(f) Why is it unlikely that all the UK's electricity needs could be met by solar power systems?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A very large area would need to be covered with solar cells. ☐

Solar power is a non-renewable energy resource. ☐

The efficiency of solar cells is too high. ☐

(1)

(Total 10 marks)

7. The photograph below shows an electric car being recharged.

(a) The charging station applies a direct potential difference across the battery of the car.

What does 'direct potential difference' mean?

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(1)

(b) Which equation links energy transferred (E), power (P) and time (t)?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

$\text{energy transferred} = \frac{\text{power}}{\text{time}}$ ☐

$\text{energy transferred} = \frac{\text{time}}{\text{power}}$ ☐

energy transferred = power × time ☐

energy transferred = power^2 × time ☐

(1)

(c) The battery in the electric car can store 162 000 000 J of energy.

The charging station has a power output of 7200 W.

Calculate the time taken to fully recharge the battery from zero.

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Time taken = _____ s

(3)

(d) Which equation links current (I), potential difference (V) and resistance (R)?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

$I = V \times R$ ☐

$I = V^2 \times R$ ☐

$R = I \times V$ ☐

$V = I \times R$ ☐

(1)

(e) The potential difference across the battery is 480 V.

There is a current of 15 A in the circuit connecting the battery to the motor of the electric car.

Calculate the resistance of the motor.

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Resistance = _____ Ω

(3)

(f) Different charging systems use different electrical currents.

- Charging system **A** has a current of 13 A.
- Charging system **B** has a current of 26 A.
- The potential difference of both charging systems is 230 V.

How does the time taken to recharge a battery using charging system **A** compare with the time taken using charging system **B**?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Time taken using system **A** is half the time of system **B** ☐

Time taken using system **A** is the same as system **B** ☐

Time taken using system **A** is double the time of system **B** ☐

(1)

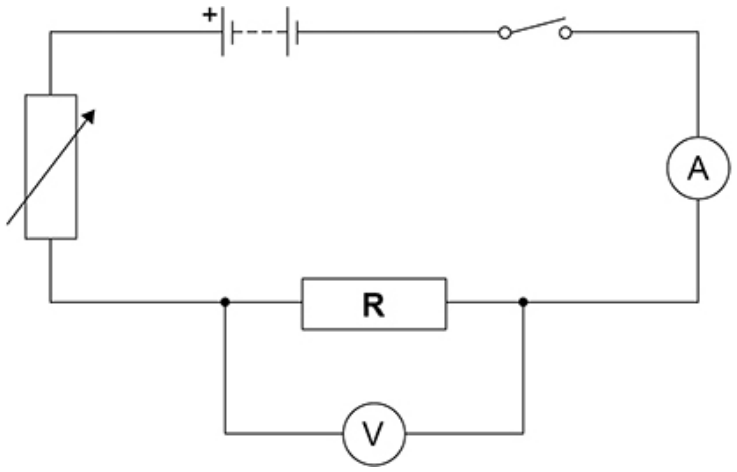
(Total 10 marks)

8. Student **A** investigated how the current in resistor **R** at constant temperature varied with the potential difference across the resistor.

Student **A** recorded both positive and negative values of current.

Figure 1 shows the circuit Student **A** used.

Figure 1



(a) Describe a method that Student **A** could use for this investigation.

(6)

(b) Student **B** repeated the investigation.

During Student **B**'s investigation the temperature of resistor **R** increased.

Explain how the increased temperature of resistor **R** would have affected Student **B**'s results.

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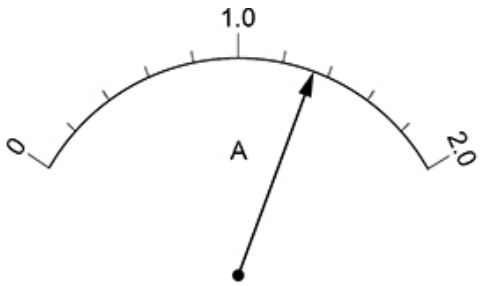
(2)

Figure 2 shows the scale on a moving coil ammeter at one time in the investigation.

Figure 2



(c) What is the resolution of the moving coil ammeter?

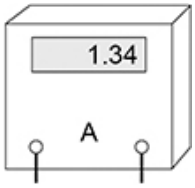
Resolution = _____ A

(1)

(d) Student **B** replaced the moving coil ammeter with a digital ammeter.

Figure 3 shows the reading on the digital ammeter.

Figure 3



The digital ammeter has a higher resolution than the moving coil ammeter.

Give **one** other reason why it would have been better to use the digital ammeter throughout this investigation.

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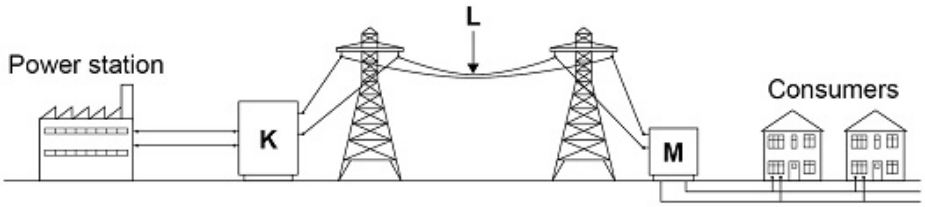
(1)

(Total 10 marks)

9. The diagram below shows how the National Grid connects power stations to consumers.



(a) Name the parts of the National Grid labelled K, L and M.

