

Mark schemes

Q1.

B

one alpha decay followed by two β^- decays

[1]

Q2.

A

<i>positron</i>	<i>alpha particle</i>
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[1]

Q3.

C

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[1]

Q4.

C

the beta-plus decay of a $^{39}_{20}\text{Ca}$ nucleus

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Q5.

B

 $1.38 \times 10^{-7} \text{ V m}^{-1}$ downwards

[1]

Q6.

A

an electron and a positive pion

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Q7.

B

145

[1]

Q8.

B

kinetic energy

[1]

Q9.

D

W boson

[1]

Q10.

A

an electron and an antineutrino.

[1]

Q11.

C

206 82

[1]

Q12.

B

momentum

[1]

Q13.

B

8 7

[1]

Q14.

D

They decay into electrons.

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Q15.

B

down quark up quark β^-

[1]

Q16.

A

[1]

Q17.

A

[1]

Q18.

C

[1]

Q19.

B

[1]

Q20.

A

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Q21.

C

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Q22.

B

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Q23.

B

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Q24.

B

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