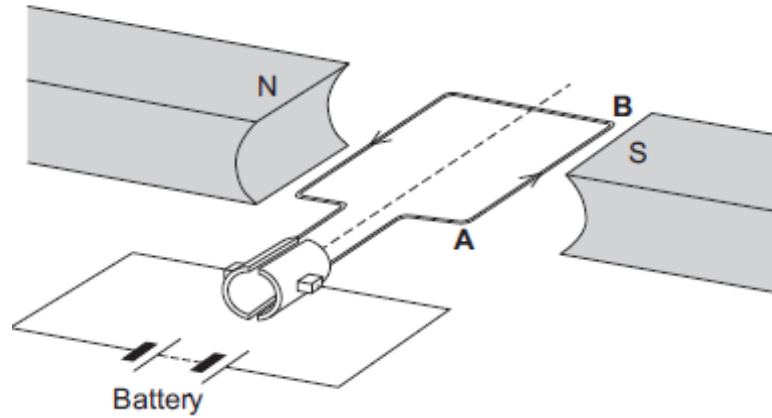


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(b) **Figure 2** shows an electric motor.



**Figure 2**



(i) Draw an arrow on **Figure 2** to show the direction of the force acting on the wire **AB**. (1)

(ii) Suggest **two** changes that would increase the force acting on the wire **AB**. (2)

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

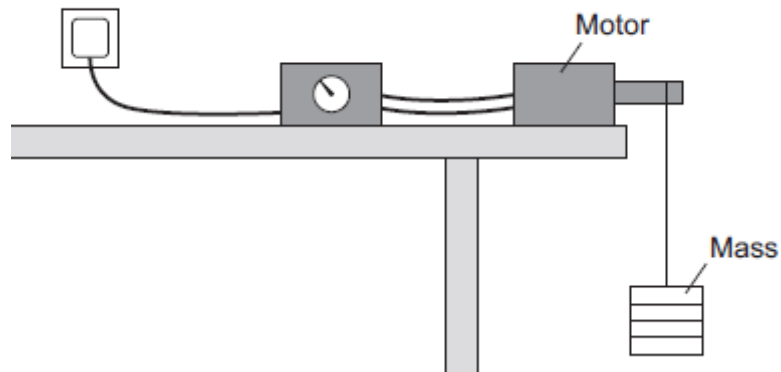
(iii) Suggest **two** changes that would reverse the direction of the force acting on the wire **AB**. (2)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

(c) A student used an electric motor to lift a mass. This is shown in **Figure 3**.

**Figure 3**



The student varied the electrical input power to the motor. For each different electrical input power, he recorded the time taken to lift the mass and calculated the output power of the motor.

The results are shown in the table.

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Test	Electrical input power in watts	Work done lifting the mass in joules	Time taken to lift the mass in seconds	Output power in watts
A	20	24	2.4	10
B	40	24	1.2	20
C	60	24	0.8	30
D	80	24	0.2	120

The result for **Test D** is anomalous.

- (i) Calculate the efficiency of the motor in **Test D**.

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Efficiency = \_\_\_\_\_

(2)

- (ii) Comment on your answer to part (c)(i).

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(1)

- (iii) Suggest a reason for this anomalous result.

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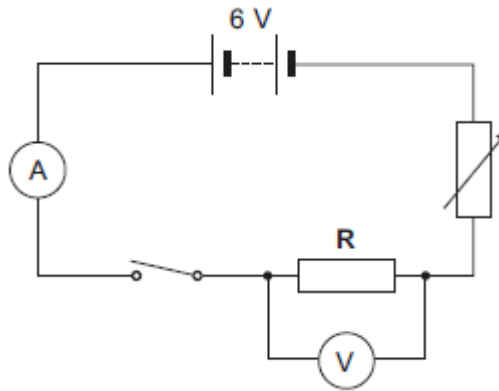
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(1)

(Total 12 marks)

**Q15.**

The diagram shows an electrical circuit.



- (a) The 6 V battery shown in the diagram is made up of a number of identical 1.5 V cells. Calculate the minimum number of cells needed to make the battery.

Number of cells = \_\_\_\_\_

(1)

- (b) The switch in the diagram is shown in the open position. Closing the switch completes the circuit.

Charge flows through the completed circuit and a reading is shown on both the ammeter and the voltmeter.

- (i) In 10 seconds, 20 coulombs of charge flows through the circuit.

Calculate the current reading shown on the ammeter.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

(2)

- (ii) For 20 coulombs of charge to flow through the resistor R, 100 joules of work must be done.

Calculate the potential difference reading given by the voltmeter.

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Potential difference = \_\_\_\_\_ V

(2)

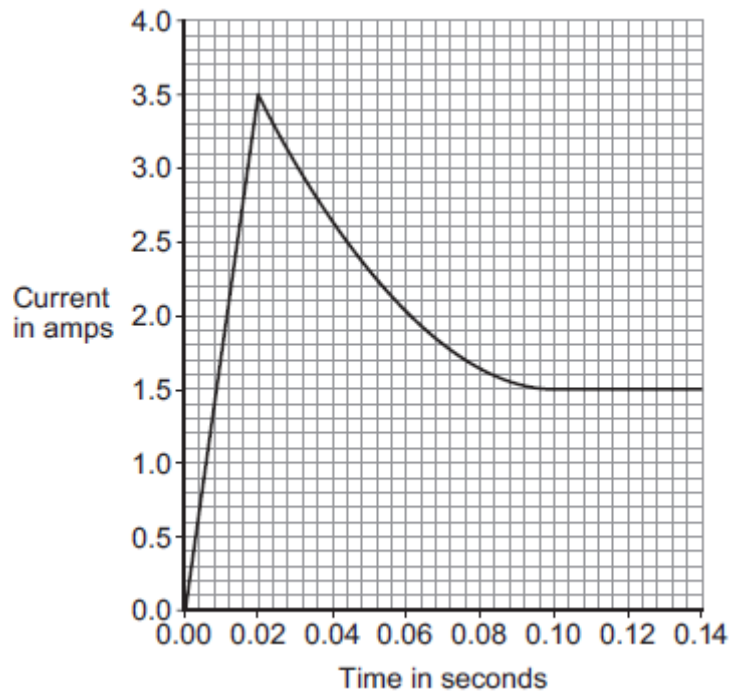
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**Q16.**

The graph shows how the current through a filament bulb changes after the bulb is switched

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on.



- (a) What happens to the current through the bulb in the first 0.02 seconds after the bulb is switched on?

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(1)

- (b) Between 0.02 seconds and 0.08 seconds the current through the bulb decreases.

- (i) What, if anything, happens to the **resistance** of the bulb between 0.02 seconds and 0.08 seconds?

Draw a ring around the correct answer.

**decreases**                      **does not change**                      **increases**

(1)

- (ii) What, if anything, happens to the **temperature** of the bulb between 0.02 seconds and 0.08 seconds?

Draw a ring around the correct answer.

**decreases**                      **does not change**                      **increases**

(1)

- (c) The bulb is connected to a 12 V power supply.

Calculate the power of the bulb when the current through the bulb is 1.5 A.

Choose the unit from the list below.

**coulomb**

**joule**

**watt**

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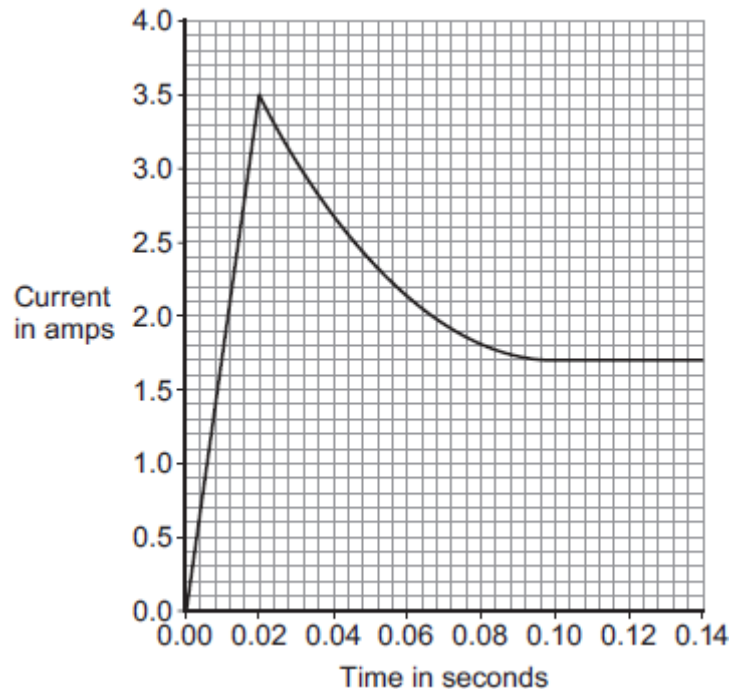
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Power = \_\_\_\_\_ unit \_\_\_\_\_

(3)  
(Total 6 marks)

**Q17.**

A 12 V filament bulb is connected to a 12 V power supply.  
The graph shows how the current changes after the bulb is switched on.



- (a) (i) After 0.10 seconds, the bulb works at its normal brightness.

What is the current through the bulb when it is working at normal brightness?

Current = \_\_\_\_\_ A

(1)

- (ii) The bulb works at normal brightness for 30 seconds before it is switched off.

Calculate the charge that flows through the bulb in the 30 seconds before it is switched off. Give the unit.

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Charge = \_\_\_\_\_ unit \_\_\_\_\_

(3)

- (iii) Calculate the energy transferred by the 12 V bulb when it is working at normal brightness for 30 seconds.

Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ J

(2)

- (b) Between 0.02 seconds and 0.08 seconds, there is an increase in both the resistance and the temperature of the metal filament inside the bulb.

Explain, in terms of the electrons and ions inside the filament, why both the temperature and the resistance increase.

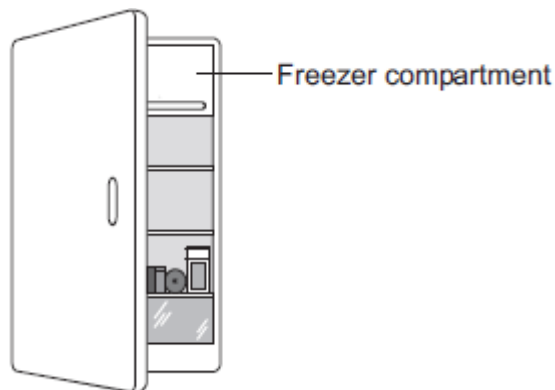
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**Q18.**

- (a) The figure below shows a fridge with a freezer compartment.