K = _____

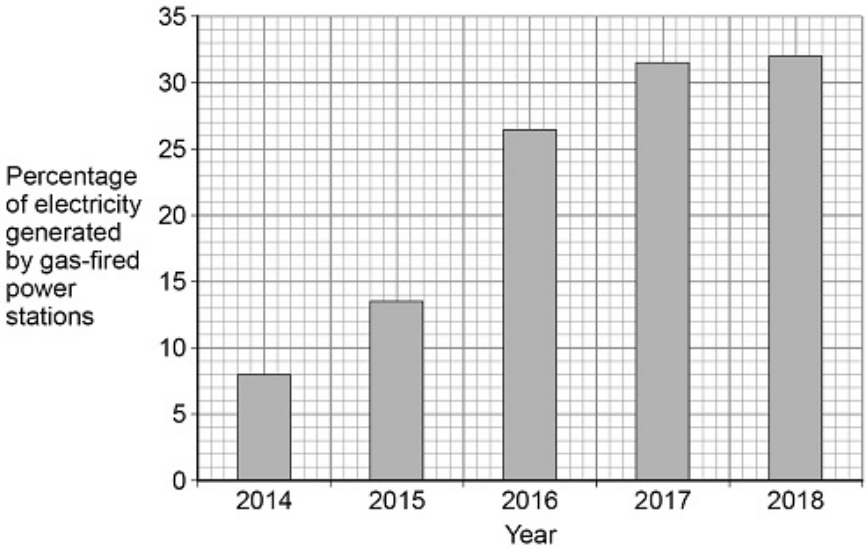
L = _____

M = _____

(3)

Figure 1 shows how the percentage of electricity generated by gas-fired power stations changed in the UK over 5 years.

Figure 1



(b) Calculate how many times greater the percentage of electricity generated by gas-fired power stations was in 2018 than in 2014.

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Number of times greater = _____

(2)

(c) Explain **one** environmental effect of generating electricity using a gas-fired power station.

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(2)

(d) The UK government wants more electricity to be generated using renewable energy resources.

What is a renewable energy resource?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

An energy resource that can be burned ☐

An energy resource that can be recycled ☐

An energy resource that can be replenished quickly ☐

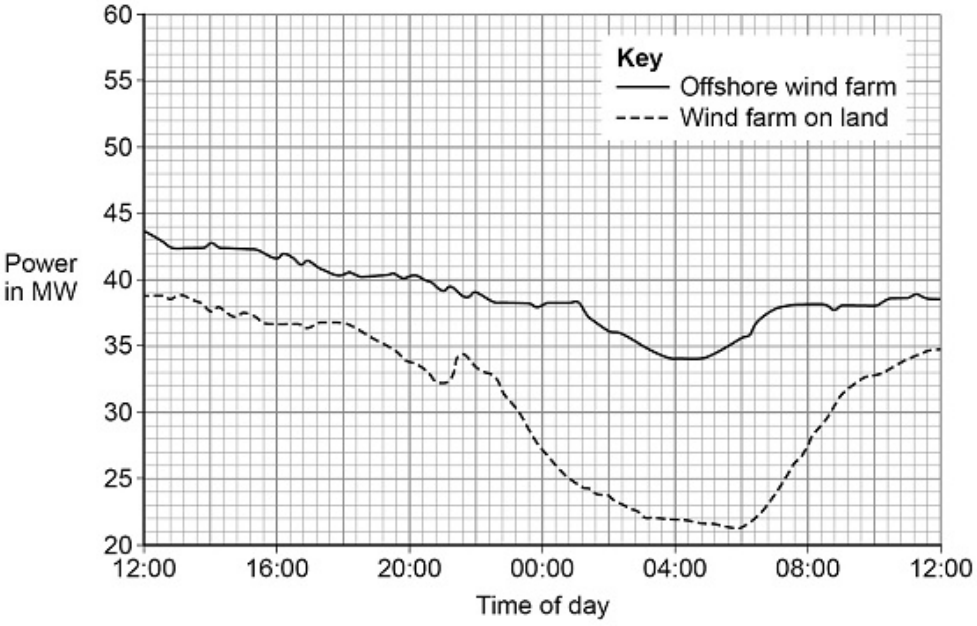
An energy resource that can be reused ☐

(1)

(e) An offshore wind farm is a group of wind turbines that are placed out at sea.

Figure 2 shows the power output of an offshore wind farm compared with a wind farm on land for a 24-hour period.

Figure 2



Give **two** advantages of the offshore wind farm compared with the wind farm on land.

Use information from **Figure 2**.

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2 _____

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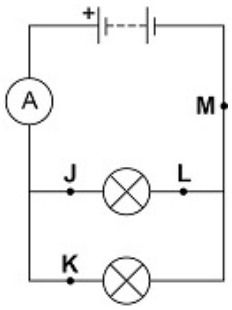
(2)

(Total 10 marks)

10. **Figure 1** shows a circuit diagram.

Figure 1



(a) In which position could a switch be placed so that both lamps can be switched on or off at the same time?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

J ☐ **K** ☐ **L** ☐ **M** ☐

(1)

(b) Draw the circuit symbol for a switch in the box below.

(1)

(c) In 30 seconds, 24 coulombs of charge flow through the battery.

Calculate the current in the battery.

