

CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS  
for  
DAY VOCATIONAL COURSES, 1963.

MECHANICS AND HEAT.

WEDNESDAY, 19th JUNE — 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS.

Not more than four questions to be attempted.

1. What is meant by conduction of heat?  
Give a labelled diagram of the apparatus you would use to show that copper and iron conduct heat at different rates.  
Explain why, on a cold day, the metal handlebars of a bicycle feel cold while the rubber hand grips do not.
  
2. Describe an experiment to determine the latent heat of fusion of ice. Give a diagram of the apparatus used and mention the precautions necessary to obtain an accurate result.  
15 grams of dry ice were added to 150 grams of water at 25°C. contained in a copper calorimeter of mass 20 grams. After the ice had melted completely, the mixture reached a steady temperature of 16°C. Calculate the latent heat of fusion of ice.  
(Specific heat of copper = 0.1)
  
3. In the case of any four of the following, say whether the statement is correct or incorrect, and give reasons for your answers:-
  - (i) The boiling point of water rises as the altitude above sea level increases.
  - (ii) The atmospheric pressure rises in dry weather.
  - (iii) A body weighs less when immersed in oil than it does when immersed in water.
  - (iv) Heat from the sun is transferred to the earth by radiation only.
  - (v) The maximum suction height through which a pump can raise water is approximately 34 feet.
  
4. Describe an experiment to determine the position of the centre of gravity of a sheet of cardboard which has uniform thickness but irregular shape.  
Give examples to show that you understand the meaning of the terms "stable", "unstable" and "neutral" equilibrium.
  
5. Draw a diagram of the wheel and axle and show how to calculate its velocity ratio, if the diameter of the wheel is  $D$ , and that of the axle is  $d$ .  
Find the effort required to raise a load of 60 lb. if the diameter of the wheel is 20 in., that of the axle is 4 in. and the efficiency of the arrangement is 75 per cent.
  
6. Explain clearly why a spring balance measures the weight of a body whereas a lever balance measures its mass.  
A spiral spring has an unstretched length of 12.5 cm. Its length becomes 16.25 cm. when a mass of 600 gm. is hung on its lower end. What load would cause it to extend to a length of 17.5 cm.? What assumption is made in your calculation?