The temperature of the air inside the freezer compartment is  $-5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ .



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Use the correct answer from the box to complete each sentence.

Each answer may be used once, more than once or not at all.

**decreased      unchanged      increased**

When the air near the freezer compartment is cooled, the energy of the air particles is \_\_\_\_\_ .

The spaces between the air particles are \_\_\_\_\_ .

The density of the air is \_\_\_\_\_ .

(3)

(b) The table below shows some information about three fridges, **A**, **B** and **C**.

The efficiency of each fridge is the same.

Fridge	Volume in litres	Energy used in one year in kWh
<b>A</b>	232	292
<b>B</b>	382	409
<b>C</b>	622	524

(i) Which fridge, **A**, **B** or **C**, would cost the least to use for 1 year?

Give **one** reason for your answer.

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(2)

(ii) A householder looks at the data in the table above.

What should she conclude about the pattern linking the volume of the fridge and the energy it uses in one year?

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(1)

(iii) The householder could not be certain that her conclusion is correct for all fridges.

Suggest **one** reason why not.

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(1)  
(Total 7 marks)

**Q19.**

Electricity can be generated using various energy sources.

- (a) Give **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of using nuclear power stations rather than gas-fired power stations to generate electricity.

Advantage \_\_\_\_\_

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Disadvantage \_\_\_\_\_

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(2)

- (b) (i) A single wind turbine has a maximum power output of 2 000 000 W.

The wind turbine operated continuously at maximum power for 6 hours.

Calculate the energy output in kilowatt-hours of the wind turbine.

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Energy output = \_\_\_\_\_ kWh

(2)

- (ii) Why, on average, do wind turbines operate at maximum power output for only 30% of the time?

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- (c) An on-shore wind farm is made up of many individual wind turbines.

They are connected to the National Grid using underground power cables.

Give **one** advantage of using underground power cables rather than overhead power cables.

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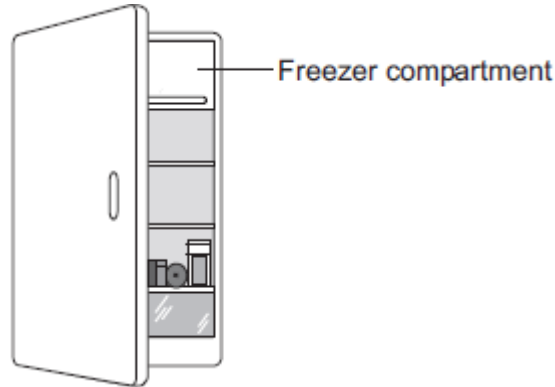


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(Total 6 marks)

**Q20.**

(a) The figure below shows a fridge with a freezer compartment.

The temperature of the air inside the freezer compartment is  $-5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ .



The air inside the fridge forms a convection current when the fridge door is closed.

Explain why.

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(4)

(b) The table below shows information about four fridges.

Fridge	Volume in litres	Energy used in one year in kWh
A	250	300
B	375	480
C	500	630

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D	750	750
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A householder concludes that the energy used in one year is directly proportional to the volume of the fridge.

Explain why her conclusion is **not** correct.

Use data from the table in your answer.

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(2)

- (c) New fridges are more efficient than fridges made twenty years ago.

Give **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of replacing an old fridge with a new fridge.

Ignore the cost of buying a new fridge.

Advantage \_\_\_\_\_  
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Disadvantage \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(2)

(Total 8 marks)

**Q21.**

- (a) Iceland is a country that generates nearly all of its electricity from renewable sources.

In 2013, about 80% of Iceland's electricity was generated using hydroelectric power stations (HEP).

Describe how electricity is generated in a hydroelectric power station. Include the useful energy transfers taking place.

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(4)

(b) The UK produces most of its electricity from fossil fuels.

Many people in the UK leave their televisions in 'stand by' mode when not in use, instead of switching them off.

It is better for the environment if people switch off their televisions, instead of leaving them in 'stand by' mode.

Explain why.

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(3)

(c) A scientist wrote in a newspaper:

'Appliances that do not automatically switch off when they are not being used should be banned.'

Suggest why scientists alone cannot make the decision to ban these appliances.

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(1)

(Total 8 marks)

**Q22.**

**Table 1** shows information about different light bulbs.

The bulbs all have the same brightness.

**Table 1**

Type of bulb	Input power in watts	Efficiency
Halogen	40	0.15
Compact fluorescent (CFL)	14	0.42
LED	7	0.85

- (a) (i) Calculate the useful power output of the CFL bulb.

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Useful power output = \_\_\_\_\_ watts

**(2)**

- (ii) Use your answer to part (i) to calculate the waste energy produced each second by a CFL bulb.

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Waste energy per second = \_\_\_\_\_ joules

**(1)**

- (b) (i) A growth cabinet is used to investigate the effect of light on the rate of growth of plants.

The figure below shows a growth cabinet.



In the cabinet the factors that affect growth can be controlled.

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A cooler unit is used to keep the temperature in the cabinet constant. The cooler unit is programmed to operate when the temperature rises above 20 °C.

The growth cabinet is lit using 50 halogen bulbs.

Changing from using halogen bulbs to LED bulbs would reduce the cost of running the growth cabinet.

Explain why.

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(4)

- (ii) A scientist measured the rate of growth of plants for different intensities of light. What type of graph should be drawn to present the results?

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Give a reason for your answer.

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(1)

- (c) **Table 2** gives further information about both a halogen bulb and a LED bulb.

**Table 2**

Type of bulb	Cost to buy	Lifetime in hours	Operating cost over the lifetime of one bulb
Halogen	£1.50	2 000	£16.00
LED	£30.00	48 000	£67.20

A householder needs to replace a broken halogen light bulb.

Compare the cost efficiency of buying and using halogen bulbs rather than a LED bulb over a time span of 48 000 hours of use.

Your comparison must include calculations.

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**Q23.**

Solar panels are often seen on the roofs of houses.

- (a) Describe the action and purpose of a solar panel.

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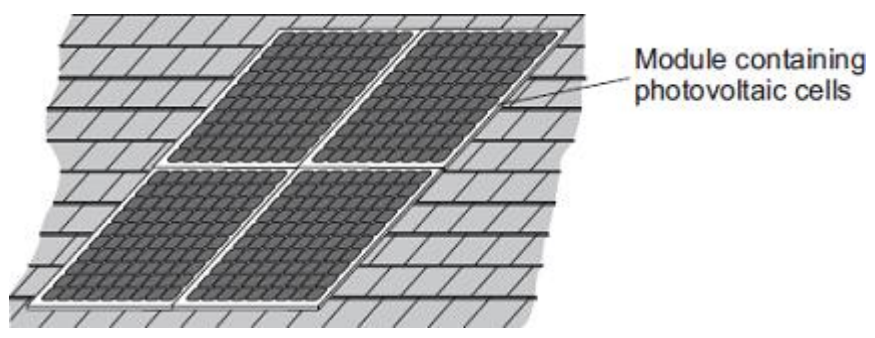
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- (b) Photovoltaic cells transfer light energy to electrical energy.

In the UK, some householders have fitted modules containing photovoltaic cells on the roofs of their houses.

Four modules are shown in the diagram.



The electricity company pays the householder for the energy transferred.

The maximum power available from the photovoltaic cells shown in the diagram is  $1.4 \times 10^3$  W.

How long, in minutes, does it take to transfer 168 kJ of energy?

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\_\_\_\_\_ Time = \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

(3)

(c) When the modules are fitted on a roof, the householder gets an extra electricity meter to measure the amount of energy transferred by the photovoltaic cells.

(i) The diagram shows two readings of this electricity meter taken three months apart.  
The readings are in kilowatt-hours (kWh).

21 November

0	0	0	4	4
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21 February

0	0	1	9	4
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Calculate the energy transferred by the photovoltaic cells during this time period.

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Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ kWh

(1)

(ii) The electricity company pays 40p for each kWh of energy transferred.

Calculate the money the electricity company would pay the householder.

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Money paid = \_\_\_\_\_

(2)

(iii) The cost of the four modules is £6000.

Calculate the payback time in years for the modules.

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Payback time = \_\_\_\_\_ years

(3)

- (iv) State an assumption you have made in your calculation in part (iii).

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(1)

- (d) In the northern hemisphere, the modules should always face south for the maximum transfer of energy.

State **one** other factor that would affect the amount of energy transferred during daylight hours.

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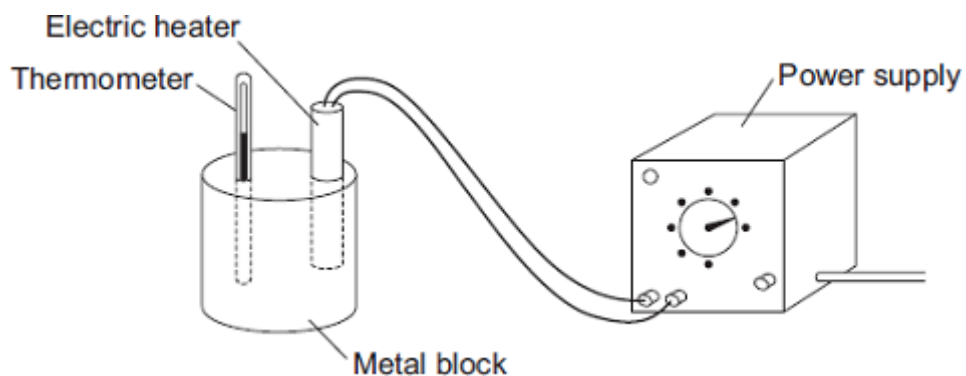
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**Q24.**

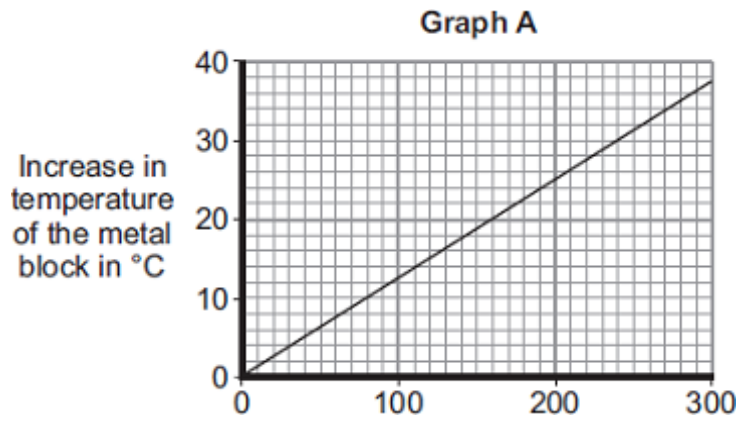
- (a) A student used the apparatus drawn below to investigate the heating effect of an electric heater.