Use the equation:

$$\text{current} = \frac{\text{charge flow}}{\text{time}}$$

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Current = _____ A

(2)

(d) There is a potential difference of 3.6 V across the battery.

Calculate the energy transferred by the battery when 60 coulombs of charge flows through the battery.

Use the equation:

energy transferred = charge flow × potential difference

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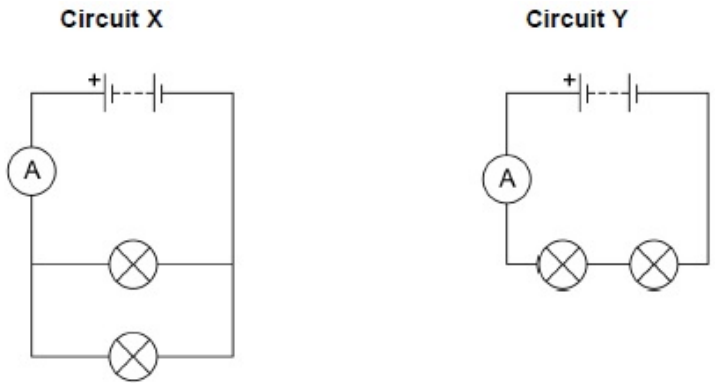
Energy transferred = _____ J

(2)

A student built **Circuit X** and **Circuit Y** shown in **Figure 2**.

The components used in each circuit were identical.

Figure 2



(e) How would the reading on the ammeter in **Circuit Y** compare to the reading on the ammeter in Circuit X?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

The reading in **Y** would be higher. ☐

The reading in **Y** would be lower. ☐

The readings would be the same. ☐

(1)

(f) How does the total resistance of **Circuit Y** compare with the total resistance of **Circuit X**?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

The total resistance of **Y** is greater. ☐

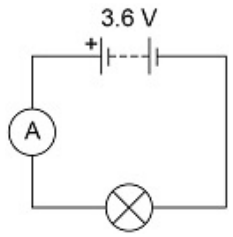
The total resistance of **Y** is less. ☐

The total resistance is the same. ☐

(1)

The student built another circuit which is shown in **Figure 3**.

Figure 3



(g) Write down the equation which links current, potential difference and resistance.

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(1)

(h) There is a potential difference of 3.6 V across the lamp in **Figure 3**.

The current through the lamp is 0.80 A

Calculate the resistance of the lamp.

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Resistance = _____ Ω

(3)

(Total 12 marks)

11. The ancient Greeks thought that atoms were tiny spheres that could not be divided into anything smaller.

Since then, different discoveries have led to the model of the atom changing.

Some of the discoveries are given in the table below.

The mass of an atom is concentrated in the nucleus.	**A**
Electrons orbit the nucleus at specific distances.	**B**
The nucleus contains neutrons.	**C**
The nucleus contains positively charged protons.	**D**

(a) Which discovery was the earliest?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐

(1)

(b) Which discovery was the most recent?

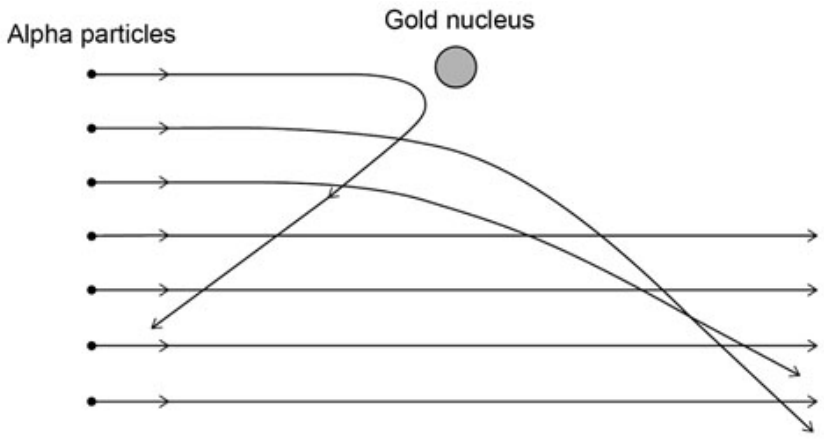
Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐

(1)

(c) The alpha particle scattering experiment led to the nuclear model of the atom.

The figure below shows the paths of alpha particles travelling close to a gold nucleus.



Complete the sentences.

Choose answers from the box.

Each answer may be used once, more than once or not at all.

attracts	**decreases**	**does not change**
increases	**reflects**	**repels**

Alpha particles and gold nuclei are both positively charged.

The gold nucleus _____ the alpha particles.

As the alpha particle approaches the gold nucleus, the electric field strength experienced by the alpha particle _____.

As an alpha particle approaches the gold nucleus, the force experienced by the alpha particle _____.

(3)

(d) The results of the alpha particle scattering experiment were reproducible.

What does reproducible mean?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- Another scientist repeats the experiment and gets the same results. ☐
- Another scientist repeats the experiment and gets different results. ☐
- The same scientist repeats the experiment and gets the same results. ☐
- The same scientist repeats the experiment and gets different results. ☐

(1)

(Total 6 marks)

12. Light bulbs are labelled with a power input.

(a) What does power input mean?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- The charge transferred each second by the bulb. ☐
- The current through the bulb. ☐
- The energy transferred each second to the bulb. ☐
- The potential difference across the bulb. ☐

(1)

(b) Write down the equation which links current, potential difference and power.

