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General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

**COMBINED SCIENCE**

**5129/01**

Paper 1 Multiple Choice

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**1 hour**

Additional Materials: Multiple Choice Answer Sheet  
Soft clean eraser  
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write in soft pencil.

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

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

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

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

**Read the instructions on the Answer Sheet very carefully.**

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

Any rough working should be done in this booklet.

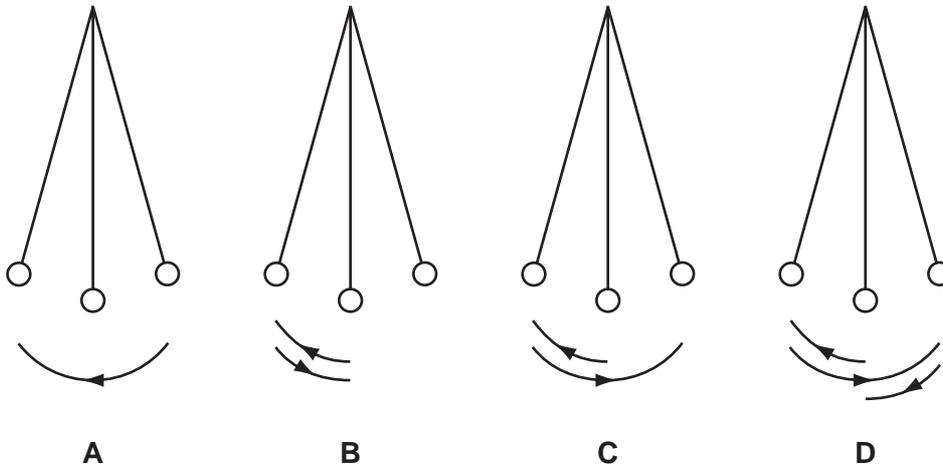
A copy of the Periodic Table is printed on page 16.

This document consists of **15** printed pages and **1** blank page.



- 1 The diagrams show a simple pendulum at the ends and centre of its swing.

Which labelled arrow shows the distance moved by the pendulum during one period?

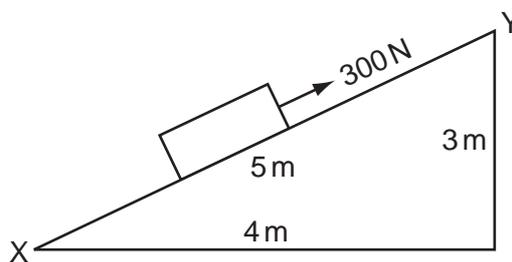


- 2 The mass and density of four objects are given in the table.

Which object has the largest volume?

	density $\text{kg/m}^3$	mass / kg
<b>A</b>	200	0.6
<b>B</b>	400	1.0
<b>C</b>	1000	2.0
<b>D</b>	1500	3.0

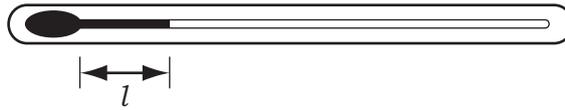
- 3 A 300 N force is applied to a box in the direction XY in order to move it up a ramp of the dimensions shown.



How much work is done when moving the box from X to Y?

- A** 900 J      **B** 1200 J      **C** 1500 J      **D** 3000 J

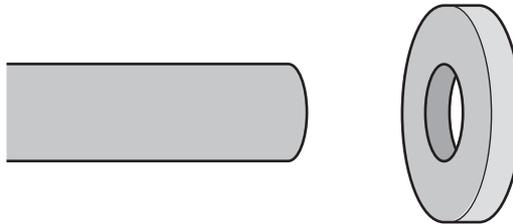
- 4 A liquid-in-glass thermometer is being calibrated.



At the ice point, the thread length  $l$ , is 2.0 cm. At the steam point,  $l$  is 27.0 cm.