- (i) Before starting the experiment, the student drew **Graph A**.

**Graph A** shows how the student expected the temperature of the metal block to change after the heater was switched on.





Describe the pattern shown in **Graph A**.

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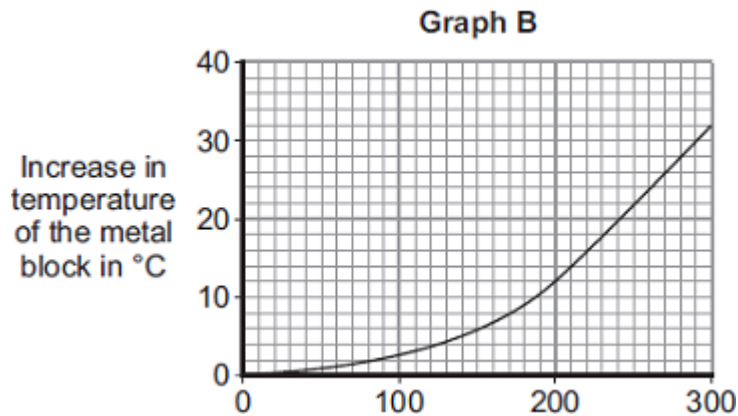
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- (ii) The student measured the room temperature. He then switched the heater on and measured the temperature of the metal block every 50 seconds.

The student calculated the increase in temperature of the metal block and plotted **Graph B**.



After 300 seconds, **Graph B** shows the increase in temperature of the metal block is lower than the increase in temperature expected from **Graph A**.

Suggest **one** reason why.

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(1)

- (iii) The power of the electric heater is 50 watts.

Calculate the energy transferred to the heater from the electricity supply in 300 seconds.

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Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ J

(2)

- (b) The student uses the same heater to heat blocks of different metals. Each time the heater is switched on for 300 seconds.

Each block of metal has the same mass but a different specific heat capacity.

Metal	Specific heat capacity in J/kg°C
Aluminium	900
Iron	450
Lead	130

Which **one** of the metals will heat up the most?

Draw a ring around the correct answer.

**aluminium**

**iron**

**lead**

Give, in terms of the amount of energy needed to heat the metal blocks, a reason for your answer.

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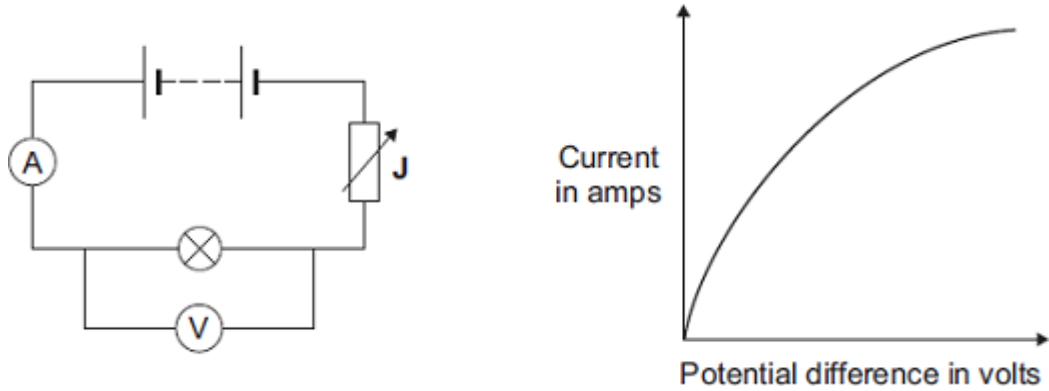
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(2)

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### Q25.

- (a) The diagram shows the circuit used to obtain the data needed to plot the current–potential difference graph for a filament bulb.



(i) Why is the component labelled 'J' included in the circuit?

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(1)

(ii) The resistance of the bulb increases as the potential difference across the bulb increases. Why?

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(1)

(iii) The bulb is at full brightness when the potential difference across the bulb is 12 V.  
The current through the bulb is then 3 A.

Calculate the power of the bulb when it is at full brightness and give the unit.

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Power = \_\_\_\_\_

(3)

(b) *In this question you will be assessed on using good English, organising information clearly and using specialist terms where appropriate.*

The table gives data about two types of light bulb people may use in their homes.

Type of light bulb	Energy efficiency	Cost of one light bulb	Average lifetime in hours
Halogen	10%	£1.95	2 000

Light Emitting Diode (LED)	32%	£11.70	36 000
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Both types of light bulb produce the same amount of light.

Evaluate, in terms of cost and energy efficiency, the use of the two types of light bulb.

To gain full marks you must compare both types of light bulb and conclude which light bulb would be the best to use.

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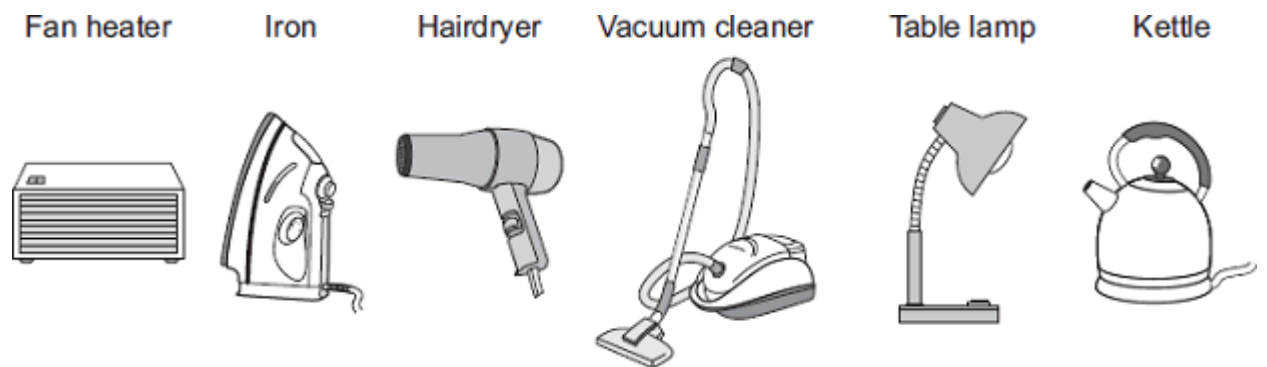
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**Q26.**

The pictures show six different household appliances.



- (a) Four of the appliances, including the fan heater, are designed to transform electrical energy into heat.

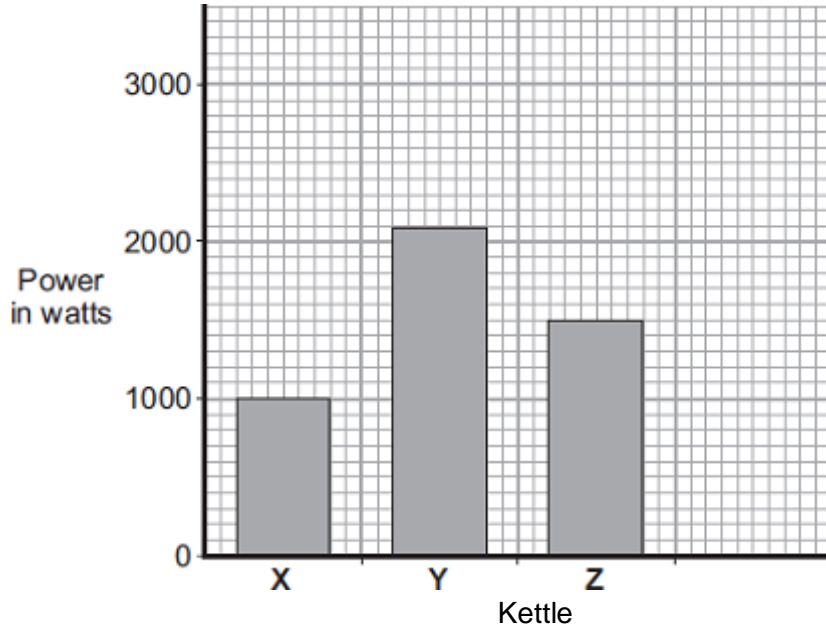
Name the other **three** appliances designed to transform electrical energy into heat.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_

(3)

(b) The bar chart shows the power of three electric kettles, X, Y and Z.



(i) In one week, each kettle is used for a total of 30 minutes.

Which kettle costs the most to use?

Put a tick (✓) next to your answer.

X	
Y	
Z	

(1)

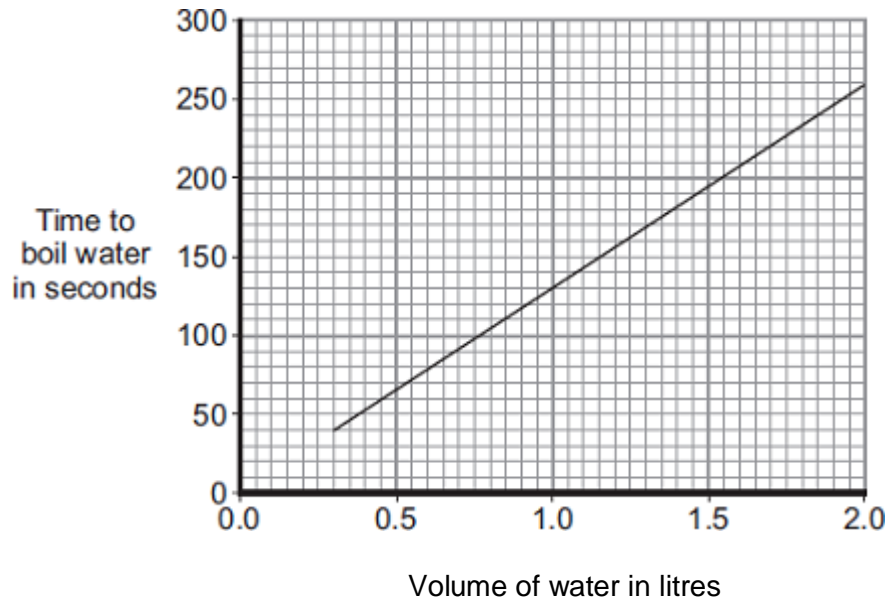
(ii) A new 'express boil' kettle boils water faster than any other kettle.

Draw a fourth bar on the chart to show the possible power of an 'express boil' kettle.

(1)

(c) The graph shows how the time to boil water in an electric kettle depends on the volume of water in the kettle.