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(1)

(c) A light bulb has a power input of 40 W

The mains potential difference is 230 V

Calculate the current in the light bulb.

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Current = _____ A

(3)

The following table shows information about three different light bulbs.

Light bulb	**Total power input in watts**	**Useful power output in watts**	**Efficiency**
P	6.0	5.4	0.90
Q	40	2.0	0.05
R	9.0	**X**	0.30

(d) Write down the equation which links efficiency, total power input and useful power output.

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(1)

(e) Calculate the value of **X** in the table above.

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X = _____ W

(3)

(f) In addition to power input, light bulbs should also be labelled with the rate at which they emit visible light.

Suggest why.

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(2)

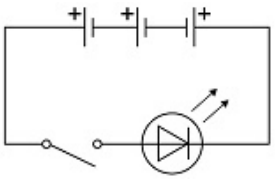
(Total 11 marks)

13. The photograph below shows an LED torch.

(a) The torch contains one LED, one switch and three cells.

Which diagram shows the correct circuit for the torch?

Tick (✓) **one** box.



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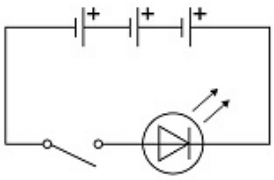

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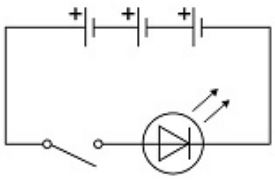

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(1)

(b) Write down the equation which links charge flow (Q), current (I) and time (t).

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(1)

(c) The torch worked for 14 400 seconds before the cells needed replacing.

The current in the LED was 50 mA.

Calculate the total charge flow through the cells.

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Total charge flow = _____ C

(3)

(d) When replaced, the cells were put into the torch the wrong way around.

Explain why the torch did not work.

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(2)

(e) Write down the equation which links efficiency, total power input and useful power output.

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(1)

(f) The total power input to the LED was 0.24 W.

The efficiency of the LED was 0.75

Calculate the useful power output of the LED.

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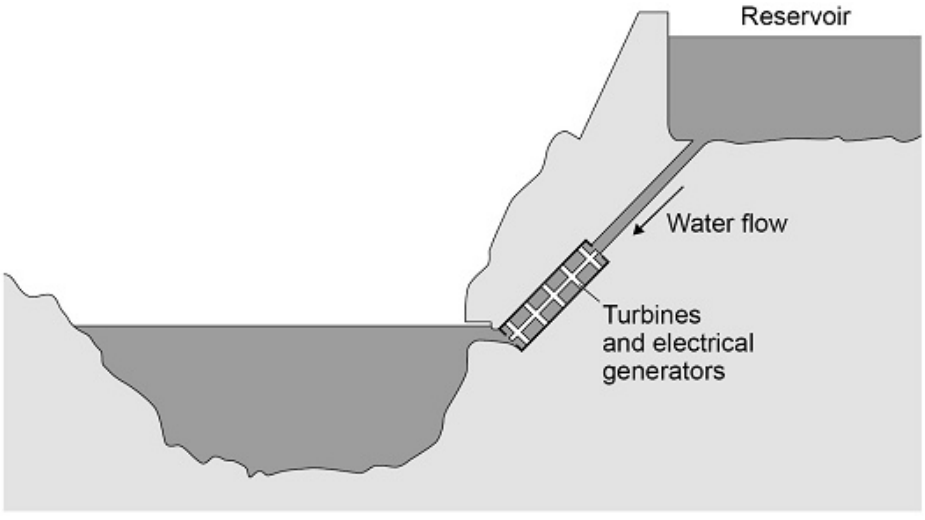
Useful power output = _____ W

(3)

(Total 11 marks)

14. The diagram below shows a hydroelectric power station.



Electricity is generated when water from the reservoir flows through the turbines.

(a) Write down the equation which links density (ρ), mass (m) and volume (V).

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(1)

(b) The reservoir stores 6 500 000 m^3 of water.

The density of the water is 998 kg/m^3.

Calculate the mass of water in the reservoir.

Give your answer in standard form.

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Mass (in standard form) = _____ kg

(4)

(c) Write down the equation which links energy transferred (E), power (P) and time (t).

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(1)

(d) The electrical generators can provide 1.5×10^9 W of power for a maximum of 5 hours.

Calculate the maximum energy that can be transferred by the electrical generators.

