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**for the guidance of teachers**

**0620 CHEMISTRY**

**0620/21**

Paper 21 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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- 1 (a) methane [1]
- (b) methane / propane [1]
- (c) ammonia [1]
- (d) oxygen [1]
- (e) chlorine [1]
- (f) ethene [1]
- 2 (a) arrangement: random / far apart OWTTE [1]  
 motion: random / fast / irregular OWTTE [1]
- (b) two paired electrons and two atoms indicated [1]
- (c) (i) atom of (same) element with different number of neutrons / atoms with same number of protons and different number of neutrons [1]
- (ii) number of electrons 1 and 1 [1]  
 number of neutrons for H-1 = 0 [1]  
 number of neutrons for H-3 = 2 [1]  
 number of protons 1 for both [1]
- (d) exothermic [1]
- (e) (i) magnesium > zinc > iron > cobalt [2]  
 one pair reversed = 1 mark
- (ii) calcium chloride; carbon dioxide; water; [3]
- 3 (a) (i) reversible / decomposition [1]
- (ii) hydrated; water; [2]
- (b) (i) any two e.g. conducts electricity / conducts heat / sonorous / shiny etc [2]
- (ii) forms coloured compounds / forms ions or compounds with variable oxidation state / good catalyst / high melting point OR high boiling point / forms complex ions [2]
- (c) reacts with acids / forms a salt and water with acids [1]

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- 4 (a) chloride /  $Cl^-$  [1]
- (b)  $K^+$  and  $Br^-$  (both needed for the mark) [1]
- (c) 3.5 (g) [1]
- (d) add (nitric acid and) silver nitrate / lead nitrate [1]  
yellow ppt [1]
- (e) (i)  $I_2$  [1]
- (ii) brown / yellowish brown [1]  
**not:** grey / black
- (iii) bromine is more reactive than iodine OWTTE [1]
- (f) 95 [1]
- 5 (a) nitrogen; phosphorus; potassium; [3]
- (b) any two of:  
plants take up nitrogen / phosphorus / potassium;  
nitrogen / phosphorus / potassium needs to be replaced;  
to enable better plant growth / greater yield / otherwise plants won't grow as well (idea of increase / more needed) [2]
- (c) (i) dissolves or idea of dissolving [1]
- (ii) titration of acid with alkali / last box ticked [1]
- (d) ammonia [1]
- (e) (i) calcium oxide / lime [1]  
**allow:** calcium hydroxide / limestone / calcium carbonate
- (ii) plants grow best at certain pH's / link between pH and plant growth;  
farmers want to get best yield; OWTTE [2]
- (f) (i) 4 [1]
- (ii) 15 [1]

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- 6 (a) haematite [1]
- (b) (i) Any two of:  
limestone / coke / air [2]
- (ii) iron oxide + carbon → iron + carbon monoxide [2]  
1 error = 1 mark
- (iii) each arrow or number in the correct position (1 mark each) [4]
- (c) ZnS [1]
- 7 (a) boiling point / first box down ticked [1]
- (b) fuel oil: fuel for home heating;  
kerosene: jet fuel;  
lubricating fraction: waxes and polishes;  
naphtha: making chemicals; [4]
- (c) (i) high temperature; catalyst; [2]
- (ii) C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>26</sub> [1]
- (iii) correct structure showing all atoms and bonds [1]
- (d) poly(ethene) **allow**: polythene [1]
- (e) (i) steam [1]
- (ii) substance which speeds up rate / speed of reaction [1]
- 8 (a) 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> boxes down ticked (aqueous sodium chloride, copper and graphite) [3]
- (b) insulator [1]
- (c) (i) anode [1]
- (ii) negative electrode: zinc [1]  
positive electrode: chlorine [1]
- (iii) graphite [1]  
**allow**: carbon