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A householder always fills the electric kettle to the top, even when only enough boiling water for one small cup of coffee is wanted.

Explain how the householder is wasting money.

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(3)

(Total 8 marks)

**Q27.**

A householder was out shopping when her electricity meter reading should have been taken. The electricity company estimated the reading and sent the following bill. Unfortunately, the bill was damaged in the post.

**AQA electricity** Customer reference: 2634724983  
Date sent out: 18 September 2012

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**Your electricity bill**

Present reading: 53600 (e) 13 September  
Previous reading: 53490 12 June

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Used: 110 kWh

Cost per kWh = 15p      (e) = estimated reading  
Cost of electricity used = \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Use the equation in the box to calculate the cost of the electricity used between 12 June and 13 September.

$$\text{total cost} = \text{number of kilowatt-hours} \times \text{cost per kilowatt-hour}$$

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Total cost = \_\_\_\_\_

(2)

- (b) The estimated reading shown on the bill was not very accurate. The correct reading was 53782.

How many kilowatt-hours of electricity had the householder actually used between 12 June and 13 September?

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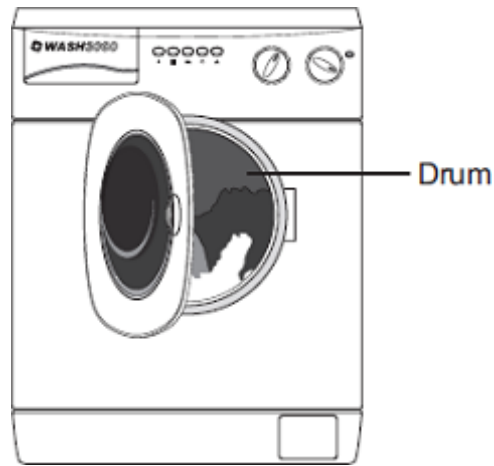
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(2)

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**Q28.**

The picture shows a washing machine. When the door is closed and the machine switched on, an electric motor rotates the drum and washing.



(a) Complete the following sentences.

(i) An electric motor is designed to transform electrical energy into \_\_\_\_\_ energy.

(1)

(ii) Some of the electrical energy supplied to the motor is wasted as \_\_\_\_\_ energy and \_\_\_\_\_ energy.

(1)

(b) What happens to the energy wasted by the electric motor?

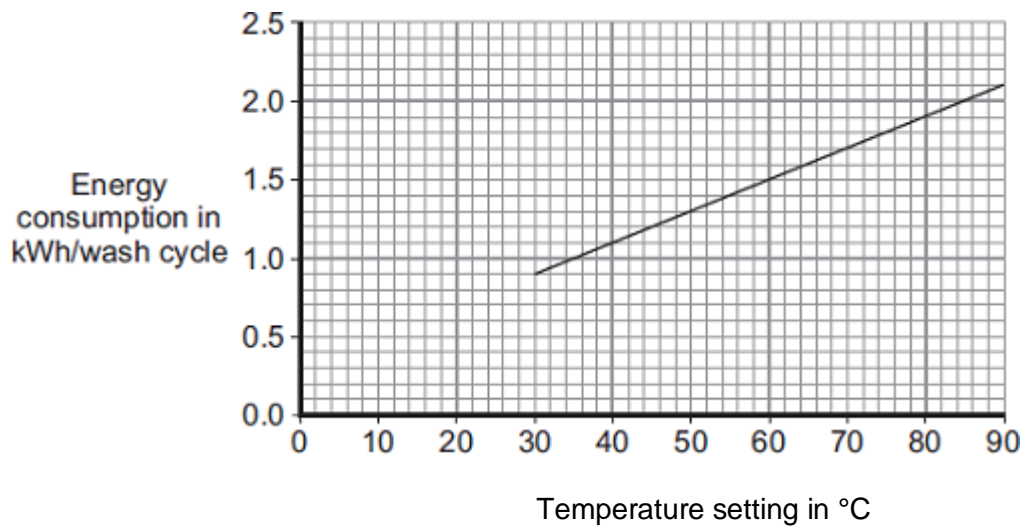
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(1)

(c) The graph shows that washing clothes at a lower temperature uses less energy than washing them at a higher temperature. Using less energy will save money.



(i) Electricity costs 15p per kilowatt-hour (kWh).



The temperature setting is turned down from 40 °C to 30 °C.

Use the graph and equation in the box to calculate the money saved each wash cycle.

$\text{total cost} = \text{number of kilowatt-hours} \times \text{cost per kilowatt-hour}$
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Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Money saved = \_\_\_\_\_

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- (ii) Reducing the amount of energy used by washing machines could reduce the amount of carbon dioxide emitted into the atmosphere.

Explain why.

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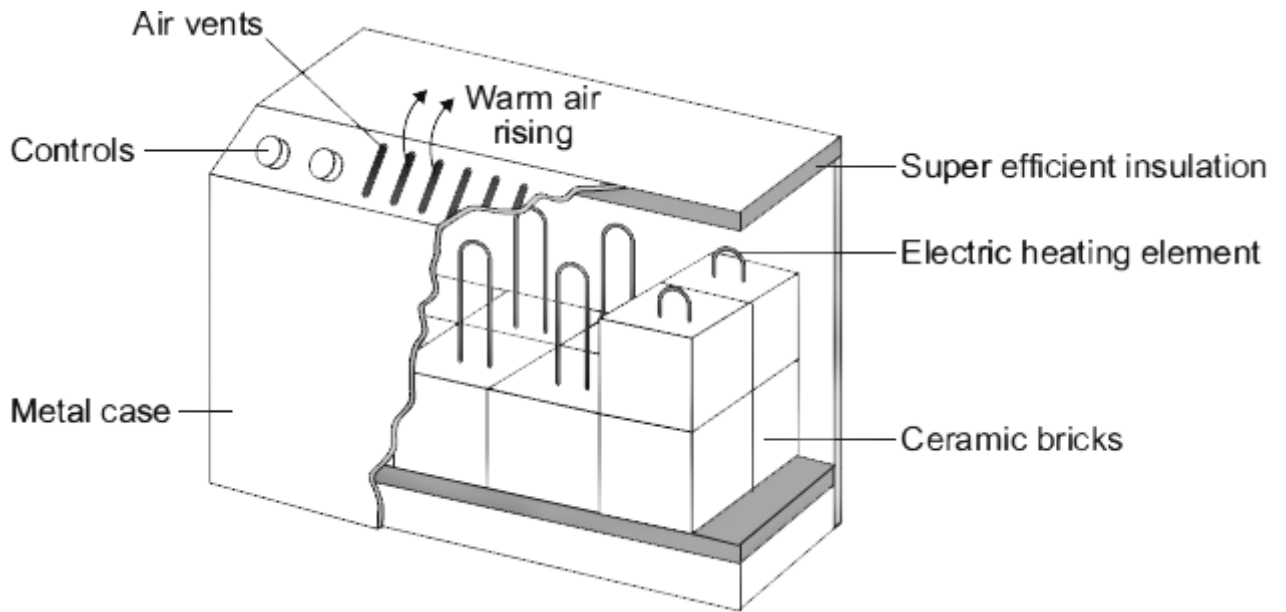
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**Q29.**

The diagram shows how one type of electric storage heater is constructed. The heater has ceramic bricks inside. The electric elements heat the ceramic bricks during the night. Later, during the daytime, the ceramic bricks transfer the stored energy to the room.



- (a) (i) Complete the following sentences using words from the box.

<b>conduction</b>	<b>convection</b>	<b>evaporation</b>
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Energy is transferred through the metal casing by \_\_\_\_\_

The warm air rising from the heater transfers energy to the room by \_\_\_\_\_

(2)

- (ii) The inside of the metal case is insulated.

Which **one** of the following gives the reason why?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

To transfer energy from the ceramic bricks to the room faster

To stop energy from the room transferring into the heater

To keep the ceramic bricks hot for a longer time

(1)

- (b) In winter, the electricity supply to a 2.6 kW storage heater is switched on for seven hours each day.

- (i) Calculate the energy transferred, in kilowatt-hours, from the electricity supply to

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the heater in seven hours.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ kWh

(2)

- (ii) The electricity supply to the heater is always switched on between midnight and 7 am. Between these hours, electricity costs 5 p per kilowatt-hour.

Calculate how much it costs to have the heater switched on between midnight and 7 am.

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Cost = \_\_\_\_\_ p

(1)

- (c) Between 7 am and 8 am, after the electricity supply is switched off, the temperature of the ceramic bricks falls by 25 °C.

Calculate the energy transferred from the ceramic bricks between 7 am and 8 am.

Total mass of ceramic bricks = 120 kg.

Specific heat capacity of the ceramic bricks = 750 J/kg °C.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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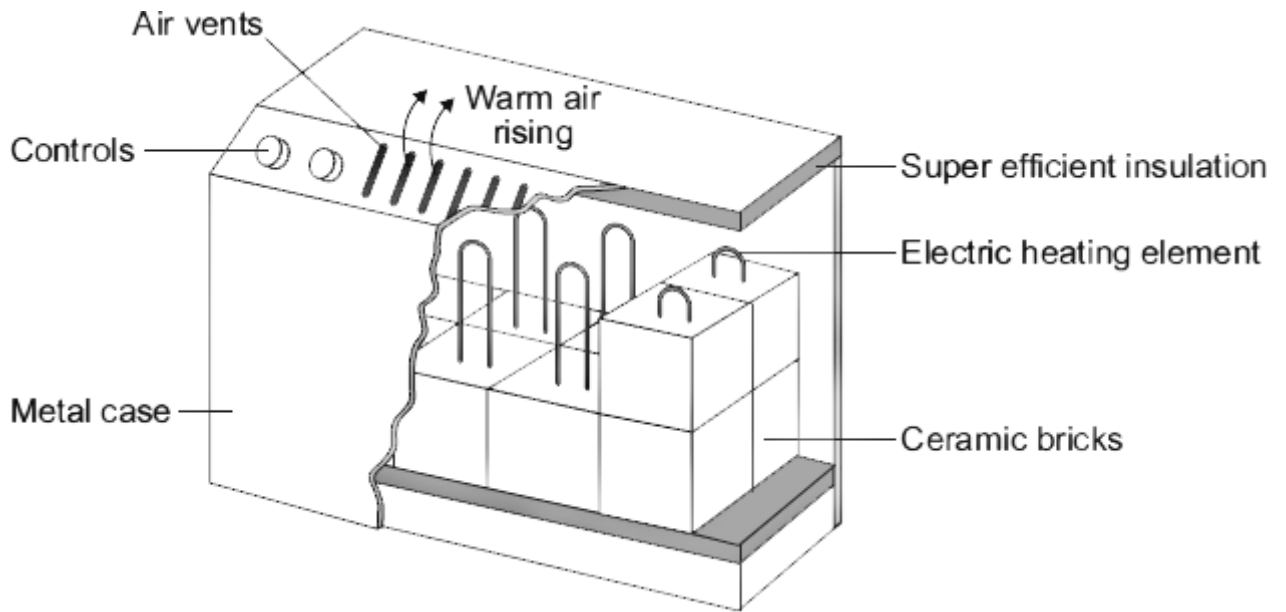
Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ J

(2)

(Total 8 marks)

### Q30.

The diagram shows how one type of electric storage heater is constructed. The heater has ceramic bricks inside. The electric elements heat the ceramic bricks during the night. Later, during the daytime, the ceramic bricks transfer the stored energy to the room.



