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# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2003

**SCIENCE – HIGHER LEVEL**  
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THURSDAY, 12 JUNE – AFTERNOON, 2.00 to 4.30

**SECTION A (144 marks) TO BE ANSWERED BY ALL CANDIDATES.**

(See separate sheet for Sections B, C, D and E.)

Answer *each* of the questions 1, 2 and 3. There are **TEN** parts in each question. Answer any **EIGHT** parts. All questions carry equal marks. Answer the questions in the spaces provided. Return this Section of the examination paper. Enclose it in the answer-book you use in answering the other Sections.

1. Answer **eight** of the following, (a), (b), (c), etc.

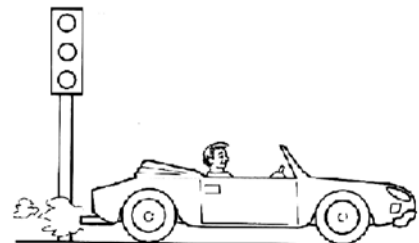
(a) What is meant by renewable energy?

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Name a source of renewable energy.

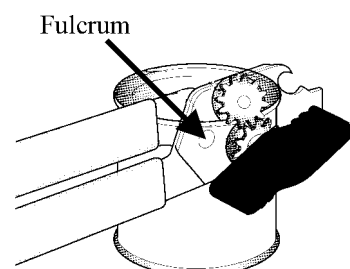
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(b) The car stopped at the traffic lights and then drove off with constant acceleration of  $2 \text{ m/s}^2$ . What is the speed of the car after 8 seconds?



(c) The diagram shows a can opener. Mark a lever in the diagram with an X.

What is a fulcrum?



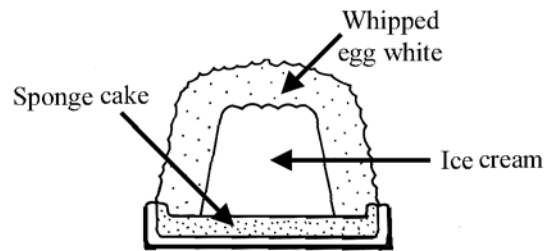
- (d) Name the states of equilibrium of tack A and tack B.

Tack A \_\_\_\_\_

Tack B \_\_\_\_\_



- (e) The diagram shows a popular dessert called 'baked Alaska'. Why does the ice cream not melt when the dessert is in a hot oven?



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- (f) Some solids sublime on heating.  
What happens to a solid when it sublimates?

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Name a solid that sublimates.

Name of solid \_\_\_\_\_

- (g) What determines the pitch of a musical note?

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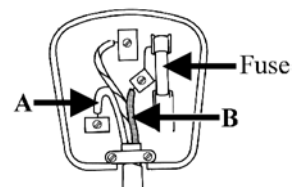
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- (h) The diagram shows a correctly wired 13 A plug. Give the colours of the coating of the wires A and B.

Colour of A \_\_\_\_\_

Colour of B \_\_\_\_\_



- (i) What is the cost of using a 2 kW electric fire for 3 hours if a unit (kW h) of electricity costs 10 cent?

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- (j) What happens to light when it passes through a convex lens, e.g., the camera lens?

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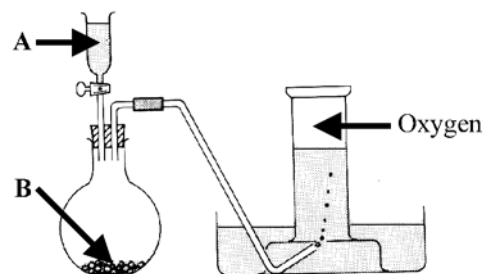
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2. Answer **eight** of the following, (a), (b), (c), etc.

- (a) Name a liquid A and a solid B suitable for the preparation of oxygen.

Liquid A \_\_\_\_\_

Solid B \_\_\_\_\_



- (b) Name a gas, other than carbon dioxide, that can form acid rain.

Name of gas \_\_\_\_\_

Give one effect of acid rain on the environment.

