

GCSE Chemistry B (Twenty First Century Science)
J258/01 Breadth in Chemistry (Foundation Tier)

Question Set 32

Multiple Choice Questions

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Amir has a sample of a salt, **Salt A**, that is used as a fertiliser.

He does some tests to find out which elements are in the salt.

(a) (i) Amir finds that **Salt A** contains positive potassium ions.

Which colour flame does Amir see when he does a flame test?

Put a (ring) around the correct answer.

green

lilac

red

yellow

[1]

(ii) Potassium is an element. It is an essential nutrient for plants.

Name **one** other element that is an essential nutrient for plants.

[1]

(b) Amir thinks **Salt A** is potassium sulfate.

Potassium sulfate contains K^+ ions and SO_4^{2-} ions.

What is the chemical formula of potassium sulfate?

[1]

(c) Amir tests **Salt A** to check it is potassium sulfate.

He dissolves some of **Salt A** in water and adds barium chloride solution.

Barium sulfate is formed.

(i) Describe the **colour** and **state** of the barium sulfate formed.

[1]

(ii) Complete the word equation for the reaction.

potassium sulfate + barium chloride \rightarrow barium sulfate +

[1]

(d) Amir tests another unknown salt, **Salt B**, by looking at its emission spectrum.

Some emission spectra are shown in **Fig. 1.1**:

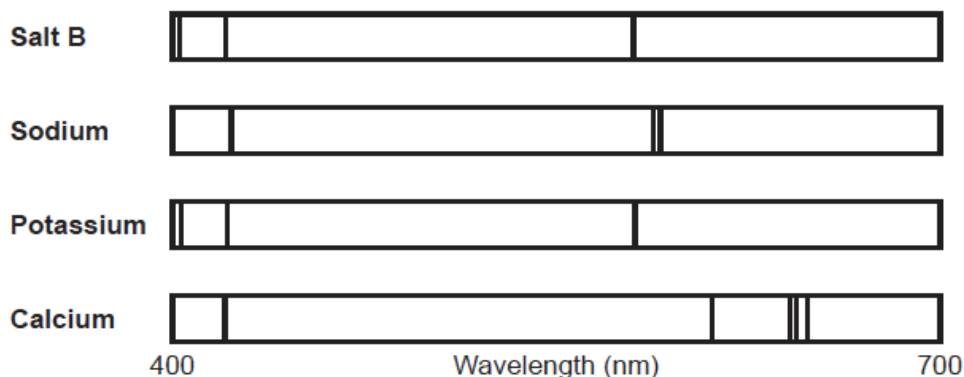


Fig 1.1

(i) Using **Fig. 1.1**, name the metal ion in **Salt B**.

[1]

(ii) Convert 400 nm to metres.

Give your answer in **standard form**.

$$1 \text{ nm} = 1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

$$400 \text{ nm} = \dots\dots\dots \text{ m} \quad [1]$$

(e) Elements can be identified using flame tests or by comparing emission spectra.

Amir uses the internet to compare each method:

	Flame test	Emission spectra
Equipment cost	£10.15	£11 500
Sensitivity	Low	High
Speed	High	High
Accuracy	Low	High

Amir is given 0.01 g of a compound to analyse.

Amir decides to use a flame test rather than comparing emission spectra.

Give **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of using a flame test rather than comparing emission spectra.

[2]

Total Marks for Question Set 32: 9

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