- (a) In winter, the electricity supply to a 2.6 kW storage heater is switched on each day between midnight and 7 am. Between these hours, electricity costs 5 p per kilowatt-hour.

Calculate the daily cost of using the storage heater.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Cost = \_\_\_\_\_ p

(3)

- (b) Homes with electric storage heaters have a separate meter to measure the electricity supplied between midnight and 7 am. Another meter measures the electricity supplied at other times. This electricity supplied at other times costs 15 p per kilowatt-hour.

Electricity companies encourage people to use electricity between midnight and 7 am by selling the electricity at a lower cost.

Suggest why.

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(1)

- (c) By 7 am, the temperature at the centre of the ceramic bricks is about 800 °C.  
The temperature of the outside metal casing is about 80 °C.

The ceramic bricks are surrounded by 'super-efficient' insulation.

Explain why.

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(2)

- (d) At 7 am, the electricity supply switches off and the temperature of the ceramic bricks starts to fall. The temperature of the bricks falls by 100 °C over the next four hours. During this time, 9 000 000 J of energy are transferred from the bricks.

Calculate the total mass of ceramic bricks inside the heater.

Specific heat capacity of the ceramic bricks = 750 J/kg °C.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Mass = \_\_\_\_\_ kg

(2)

(Total 8 marks)

### Q31.

The table gives data about two types of low energy bulb.

Type of bulb	Power input in watts	Efficiency	Lifetime in hours	Cost of one bulb
Compact Fluorescent Lamp (CFL)	8	20%	10 000	£3.10
Light Emitting Diode (LED)	5		50 000	£29.85

- (a) Both types of bulb produce the same useful power output.

- (i) Calculate the useful power output of the CFL.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Useful power output = \_\_\_\_\_ W

(2)

- (ii) Calculate the efficiency of the LED bulb.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Efficiency = \_\_\_\_\_

(1)

- (b) LED bulbs are expensive. This is because of the large number of individual electronic LED chips needed to produce sufficient light from each bulb.

- (i) Use the data in the table to evaluate the cost-effectiveness of an LED bulb compared to a CFL.

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(2)

- (ii) Scientists are developing brighter and more efficient LED chips than those currently used in LED bulbs.

Suggest **one** benefit of developing brighter and more efficient LED chips.

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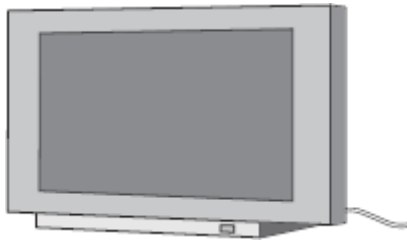
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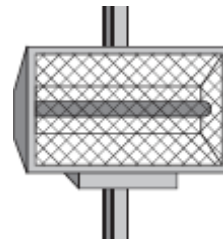
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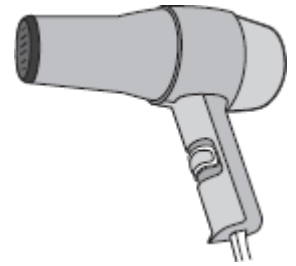
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TV  
160 W



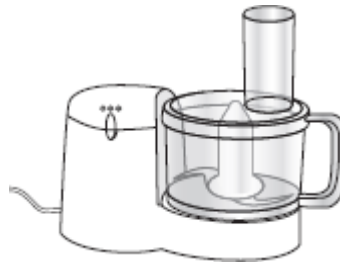
Radiant heater  
1.0 kW



Hairdryer  
1100 W



Sandwich toaster  
1.1 kW



Food processor  
0.4 kW



Table lamp  
40 W

- (a) (i) Which appliance is designed to transform electrical energy to light and sound?

\_\_\_\_\_ (1)

- (ii) Which **two** appliances transform energy at the same rate?

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

- (b) During one week, the food processor is used for a total of 3 hours.

- (i) Use the equation in the box to calculate the energy transferred, in kilowatt-hours, by the food processor in 3 hours.

energy transferred (kilowatt-hour, kWh)	=	power (kilowatt, kW)	×	time (hour, h)
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Show clearly how you work out your answer.

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ kWh

(2)

(ii) Electricity costs 15 pence per kilowatt-hour.

Use the equation in the box to calculate the cost of using the food processor for 3 hours.

$$\text{total cost} = \text{number of kilowatt-hours} \times \text{cost per kilowatt-hour}$$

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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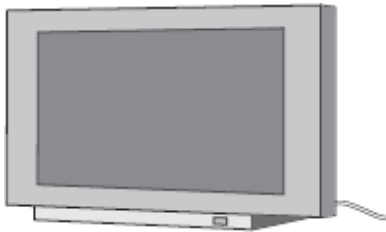
Cost = \_\_\_\_\_ pence

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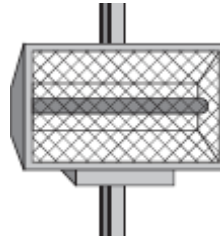
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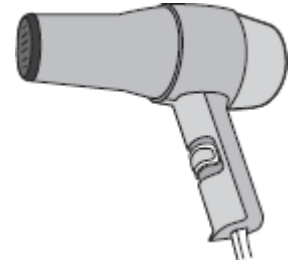
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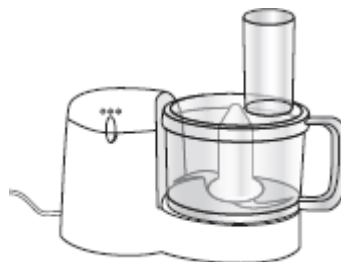
Radiant heater  
1.0 kW



Hairdryer  
1100 W



Sandwich toaster



Food processor



Table lamp



1.1 kW

0.4 kW

40 W

- (a) (i) Which of the appliances are designed to transform electrical energy to kinetic energy?

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(1)

- (ii) Which of the appliances waste energy as heat?

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- (b) Leaving the radiant heater switched on is likely to lead to more carbon dioxide being emitted into the atmosphere than leaving the table lamp on for the same length of time.

Explain why.

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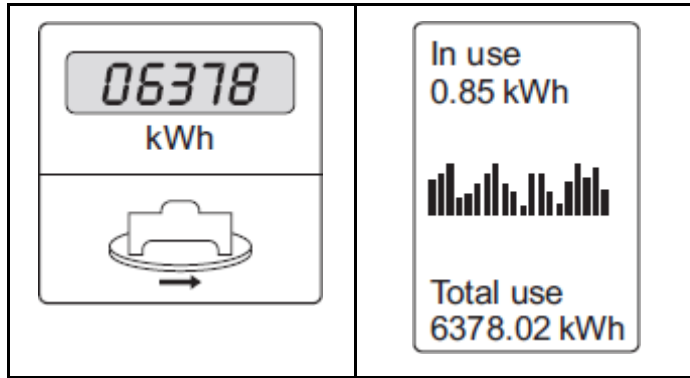
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(2)

- (c) A homeowner decides to monitor the amount of electrical energy used in his home. He can do this by using the home's electricity meter or by using a separate electronic device.

The table gives some information about each method.

Electricity meter	Electronic device
Records to the nearest kilowatt-hour	Records to the nearest 1/100th kilowatt-hour
Homeowner takes readings at regular intervals	Energy use recorded continuously and stored for one year
	Displays a graph showing energy use over a period of time



- (i) Complete the following sentence.

The reading given by the electronic device is more \_\_\_\_\_  
than the reading given by the electricity meter.

(1)

- (ii) Suggest how data collected and displayed by the electronic device could be useful to the homeowner.

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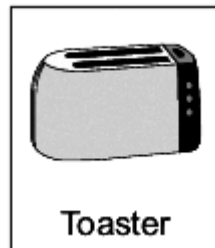
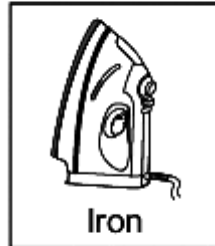
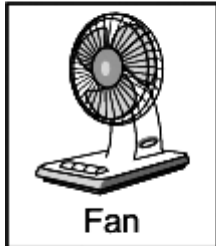
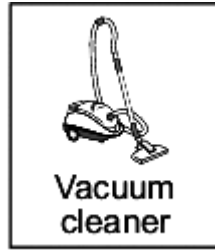
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(3)

(Total 8 marks)

**Q34.**

The appliances shown below transfer electrical energy to other types of energy.



(a) The vacuum cleaner is designed to transfer electrical energy to kinetic energy.

Three more of the appliances are also designed to transfer electrical energy to kinetic energy. Which **three**?

Draw a ring around each correct appliance.

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(b) Which **two** of the following statements are true?

Tick (✓) **two** boxes.

Appliances only transfer part of the energy usefully.

The energy transferred by appliances will be destroyed.

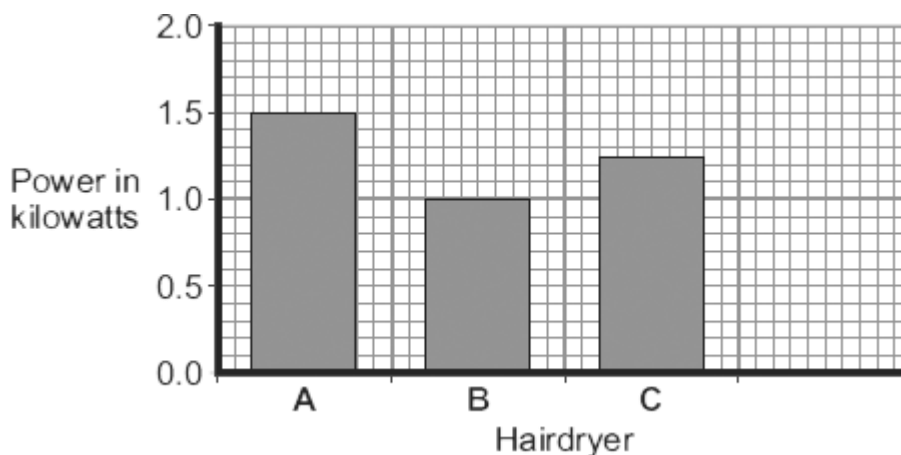
The energy transferred by appliances makes the surroundings warmer.

