

**GCSE Physics A (Gateway)**

**J249/04 Physics A P5-P8 and P9 (Higher Tier)**

**Question Set 28**

Multiple Choice Questions

P8: Global Challenges

1 The National Grid transfers energy efficiently using high voltages.

Why are high voltages more efficient?

- A High voltages produce a high current which heats wires less.
- B High voltages produce a high current which heats wires more.
- C High voltages produce a low current which heats wires less.
- D High voltages produce a low current which heats wires more.

Your answer

[1]

2 Which row correctly describes the domestic electricity supply in the UK?

	a.c. or d.c.	Frequency (Hz)	Voltage (V)
A	a.c.	50	230
B	a.c.	230	50
C	d.c.	50	230
D	d.c.	230	50

Your answer

[1]

3 What is a typical weight of an empty single decker school bus?

- A 1 200 N
- B 12 000 N
- C 120 000 N
- D 1 200 000 N

Your answer

[1]

4 How was the Sun formed?

**A** From dust and gas pulled together by gravity leading to a fission reaction.  
**B** From dust and gas pulled together by gravity leading to a fusion reaction.  
**C** From dust and gas pushed together by gravity leading to a fission reaction.  
**D** From dust and gas pushed together by gravity leading to a fusion reaction

Your answer

[1]

5 A hockey player used pads on her legs to reduce injuries when hit by the ball.  
How do the pads affect the ball?

**A** The acceleration and force of the ball is increased.  
**B** The acceleration and force of the ball is decreased.  
**C** The acceleration of the ball is decreased and the force is increased.  
**D** The acceleration of the ball is increased and the force is decreased.

Your answer

[1]

6 Which of the following correctly describes the domestic electricity supply in the UK?

**A** 230 V a.c. at 50 Hz  
**B** 230 V a.c. at 60 Hz  
**C** 230 V d.c. at 50 Hz  
**D** 230 V d.c. at 60 Hz

Your answer

[1]

7 A car accelerates from 0 to 60 mph (miles per hour) in about 9 seconds.  
Use the relationship: 1 m/s = 2.24 mph  
Estimate the acceleration for this car in  $\text{m/s}^2$ .

**A** 1  $\text{m/s}^2$   
**B** 3  $\text{m/s}^2$   
**C** 7  $\text{m/s}^2$   
**D** 15  $\text{m/s}^2$

Your answer

[1]

8

A planet moves in a circular orbit around its star.

Which statement is correct?

- A The planet travels at changing speed and changing velocity.
- B The planet travels at changing speed but constant velocity.
- C The planet travels at constant speed and velocity.
- D The planet travels at constant speed but changing velocity.

Your answer

[1]

9

A student measures the time it takes for a bicycle to stop in an emergency.

She repeats the measurement to get three results.

The average time for her results is 2.72 s.

The first two results are 2.66 s and 2.60 s. What is the value of her third result?

- A 2.63 s
- B 2.66 s
- C 2.72 s
- D 2.90 s

Your answer

[1]

10

An artificial satellite is kept in its low polar orbit by a gravity force from a planet.

The satellite is moved to a higher orbit above the planet.

Which statement is correct about the satellite in this higher orbit?

- A The force of gravity is greater and its speed decreases.
- B The force of gravity is greater and its speed increases.
- C The force of gravity is less and its speed decreases.
- D The force of gravity is less and its speed increases

Your answer

[1]

11

Which row **A**, **B**, **C** or **D**, describes what has happened to light that has undergone red shift?

	<b>Wavelength</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
<b>A</b>	Decreases	Decreases
<b>B</b>	Decreases	Increases
<b>C</b>	Increases	Decreases
<b>D</b>	Increases	Increases

Your answer

[1]

12

An adult on a bicycle travels at 8 m/s on a level road. She sees a hazard and applies her brakes using full force.

Estimate the force of the brakes.

**A** 5 N

**B** 50 N

**C** 500 N

**D** 5000 N

Your answer

[1]

13

Which row in the table shows realistic speeds?