Effect \_\_\_\_\_

- (c) Give two precautions that should be taken when heating a substance in a test-tube.

Precaution one \_\_\_\_\_

Precaution two \_\_\_\_\_

- (d) Name a method of separation and give an example of a mixture that can be separated by this method.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

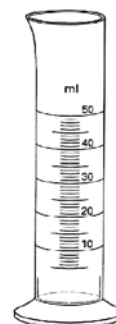
Example \_\_\_\_\_

- (e) Name the item of laboratory equipment shown in the diagram.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name another item of laboratory equipment that can be used to measure volumes of liquids accurately.

Name \_\_\_\_\_



- (f) Why is fluoride added to water for domestic use?

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- (g) A and B are hazard symbols.

Give the meaning of each symbol.

Symbol A \_\_\_\_\_

Symbol B \_\_\_\_\_



Symbol A



Symbol B

- (h) Give an application of ion exchange.

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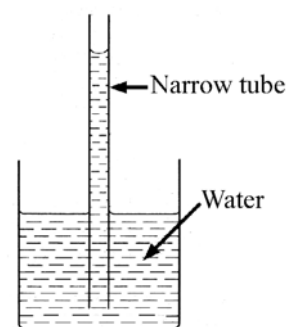
- (i) Name the property of water being demonstrated by the experiment shown in the diagram.

Property of water \_\_\_\_\_

Give an everyday application of this property.

Application \_\_\_\_\_

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- (j) The experiment shown was set up and left for a week. The iron wool changed colour and the water rose up the test-tube to a level above that of the water in the beaker.

What happened to the iron wool?

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What happens to the air in the test-tube to cause the water level to rise in the test-tube?

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3. Answer **eight** of the following, (a), (b), (c), etc.

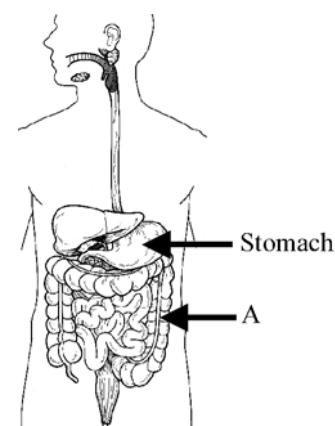
- (a) What is added, by our body, to food when it enters the stomach?

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Name part A.

Part A \_\_\_\_\_



- (b) What causes the pulse in the arteries of our bodies?

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Give the average pulse rate for an adult at rest.

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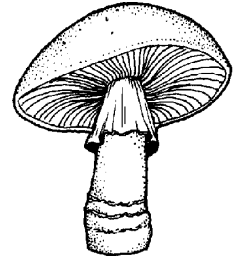
- (c) Mushrooms are decomposers.

How do mushrooms feed?

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Why are decomposers an essential part of the living world?

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- (d) Give two important functions of the skin covering our bodies.

Function one \_\_\_\_\_

Function two \_\_\_\_\_

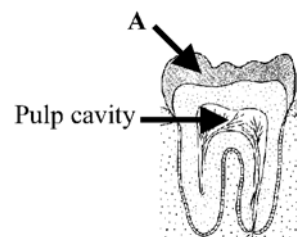
- (e) Different types of teeth have the same basic structure as shown in the diagram.

Name part A.

Part A \_\_\_\_\_

Name one living item found in the pulp cavity.

Living item \_\_\_\_\_



- (f) Name a plant and give the way in which it disperses its seeds.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

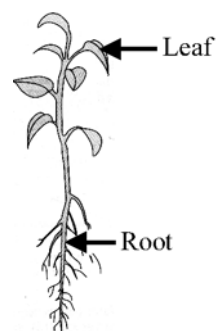
Way \_\_\_\_\_

- (g) The diagram shows a young plant.  
Give one function of a leaf.

Function \_\_\_\_\_

Give one function of a root.

Function \_\_\_\_\_



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(h) Define geotropism.

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(i) The diagram shows the human respiratory system.