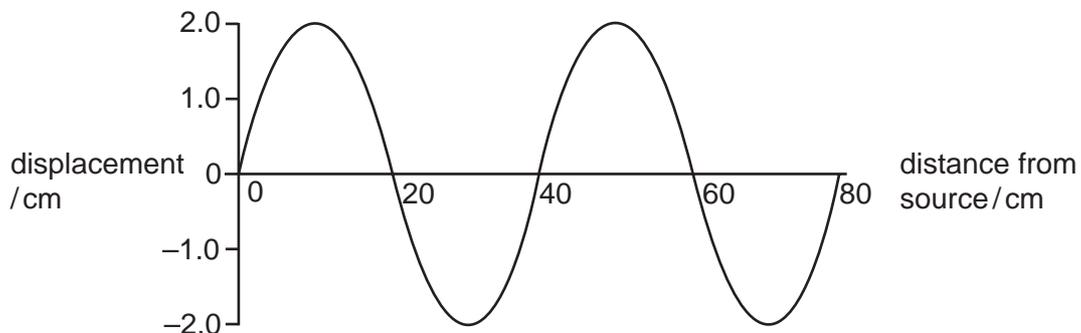
What change in length shows a temperature difference of  $1^\circ\text{C}$ ?

- A 0.25 cm  
 B 0.27 cm  
 C 2.5 cm  
 D 2.7 cm
- 5 An axle is too large to fit into the hole in a wheel that is made of the same metal.



How can the axle be made to fit into the hole?

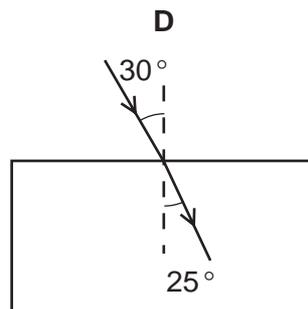
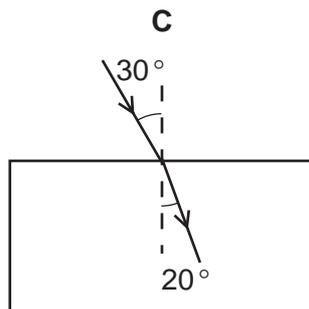
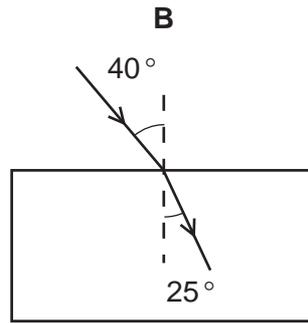
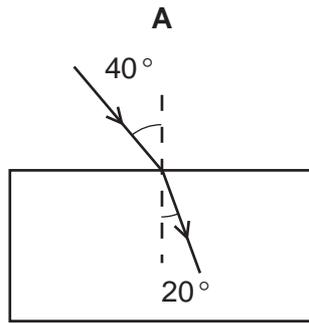
- A by heating the axle alone  
 B by heating the wheel alone  
 C by cooling both the axle and the wheel  
 D by heating both the axle and the wheel
- 6 The diagram shows the variation of the displacement of a wave with distance from the source.



What is the amplitude of the wave?

- A 2.0 cm      B 4.0 cm      C 20 cm      D 40 cm

7 Which block is made from the material with a refractive index of 1.52?



8 Radio waves, visible light and X-rays are all part of the electromagnetic spectrum.

What is the correct order of increasing wavelength?

	shortest wavelength	→	longest wavelength
<b>A</b>	visible light	radio waves	X-rays
<b>B</b>	visible light	X-rays	radio waves
<b>C</b>	X-rays	radio waves	visible light
<b>D</b>	X-rays	visible light	radio waves

9 How could the unit of potential difference, the volt, also be written?

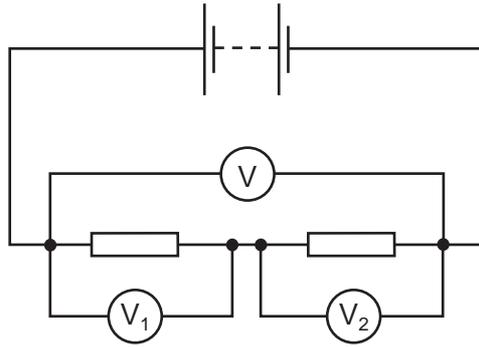
**A** A/s

**B** C/A

**C** C/J

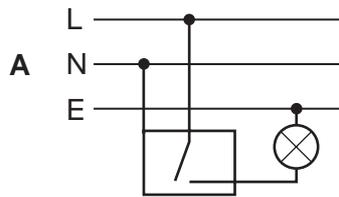
**D** J/C

- 10 The circuit shows three voltmeters being used to measure potential differences in a series circuit.

