Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
1(a)(i)	an explanation linking the following • decomposition (of compound/substance /electrolyte)(1)	splitting up/breaking down/breaking up ignore separating reject splitting of atoms/elements/molecules for M1	(2)
	• using (direct) current (1)	using {electrical energy /electricity} reject alternating current/ac	

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
1(a)(ii)	 (damp blue) litmus (paper) (1) (turns red then) {bleaches / goes white} (1) 	allow bleaches indicator for 1 mark ignore indicator goes lighter ignore smells of chlorine/swimming pools ignore any incorrect middle colour mentioned use of suitable named indicator with correct result e. (damp) universal indicator paper (1) (turns red then) bleaches (1) starch-iodide paper(1) turns blue-black(1)	(2)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number 1(a) (iii)	poly(chloroethene)	PVC/polyvinylchloride/ polychloroethene/poly(chlorethene)	(1)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
1(b)(i)	D AgCI(s)		(1)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
1(b)(ii)	same/no change		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
1(b)(iii)	HCI + AgNO ₃ → AgCI + HNO ₃	$Ag^+ + Cl^- \rightarrow AgCl$	(2)
	 reactant formulae (1) 		
	 product formulae (1) 	max 1 if any incorrect attempt to balance	
		reject incorrect use of cases and non-subscripts	

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
2(a)(i)	B H ⁺ and Na ⁺ ions		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
2(a)(ii)	An explanation linking • electron(s) (1)	ignore reference to number of electrons do not allow negative charge	
	 (have been) lost/removed (1) conditional on electrons 	chlorine gains electrons (0) allow chlorine loses electrons (1)	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
2 (a)(iii)	 Any one from it contains (excess) {hydroxide/OH } ions (1) {sodium/Na⁺} ions and {hydroxide/OH } ions remain (1) it is sodium hydroxide/NaOH (1) 	ignore solution has pH greater than 7	
	 {hydrogen/H⁺} ions have been removed (at the cathode) (1) 	allow no hydrogen ions left/acidic ions removed	(1)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
2(a)(iv)	use {molten/liquid} {sodium chloride /electrolyte} / melt {it/sodium chloride/electrolyte}	ignore just liquid/liquid sodium	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
2 (b)(i)	An explanation linking	half equation, even unbalanced, showing hydroxide ions losing electrons (2)	
	Marking point 1 • {hydroxide/OH ⁻ } ions (from water) (1)	do not allow marking point 1 if only {oxygen/sulfate} ions mentioned	
	Marking point 2 • (ions) lose electrons /are oxidised (1)		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
2(b)(ii)	1.27 / 63.5 (1) (= 0.02)	0.02 with no working (1)	
		correct working with incorrect answer (1)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3(a)(i)	С	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3(a)(ii)	С	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3 (b)	reactants are being used up (1)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3 (c)	 An explanation that combines identification via a judgement (1 mark) to reach a conclusion via justification/reasoning (1 mark): aluminium and copper have different size atoms (1) and so this prevents the layers of metal atoms from sliding over one another (1) 	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(d)	proportion gold = 9 ÷ 24 (= 0.375) (1)	Award full marks for correct numerical answer without working.	
	mass = $0.375 \times 12 = 4.5$ (g) (1)		(2)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(a)	 An explanation that combines identification – application of knowledge (1 mark) and reasoning/justification – application of understanding (1 mark): J and K are electrolytes (1) because their solutions conduct electricity and are decomposed (1) 	(2)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4 (b)	D	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4 (c)	 An explanation that combines identification – understanding (1 mark) and reasoning/justification – understanding (3 marks): hydrogen (H⁺) and sodium (Na⁺) ions attracted to cathode, hydroxide (OH⁻) ions and sulfate (SO₄²⁻) ions attracted to anode (1) because the ions are attracted to the oppositely charged electrode (1) 2 hydrogen ions/2 H⁺ accept 2 e to form hydrogen molecule/H₂ (1) 4 hydroxide ions/4 OH⁻ lose 4 e to form oxygen molecule/O₂ (1) 	(4)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4 (d)	$Cu^{2+} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Cu$	
	all species (1)	
	balancing (1)	(2)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
5(a)(i)	$2H_2O \rightarrow 2H_2 + O_2$	Allow 1 mark for $2H^2O \rightarrow 2H^2 + O^2$	
	reactant formula (1)	Ignore state symbols Ignore word equations	
	• product formulae (1)	rgiloro word equations	
	 balancing correct formulae (1) 		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
5(a)(ii)	A description including the following:lighted splint / ignite gas / gas burns(1)		
	 with (squeaky) pop (if air present) (1) 		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
5 (a)(iii)	A description including the following		
	• glowing splint (1)	smouldering splint I gnore blown out splint	
	• relights (1)	lighted splint burns brighter = 2	(2)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
5 (b)(i)	В		(1)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
5(b)(ii)	use a fume cupboard/open all the windows /(good) ventilation/wear a gas mask	I gnore do not breathe in	(1)

Question	Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
Number			
5 (c)	hydrochloric (acid)	I gnore HCI	(1)