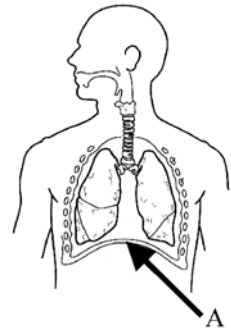
Name the structure labelled A.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

How does A help us to breathe?

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(j) The diagram shows a flower of the bramble or blackberry.

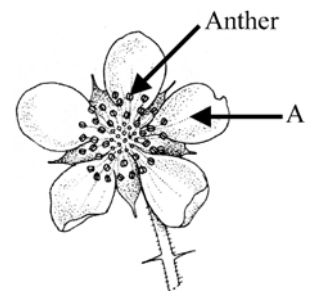
Name the part labelled A.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Give the function of the anther in plant reproduction.

Function \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section A** is on a separate sheet which provides spaces for your answers.  
The completed sheet should be enclosed in your answer-book.

## SECTIONS B, C, D, E

These sections should be answered in your answer-book.

Answer **ONE** question from each of the Sections **B, C and D**.

All questions carry equal marks.

Answer **TWO** questions from **Section E**. All questions carry equal marks.

## SECTION B - PHYSICS (48 marks)

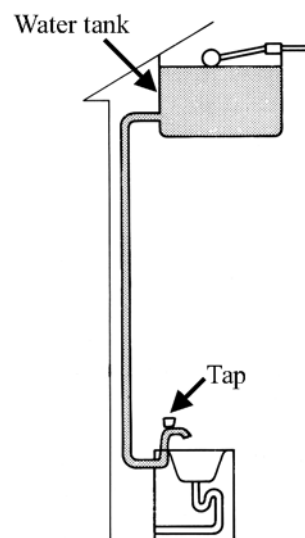
Answer **either** question 4 **or** question 5.

4. (a) Define pressure. (6)

Give the unit used to measure pressure. (3)

Why is the water tank in the highest part of the house? (6)

Describe, with the aid of a labelled diagram, an experiment to show the pressure of the atmosphere. (9)



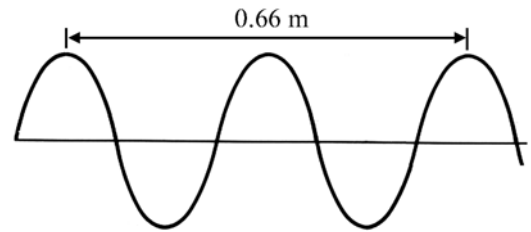
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- (b) What happens to the surface of a loudspeaker when it is producing a sound? (3)

Describe an experiment to show that sound is a wave. (12)

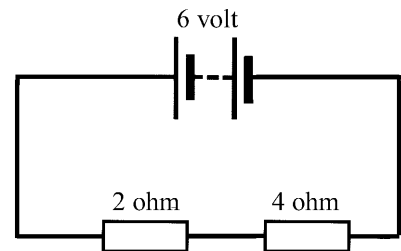
What is the wavelength of the wave in the diagram? (3)

Calculate the frequency of the wave in the diagram if it is moving with a speed of 330 m/s. (6)



5. (a) Name an instrument used to measure electric current. (3)

Copy the circuit diagram shown and include in the diagram the symbol for the instrument that you have named. (6)



Are the resistors, in the diagram, in parallel or in series? (3)

What is the total resistance of the resistors in the diagram? (3)

Calculate the current flowing in the circuit shown. (6)

The current in the circuit shown flows in one direction only. What is this type of current called? (3)

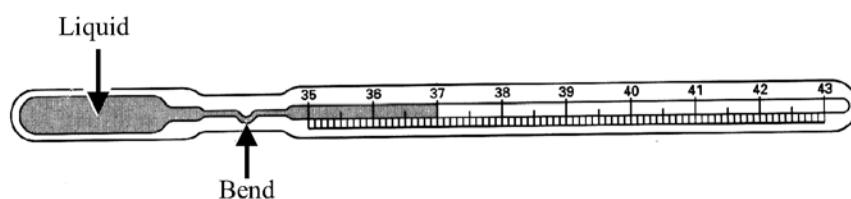
- (b) What is meant by temperature? (3)

Name a liquid suitable for use in thermometers. (3)

Give a reason why the liquid that you have named is suitable for this purpose. (3)

What happens to the liquid in a thermometer when the temperature increases? (3)

The diagram shows a clinical thermometer.