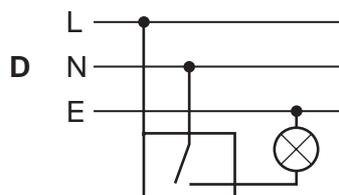
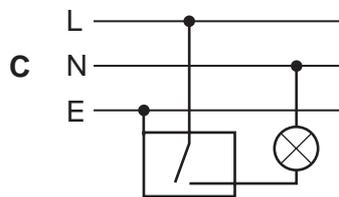
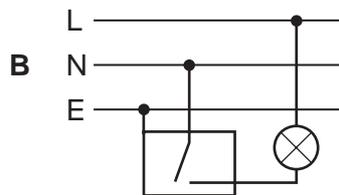


Which of the following is correct?

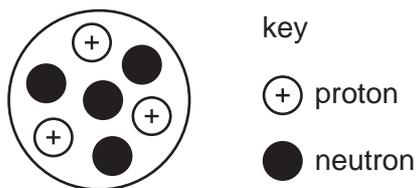
- A  $V = V_1 = V_2$   
 B  $V = V_1 + V_2$   
 C  $V = V_1 - V_2$   
 D  $V = V_1 \times V_2$
- 11 Which diagram shows the correct connections for a switch and a lamp in a lighting circuit?



key  
 L live  
 N neutral  
 E earth  
 metal case



- 12 The diagram represents a nucleus of element X.



Which of the following represents the nuclide of this element?

- A  ${}^3_4\text{X}$       B  ${}^4_3\text{X}$       C  ${}^7_3\text{X}$       D  ${}^7_4\text{X}$
- 13 A research worker wants to use a radioactive source with a count rate of 100 counts per second for an experiment he plans to start at 10.00 a.m.
- He has four different sources, each of which has a count rate of 400 per second at 9.00 a.m.
- Which source should he choose?
- A a source with a half-life of 15 minutes  
 B a source with a half-life of 20 minutes  
 C a source with a half-life of 30 minutes  
 D a source with a half-life of 40 minutes
- 14 Potassium nitrate crystals can be separated from sand by using the processes shown.

What is the correct order for the processes?

	first $\xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}}$ last			
<b>A</b>	filter	dissolve	evaporate	crystallise
<b>B</b>	dissolve	evaporate	crystallise	filter
<b>C</b>	dissolve	evaporate	filter	crystallise
<b>D</b>	dissolve	filter	evaporate	crystallise

- 15 Which statement about the molecules in ice is correct?
- A The molecules all move with the same speed.  
 B The molecules are diatomic.  
 C The molecules move randomly.  
 D The molecules vibrate about fixed positions.

16 Strontium has an isotope of nucleon number 90.

How many protons, neutrons and electrons are present in an atom of this isotope?

	protons	neutrons	electrons
<b>A</b>	38	50	38
<b>B</b>	38	52	38
<b>C</b>	38	52	40
<b>D</b>	40	50	38

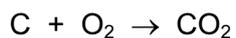
17 Under what conditions does sodium chloride conduct electricity?

conducts electricity			
	when solid	when molten	in aqueous solution
<b>A</b>	no	no	no
<b>B</b>	no	yes	yes
<b>C</b>	yes	no	no
<b>D</b>	yes	yes	yes

18 How many electrons are shared in the covalent bonds in a methane molecule?

- A** 2                      **B** 4                      **C** 6                      **D** 8

19 A 6 g sample of pure carbon is completely burned in oxygen.



Which mass of carbon dioxide is produced?

- A** 12g                      **B** 22g                      **C** 38g                      **D** 44g

20 The pH values of four aqueous solutions are shown.

Which solution contains a weak acid?

	pH value
<b>A</b>	2
<b>B</b>	5
<b>C</b>	7
<b>D</b>	9

- 21 Which statement about the elements in Group I of the Periodic Table is correct?
- A The proton (atomic) number of an element is one greater than that of the element above it.
- B They are equally reactive.
- C They become less metallic as the proton (atomic) number increases.
- D They form chlorides of similar formula.

