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GCSE Chemistry

Unit 1

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WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE, AFTERNOON

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1 hour 15 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

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Complete in blue or black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **all five** questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 80.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question **3(a)(ii)**.

A Data Leaflet, which includes a Periodic Table of the Elements, is included in this question paper.

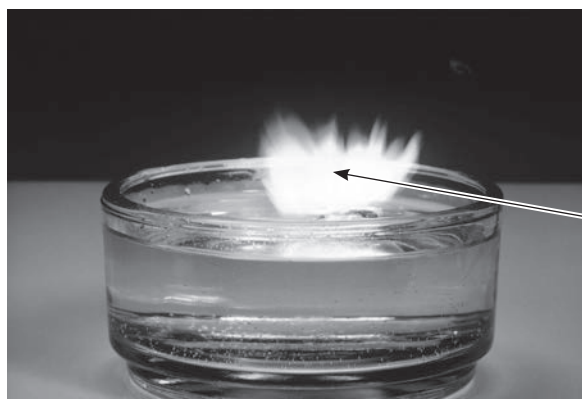
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1 Group 1 and 2 elements show a variety of physical and chemical properties.

(a) The picture below shows a Group 1 element reacting with water. A lilac flame is observed.



lilac flame

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(i) State four **other** observations for this reaction.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____ [4]

(ii) Name the Group 1 element which is reacting with water.

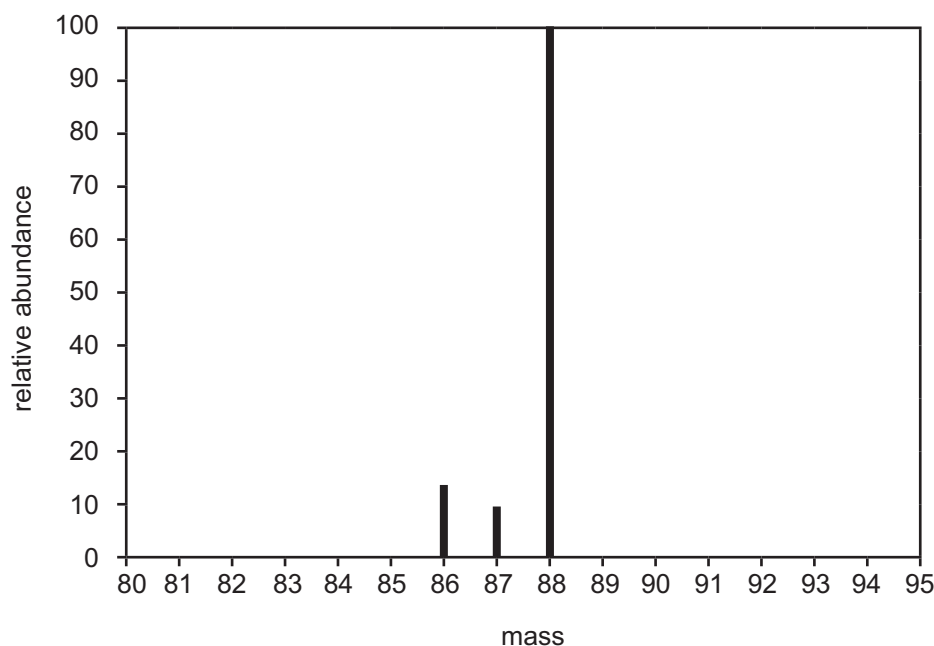
_____ [1]

(iii) Name the **two** products of the reaction of this Group 1 element with water.

_____ [2]



- (b) The diagram below shows part of a mass spectrum of a sample of a Group 2 element. Each peak in the spectrum represents an isotope of this element.



- (i) What is meant by the term isotope?

_____ [2]

- (ii) Based on the mass spectrum above, how many isotopes of the element are present in the sample?

_____ [1]

- (iii) What is the mass of the isotope with the greatest relative abundance?

_____ [1]

- (iv) Suggest the identity of the Group 2 element using your Data Leaflet.

_____ [1]

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(v) Suggest one advantage of using mass spectrometry to analyse elements.

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2 Solutions may be classified as acidic, alkaline or neutral using the pH scale.

(a) (i) Name an indicator which may be used to find the pH value of a solution.

_____ [1]

(ii) Complete the following table.

Name of Compound	Formula	pH value
	H_2SO_4	
Water	H_2O	
	CH_3COOH	3

[4]

(b) Hydrochloric acid reacts with zinc metal to produce a salt and hydrogen gas.

(i) Name the salt produced in this reaction.

_____ [1]

(ii) Describe the chemical test for hydrogen gas and state the result for a positive test.

_____ [2]



(c) An excess of hydrochloric acid can build up in the stomach and cause indigestion. Antacid tablets containing calcium carbonate can be taken to relieve the symptoms of indigestion.

(i) State the observations made when an antacid tablet containing calcium carbonate is dropped into a beaker of dilute hydrochloric acid.