Why is the range of this thermometer only from 35 °C to 43 °C ? (6)

What is the purpose of the bend in the tube? (6)

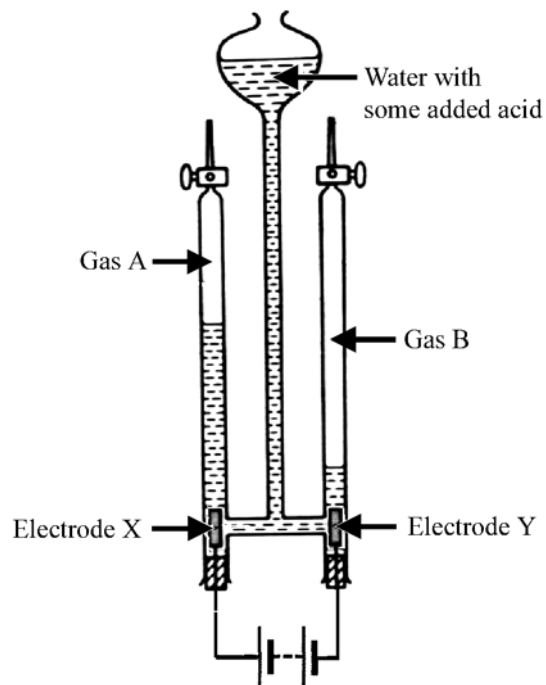


**SECTION C - CHEMISTRY (48 marks)**

Answer **either** question 6 **or** question 7.

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6. (a) The diagram shows an apparatus used to decompose water by electrolysis.
- (i) Name and give the formula of gas A. (6)
  - (ii) Name and give the formula of gas B. (6)
  - (iii) The volume of gas B is twice that of gas A. What does this tell us about the composition of water? (3)
  - (iv) Which electrode, X or Y, is the anode? Give a reason for your answer. (6)
  - (v) Name a material used for electrodes X and Y. (3)



- (b) Draw a diagram showing the arrangement of the electrons in an atom of chlorine (atomic number = 17). (6)
- What is a covalent bond? (6)
- Describe, using a diagram, the bonding in a molecule of chlorine. (6)
- Give two characteristic properties of covalent substances. (6)

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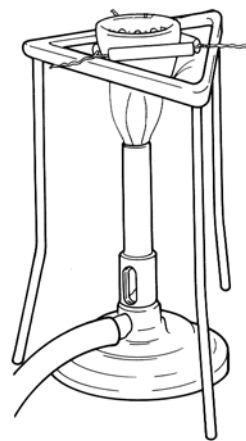
7. (a) The apparatus shown is used to burn magnesium in air.

Name the white solid left in the crucible when the reaction is over. (3)

How would you test the white solid to see if it is basic, neutral or acidic?  
What result would you expect to get to this test? (9)

Heat is given out when magnesium is burned.  
What is the name given to this type of reaction? (3)

Write a chemical equation for the reaction that occurs when magnesium is burned in air. (9)



- (b) Define oxidation and reduction in terms of electrons. (6)

Name the substance reduced when magnesium is burned in air.  
Give a reason for your answer. (6)

- (c) What is observed when magnesium reacts with dilute sulphuric acid?  
Name one product of this reaction. (9)

Name another element that belongs to the same group in the periodic table as magnesium. (3)

**SECTION D - BIOLOGY (48 marks)**

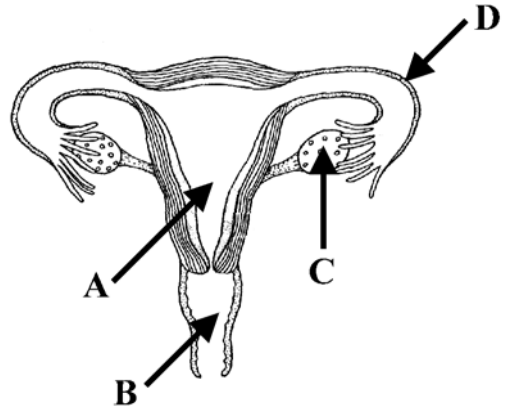
Answer **either** question 8 **or** question 9.