- 22 An experiment is carried out to find the order of reactivity of some metals.

Three metals are placed in separate solutions containing an aqueous metal ion.

The results are shown.

metal	aqueous metal ion			
	Mg <sup>2+</sup>	Al <sup>3+</sup>	Fe <sup>2+</sup>	Zn <sup>2+</sup>
Mg	x	✓	✓	✓
Fe	x	x	x	x
Zn	x	x	✓	x

key  
 ✓ = reaction observed  
 x = no reaction observed

What is the order of reactivity of the metals (most reactive first)?

- A Mg Zn Fe Al
- B Fe Zn Al Mg
- C Mg Al Zn Fe
- D Mg Al Fe Zn
- 23 Aluminium cooking utensils are used in many kitchens.

What property of aluminium is **not** important for this use?

- A It has a high melting point.
- B It is a good conductor of electricity.
- C It is a good conductor of heat.
- D It is resistant to corrosion.
- 24 What is the main constituent of natural gas?
- A ethane
- B helium
- C hydrogen
- D methane

25 Octane is an alkane containing eight carbon atoms per molecule.

What is its molecular formula?

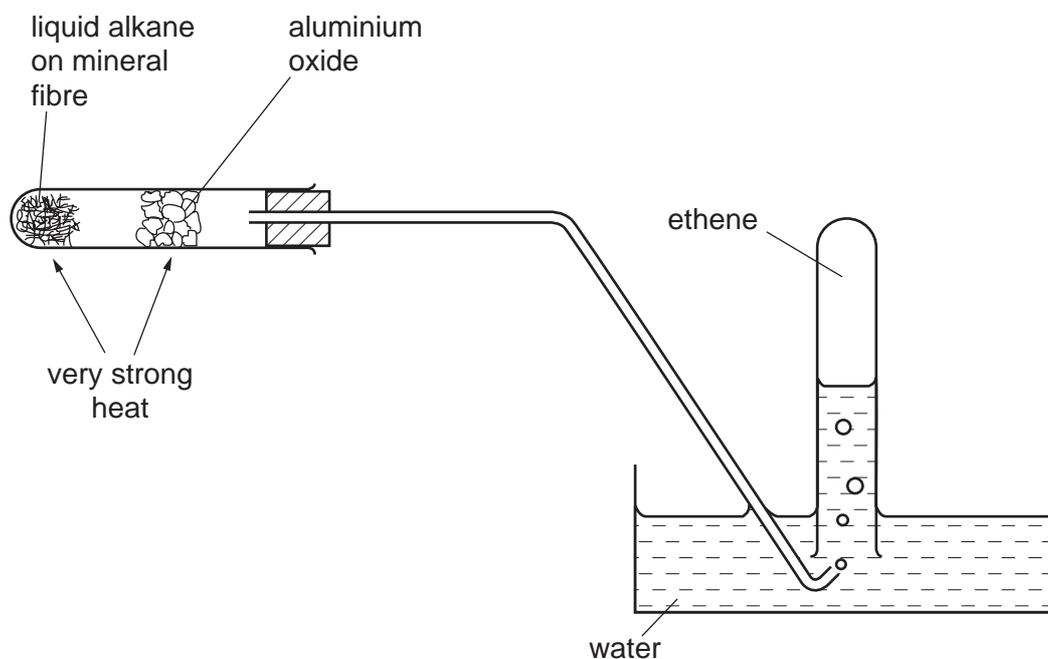
- A  $C_8H_{14}$       B  $C_8H_{16}$       C  $C_8H_{18}$       D  $C_8H_{20}$

26 A hydrocarbon has the formula  $C_6H_{12}$ .

Which observation could confirm the homologous series to which the hydrocarbon belongs?

- A burning in air with a sooty flame  
B decolourising aqueous bromine  
C effervescence when mixed with sodium carbonate solution  
D turning Universal Indicator blue

27 The experiment shown is carried out.



Which process occurs?