The energy output from an appliance is bigger than the energy input.

(2)  
(Total 5 marks)

**Q35.**

(a) The bar chart shows the power of three different electric hairdryers.



(i) Which **one** of the hairdryers, **A**, **B** or **C**, would transfer the most energy in 5 minutes?

Write the correct answer in the box.

(1)

(ii) A small 'travel' hairdryer has a power of 500 watts.

Draw a fourth bar on the bar chart to show the power of the 'travel' hairdryer.

(1)

(b) A family shares the same hairdryer.  
The hairdryer has a power of 1.2 kW. The hairdryer is used for a total of 2 hours each week.

(i) Calculate how many kilowatt-hours (kWh) of energy the hairdryer transfers in 2 hours.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Energy transferred = \_\_\_\_\_ kWh

(2)

- (ii) Electricity costs 15 pence per kWh.

Calculate the cost of using the hairdryer for 2 hours.

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Cost = \_\_\_\_\_ pence

(2)

(Total 6 marks)


## Mark schemes

### Q1.

- (a) 0.08 (s) 1
- (b) the current goes higher than normal value  
*allow the current goes (too) high*
- or**  
the current goes higher than 1.5 A 1
- (c)  $P = 1.5 \times 24$  1
- $P = 36$  (W) 1
- an answer of 36 (W) scores 2 marks*
- (d) LED lamps waste a smaller proportion of the input energy than filament lamps 1

[5]

### Q2.

- (a)  1
- (b)  $E = 13 \times 230$  1
- $E = 2990$  (J) 1
- an answer 2990 (J) scores 2 marks*
- (c) charge flow = current  $\times$  time  
*allow  $Q = It$*  1
- (d)  $1.52 = I \times 0.40$  1
- $I = \frac{1.52}{0.40}$  1
- $I = 3.8$  (A) 1
- an answer of 3.8 (A) scores 3 marks*
- (e)  $E = 0.00175 \times 205\ 000$  1

$$E = 359 \text{ (J)}$$

*allow an answer that rounds to 360 (J) for 2 marks*

1

*an answer of 359 (J) scores 2 marks*

[9]

**Q3.**

- (a) to vary the current.

1

- (b) the temperature of the filament increases

*allow the filament heats up*

1

- (c)  $E = 12 \times 8.5$

1

$$E = 102 \text{ (J)}$$

*an answer of 102 (J) scores 2 marks*

1

- (d) (LED lamp)

longer lifetime (per lamp)

1

wastes less energy

**or**

lower input energy (for same light energy output)

1

[6]

**Q4.**

- (a) risk of electric shock (if someone touched the case)

*allow risk of electrocution (if someone touched the case)*

1

- (b)  $2530 = I \times 230$

*this mark may be awarded if P is incorrectly / not converted*

1

$$I = \frac{2530}{230}$$

*this mark may be awarded if P is incorrectly / not converted*

1

$$I = 11 \text{ (A)}$$

*this answer only*

*an answer of 0.011 (A) scores 2 marks*

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1

*an answer of 11 (A) scores 3 marks*

(c)  $E = 2530 \times 14$

*this mark may be awarded if P is incorrectly / not converted*

1

$E = 35\,420 \text{ (J)}$

*this answer only*

1

$35\,420 = m \times 4200 \times 70$

*allow their calculated  $E = m \times 4200 \times 70$*

1

$$m = \frac{35\,420}{4200 \times 70}$$

*allow  $m = \frac{\text{their calculated } E}{4200 \times 70}$*

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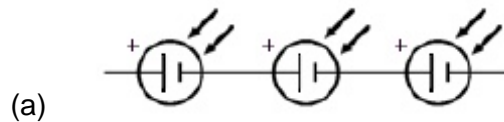
$m = 0.12 \text{ (kg)}$

*allow an answer that is consistent with their calculated value of E*

1

[9]

**Q5.**



1

(b)  $\text{current} = \frac{0.70}{2.5}$

1

$\text{current} = 0.28 \text{ (A)}$

*an answer of 0.28 (A) scores 2 marks*

1

(c)  $0.60 \text{ (V)}$

1

product of potential difference and current gives highest value

1

(d)  $\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful power output}}{\text{total power input}}$

1



(e)  $0.20 = \frac{\text{useful power output}}{2.4}$  1

useful power output =  $0.20 \times 2.4$  1

useful power output = 0.48 (W)  
*an answer of 0.48 (W) scores 3 marks* 1

[9]

**Q6.**

(a) gravitational potential 1

kinetic 1

chemical 1

(b) flying drones may damage aircraft  
**or**  
 falling drones may injure people  
**or**  
 damage buildings / vehicles  
*allow any sensible suggestion of a hazard caused by a flying / falling drone* 1

(c) energy transferred = power  $\times$  time  
*allow  $E = Pt$*  1

(d)  $t = 25 \times 60 = 1500$  (s) 1

$E = 65 \times 1500$  1

$E = 97\,500$  (J)  
*an answer of 97 500 (J) scores 3 marks*  
*allow 2 marks for an answer of 1625 (J)* 1

[8]

**Q7.**

(a) changes  
*allow reverses* 1

(b) dependent

- 1
- (c) kettle **C**  
**or**  
 2.8 kW 1
- highest power (output)  
*allow higher power (output)* 1
- (d) values for gradient calculation shown on graph or on answer lines 1
- power input = 2200 (W)  
*accept an answer that rounds to 2200 (W) for 2 marks* 1
- (e) charge flow = current × time  
*allow  $Q = It$*  1
- (f)  $2400 = I \times 250$  1
- $I = \frac{2400}{250}$  1
- $I = 9.6$  (A)  
*an answer of 9.6 (A) scores 3 marks* 1
- [10]**

**Q8.**

- (a) current at 0.5 V = 0.91 (A) 1
- $P = 0.91 \times 0.5$  1
- $P = 0.455$  (W)  
*an answer of 0.455 (W) scores 3 marks* 1
- (b) straight line with positive gradient  
*allow for 1 mark a straight line that passes through (0.1, 0)* 1
- positive y-axis intercept  
*ignore any values on y-axis* 1

(c)  $0.15 = \frac{0.52}{\text{total P}}$  1

total P = 3.47 (W) 1

area =  $\frac{3.47}{450}$  1

area =  $7.7 \times 10^{-3}$  (m<sup>2</sup>)

*an answer of  $7.7 \times 10^{-3}$  (m<sup>2</sup>) scores 4 marks*

*allow use of student's calculated incorrect total power for last 2 marking points*

1

(d) connect the solar cells in parallel 1

(so that) the current has multiple paths it can take

**or**

the total resistance is less than the resistance of one solar cell

1

[11]

### Q9.

(a)  $97\,500 = 65.0 \times t$  1

$t = \frac{97500}{65.0}$  1

t = 1500 (s)

*an answer of 1500 (s) scores 3 marks*

*an answer of 1.5 scores 2 marks*

1

(b)  $19.6 = I^2 \times 1.60$  1

$I^2 = \frac{19.6}{1.60}$  1

I = 3.5 (A)

*allow 1 mark for a correct value for I correctly multiplied by 4*

1

current through battery = 14 (A)

*an answer of 14 (A) scores 4 marks*

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1  
[7]

**Q10.**

(a) current that is always in the same direction

1

(b) total resistance = 30 ( $\Omega$ )

1

$$V = 0.4 \times 30$$

1

$$12 \text{ (V)}$$

1

*allow 12 (V) with no working shown for 3 marks  
an answer of 8 (V) or 4 (V) gains 2 marks only*

(c)  $P = 0.4 \times 12 = 4.8$

1

$$5 \text{ (W)}$$

1

*allow 5 (W) with no working shown for 2 marks  
allow 4.8 (W) with no working shown for 1 mark*

[6]

**Q11.**

(a) he may receive an electric shock

**or**

he may be electrocuted

1

if he touches the live wire

1

(b)  $10\,690 = I \times 230$

1

$$I = 10\,690 / 230$$

1

$$46.478(260) \text{ (A)}$$

1

$$46$$

1

*allow 46 (A) with no working shown for 4 marks*

(c) cost is higher

1

more energy is used (per second)

1

[8]

**Q12.**

(a) (because the) potential of the live wire is 230 V

1

(and the) potential of the electrician is 0 V

1

(so there is a) large potential difference between live wire and electrician

1

charge / current passes through his body

*allow voltage for potential difference*

1

(b) diameter between 3.50 and 3.55 (mm)

*allow correct use of value of cross-sectional area of 9.5 to 9.9 (mm<sup>2</sup>) with no final answer given for 1 mark*

2

(c)  $18000 = I \times 300$

1

$$I = 18000 / 300 = 60$$

1

$$13\,800 = (60^2) \times R$$

1

$$R = 13\,800 / 60^2$$

1

$$3.83 (\Omega)$$

1

*allow 3.83(Ω) with no working shown for 5 marks*

*answer may also be correctly calculated using  $P = IV$  and  $V = IR$  if 230 V is used.*

[11]

**Q13.**

(a) any **one** from:

- high cost of installing overhead power lines or underground cables or pylons
- high cost as (very) long cables needed
- amount of electricity required is too low

*allow not enough (surplus) electricity would be generated*

1

(b) Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response. Examiners

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should apply a 'best-fit' approach to the marking.