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8. (a) The diagram shows the reproductive system of the human female.

Name the parts labelled A, B, C and D. (12)

Give one function for each of the parts A, B, C and D. (12)



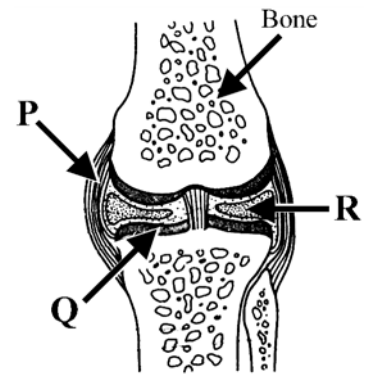
- (b) Give two functions, apart from movement, of the human skeleton. (6)

Name the type of joint shown in the diagram. (3)

Name the parts labelled P and Q. (6)

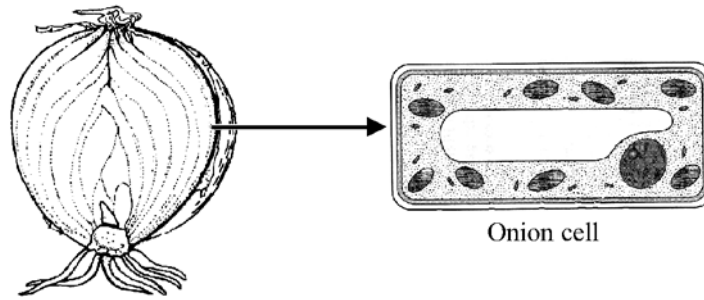
Explain the role of the parts labelled Q and R in the operation of this joint. (3)

What are antagonistic muscles? (6)



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9. (a) A pupil viewed cells of a tissue of an onion using a microscope.



Copy the diagram of the onion cell into your answer-book.

Name and label three parts of the cell in your diagram. (9)

Explain the terms (i) cell and (ii) tissue. (6)

Name two plant tissues.

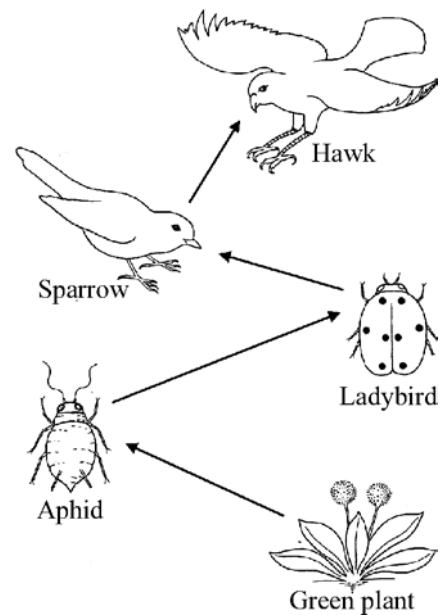
Give the function of one of the tissues you have named. (9)

- (b) What is a food chain? (3)

The diagram shows a food chain from a garden habitat.

Name: (i) a producer  
(ii) a herbivore  
(iii) a carnivore  
from this habitat. (9)

Using this food chain explain what is meant by a pyramid of numbers. (6)



From a habitat you have studied give an example of the interdependence of plants and animals. (6)

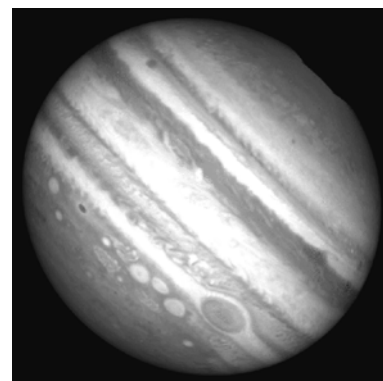
**SECTION E - APPLIED SCIENCE (72 marks)**

Answer **TWO** questions from this section.