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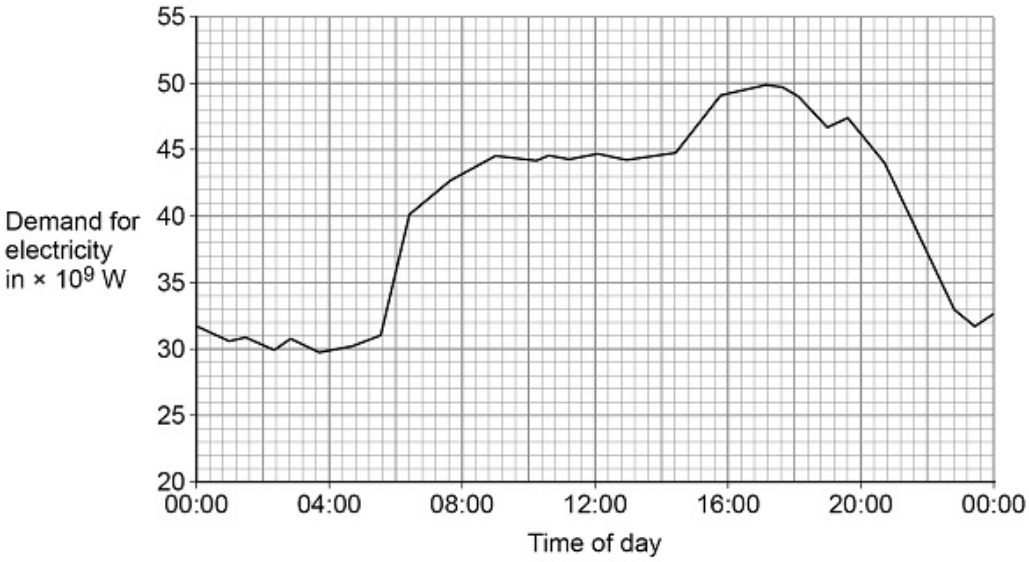
Energy transferred = _____ J

(3)

(e) The graph below shows how the UK demand for electricity increases and decreases during one day.



The hydroelectric power station in the above diagram can provide 1.5×10^9 W of power for a maximum of 5 hours.

Give **two** reasons why this hydroelectric power station is not able to meet the increase in demand shown between 04:00 and 16:00 in above graph.

1 _____

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2 _____

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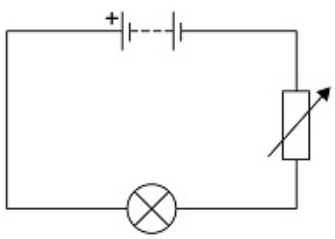
(2)

(Total 11 marks)

15. A student investigated how the current in a filament lamp varied with the potential difference across the filament lamp.

The diagram below shows part of the circuit used.

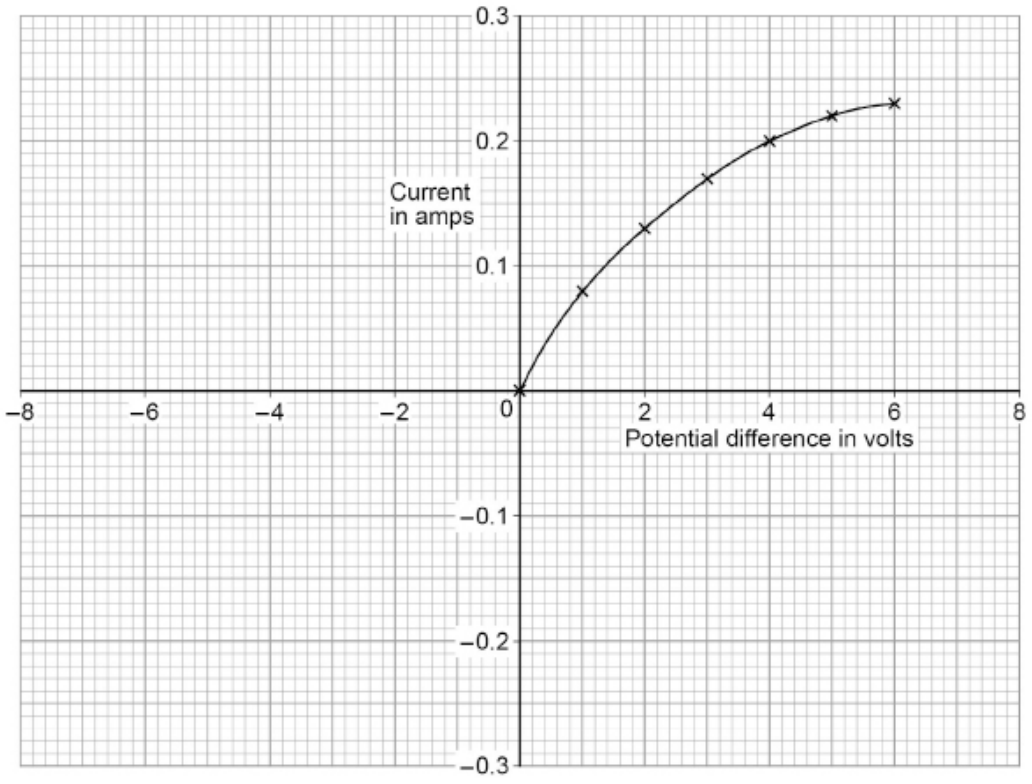


(a) Complete above diagram by adding an ammeter and a voltmeter.

Use the correct circuit symbols.

(3)

The graph below shows some of the results.



(b) The student reversed the connections to the power supply and obtained negative values for the current and potential difference.

Draw a line on the graph to show the relationship between the negative values of current and potential difference.

(2)

(c) Write down the equation which links current (I), potential difference (V) and resistance (R).

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(1)

(d) Determine the resistance of the filament lamp when the potential difference across it is 1.0 V.

Use data from the graph above.

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_____

Resistance = _____ Ω

(4)

(e) A second student did the same investigation. The ammeter used had a zero error.

What is meant by a zero error?

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_____

(1)

(Total 11 marks)

16. A student heated water in an electric kettle.

(a) Water has a high specific heat capacity.

Complete the sentence.

Choose answers from the box.

°C	**J**	**kg**	**s**	**W**

The specific heat capacity of a substance is the energy needed to raise the

temperature of 1 _____ of the substance by 1 _____.

