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Paper 2 Multiple Choice (Extended)

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45 minutes

You must answer on the multiple choice answer sheet.

You will need: Multiple choice answer sheet
Soft clean eraser
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

INSTRUCTIONS

- There are **forty** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions.
- For each question there are four possible answers **A, B, C** and **D**. Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in soft pencil on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Follow the instructions on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Write in soft pencil.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on the multiple choice answer sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.
- Do **not** use correction fluid or tape.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.
- Take the weight of 1.0 kg to be 9.8 N (acceleration of free fall = 9.8 m/s^2).

INFORMATION

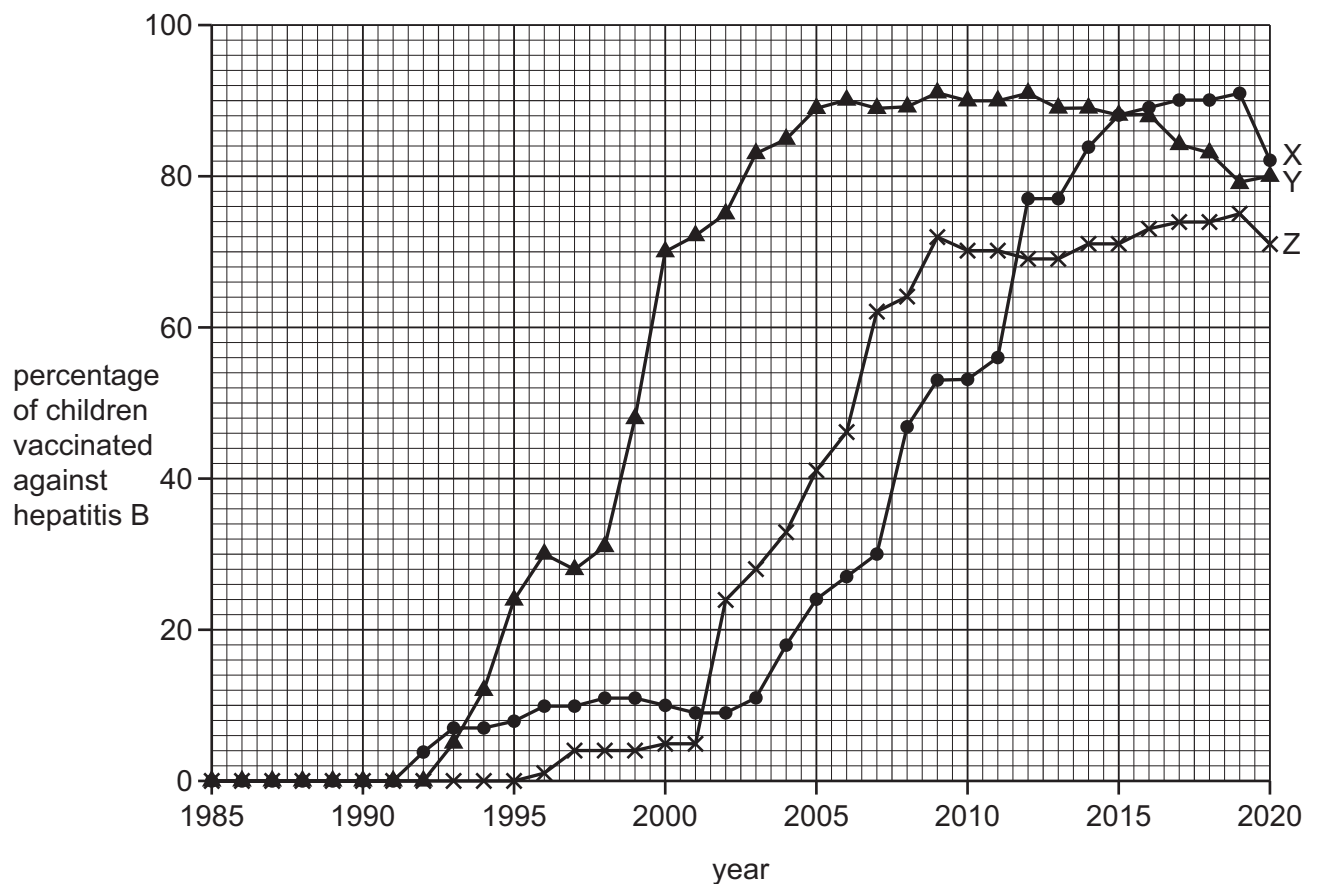
- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- Each correct answer will score one mark.
- Any rough working should be done on this question paper.
- The Periodic Table is printed in the question paper.

