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P3 - Test 2
PARTICLE MODEL OF MATTER
Beginner

GCSE

PHYSICS

AQA - Triple Science

Mark

Grade

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- Ruler
- Pencil and Rubber
- Scientific calculator, which you are expected to use when appropriate

Instructions

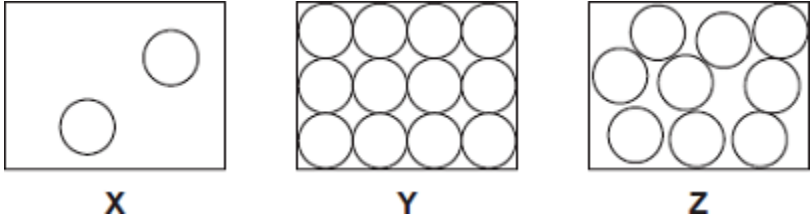
- Answer all questions
- Answer questions in the space provided
- All working must be shown

Information

- The marks for the questions are shown in brackets

1.

(a) The diagrams, **X**, **Y** and **Z**, show how the particles are arranged in the three states of matter.



(i) Which **one** of the diagrams, **X**, **Y** or **Z**, shows the arrangement of particles in a liquid?

Write the correct answer in the box.

(1)

(ii) Which **one** of the diagrams, **X**, **Y** or **Z**, shows the arrangement of particles in a gas?

Write the correct answer in the box.

(1)

(b) Draw a ring around the correct answer in each box to complete each sentence.

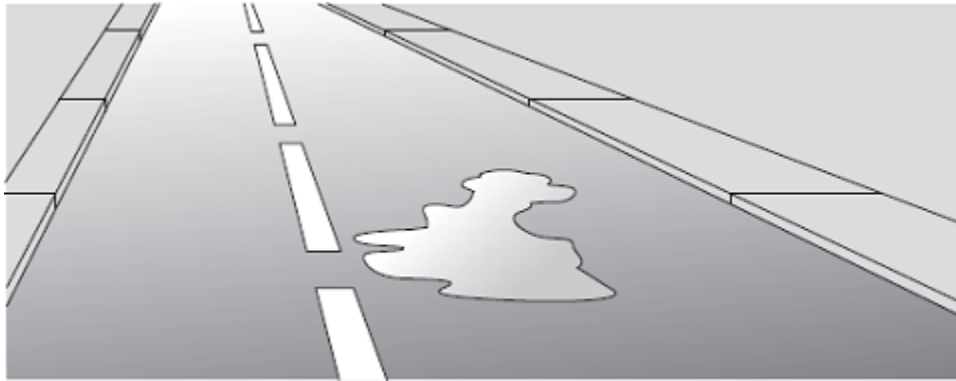
(i) In a gas, the particles are vibrating in fixed positions.
 moving randomly.
 not moving.

(1)

(ii) In a solid, the forces between the particles are stronger than
 equal to the
 weaker than
forces between the particles in a liquid.

(1)

(c) The picture shows a puddle of water in a road, after a rain shower.



(i) During the day, the puddle of water dries up and disappears. This happens because the water particles move from the puddle into the air.

What process causes water particles to move from the puddle into the air?

Draw a ring around the correct answer.

condensation

evaporation

radiation

(1)