(2)

(b) The kettle circuit contains a thermistor which is used to switch the kettle off when the water reaches 100 °C.

What is the correct symbol for a thermistor?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

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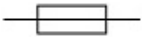

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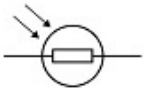

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(1)

(c) The resistance of the heating element in the kettle is 15 Ω.

The current in the heating element is 12 A.

Calculate the power of the heating element.

Use the equation:

$$\text{power} = (\text{current})^2 \times \text{resistance}$$

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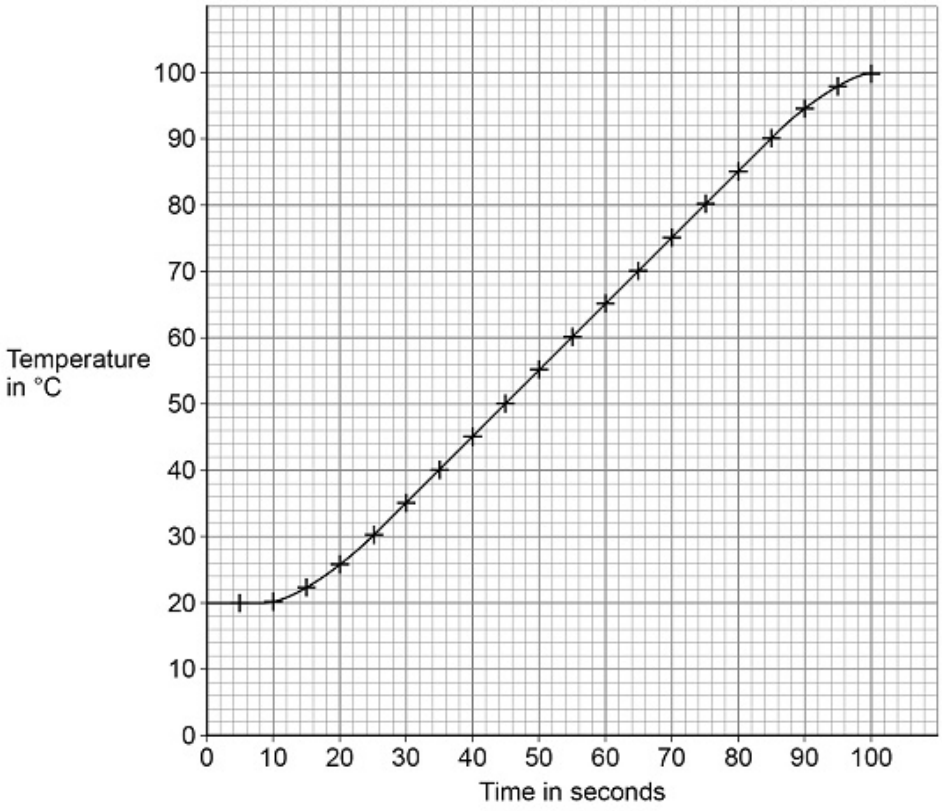
Power = _____ W

(2)

The student investigated how quickly the kettle could increase the temperature of 0.50 kg of water.

The graph below shows the results of the investigation.



(d) The temperature of the water did **not** start to increase until 10 seconds after the kettle was switched on.

What is the reason for this?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Energy is transferred from the surroundings to the kettle.	☐
The charge flows slowly through the kettle circuit.	☐
The heating element in the kettle takes time to heat up.	☐
The power output of the kettle increases slowly.	☐

(1)

(e) Describe a method the student could have used to obtain the results shown in the graph.

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(6)

(f) The mass of water in the kettle was 0.50 kg.

The temperature of the water increased from 20 °C to 100 °C.

specific heat capacity of water = 4200 J/kg/°C

Calculate the energy transferred to the water.

Use the Physics Equations Sheet.

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Energy = _____ J

(3)

(g) The water in the kettle boiled for a short time before the kettle switched off.

During this time 5.0 g of water changed to steam.

specific latent heat of vaporisation of water = 2 260 000 J/kg

Calculate the energy transferred to change the water to steam.

Use the Physics Equations Sheet.

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Energy = _____ J

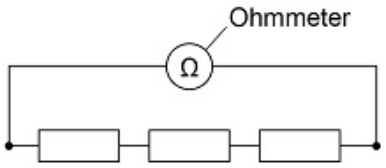
(3)

(Total 18 marks)

17. A student investigated how the total resistance of identical resistors connected in series varied with the number of resistors.

The student used an ohmmeter to measure the total resistance of the resistors.

The diagram below shows the student's circuit with 3 resistors.



The student repeated each reading of resistance three times.

The table below shows the student's results for 3 resistors in series.

Number of resistors	Total resistance in Ω			
	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3	Mean
3	35.9	36.0	36.1	36.0

(a) Calculate the mean resistance of 1 resistor.