This document has **16** pages.

- 1 Which row about characteristics of living things is correct?

	name of process	definition of process
A	excretion	the ability to detect and respond to changes in the environment
B	nutrition	the removal of excess substances and toxic materials
C	reproduction	the taking in of materials for energy, growth and development
D	respiration	the breakdown of substances to release energy

- 2 The graph shows the percentage of children vaccinated against hepatitis B in three regions, X, Y and Z, from 1985 to 2020.



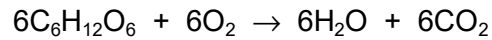
What is a correct conclusion from the graph?

- A** In 2000, the percentage of children vaccinated against hepatitis B was seven times greater in region Y than region Z.
- B** In 2015, the percentage of children vaccinated against hepatitis B was the same in regions X and Y.
- C** The percentage of children vaccinated against hepatitis B increases every year in region X.
- D** 70% of children were vaccinated against hepatitis B in region Y in 2010.

3 What is the correct pathway for air during inspiration?

- A alveoli → bronchi → bronchiole → trachea → larynx
- B alveoli → bronchiole → bronchi → trachea → larynx
- C larynx → trachea → bronchi → bronchiole → alveoli
- D larynx → trachea → bronchiole → bronchi → alveoli

4 A student writes down an incorrect symbol equation for aerobic respiration.

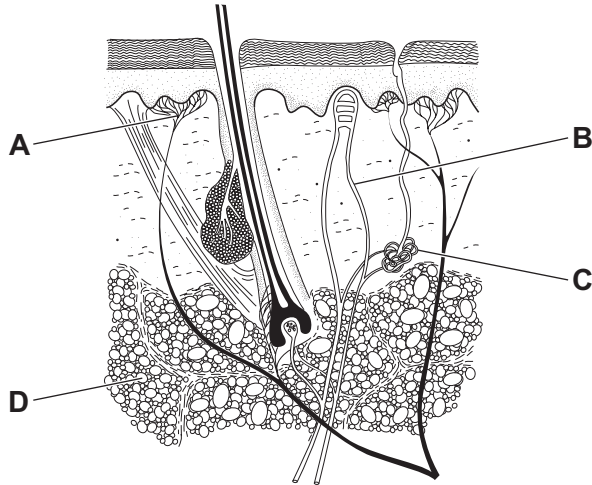


Which error has the student made in the equation?

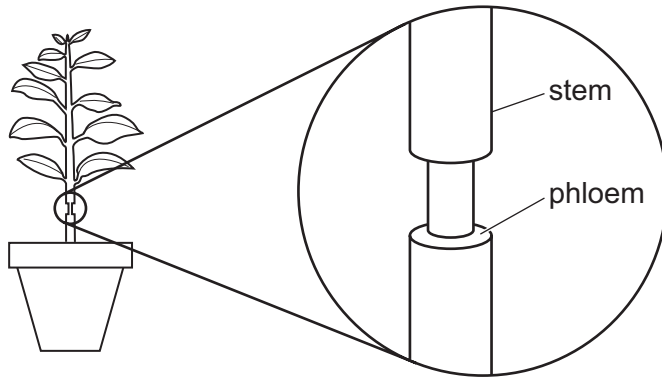
- A Oxygen is a product **not** a reactant.
- B Products are always written as $6\text{CO}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$.
- C The formula for glucose is $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_6$.
- D The equation is **not** balanced.

5 The diagram shows a section through the skin and associated structures.

Which letter indicates the sweat gland?



- 6 The diagram shows the stem of a plant with its outer tissue and phloem removed.



Which statements about transport in this plant are correct?