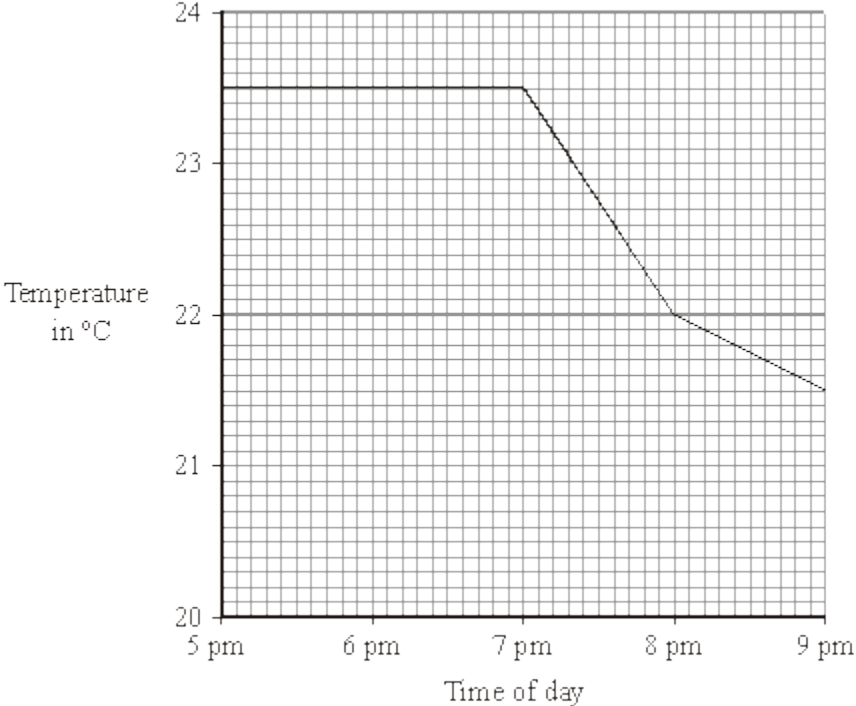
(ii) Describe **one** change in the weather which would cause the puddle of water to dry up faster.

(1)

(Total 6 marks)

2.

(a) The graph shows the temperature inside a flat between 5 pm and 9 pm. The central heating was on at 5 pm.



(i) What time did the central heating switch off?

(1)

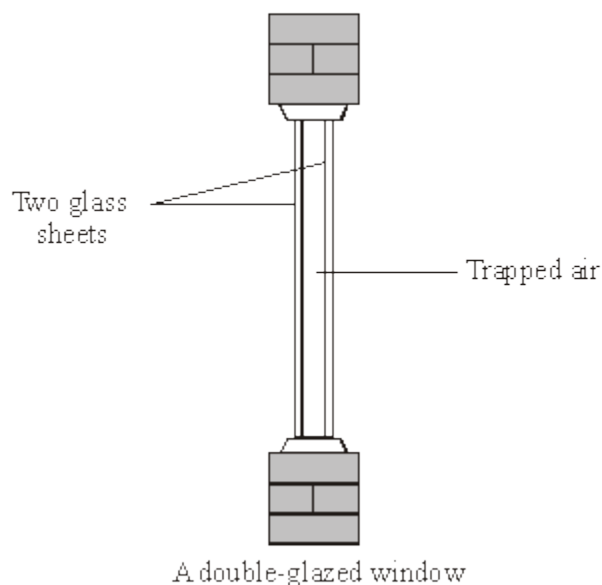
(ii) Closing the curtains reduces heat loss from the flat.

What time do you think the curtains were closed?

Give a reason for your answer.

(2)

(b) Less heat is lost through double-glazed windows than through single-glazed windows.



Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct words from the box. Each word may be used once or not at all.

conduction conductor convection evaporation insulator radiation

Air is a good _____ . When trapped between two sheets of glass it reduces heat loss by _____ and _____

(3)

(c) The table gives information about three types of house insulation.

Type of insulation	Cost to install	Money save each year on heating bills	Payback time
Double glazing	£4000	£200	20 years
Loft insulation	£300	£100	3 years
Cavity wallinsulation	£600	£150	

(i) Use the information in the table to calculate the payback time for cavity wall insulation.

(1)

- (ii) Explain why people often install loft insulation before installing double glazing or cavity wall insulation.

(2)

(Total 9 marks)

3.

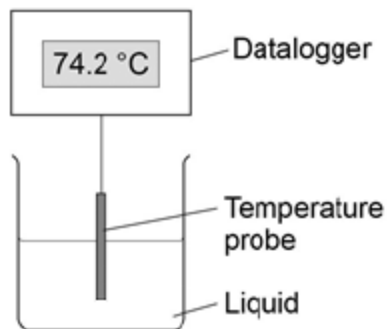
Two students investigated the change of state of stearic acid from liquid to solid.