[3]

(ii) Write a balanced symbol equation for the reaction between calcium carbonate and hydrochloric acid.

[3]



(d) Other brands of antacid tablets contain aluminium hydroxide.

(i) Write the formula of aluminium hydroxide.

_____ [1]

(ii) State the colour of aluminium hydroxide.

_____ [1]

(iii) Describe what is observed when sodium hydroxide solution is added until it is in excess to a solution containing aluminium ions.

_____ [3]



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- 3 The Shard in London is 309 metres high and is currently the tallest building in the European Union. It is the fifty-ninth tallest building in the world.



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- (a) In the construction of the Shard, 12 000 tonnes of steel were used. Steel is an alloy of carbon and iron. One form of carbon is graphite.

- (i) What is meant by the term alloy?

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(b) There are 11 468 panels of glass in the Shard, enough to cover eight football pitches. The glass is made from silicon dioxide, sodium oxide, calcium oxide and small amounts of other compounds, including iron(II) oxide.

(i) What type of bonding is found in silicon dioxide?

_____ [1]

(ii) What type of bonding is found in sodium oxide?

_____ [1]

(iii) Using full electronic configurations, draw **dot and cross** diagrams to show how atoms of calcium combine with atoms of oxygen to form calcium oxide. Include the charge on each ion.

[6]



- (c) The glass used in the Shard is 'low iron glass' which is very clear. Any iron(II) oxide impurity in the glass would produce a tint.

(i) What is the formula of iron(II) oxide?

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- (ii) Iron(II) oxide contains the iron(II) ion. Complete the table below by giving the number of protons, neutrons and electrons present in an atom of iron and an iron(II) ion.

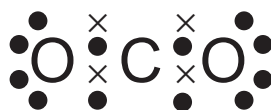
Atom or ion	Atomic number	Mass number	Number of protons	Number of electrons	Number of neutrons
Fe	26	56			
Fe ²⁺	26	56			

[3]



- (d) The Shard uses energy saving methods to generate heat and so its carbon dioxide emissions are reduced.

A **dot and cross** diagram for the bonding in carbon dioxide is shown below.



- (i) What is the formula for carbon dioxide?

_____ [1]

- (ii) What type of bonding is found in carbon dioxide?

_____ [1]

- (iii) Draw a circle around a lone pair in the dot and cross diagram for carbon dioxide.

[1]



4 The solubility of substances varies with temperature.

(a) What is meant by the term solubility?

[4]

(b) The table below shows the formulae of some compounds.

$\text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2$	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$	KOH	CaCO_3
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(i) Complete the table below by writing the formulae of the compounds under the headings **soluble** or **insoluble** in water. You may find your Data Leaflet useful in answering this question.

Soluble	Insoluble

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(ii) State the name of $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$.

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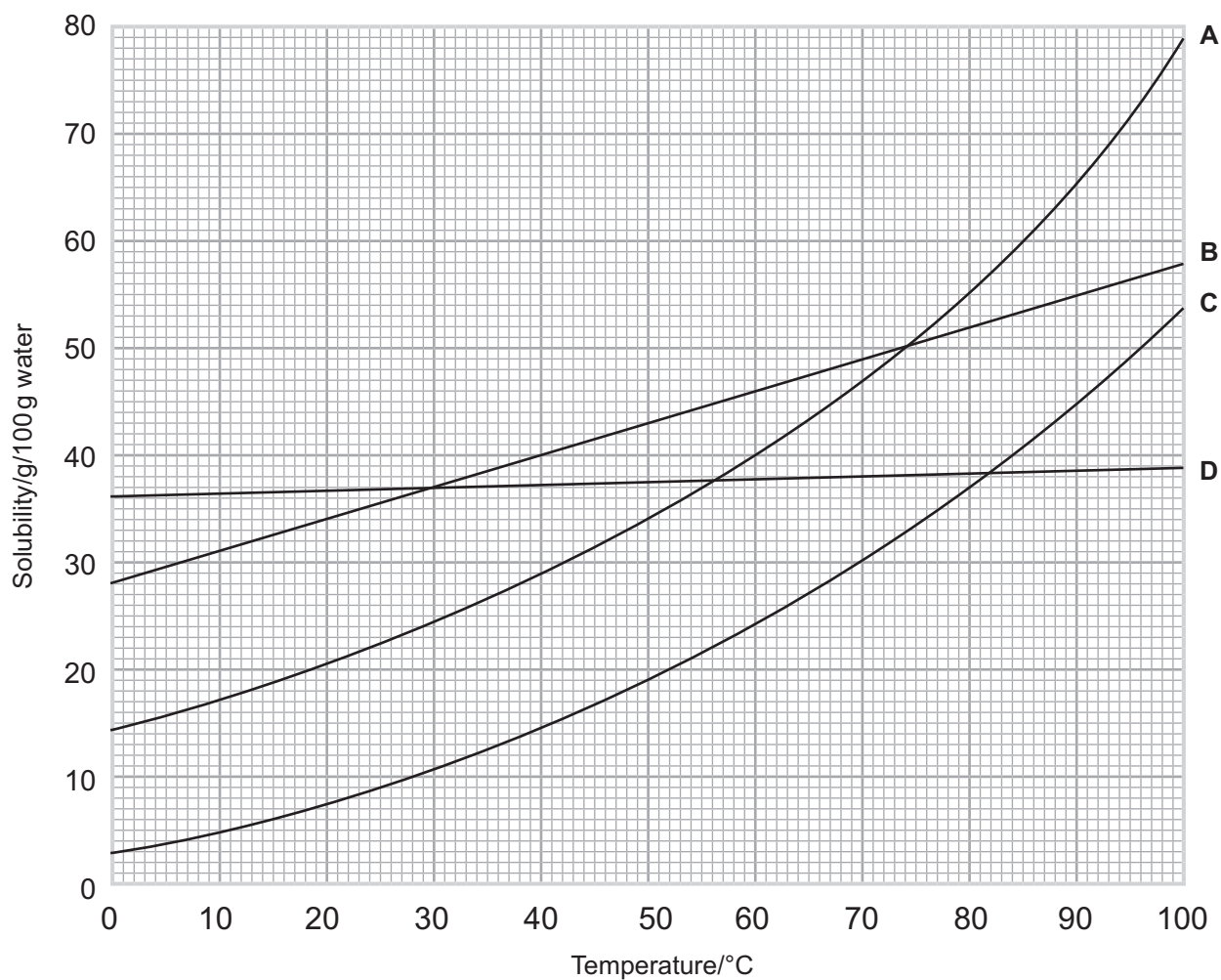
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(c) The graph below shows the solubility curves for four different substances, A, B, C and D.



