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## Chemistry A

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## Mark Schemes for the Units

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Question			Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1	a	i	(atoms of the) same element <b>OR</b> same atomic no. <b>OR</b> no. of protons  <b>AND</b>  with different numbers of neutrons <b>OR</b> different masses ✓	1	<b>IGNORE</b> 'same number of electrons'  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'different numbers of electrons'  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'different relative atomic masses'  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'elements with different numbers of neutrons' <b>without</b> mention of same protons <b>OR</b> same atomic number
		ii	<b>same</b> (number of) <b>electrons</b> (in the outer shell)  <b>OR</b>  same <b>electron</b> configuration <b>OR</b> structure ✓	1	<b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> different number of protons  <b>IGNORE</b> 'same number of protons'  <b>IGNORE</b> 'they are both carbon' <b>OR</b> 'they are both the same element'
		iii	<b>mass</b> of the isotope compared to 1/12th <b>OR</b> <b>mass</b> of the atom compared to 1/12th ✓  (the mass of a) carbon-12 <b>OR</b> $^{12}\text{C}$ (atom) ✓	2	<b>IGNORE</b> reference to average <b>OR</b> weighted mean (i.e. correct definition of relative atomic mass will score both marks)  <b>ALLOW</b> mass of a <b>mole</b> of the isotope/atom with 1/12th the mass of a <b>mole</b> <b>OR</b> 12 g of ✓ carbon-12 ✓  <b>ALLOW 2 marks for:</b> ' <b>mass</b> of the isotope <b>OR</b> <b>mass</b> of the atom compared to $^{12}\text{C}$ atom given a mass of 12.0' i.e. 'given a mass of 12' communicates the same idea as 1/12th.'

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			<p><b>ALLOW</b> 12C <b>OR</b> C12</p> <p><b>ALLOW FOR 2 MARKS:</b>  <math display="block">\frac{\text{mass of the isotope}}{\text{mass of } 1/12\text{th mass of carbon - 12}}</math>           i.e. fraction is equivalent to 'compared to'</p> <p><b>ALLOW 1 MARK FOR</b> a mix of mass of atom and mass of mole of atoms, <b>i.e.:</b>            'mass of the isotope/mass of an atom compared with 1/12th the mass of a <b>mole OR</b> 12 g of carbon-12.'</p>
b	<p>giant covalent (lattice) ✓</p> <p>layers ✓</p> <p><b>Each of the three properties below must be linked to explanation</b>  <i>good conductor</i> - because it has mobile electrons <b>OR</b> delocalised electrons <b>OR</b> electrons can move ✓</p> <p><i>high melting / boiling point</i> - because strong <b>OR</b> covalent bonds have to be broken ✓</p> <p><i>soft</i> - because there are van der Waals' forces <b>OR</b></p>	5	<p><b>Use annotations with ticks, crosses etc. for this part.</b></p> <p><b>All five marking points are independent</b></p> <p><b>ALLOW</b> giant atomic <b>OR</b> giant molecular <b>OR</b> macromolecular</p> <p><b>ALLOW</b> planes <b>OR</b> sheets            Allow diagram showing at least two layers</p> <p><b>Electron(s) must be spelt correctly ONCE</b></p> <p><b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'strong ionic bonds' <b>OR</b> strong metallic bonds.</p>

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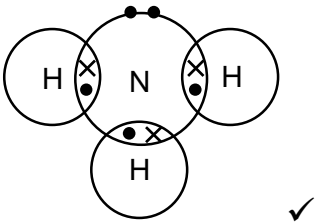
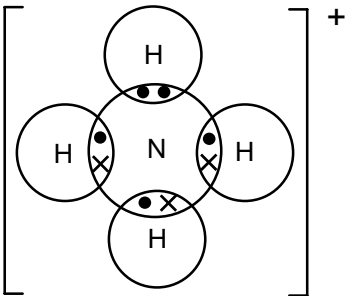
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		intermolecular forces <b>OR</b> weak bonds <b>OR</b> weak forces between the layers <b>OR</b> <i>soft</i> - because layers can slide ✓		
<b>c</b>	<b>i</b>	0.0268 <b>OR</b> 0.027 <b>OR</b> 0.02675 mol ✓	<b>1</b>	<b>NO OTHER ACCEPTABLE ANSWER</b>
	<b>ii</b>	$1.61 \times 10^{22}$ ✓	<b>1</b>	<b>ALLOW</b> $1.6 \times 10^{22}$ up to calculator value <b>ALLOW</b> <b>ECF</b> answer to <b>(i)</b> $\times 6.02 \times 10^{23}$ <b>ALLOW</b> any value for $N_A$ in the range: $6.0 \times 10^{23} - 6.1 \times 10^{23}$
<b>Total</b>			<b>11</b>	