**Level 3 (5 – 6 marks):**

clear comparison of advantages **and** disadvantages of **each** method

**Level 2 (3 – 4 marks):**

at least **one** advantage **and one** disadvantage is stated for **one** method **and** a different advantage **or** disadvantage is stated for the other method

**Level 1 (1 – 2 marks):**

at least **one** advantage **or one** disadvantage of either method

**Level 0 (0 marks):**

No relevant information

**examples of physics points made in the response**

**Advantages of both methods:**

- both renewable sources of energy
  - both have no fuel (cost)
  - both have very small (allow 'no') running costs
  - no carbon dioxide produced
- accept carbon neutral*  
*accept no greenhouse gases*  
*accept doesn't contribute to global warming*

**Advantages of wind:**

- higher average power output
- produces more energy is insufficient*

**Advantages of hydroelectric:**

- constant / reliable power (output)
- lower (installation) cost

**Disadvantages of wind:**

- higher (installation) cost
- variable / unreliable power output
- (may) kill birds / bats

**Disadvantages of hydroelectric:**

- lower power output
- (may) kill fish or (may) damage habitats
- more difficult to set up (within river)

**Disadvantages of both methods:**

- (may be) noisy
  - visual pollution
- ignore payback time unless no other relevant points made*  
*ignore time to build for both*

**Q14.**

- (a) field 1  
*correct order only*
- current 1
- force 1  
*accept motion*  
*accept thrust*
- (b) (i) arrow pointing vertically downwards 1
- (ii) increase current / p.d. 1  
*accept voltage for p.d.*
- increase strength of magnetic field 1  
*accept move poles closer together*
- (iii) reverse (poles of) magnets 1
- reverse battery / current 1
- (c) (i) 1.5 or 150% 2  
*efficiency =  $120 / 80 (\times 100)$*   
*gains 1 mark*  
*an answer of 1.5 % or 150*  
*gains 1 mark*
- (ii) efficiency greater than 100% 1  
**or**  
 output is greater than input  
**or**  
 output should be 40 (W)
- (iii) recorded time much shorter than actual time 1  
*accept timer started too late*  
*accept timer stopped too soon*

[12]

**Q15.**

- (a) 4 1

(b) (i) 2

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie*

$$I = \frac{100}{20}$$

*provided no subsequent step*

2

(ii) 5

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie*

$$V = \frac{100}{20}$$

*provided no subsequent step*

2

[5]

**Q16.**

(a) increases

*accept reaches highest value*

*do **not** accept increases and decreases*

1

(b) (i) increases

1

(ii) increases

1

(c) 18

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution i.e.  $12 \times 1.5$  provided no subsequent step*

2

watt

*accept W*

*answer may be indicated in the list*

1

[6]

**Q17.**

(a) (i) 1.7

1

(ii) 51

**or**

30 × their (i) correctly calculated

$$= \frac{Q}{30}$$

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution i.e.  $1.7$*

*or their (i)  $\frac{Q}{30}$*

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2

coulomb / C  
do **not** accept c

1

- (iii) 612  
or  
their (ii)  $\times$  12 correctly calculated  
or  
their (i)  $\times$  360 correctly calculated  
*allow 1 mark for correct substitution i.e.  $E = 12 \times 51$   
or  $12 \times$  their (ii)  
or their (i)  $\times$  360*

2

- (b) ions vibrate faster  
or  
ions vibrate with a bigger amplitude  
*accept atoms for ions throughout  
accept ions gain energy  
accept ions vibrate more  
ions start to vibrate is insufficient*

1

electrons collide more (frequently) with the ions  
or  
(drift) velocity of electrons decreases  
*electrons start to collide is insufficient  
there are more collisions is insufficient, unless both electrons  
and ions are implied*

1

[8]

**Q18.**

- (a) decreased  
*correct order only*

1

decreased

1

increased

1

- (b) (i) A  
*reason only scores if A chosen*

1

uses least / less energy (in 1 year)  
*a comparison is required  
accept uses least power*

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*accept uses least kWh*

1

(ii) greater the volume the greater the energy it uses (in 1 year)

1

(iii) a very small number sampled

*accept only tested 3*

*accept insufficient evidence / data*

*allow not all fridges have the same efficiency or a correct description implying different efficiencies*

*only tested each fridge once is insufficient*

*there are lots of different makes is insufficient*

1

[7]

### Q19.

(a) advantage

any **one** from:

- produce no / little greenhouse gases / carbon dioxide  
*allow produces no / little polluting gases*  
*allow doesn't contribute to global warming / climate change*  
*allow produce no acid rain / sulphur dioxide*  
*reference to atmospheric pollution is insufficient*  
*produce no harmful gases is insufficient*
- high(er) energy density in fuel  
*accept one nuclear power station produces as much power as several gas power stations*  
*nuclear power stations can supply a lot of or more energy is insufficient*
- long(er) operating life  
*allow saves using reserves of fossil fuels or gas*

1

disadvantage

any **one** from:

- produce (long term) radioactive waste  
*accept waste is toxic*  
*accept nuclear for radioactive*
- accidents at nuclear power stations may have far reaching or long term consequences
- high(er) decommissioning costs  
*accept high(er) building costs*
- long(er) start up time

1

- (b) (i) 12 000 (kWh)  
*allow 1 mark for correct substitution eg*  
 $2000 \times 6$   
**or**  
 $2\ 000\ 000 \times 6$   
**or**  

$$\frac{12\ 000\ 000}{1000}$$
- an answer of 12 000 000 scores 1 mark* 2
- (ii) any idea of unreliability, eg
- wind is unreliable  
*reference to weather alone is insufficient*
  - shut down if wind too strong / weak
  - wind is variable
- 1

- (c) any **one** from:
- cannot be seen
  - no hazard to (low flying) aircraft / helicopters
  - unlikely to be or not damaged / affected by (severe) weather  
*unlikely to be damaged is insufficient*
  - (normally) no / reduced shock hazard  
*safer is insufficient*  
*less maintenance is insufficient*  
*installed in urban areas is insufficient*
- 1

[6]

**Q20.**

- (a) air near freezer compartment is cooled or loses energy  
*accept air at the top is cold* 1
- cool air is (more) dense or particles close(r) together (than warmer air)  
*do **not** allow the particles get smaller / condense* 1
- so (cooler) air falls 1
- air (at bottom) is displaced / moves upwards / rises  
*do **not** allow heat rises*  
*accept warm air (at the bottom) rises* 1

- (b) if volume is doubled, energy use is not doubled  
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- or**  
 volume ÷ energy not a constant ratio 1
- correct reference to data, eg 500 is 2×250 but 630 not 2×300 1
- (c) accept suitable examples, eg
- advantage:
- reduces emissions into atmosphere
  - lower input power or uses less energy or wastes less energy
  - costs less to run
- cost of buying or installing new fridge is insufficient*  
*ignore reference to size of fridge* 1
- disadvantage:
- land fill
  - energy waste in production
  - cost or difficulty of disposal
  - transport costs
- 1

[8]

**Q21.**

- (a) water moves (from a higher level to a lower level) 1
- transferring GPE to KE 1
- rotating a turbine to turn a generator  
*accept driving or turning or spinning for rotating*  
*moving is insufficient* 1
- transferring KE to electrical energy  
*transferring GPE to electrical energy gains 1 mark of the 2*  
*marks available for energy transfers* 1
- (b) (TVs in stand-by) use electricity  
*accept power / energy* 1
- generating electricity (from fossil fuels) produces CO<sub>2</sub>  
*accept greenhouse gas*  
*accept sulfur dioxide* 1

(CO<sub>2</sub>) contributes to global warming  
*accept climate change for global warming*  
*accept greenhouse effect if CO<sub>2</sub> given*  
*accept acid rain if linked to sulfur dioxide*

1

(c) a factor other than scientific is given, eg economic, political or legal  
*personal choice is insufficient*

1

[8]

**Q22.**

(a) (i) 5.88 (watts)

*an answer of 5.9 scores 2 marks*  
*allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie*

$$0.42 = \frac{\text{power out}}{14}$$

*allow 1 mark for an answer of 0.0588 or 0.059*

2

(ii) 8.12

*allow 14 – their (a)(i) correctly calculated*

1

(b) (i) input power / energy would be (much) less (reducing cost of running)  
*accept the converse*  
*electricity is insufficient*

1

(also) produce less waste energy / power  
*accept 'heat' for waste energy*

1

(as the waste energy / power) increases temperature of the cabinet

1

so cooler on for less time

1

(ii) line graph

*need to get both parts correct*  
*accept scattergram or scatter graph*

both variables are continuous

*allow the data is continuous*

1

(c) number of bulbs used-halogen=24 (LED=1)

1

total cost of LED = £30 + £67.20 = £97.20

*accept a comparison of buying costs of halogen £36 and LED*

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£30

1

total cost of halogen =  $24 \times £1.50 + 24 \times £16.00 = £420$

**or**

buying cost of halogen is £36 **and** operating cost is £384

*accept a comparison of operating costs of halogen £384 and LED £67.20*

*allow for 3 marks the difference in total cost is £322.80 if the number 24 has not been credited*

1

statement based on correct calculations that overall LED is cheaper  
*must be **both buying and** operating costs*

an alternative way of answering is in terms of cost per hour:

buying cost per hour for LED =  $\left(\frac{£30.00}{48000}\right) = 0.0625\text{p}/£0.000625$

buying cost per hour for halogen =  $\left(\frac{£1.50}{2000}\right) = 0.075\text{p}/£0.00075$   
*a calculation of both buying costs scores 1 mark*

operating cost per hour for LED =  $\left(\frac{£67.20}{48000}\right) = 0.14\text{p}/£0.0014$

operating cost per hour for halogen =  $\left(\frac{£16.00}{2000}\right) = 0.8\text{p}/£0.008$   
*a calculation of both operating costs scores 1 mark*

**all** calculations show a correct unit

*all units correct scores 1 mark*

statement based on correct calculations of **both** buying **and** operating costs,  
that overall LED is cheaper

*correct statement scores 1 mark*

1

[12]

**Q23.**

- (a) water heated by radiation (from the Sun)  
*accept IR / energy for radiation*

1

water used to heat buildings / provide hot water

*allow for 1 mark heat from the Sun heats water if no other marks given*

*references to photovoltaic cells / electricity scores 0 marks*

1

- (b) 2 (minutes)



$$\frac{168 \times 10^3}{t}$$

$$1.4 \times 10^3 =$$

*gains 1 mark*

*calculation of time of 120 (seconds) scores 2 marks*

3

(c) (i) 150 (kWh)

1

(ii) £60(.00) or 6000 (p)

*an answer of £6000 gains 1 mark*

*allow 1 mark for  $150 \times 0.4(0)$   $150 \times 40$*

*allow ecf from (c)(i)*

2

(iii) 25 (years)

*an answer of  $6000 / 240$*

**or**

*$6000 / \text{their (c)(ii)} \times 4$*

*gains 2 marks*

*an answer of  $6000 / 60$*

**or**

*$6000 / \text{their (c)(ii)}$  gains 1 mark, ignore any other multiplier of (c)(ii)*

3

(iv) any **one** from:

- will get £240 per year

*accept value consistent with calculated value in (c)(iii)*

- amount of light is constant throughout the year
- price per unit stays the same
- condition of cells does not deteriorate