They measured how the temperature of stearic acid changed over 5 minutes as it changed from liquid to solid.

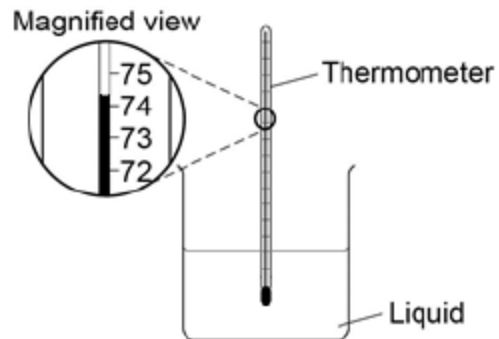
Figure 1 shows the different apparatus the two students used.

Figure 1

Student A's apparatus



Student B's apparatus



(a) Choose **two** advantages of using student **A's** apparatus.

Tick **two** boxes.

Student **A's** apparatus made sure the test was fair.

Student **B's** apparatus only measured categoric variables.

Student **A's** measurements had a higher resolution.

Student **B** was more likely to misread the temperature.

(2)

(b) Student **B** removed the thermometer from the liquid each time he took a temperature reading.

What type of error would this cause?

Tick **one** box.

A systematic error

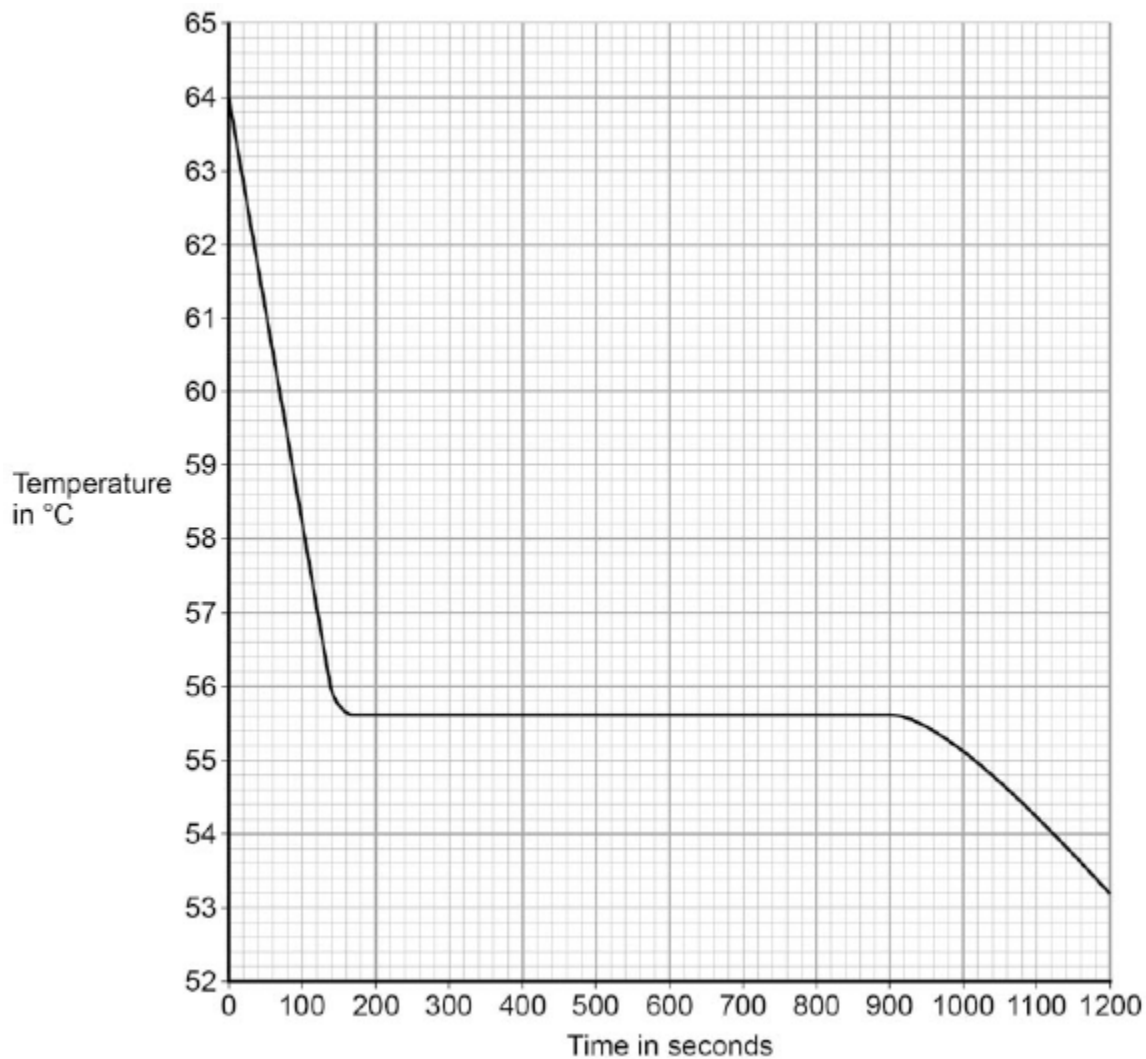
A random error

A zero error

(1)

(c) Student A's results are shown in **Figure 2**.

Figure 2



What was the decrease in temperature between 0 and 160 seconds?

Tick **one** box.

8.2 °C

8.4 °C

53.2 °C

55.6 °C

(1)

- (d) Use **Figure 2** to determine the time taken for the stearic acid to change from a liquid to a solid.

Time = _____ seconds

(1)

- (e) Calculate the energy transferred to the surroundings as 0.40 kg of stearic acid changed state from liquid to solid.

The specific latent heat of fusion of stearic acid is 199 000 J / kg.

Use the correct equation from the Physics Equations Sheet.

Energy = _____ J

(2)

- (f) After 1200 seconds the temperature of the stearic acid continued to decrease.

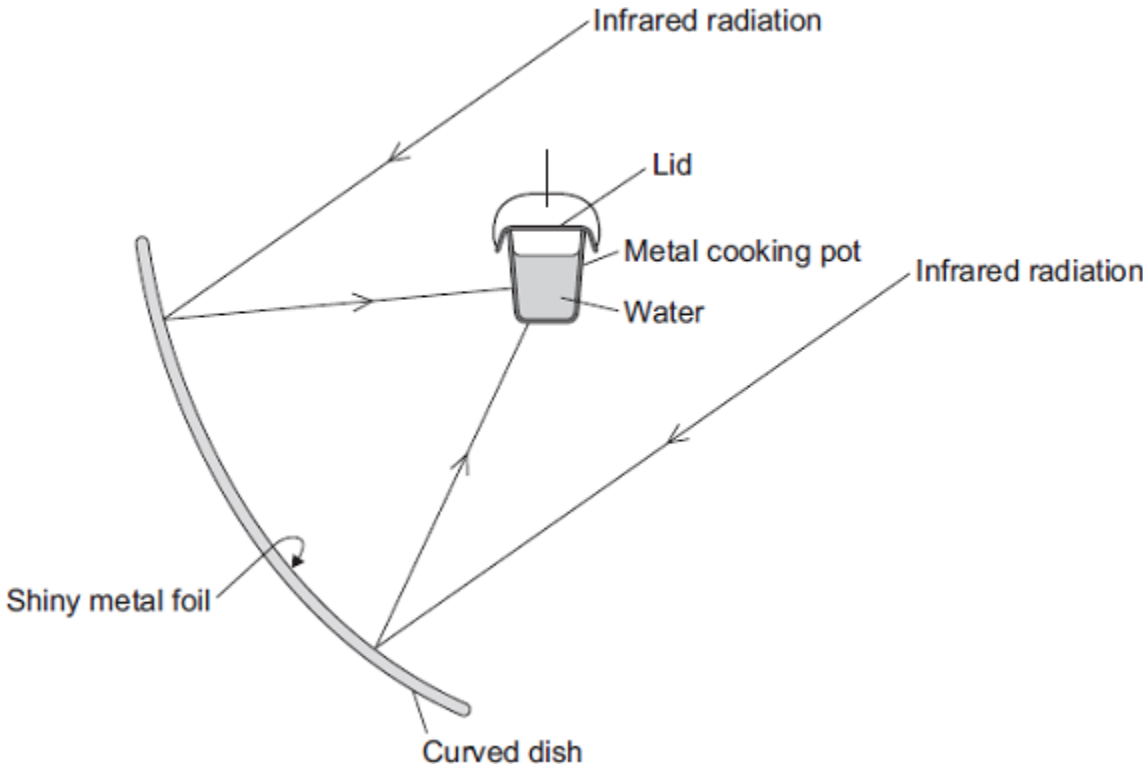
Explain why.