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2	a	i	a shared pair of electrons ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> any response that communicates electron pair <b>ALLOW</b> shared pairs
		ii		1	Must be ' <i>dot-and-cross</i> ' circles for outer shells <b>NOT</b> needed <b>IGNORE</b> inner shells Non-bonding electrons of N do not need to be shown as a pair.
		iii	Shape: pyramidal <b>OR</b> (trigonal) pyramid ✓  Explanation: There are 3 bonded pairs and 1 lone pair ✓ Lone pairs repel more than bonded pairs ✓	3	<b>ALLOW</b> 'bonds' for 'bonded pairs' <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'atoms repel' <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> electrons repel <b>ALLOW</b> LP for 'lone pair' <b>ALLOW</b> BP for bonded pair
	b	i	$1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6$ ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> subscripts
		ii	 ' <i>Dot-and-cross</i> ' diagram to show four shared pairs of electrons one of which is a dative covalent bond (which must consist of the same symbols) ✓	1	<b>IGNORE</b> inner shells <b>IGNORE</b> '+' sign <b>BUT</b> a <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> '-' sign. Brackets and circles not required

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	iii	tetrahedral ✓ 109.5° ✓	2	ALLOW 109–110°
	iv	ions <b>OR</b> electrons cannot move in a solid ✓ ions can move <b>OR</b> are mobile in solution ✓	2	ALLOW ions can move in liquid DO NOT ALLOW ions can move when molten  ALLOW 1 mark for: 'Ions can only move in solution'
c	i	$2\text{NH}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow (\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ ✓	1	ALLOW $2\text{NH}_4\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow (\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ALLOW $\text{NH}_3 + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{NH}_4^+$  ALLOW any correct multiple  IGNORE state symbols
	ii	when the $\text{H}^+$ in an acid is replaced by a metal ion <b>OR</b> an ammonium ion <b>OR</b> a + ion ✓	1	ALLOW H for $\text{H}^+$ ; ALLOW 'metal' for 'metal ion' i.e.: H in an acid can be replaced by a metal
	iii	accepts a proton <b>OR</b> accepts $\text{H}^+$ ✓	1	ALLOW donates a lone pair ALLOW removes $\text{H}^+$ ALLOW forms $\text{OH}^-$ ions
	iv	132.1 ✓	1	IGNORE units NO OTHER ACCEPTABLE ANSWER
		<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	



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3	a	i	white precipitate <b>OR</b> white solid ✓	1	<b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> goes white / cloudy / milky / off-white <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> creamy white precipitate <b>ALLOW</b> milky white precipitate
		ii	$\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow \text{AgCl}(\text{s})$ Balanced equation correct ✓ <b>ALL</b> state symbols correct ✓	2	<b>ALLOW 2 marks</b> $\text{AgNO}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow \text{AgCl}(\text{s}) + \text{NO}_3^-(\text{aq})$ <b>(equation mark and state symbol mark)</b>  <b>ALLOW 1 mark for:</b> $\text{AgNO}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{NaCl}(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{AgCl}(\text{s}) + \text{NaNO}_3(\text{aq})$ <b>(state symbol mark)</b>  <b>ALLOW 1 mark for the state symbols for THESE balanced equation ONLY:</b> $\text{Ag}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{Cl}^-(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow \text{AgCl}_2(\text{s})$ $\text{Ag}(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}(\text{aq}) \longrightarrow \text{AgCl}(\text{s})$
		iii	(precipitate) dissolves <b>OR</b> disappears <b>OR</b> goes colourless <b>OR</b> goes clear ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> forms a solution
	b	i	removes or kills bacteria <b>OR</b> kills germs <b>OR</b> kills micro-organisms <b>OR</b> make it safe to drink <b>OR</b> sterilises water ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> to make water potable <b>IGNORE</b> virus <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'purifies water' <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'antiseptic'
		ii	it is toxic <b>OR</b> poisonous <b>OR</b> could form chlorinated hydrocarbons ✓	1	<b>ALLOW forms</b> carcinogens <b>OR</b> forms toxins  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> harmful  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'it causes cancer' (chlorine is not a carcinogen)  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'irritates lungs'
	c	i	$\text{Cl}_2$ is 0 <b>AND</b> HCl is -1 <b>AND</b> HClO is (+)1 ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> 1- <b>ALLOW</b> 1+

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	ii	It has been both oxidised and reduced <b>OR</b> Its oxidation state has increased and decreased ✓  it has been oxidised (from 0) to +1 <b>AND</b> it has been reduced (from 0) to -1 ✓ (These two points together subsume the first marking point)	2	<b>ALLOW</b> 'chlorine' <b>OR</b> 'it' <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> chlorIDE  <b>IF CORRECT OXIDATION STATES IN (i), ALLOW 2 marks for:</b> it is oxidised to form HClO it is reduced to form HCl
	iii	$\text{Cl}_2 + 2\text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{NaClO} + \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ ✓	1	<b>IGNORE</b> state symbols
d	i	$2\text{ClO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Cl}_2 + 2\text{O}_2$ <b>OR</b> $\text{ClO}_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\text{Cl}_2 + \text{O}_2$ ✓	1	<b>IGNORE</b> state symbols
	ii	divides each % by correct $A_r$ : i.e. $\frac{1.20}{1.0} : \frac{42.0}{35.5} : \frac{56.8}{16.0}$ <b>OR</b> 1.20, 1.18, 3.55 ✓  HClO <sub>3</sub> ✓	2	<b>ALLOW 1 mark</b> for empirical formula of HCl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub> (use of atomic numbers) <b>ALLOW 1 mark</b> for empirical formula of H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> O (upside-down expression)  <b>ALLOW ECF</b> for use of incorrect $A_r$ values to get empirical formula but only if no over-rounding  <b>ALLOW 2 marks</b> for correct answer of HClO <sub>3</sub>
	iii	the oxidation number of chlorine ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> 'the oxidation state of chlorine <b>OR</b> oxidation number of chlorine is 5' <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'it' instead of 'chlorine'  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> 'the oxidation state <b>OR</b> number of chlorIDE is 5'
		<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	