- A cracking  
B dehydrogenation  
C distillation  
D polymerisation

28 Which part of the structure of a root hair cell is the site of uptake of water?

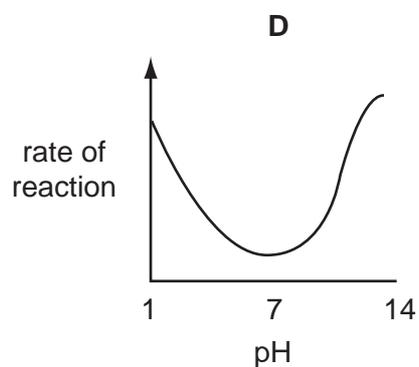
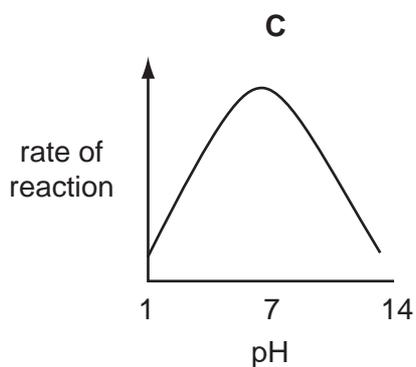
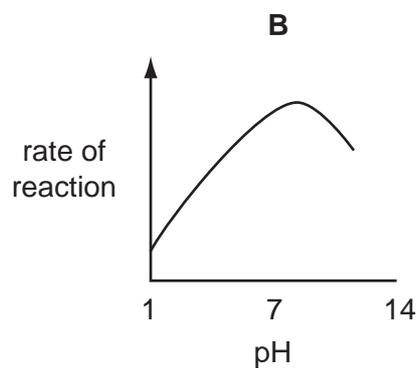
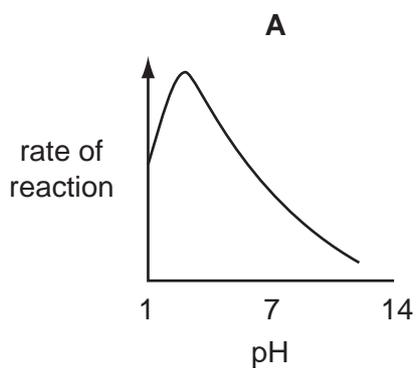
- A cell membrane
- B cell wall
- C cytoplasm
- D sap vacuole

29 Which of these processes **always** involves the movement of water molecules?

	diffusion	osmosis	
<b>A</b>	✓	✓	key
<b>B</b>	✓	✗	✓ yes
<b>C</b>	✗	✓	✗ no
<b>D</b>	✗	✗	

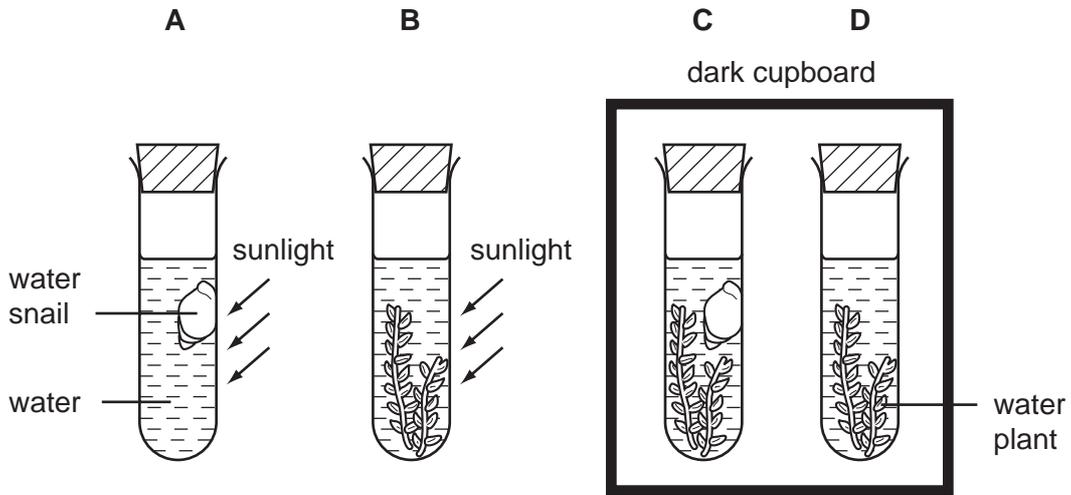
30 Pepsin is an enzyme that is active in the human stomach.

Which graph shows how the rate of reaction of pepsin is affected by pH?