_____

_____

_____

Resistance = _____ Ω

(2)

(b) What was the resolution of the ohmmeter the student used?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

0.1 Ω ☐ 0.2 Ω ☐ 1.1 Ω ☐ 36.0 Ω ☐

(1)

(c) How do the results show that the student's measurements were precise?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

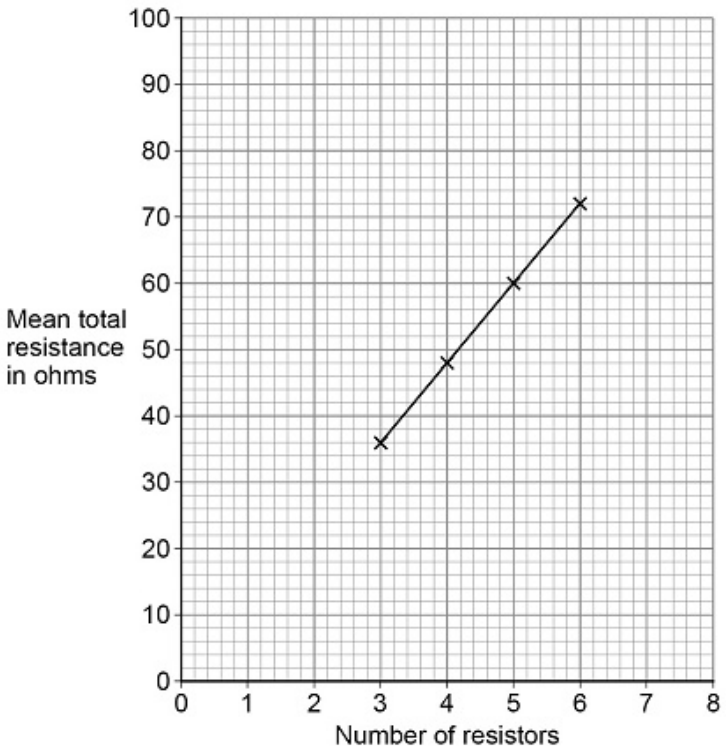
The measurements are accurate. ☐

The measurements are grouped closely together. ☐

The measurements are reproducible. ☐

(1)

The graph below shows the results.



(d) How do the results show that the total resistance is directly proportional to the number of resistors?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

The results give a line with a positive gradient. ☐

The results give a straight line that would go through the origin. ☐

The results show a linear relationship. ☐

(1)

(e) Predict the mean total resistance of 7 resistors.

Use the graph above.

Mean total resistance of 7 resistors = _____ Ω

(1)

(f) Some resistors are connected in series with a battery.

When more resistors are added in series, the total resistance increases.

Complete the sentences.

Choose answers from the box.

Each answer may be used once, more than once or not at all.

decreases	**increases**	**remains the same**

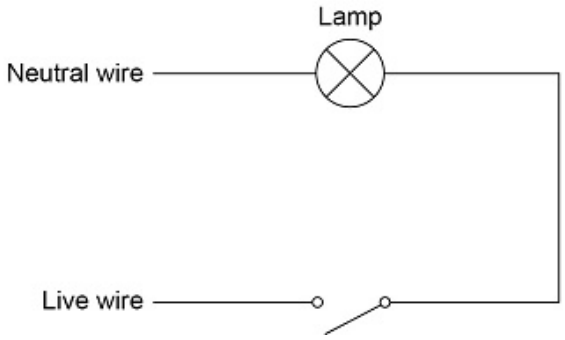
When the number of resistors increases, the potential difference across each resistor _____.

When the number of resistors increases, the current in the circuit _____.

(2)

(Total 8 marks)

18. The diagram shows part of a lighting circuit in a house.



(a) What is the frequency of the ac mains electricity supply in the UK?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

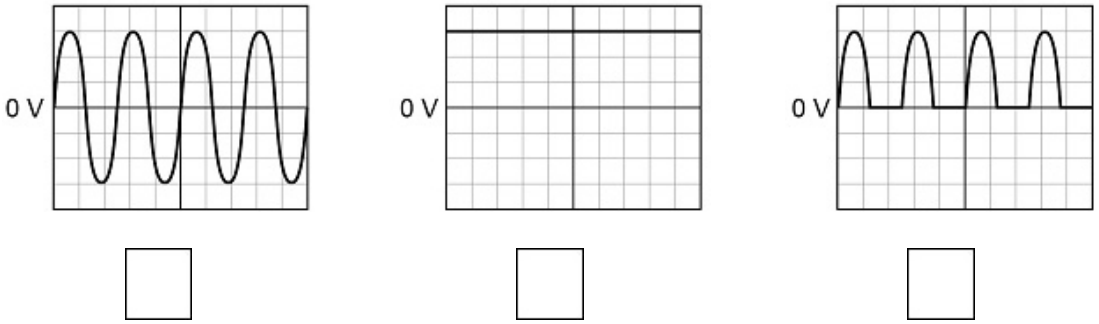
20 Hz ☐ 50 Hz ☐ 60 Hz ☐ 100 Hz ☐

(1)

(b) The mains electricity supply has an alternating potential difference.

Which diagram shows an alternating potential difference?

Tick (✓) **one** box.



☐ ☐ ☐

(1)

(c) The potential difference across the lamp is 230 V.

The current in the lamp is 0.020 A.

Calculate the power output of the lamp.

Use the equation:

power = potential difference × current

_____

_____

_____

Power = _____ W

(2)

(d) The potential difference across the lamp is 230 V.

Calculate the energy transferred by the lamp when 180 C of charge flows through the lamp.

Use the equation:

energy transferred = charge flow × potential difference

_____

_____

_____

Energy transferred = _____ J

(2)

(e) An electrician needs to replace the light switch in the diagram above.

Describe the possible hazard and the risk to the electrician of changing the light switch.