(i) Which substance (A, B, C or D) is most soluble at 10 °C?

_____ [1]

(ii) Which substance (A, B, C or D) is least soluble at 90 °C?

_____ [1]



(iii) At what temperature do substances A and D have the same solubility?

_____ [1]

(iv) At what temperature would 3 g of substance C saturate 10 g of water?

Temperature _____ °C [1]



5 Seawater contains a range of dissolved salts.

(a) (i) Complete the table below for some of the salts present in seawater.

Name of Salt	Formula	Relative Formula Mass
	MgCl_2	
Sodium sulfate	Na_2SO_4	

[3]

(ii) The most abundant salt present in seawater is sodium chloride, NaCl.
Calculate the number of moles of sodium chloride in 29.25 kg.

(Relative atomic masses: Na = 23; Cl = 35.5)

Moles of NaCl = _____ [3]

(iii) Sodium chloride may be obtained by reacting sodium hydroxide with hydrochloric acid.

Write a balanced symbol equation for this reaction.

_____ [2]



(b) Magnesium chloride has healing effects on a wide range of diseases. The hydrated form of magnesium chloride contains water of crystallisation and has the formula $\text{MgCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

(i) What is meant by the term water of crystallisation?

_____ [1]

(ii) Calculate the relative formula mass of hydrated magnesium chloride, $\text{MgCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

(Relative atomic masses: H = 1; O = 16; Mg = 24; Cl = 35.5)

Relative formula mass = _____ [1]

(iii) Use the value calculated in (b)(ii) to find the percentage of water of crystallisation in hydrated magnesium chloride.

Percentage of water = _____ % [2]

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- (iv) Describe how water of crystallisation may be removed from hydrated salts and how you would ensure that all of the water of crystallisation has been removed.

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SYMBOLS OF SELECTED IONS

Positive ions

Name	Symbol
Ammonium	NH_4^+
Chromium(III)	Cr^{3+}
Copper(II)	Cu^{2+}
Iron(II)	Fe^{2+}
Iron(III)	Fe^{3+}
Lead(II)	Pb^{2+}
Silver	Ag^+
Zinc	Zn^{2+}

Negative ions

Name	Symbol
Carbonate	CO_3^{2-}
Dichromate	$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$
Ethanoate	CH_3COO^-
Hydrogen carbonate	HCO_3^-
Hydroxide	OH^-
Methanoate	HCOO^-
Nitrate	NO_3^-
Sulfate	SO_4^{2-}
Sulfite	SO_3^{2-}

DATA LEAFLET

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SOLUBILITY IN COLD WATER OF COMMON SALTS, HYDROXIDES AND OXIDES

Soluble
All sodium, potassium and ammonium salts
All nitrates
Most chlorides, bromides and iodides EXCEPT silver and lead chlorides, bromides and iodides
Most sulfates EXCEPT lead and barium sulfates Calcium sulfate is slightly soluble

Insoluble
Most carbonates EXCEPT sodium, potassium and ammonium carbonates
Most hydroxides EXCEPT sodium, potassium and ammonium hydroxides
Most oxides EXCEPT sodium, potassium and calcium oxides which react with water

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