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1 (a) magnesium oxide / MgO [1]

(b) nitrogen dioxide / NO$_2$;  
ALLOW nitrogen oxide  
sulfur dioxide / SO$_2$  
ALLOW sulfur oxide [1]

(c) carbon dioxide / CO$_2$;  
water / H$_2$O [1]

(d) water / H$_2$O [1]

(e) carbon dioxide / CO$_2$ [1]

[Total: 7]

2 (a) (i) substance containing two (or more) different atoms / elements joined / combined / bonded  
BOTH idea of different atoms / elements and bonded needed for 1 mark [1]

(ii) (compound) B;  
it is an ionic giant structure / it is ionic  
ALLOW it contains ions [1]

(iii) C [1]

(b) (i) 1st box ticked (conducts when molten) [1]

(ii) add (aqueous) silver nitrate;  
(light) yellow precipitate (BOTH yellow and precipitate required) [1]  
2nd mark dependent on correct reagent  
NOT cream precipitate  
ALLOW lead nitrate (1) yellow precipitate (1) [1]

(c) it is an oxide of a non-metal / iodine is a non-metal [1]

[Total: 8]
3  (a)  (i)  allow between 720 and 820°C (actual = 760°C)  

(ii)  caesium;  
rubidium  
apply listing rules for more than 2 elements  

(iii)  increases (down the group)  

(b)  soft;  
melting;  
increases  

(c)  sodium + water → sodium hydroxide + hydrogen  
−1 per omission or error  
ALLOW = instead of →  
IGNORE: reference to states  
NOT: plus instead of +  
NOT: + energy  

(d)  (i)  2 on left;  
2 on right  
−1 per omission / error  

(ii)  has two atoms (in its molecule)  
NOT reference to elements / two atoms the same / a compound of two atoms  

(iii)  arrangement: random / not ordered / disordered  
ALLOW: far apart together;  
motion: random / (moving) fast / rapid / everywhere / move with ease / freely  
IGNORE: loosely packed  

(iv)  pair of bonding electrons;  
8 electrons in outer shell of each chlorine  
separate atoms = 0  
IGNORE: inner electrons  

[Total: 16]
4 (a) (i) covalent  
(ii) C  
(iii) B  
(iv) ethanol  
(v) bromine water  
ALLOW: bromine / potassium permanganate;  
turns colourless  
IGNORE: colour of bromine  

(b) (i) any two of:  
same functional group /  
same general formula /  
similar chemical properties /  
gradual change in physical properties  
ALLOW: (successive members) differ by a CH₂ group  
(ii) correct formula (molecular or displayed) for any alkane apart from ethane  
correct name corresponding to the formula  

(c) (i) X placed inside the column at the top  
(ii) B placed by bottom arrow  

[Total: 12]
5 (a) (i) decreases / gets smaller
   NOT disappears / increases in surface area [1]

   (ii) increases [1]

(b) (i) points plotted correctly including 0,0
   (−1 per incorrect or no point plotted)
   curve of best fit drawn
   (max 1 mark if graph plotted wrong way round) [2]

   (ii) 44 cm³
   ALLOW: 44 / correct reading from incorrect curve in part (i)
   NOT: incorrect units [1]

   (iii) all the zinc had been used up / one of the reagents used up
   ALLOW: the reaction has finished
   NOT: sulfuric acid used up [1]

   (iv) lighted splint;
   (gas) pops / explodes / blows out flame
   IGNORE: pop test [1]

(c) (i) goes faster / more hydrogen given off per minute / more gas given off per unit time / less time for same amount of gas [1]

   (ii) goes slower / less hydrogen given off per minute / less gas given off per unit time / more time for same amount of gas [1]

(d) substance which speeds up a reaction
   ALLOW: changes the rate of reaction [1]

[Total: 12]
6 (a) Any three of:
high boiling point or high melting point / 
high density / 
form coloured compounds or have coloured ions 
form ions of more than one charge or variable valency / 
form complex ions / 
ALLOW: (very) hard / hardness / (good) catalysts  [3]

(b) (i) different number of neutrons / different nucleon number  [1]
(ii) 57  [1]
(iii) 26  [1]

(c) (i) water / damp / humidity; 
IGNORE: a little or similar when referring to damp / water 
air / oxygen  [1]

(ii) suitable method e.g. coating with zinc / coating with unreactive metal / plastic / 
oil (or grease) / galvanising / sacrificial protection 
NOT: removing air / water 
suitable reason e.g. stops air / water reaching surface  [1]
(reason must be consequential to the method chosen)

(d) iron oxide; 
it loses oxygen / gains electrons / iron decreases oxidation number 
IGNORE: wrong oxidation numbers 
NOT addition of hydrogen  [1]

(e) (i) by (incomplete) combustion of hydrocarbons / carbon compounds  [1]
ALLOW: (incomplete) combustion of fossil fuels / named carbon containing fuel / carbon 
(or hydrocarbons etc) react with air (or oxygen) 
NOT: reacts with air unqualified (must refer to a carbon compound / fossil fuel)

(ii) poisonous / toxic / kills you / suffocates you / stops red blood cells carrying oxygen  [1]
ALLOW: binds with haemoglobin in place of oxygen 
NOT: harmful  [Total: 14]
7  (a) (i) (boric acid) had dissolved
   ALLOW acid had diffused / an acid is formed here
   IGNORE: boric acid is acidic / neutralisation / it is an acid

   (ii) pH 8

   (iii) random movement of particles / mixing up of particles
       ALLOW: bulk / overall movement of particles from high to low concentration
       IGNORE: particles move from high to low concentration

   (iv) idea of neutralisation (of acid by alkali)
       IGNORE: returned to neutral

(b) (i) \( \text{CON}_2\text{H}_4 \)
       ALLOW: any order of atoms / \((\text{NH}_2)_2\text{CO}\)

   (ii) 60

(c) (i) nitrogen
       IGNORE: nitrates

   (ii) to increase crop / plant growth / speeds up plant growth;
       to put back nitrogen (or nutrients) into the soil / to provide plants with (more) nutrients
       ALLOW: to supply plants with nitrogen / essential elements
       IGNORE: makes the soil more fertile / to supply nitrogen gas / \(\text{N}_2\)

(d) Any two of:
   evaporate some of the water / heat to crystallisation point / heat a little / partially evaporate;
   NOT heat or evaporate without qualification

   allow to crystallise / leave in a warm place / leave on the window sill;
   IGNORE: cool it

   dry with filter paper
   NOT: dry in oven unless it implies that the temperature is below 100°C / very low

[Total: 11]