Hazard

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_____

Risk

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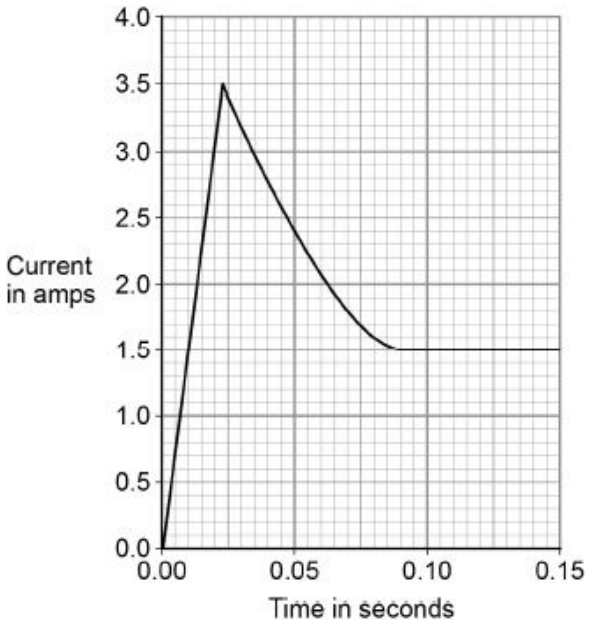
(2)

(Total 8 marks)

19. The graph below shows how the current through a filament lamp changes after the lamp is switched on.



(a) The normal current through the filament lamp is 1.5 A.

For how many seconds is the current through the filament lamp greater than 1.5 A?

Tick **one** box.

0.01 s ☐

0.08 s ☐

0.09 s ☐

0.14 s ☐

(1)

(b) Why might the filament inside a lamp melt when the lamp is first switched on?

_____

_____

(1)

(c) The lamp is connected to a 24 V power supply. The current through the lamp is 1.5 A.

Calculate the power of the lamp.

Use the equation:

power = potential difference × current

_____

_____

_____

_____

Power = _____ W

(2)

(d) LED lamps are much more efficient than filament lamps.

What does this statement mean?

Tick **one** box.

LED lamps have a similar power output to filament lamps. ☐

LED lamps waste a smaller proportion of the input energy than filament lamps. ☐

LED lamps have a higher power input than filament lamps. ☐

LED lamps waste a larger proportion of the input energy than filament lamps. ☐

(1)

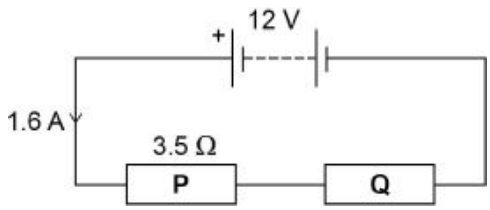
(Total 5 marks)

20. (a) Draw a diagram to show how 1.5 V cells should be connected together to give a potential difference of 4.5 V.

Use the correct circuit symbol for a cell.

(2)

A student built the circuit shown in the diagram below.



(b) Calculate the total resistance of the circuit in the diagram above.

Use the equation:

$$\text{resistance} = \frac{\text{potential difference}}{\text{current}}$$

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_____

_____

_____

Total resistance = _____ Ω

(2)

(c) The resistance of **P** is 3.5 Ω.

Calculate the resistance of **Q**.

_____

_____

_____

_____

Resistance of **Q** = _____ Ω

(1)

(d) The student connects the two resistors in the diagram above in parallel.

What happens to the total resistance of the circuit?

Tick **one** box.

It decreases ☐

It increases ☐

It does not change ☐

(1)

Give a reason for your answer.

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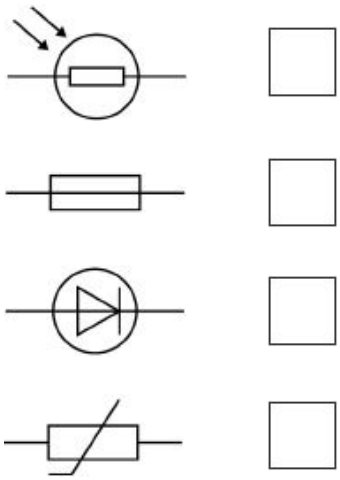
(1)

(Total 7 marks)

21. The plug of an electrical appliance contains a fuse.

(a) What is the correct circuit symbol for a fuse?

Tick **one** box.



(1)

(b) The appliance is connected to the mains electrical supply. The mains potential difference is 230 V.

Calculate the energy transferred when 13 C of charge flows through the appliance.

Use the equation:

energy transferred = charge flow × potential difference

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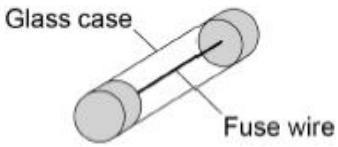
Energy transferred = _____ J

(2)

The diagram below shows the structure of a fuse.



(c) Write down the equation that links charge flow, current and time.

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(1)

(d) The fuse wire melts when 1.52 coulombs of charge flows through the fuse in 0.40 seconds.

Calculate the current at which the fuse wire melts.

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Current = _____ A

(3)

(e) The mass of the fuse wire is 0.00175 kg. The specific latent heat of fusion of the fuse wire is 205 000 J/kg.

Calculate the energy needed to melt the fuse wire.

Use the Physics Equations Sheet.

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_____

Energy = _____ J

(2)

(Total 9 marks)