31 An experiment is set up as shown, and left for one hour.

In which test-tube does the concentration of carbon dioxide **decrease**?

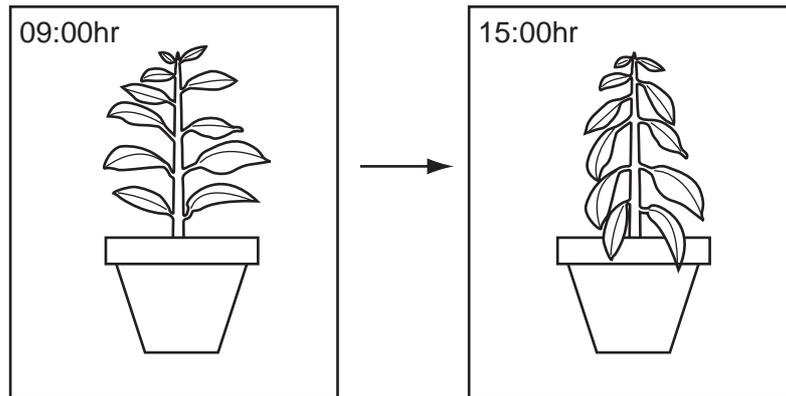


32 Which processes are functions of the liver?

	absorbing food	assimilating food	helping with digestion of food
<b>A</b>	✓	✓	✓
<b>B</b>	✓	✓	x
<b>C</b>	✓	x	✓
<b>D</b>	x	✓	✓

key  
 ✓ = is a function  
 x = is not a function

33 A plant is left in the hot sun for six hours.

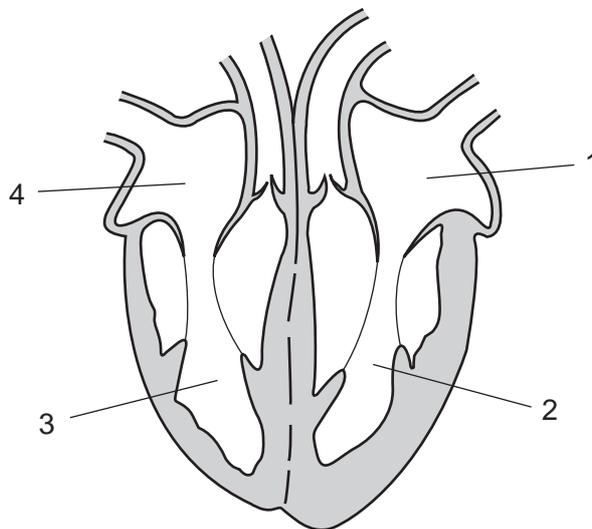


The diagram shows how the appearance of the plant changes during this time.

What explains the change in appearance of the plant?

- A More water is lost by transpiration than is absorbed.
- B Stomata have closed.
- C The concentration of water in the cells has increased.
- D There is less support provided by the xylem.

34 The diagram shows a section of the heart.



Which two chambers of the heart contain oxygenated blood?

- A 1 and 2
- B 1 and 4
- C 2 and 3
- D 3 and 4



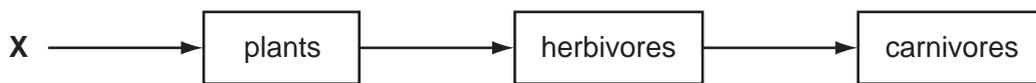
37 Many drugs affect the nervous system by acting as depressants.

Which of these drugs are depressants?

	alcohol	heroin
<b>A</b>	✓	✓
<b>B</b>	x	x
<b>C</b>	✓	x
<b>D</b>	x	✓

key  
 ✓ = depressant  
 x = not a depressant

38 The diagram represents the energy flow through a food chain.



What provides the energy source (X) for this food chain?