	<b>Speed (m/s)</b>		
	<b>Road cyclist</b>	<b>Gale force wind</b>	<b>Sound in air</b>
<b>A</b>	40	12	1 000
<b>B</b>	6	24	340
<b>C</b>	20	6	760
<b>D</b>	15	55	250

Your answer

[1]

14 Which statement shows energy resources that are **all renewable**?

- A Bio-fuel, wind, hydro-electricity and tides.
- B Fossil fuels, bio-fuel, wind and hydro-electricity.
- C Fossil fuels, nuclear fuel, hydro-electricity and tides.
- D Nuclear fuel, bio-fuel, wind and tides.

Your answer

[1]

15 The table contains statements about red-shift and galaxies.

Which row in the table is correct?

	Statement 1	Statement 2
A	All galaxies move apart at the same speed.	They show both red-shift and blue-shift.
B	Distant galaxies show more red-shift.	The distant galaxies are moving apart faster than nearby ones.
C	Distant galaxies show more red-shift.	The distant galaxies are moving apart slower than nearby ones.
D	There are no galaxies that show blue-shift.	All galaxies are moving away from each other.

Your answer

[1]

16 All bodies emit electromagnetic radiation.

Body **R** is at a higher temperature than body **S**.

Which statement is correct?

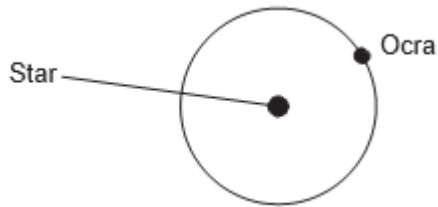
- A **R** emits radiation with a mean higher frequency.
- B **R** emits radiation with a mean longer wavelength.
- C **S** emits radiation with a higher intensity.
- D **S** emits radiation with a mean shorter wavelength.

Your answer

[1]

17

Planet Ocra is in a circular orbit around a star.



Which statement is correct?

- A The acceleration of Ocra is zero.
- B The speed of Ocra is changing.
- C The velocity of Ocra is changing.
- D The velocity of Ocra is zero.

Your answer

[1]

18

An artificial satellite orbits the Earth in a circular path.

The satellite is moved further away from Earth to another orbit.

Which row in the table is correct?

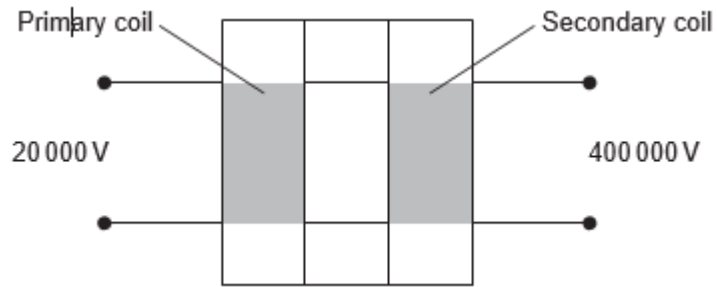
	<b>Force of gravity</b>	<b>Speed in orbit</b>	<b>Time period</b>
<b>A</b>	decreases	decreases	decreases
<b>B</b>	decreases	decreases	increases
<b>C</b>	decreases	increases	increases
<b>D</b>	increases	increases	increases

Your answer

[1]

19

This is a diagram of a transformer used in the national grid.



Why is this transformer used in the national grid?

- A To decrease the power in the national grid by a factor of 20.
- B To decrease the power loss in the national grid by a factor of 400.
- C To increase the power in the national grid by a factor of 20.
- D To increase the power loss in the national grid by a factor of 400.

Your answer

[1]

**Total Marks for Question Set 4: 19**



## Equations in physics

$$(\text{final velocity})^2 - (\text{initial velocity})^2 = 2 \times \text{acceleration} \times \text{distance}$$

$$\text{change in thermal energy} = \text{mass} \times \text{specific heat capacity} \times \text{change in temperature}$$

$$\text{thermal energy for a change in state} = \text{mass} \times \text{specific latent heat}$$

$$\text{energy transferred in stretching} = 0.5 \times \text{spring constant} \times (\text{extension})^2$$

$$\text{potential difference across primary coil} \times \text{current in primary coil} = \text{potential difference across secondary coil} \times \text{current in secondary coil}$$

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$$\text{force on a conductor (at right angles to a magnetic field) carrying a current} = \text{magnetic flux density} \times \text{current} \times \text{length}$$

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