(2)

(Total 9 marks)

4.

The diagram shows the design of a solar cooker. The cooker heats water using infrared radiation from the Sun.



(a) Why is the inside of the large curved dish covered with shiny metal foil?

(1)

(b) Which would be the best colour to paint the outside of the metal cooking pot?

Draw a ring around the correct answer.

black **silver** **white**

Give a reason for your answer.

(2)

(c) Why does the cooking pot have a lid?

(1)

- (d) Calculate how much energy is needed to increase the temperature of 2 kg of water by 80 °C.

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

Energy = _____ J

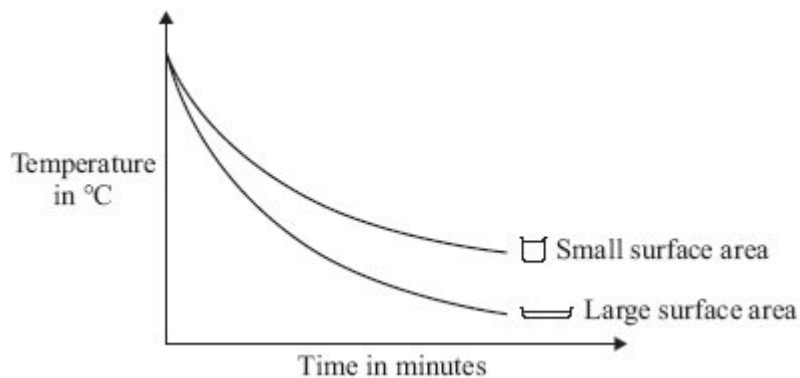
(2)

(Total 6 marks)

5.

- (a) The graph compares how quickly hot water cooled down in two glass beakers with different surface areas.

The volume of water in each beaker was the same.



Describe how the surface area of the water affected how fast the water cooled down.

(1)

(b) Some foxes live in a hot desert environment.

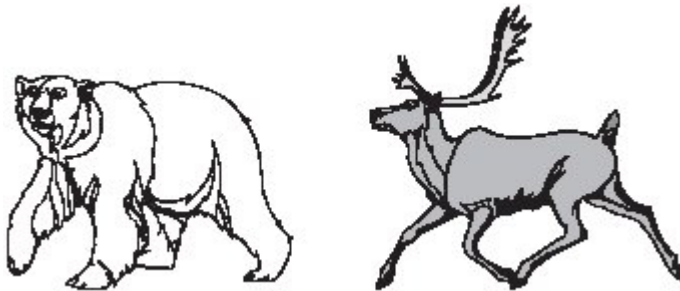


This type of fox has very large ears.

Explain how the size of the fox's ears help it to keep cool in a hot desert.

(2)

(c) Polar bears and reindeer are adapted to live in cold environments.



Use the words in the box to complete the following sentences.

conduction	convection	radiation
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(i) The white colour of a polar bear's fur helps to keep the polar bear warm by reducing the heat lost by _____ .

(1)

(ii) The hairs of a reindeer are hollow. The air trapped inside the hairs reduces the heat lost by _____ .

(1)

(Total 5 marks)