**10. EARTH SCIENCE.** Answer any **two** of the following, (a), (b), (c).

- (a) This photograph, of the planet Jupiter, was taken using the Hubble Space Telescope. Jupiter has sixteen known moons. Explain the underlined terms. (6)

The Earth's moon, viewed from Earth, changes in appearance in a monthly cycle called the phases of the moon. Explain, using a labelled diagram, how the phases of the moon arise. (12)



- (b) Name the type of cloud shown in the photograph. (3)

Explain how clouds are formed. (9)

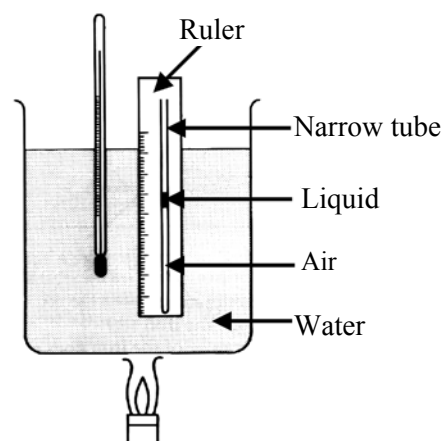
What is meant by the humidity of air? (6)



- (c) The diagram shows an apparatus used by a pupil to investigate how the volume of a gas changes with temperature.

Give a brief account of the experiment under the headings:

- (i) Measurements (6)  
(ii) Graph (6)  
(iii) Result / conclusion (6)



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**11. HORTICULTURE.** Answer any **two** of the following, (a), (b), (c).

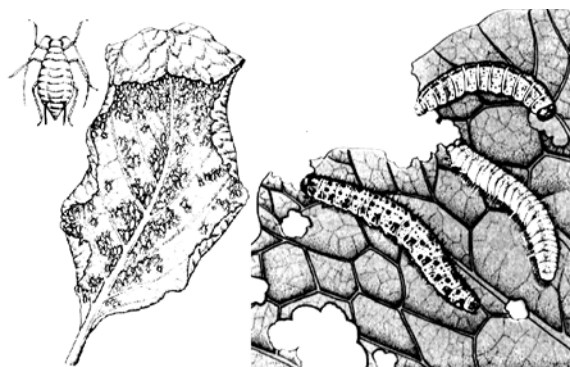
- (a) The diagram shows a leaf infested with aphids, and a cabbage leaf being eaten by caterpillars.

Give the life cycle of an aphid  
or the life cycle of the cabbage  
white butterfly.

(15)

What is meant by secondary  
infection of a plant?

(3)



- (b) Give two reasons why air spaces are important in soil. (6)

Describe how to measure the air content of soil. (12)

- (c) Explain the term germination. (6)

Name a plant and outline an experiment to investigate the rate of  
germination of its seeds. (12)

**12. MATERIALS SCIENCE.** Answer **both** parts, (a) and (b).

(a) The bicycle is familiar to everyone.

Name two materials used to make a bicycle. (6)

Give one advantage of using each of the materials you have named. (6)

Give two ways in which materials used in a bicycle should be cared for. (6)



(b) Answer **one** of the following.

(i) PLASTICS

Give the two stages of the production of plastics from crude oil. (6)

Describe an experiment to show that plastics are good heat insulators. (12)

(ii) METALS

Metals can be extracted from their ores. What is an ore?  
Name a metal mined in Ireland. (6)

Describe an experiment to compare the hardness of two metals. (12)

(iii) TEXTILES

Name one plant and one animal that are sources of textile fibres. (6)

Describe an experiment to compare the absorbency of two fabrics. (12)

(iv) TIMBER

What is the difference between the leaves of hardwood trees and the leaves of softwood trees? (6)

Describe an experiment to investigate the effect of grain direction on the strength of timber. (12)

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**13. FOOD.** Answer any **two** of the following, (a), (b), (c).