- A decomposers
  - B herbivores
  - C plants
  - D sunlight
- 39 In a tropical rainforest which of these processes is linked to the removal of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere?
- A decay
  - B new plant growth
  - C respiration
  - D transpiration
- 40 What will be most likely to produce flowers of the same type and colour?
- A growing plants from the seeds of one parent
  - B growing plants that have been produced by asexual reproduction
  - C growing plants at the same temperature
  - D growing plants in the same light intensity



**DATA SHEET**  
**The Periodic Table of the Elements**

		Group												
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII					0		
7 <b>Li</b> Lithium 3	9 <b>Be</b> Beryllium 4	1 <b>H</b> Hydrogen 1	11 <b>B</b> Boron 5	12 <b>C</b> Carbon 6	14 <b>N</b> Nitrogen 7	16 <b>O</b> Oxygen 8	19 <b>F</b> Fluorine 9	20 <b>Ne</b> Neon 10	27 <b>Al</b> Aluminium 13	28 <b>Si</b> Silicon 14	31 <b>P</b> Phosphorus 15	32 <b>S</b> Sulphur 16	35.5 <b>Cl</b> Chlorine 17	40 <b>Ar</b> Argon 18
39 <b>K</b> Potassium 19	40 <b>Ca</b> Calcium 20	55 <b>Mn</b> Manganese 25	56 <b>Fe</b> Iron 26	59 <b>Co</b> Cobalt 27	59 <b>Ni</b> Nickel 28	64 <b>Cu</b> Copper 29	65 <b>Zn</b> Zinc 30	70 <b>Ga</b> Gallium 31	73 <b>Ge</b> Germanium 32	75 <b>As</b> Arsenic 33	79 <b>Se</b> Selenium 34	80 <b>Br</b> Bromine 35	84 <b>Kr</b> Krypton 36	
85 <b>Rb</b> Rubidium 37	88 <b>Sr</b> Strontium 38	91 <b>Zr</b> Zirconium 40	101 <b>Ru</b> Ruthenium 44	103 <b>Rh</b> Rhodium 45	106 <b>Pd</b> Palladium 46	108 <b>Ag</b> Silver 47	112 <b>Cd</b> Cadmium 48	115 <b>In</b> Indium 49	119 <b>Sn</b> Tin 50	122 <b>Sb</b> Antimony 51	128 <b>Te</b> Tellurium 52	127 <b>I</b> Iodine 53	131 <b>Xe</b> Xenon 54	
133 <b>Cs</b> Caesium 55	137 <b>Ba</b> Barium 56	178 <b>Hf</b> Hafnium 72	190 <b>Os</b> Osmium 76	192 <b>Ir</b> Iridium 77	195 <b>Pt</b> Platinum 78	197 <b>Au</b> Gold 79	201 <b>Hg</b> Mercury 80	204 <b>Tl</b> Thallium 81	207 <b>Pb</b> Lead 82	209 <b>Bi</b> Bismuth 83	210 <b>Po</b> Polonium 84	210 <b>At</b> Astatine 85	210 <b>Rn</b> Radon 86	
87 <b>Fr</b> Francium	88 <b>Ra</b> Radium	226 <b>Ra</b> Radium	227 <b>Ac</b> Actinium †											

140 <b>Ce</b> Cerium 58	141 <b>Pr</b> Praseodymium 59	144 <b>Nd</b> Neodymium 60	144 <b>Pm</b> Promethium 61	150 <b>Sm</b> Samarium 62	152 <b>Eu</b> Europium 63	157 <b>Gd</b> Gadolinium 64	159 <b>Tb</b> Terbium 65	162 <b>Dy</b> Dysprosium 66	165 <b>Ho</b> Holmium 67	167 <b>Er</b> Erbium 68	169 <b>Tm</b> Thulium 69	173 <b>Yb</b> Ytterbium 70	175 <b>Lu</b> Lutetium 71
232 <b>Th</b> Thorium 90	232 <b>Pa</b> Protactinium 91	238 <b>U</b> Uranium 92	238 <b>Np</b> Neptunium 93	238 <b>Pu</b> Plutonium 94	238 <b>Am</b> Americium 95	238 <b>Cm</b> Curium 96	238 <b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97	238 <b>Cf</b> Californium 98	238 <b>Es</b> Einsteinium 99	238 <b>Fm</b> Fermium 100	238 <b>Md</b> Mendelevium 101	238 <b>No</b> Nobelium 102	238 <b>Lr</b> Lawrencium 103

\* 58-71 Lanthanoid series  
† 90-103 Actinoid series

Key  

a	<b>X</b>
b	

 a = relative atomic mass  
 X = atomic symbol  
 b = proton (atomic) number

The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm<sup>3</sup> at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).