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4	a	i	<p>Magnesium ions have a greater charge ✓</p> <p>Magnesium has more (delocalised <b>OR</b> outer) <b>electrons</b> ✓</p> <p>Magnesium has greater attraction between <b>ions</b> and <b>electrons</b> <b>OR</b> has stronger <b>metallic</b> bonds ✓</p>	3	<p><i>USE annotations with ticks, crosses, etc, etc for this part.</i></p> <p><b>ALLOW REVERSE ARGUMENT</b> e.g. sodium ions have a smaller charge <b>ALLOW</b> <math>Mg^{2+}</math> / Mg ion / Na ion / <math>Na^+</math> ion <b>ALLOW</b> 'charge density' as alternative to 'charge'</p> <p><b>ALLOW REVERSE ARGUMENT</b> e.g. sodium has fewer electrons</p> <p><b>ALLOW REVERSE ARGUMENT</b> e.g. sodium has less attractions between <b>ions</b> and <b>electrons</b> <b>OR</b> has weaker <b>metallic</b> bonds ✓</p>
		ii	<p><math>Cl_2</math> <b>OR</b> <math>S_8</math> has intermolecular <b>OR</b> van der Waals' forces ✓</p> <p><math>S_8</math> has stronger intermolecular forces <b>OR</b> van der Waals' forces than <math>Cl_2</math></p> <p><b>OR</b> <math>S_8</math> has more electrons ✓</p>	2	<p><b>ALLOW REVERSE ARGUMENT</b> ie <math>Cl_2</math> has weaker intermolecular forces <b>OR</b> van der Waals' forces <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> comparison involving covalent bonds</p> <p><b>ALLOW REVERSE ARGUMENT</b> <math>Cl_2</math> has fewer electrons</p>

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b	<p>nuclear charge increases/ protons increase ✓</p> <p>electrons added to the same shell <b>OR</b> screening <b>OR</b> shielding remains the same ✓</p> <p>greater attraction <b>OR</b> greater pull ✓</p>	3	<p><i>USE annotations with ticks, crosses, etc, etc for this part.</i></p> <p><b>Nuclear OR proton(s) OR nucleus spelt correctly ONCE</b></p> <p><b>IGNORE</b> 'atomic number increases' <b>IGNORE</b> 'nucleus gets bigger' 'charge increases' is not sufficient <b>ALLOW</b> 'effective nuclear charge increases' <b>OR</b> 'shielded nuclear charge increases'</p> <p><b>IGNORE</b> reference to atomic radius staying the same</p> <p><b>ALLOW</b> shielding is similar <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> extra shielding</p> <p>A comparison <b>must</b> be included: i.e. '<b>greater</b> pull', '<b>more</b> pull', 'held <b>more</b> tightly';</p>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	

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5	a	BaO ✓ Ba <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> ✓	2	Treat any shown charges as working and ignore.  Treat B for Ba as a slip.
	b	i	1	mark is for the <b>working out</b> which <b>MUST</b> lead to the correct answer of $8 \times 10^{-4}$ up to calculator value
		ii	1	<b>ALLOW</b> 19 up to calculator value.
		iii	1	<b>ALLOW</b> $8.01 \times 10^{-3}$ up to calculator value.
		iv	1	<b>ALLOW</b> a correct range of pH.
	c	Less barium to react <b>OR</b> some barium has already reacted ✓	1	<b>ALLOW</b> less volume because contains some BaO or Ba <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub>
	d	<p>reactivity increases (down the group) ✓</p> <p>atomic radii increase <b>OR</b> there are more shells ✓</p> <p>there is <b>more</b> shielding <b>OR more</b> screening ✓</p> <p>the nuclear attraction decreases <b>OR</b> Increased shielding and distance outweigh the increased nuclear charge ✓</p> <p>easier to remove (outer) electrons <b>OR</b> ionisation energy decreases ✓</p>	5	<p><b>USE annotations with ticks, crosses, ecf, etc for this part.</b></p> <p><b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> more orbitals <b>OR</b> more sub-shells</p> <p><b>More' is essential</b> <b>ALLOW</b> 'more electron repulsion from inner shells'</p> <p><b>ALLOW</b> 'nuclear pull' <b>IGNORE</b> any reference to 'effective nuclear charge'</p> <p><b>ALLOW</b> easier to form positive ion</p>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	

# Grade Thresholds

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## Unit Threshold Marks

Unit		Maximum Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u
F321	Raw	60	46	40	34	28	23	0
	UMS	90	72	63	54	45	36	0

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