- (a) The diagram shows carrots, a cheesecake and a trout.

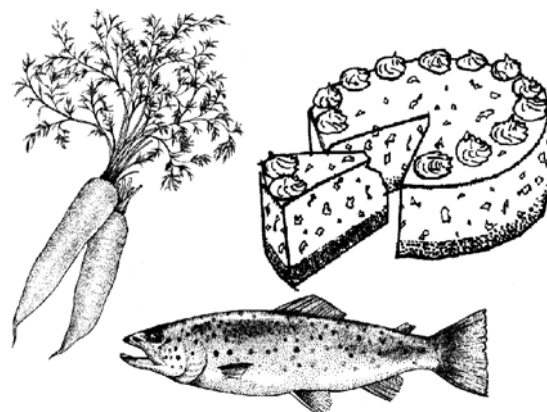
Which of the items in the diagram would be a good source of:

- (i) fibre
- (ii) protein
- (iii) low fat food?

(9)

Describe a chemical test to show the presence of protein in a food.

(9)



- (b) The photograph is of a farmer planting rice.

Name two factors that make it difficult to distribute food.

(6)

Name two other causes of famine in human societies.

(6)

Give two effects of famine on people.

(6)



- (c) What type of micro-organism is used to make yoghurt?

Give one change that this micro-organism makes to the properties of milk.

(6)

Describe an experiment to make yoghurt in a school laboratory.

(12)

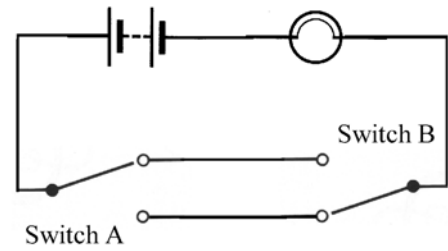


**14. ELECTRONICS.** Answer **both** parts, (a) and (b).

- (a) The diagram shows a circuit with two-way switching. The circuit shown is open and the bulb is off.

There are two ways in which the bulb can be switched on. Draw diagrams, of the circuit, showing the positions of switches A and B for these two ways.

(12)



Draw a diagram of a circuit in which one switch is used to switch on two bulbs.

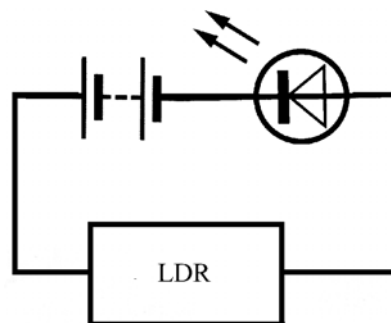
(6)

- (b) The component shown in the diagram is a light dependent resistor or LDR. Give the symbol for this component.

(3)



The LDR is part of the circuit shown.



What happens to the LED when the LDR is:

- (i) in bright light
- (ii) covered with black plastic?

Give reasons for your answers.

(12)

The LED in this circuit is in forward bias. The cathode of the LED must be connected to the negative terminal of the battery. How would you identify the cathode of an LED?

(3)

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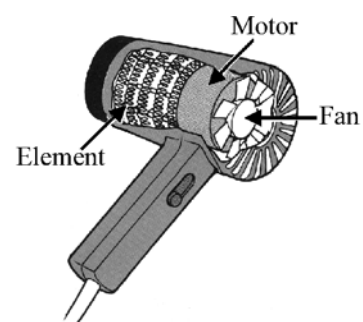
**15. ENERGY CONVERSIONS.** Answer **both** parts, (a) and (b).

- (a) The diagram is a cutaway view of a hairdryer.

Write down two *useful* energy changes that occur when a hairdryer is in use. (6)

Give two other *useful* energy changes produced by domestic appliances. (6)

Name two appliances that produce these changes. (6)



- (b) The diagram is of a simple electric motor.

Name parts A and B. (6)

Outline how the motor works. (9)

What happens to the motor if the battery is reversed? (3)