1

(d) any **one** from:

- angle of tilt of cells
- cloud cover
- season / shade by trees
- amount of dirt

1

[13]

## Q24.

(a) (i) temperature (increase) and time switched on are directly proportional

*accept the idea of equal increases in time giving equal increases in temperature*

*answers such as:*

- *as time increases, temperature increases*
- *positive correlation*

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- *linear relationship*
  - *temperature and time are proportional*
- score **1** mark

2

(ii) any **one** from:

*“it” refers to the metal block*

- *energy transfer (from the block) to the surroundings*  
*accept lost for transfer*  
*accept air for surroundings*
- *(some) energy used to warm the heater / thermometer (itself)*  
*accept takes time for heater to warm up*
- *(metal) block is not insulated*

1

(iii) 15 000

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution, ie  $50 \times 300$  provided no subsequent step shown*

2

(b) lead

*reason only scores if lead is chosen*

1

needs least energy to raise temperature by  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$

*accept needs less energy to heat it (by the same amount)*  
*lowest specific heat capacity is insufficient*

1

[7]

## Q25.

(a) (i) to obtain a range of p.d. values

*accept increase / decrease current / p.d. / voltage / resistance*  
*accept to change / control the current / p.d. / voltage / resistance*

*to provide resistance is insufficient*

*a variable resistor is insufficient*

*do **not** accept electricity for current*

1

(ii) temperature of the bulb increases

*accept bulb gets hot(ter)*

*accept answers correctly*

*expressed in terms of collisions between (free) electrons and ions / atoms*

*bulb gets brighter is insufficient*

1



(iii) 36

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution, ie  $12 \times 3$  provided no subsequent step shown*

2

watt(s) / W

*accept joules per second / J/s*

*do **not** accept w*

1

- (b) Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response. Examiners should also refer to the information in the [Marking guidance](#), and apply a 'best-fit' approach to the marking.

**0 marks**

No relevant content.

**Level 1 (1-2 marks)**

There is a basic comparison of either a cost aspect or an energy efficiency aspect.

**Level 2 (3-4 marks)**

There is a clear comparison of either the cost aspect or energy efficiency aspect

**OR**

a basic comparison of both cost and energy efficiency aspects.

**Level 3 (5-6 marks)**

There is a detailed comparison of both the cost aspect and the energy efficiency aspect.

For full marks the comparisons made should support a conclusion as to which type of bulb is preferable.

**Examples of the points made in the response:**

**cost**

- halogen are cheaper to buy  
*simply giving cost figures is insufficient*
- 6 halogen lamps cost the same as one LED
- LEDs last longer
- need to buy 18 / more halogen lamps to last the same time as one LED
- 18 halogens cost £35.10
- costs more to run a halogen than LED
- LED has lower maintenance cost (where many used, eg large departmental store lighting)

**energy efficiency**

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- LED works using a smaller current
- LED wastes less energy
- LEDs are more efficient
- LED is 22% more energy efficient
- LED produces less heat
- LED requires smaller input (power) for same output (power)

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[11]

**Q26.**

(a) iron

1

hairdryer

1

kettle

1

*answers can be in any order*

(b) (i) **Y**

1

(ii) bar drawn with any height greater than **Y**

*ignore width of bar*

1

(c) (bigger volume) takes more time (to boil)

*accept explanation using data from graph*

1

(so) more energy transferred

*do **not** accept electricity for energy*

1

(and) this costs more money

*ignore reference to cost of water*

*wasting more money because heating more water than needed is insufficient*

1

[8]

**Q27.**

(a) £16.50

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie  $110 \times 15$*

*an answer of 1650 gains **both** marks*

*an answer of 43.80 gains **both** marks*

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allow 1 mark for  $292 \times 15$

2

(b) 292

allow 1 mark for correctly using the reading 53490  
ie 53782 – 53490

accept £43.80 for both marks

2

[4]

**Q28.**

(a) (i) kinetic

do **not** accept movement

1

(ii) thermal sound

accept heat for thermal

do **not** accept noise for sound

**both** answers required in either order

1

(b) transferred to surroundings / surrounding molecules / atmosphere

'it escapes' is insufficient

**or**

becomes dissipated / spread out

accept warms the surroundings

accept degraded / diluted

accept a correct description for surroundings eg to the washing machine

do **not** accept transformed into heat on its own

1

(c) (i) 3 (.0 p)

allow 1 mark for correct substitution of correct values ie  $0.2 \times 15$

allow 1 mark for calculating cost at  $40^\circ\text{C}$  (16.5p)

**or**

cost at  $30^\circ\text{C}$  (13.5p)

2

(ii) any **two** from:

- less electricity needed  
ignore answers in terms of the washing machine releasing less energy  
an answer in terms of the washing machine releasing  $\text{CO}_2$  negates mark  
do **not** accept less energy is produced

- fewer power stations needed

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- less fuel is burned  
 accept a correctly named fuel  
 do **not** accept less fuel is needed

2

[7]

**Q29.**

- (a) (i) conduction 1
- convection 1
- correct order only*
- (ii) to keep the ceramic bricks hot for a longer time 1
- (b) (i)  $E = P \times t$
- 18.2
- allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie  $2.6 \times 7$  provided that no subsequent step is shown* 2
- (ii) 91 (p)
- or** their (b)(i)  $\times 5$  correctly calculated
- accept £0.91
- do **not** accept 0.91 without £ sign 1
- (c)  $E = m \times c \times \theta$
- 2 250 000
- allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie  $120 \times 750 \times 25$  provided that no subsequent step is shown*
- answers 2250 kJ or 2.25 MJ gain both marks* 2

[8]

**Q30.**

- (a)  $E = P \times t$
- 91 (p)
- an answer £0.91 gains 3 marks*
- an answer 0.91 gains 2 marks*
- allow 2 marks for energy transferred = 18.2 (kWh)*
- or**
- substitution into 2 equations combined, ie  $2.6 \times 7 \times 5$*
- allow 1 mark for correct substitution into  $E = P \times t$ , ie  $E = 2.6 \times 7$*
- or**
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allow 1 mark for multiplying and correctly calculating an incorrect energy transfer value by 5

3

- (b) answers should be in terms of supply exceeding demand  
accept there is a surplus / excess of electricity (at night)

1

- (c) reduce (rate of) energy transfer (from ceramic bricks)  
accept heat for energy  
do **not** accept no energy / heat escapes  
do **not** accept answers in terms of lost / losing heat if this implies heat is wasted energy

1

so keeping the (ceramic) bricks hot for longer  
accept increase time that energy is transferred to the room  
accept keep room warm for longer

or

to stop the casing getting too hot  
accept so you do not get burnt (on the casing)

1

- (d)  $E = m \times c \times \theta$

120

allow 1 mark for correct substitution  
ie  $9\,000\,000 = m \times 750 \times 100$

2

[8]

### Q31.

- (a) (i) 
$$\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy out } (\times 100\%)}{\text{total energy in}}$$

1.6 (W)

allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie  $\frac{0.2}{100} = \frac{\text{output}}{8}$

2

- (ii) 
$$\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy out } (\times 100\%)}{\text{total energy in}}$$

32 (%) / 0.32

or

their (a)(i)  $\div$  5 correctly calculated  
ignore any units

1

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- (b) (i) any **two** from:
- comparison over same period of time of relative numbers of bulbs required eg over 50 000 hours 5 CFL's required to 1 LED  
*accept an LED lasts 5 times longer*
  - link number of bulbs to cost eg 5 CFL's cheaper than 1 LED  
*an answer in terms of over a period of 50 000 hours CFLs cost £15.50 (to buy), LED costs £29.85 (to buy) so CFLs are cheaper scores both marks*  
*an answer in terms of the cost per hour (of lifetime) being cheaper for CFL scores 1 mark if then correctly calculated scores both marks*
  - over the same period of time LEDs cost less to operate (than CFLs)
- (ii) any **one** from:
- price of LED bulbs will drop  
*do **not** accept they become cheaper*
  - less electricity needs to be generated  
*accept we will use less electricity*
  - less CO<sub>2</sub> produced
  - fewer chips needed (for each LED bulb)
  - fewer bulbs required (for same brightness / light)
  - less energy wasted  
*do **not** accept electricity for energy*

2

1

[6]

**Q32.**

- (a) (i) TV  
1
- (ii) hairdryer and sandwich toaster  
*both required either order but no others*  
1
- (b) (i) 1.2  
*allow 1 mark for correct substitution*  
*ie  $0.4 \times 3$  provided that no subsequent step is shown*  
2
- (ii) 18  
*accept £0.18 for both marks*  
**or**

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their (b)(i)  $\times 15$  correctly calculated  
*an answer 0.18 scores 1 mark*  
*allow 1 mark for correct substitution*  
*ie 1.2 or their (b)(i)  $\times 15$  provided that no subsequent step is shown*

2

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**Q33.**

- (a) (i) food processor  
hairdryer  
*both required and no other*  
*either order*

1

- (ii) TV  
Table lamp  
Food processor  
*all required and no other*  
*any order*

1

- (b) any **two** from:

- transfers / requires / uses more energy / power  
*accept more electricity used*  
*accept higher power*
- more electricity needs to be generated
- more (fossil) fuels (likely) to be burnt  
*accept a named fossil fuel*

2

- (c) (i) precise  
*this answer only*

1

- (ii) any **three** from:

- can look for trends / patterns
- help reduce energy use / consumption
- reduce bills  
*accept save money*
- identify appliances which use a lot of energy
- replace appliances with more efficient ones
- see effect of leaving appliances on (standby)

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*to monitor usage is insufficient  
answers in terms of environment are insufficient*

3

[8]

**Q34.**

(a) fan

1

drill

1

washing machine

*four circled including correct three scores 1 mark  
five circled scores zero*

1

(b) Appliances only transfer part of the energy usefully

1

The energy transferred by appliances makes the surroundings warmer

1

[5]

**Q35.**

(a) (i) A

1

(ii) bar drawn with correct height

*ignore width of bar*

1

(b) (i)  $E = P \times t$

2.4

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution  
ie  $1.2 \times 2$   
provided no subsequent step shown*

2

(ii) 36 or their (b)(i)  $\times 15$  correctly calculated

**or**

their (b)(i)  $\times 0.15$  correctly calculated with an answer given in £

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution  
ie  $2.4 \times 15$*

**or**

*their (b)(i)  $\times 15$*

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution  
provided no subsequent step shown*

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*an answer £0.36 gains both marks*

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