- 1 Sucrose can pass to the roots.
- 2 Dissolved mineral ions and water **cannot** pass to the leaves.
- 3 Sucrose **cannot** pass to the roots.
- 4 Dissolved mineral ions and water can pass to the leaves.

A 1 and 2 **B** 1 and 4 **C** 2 and 3 **D** 3 and 4

- 7 A plant species has yellow or white flowers. The allele for yellow flowers is dominant to the allele for white flowers.

A heterozygous plant with yellow flowers is crossed with a plant with white flowers.

What is the expected percentage of yellow flowers and white flowers in the offspring?

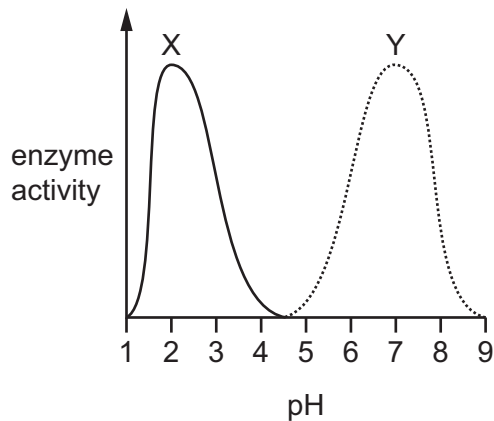
- A** 100% yellow flowers and 0% white flowers
- B** 75% yellow flowers and 25% white flowers
- C** 50% yellow flowers and 50% white flowers
- D** 25% yellow flowers and 75% white flowers

- 8 How many micrometres are in one millimetre?

A 10 **B** 100 **C** 1000 **D** 10 000

- 9 Which statement is a description of water movement by osmosis through a partially permeable membrane?
- A the net movement of water from a concentrated solution to a dilute solution
 - B the net movement of water from a higher water potential to a lower water potential
 - C the net movement of water from a higher solute concentration to a lower solute concentration
 - D the net movement of water from a lower water potential to a higher water potential
- 10 Which statements describe enzyme action?
- 1 The active site of the enzyme combines with the substrate to form an enzyme–substrate complex.
 - 2 The active site of the substrate combines with the enzyme to form an enzyme–substrate complex.
 - 3 The enzyme–substrate complex breaks apart to leave an enzyme and a product.
- A 1 and 3 B 1 only C 2 and 3 D 2 only
- 11 Which carbohydrate is used as an energy store in plants?
- A cellulose
 - B glucose
 - C starch
 - D sucrose

- 12 The diagram shows the optimum pH for two different digestive enzymes, X and Y.



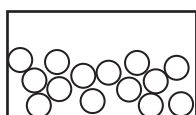
Which row identifies amylase and an organ where amylase is secreted?

	amylase	organ where secreted
A	Y	pancreas
B	Y	stomach
C	X	pancreas
D	X	stomach

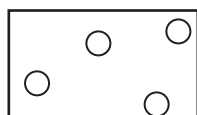
- 13 Which row shows what happens to the heart valves when the atria contract and the ventricles relax?

	valves between the atria and the ventricles	valves between the ventricles and the arteries
A	open	close
B	close	open
C	open	open
D	close	close

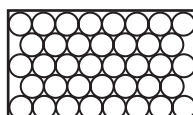
- 14 The three states of matter are represented by diagrams R, S and T.



R



S

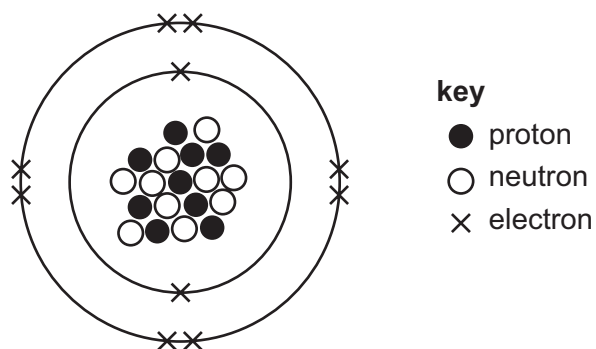


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Which change represents condensation?

- A** R to S **B** R to T **C** S to R **D** T to R

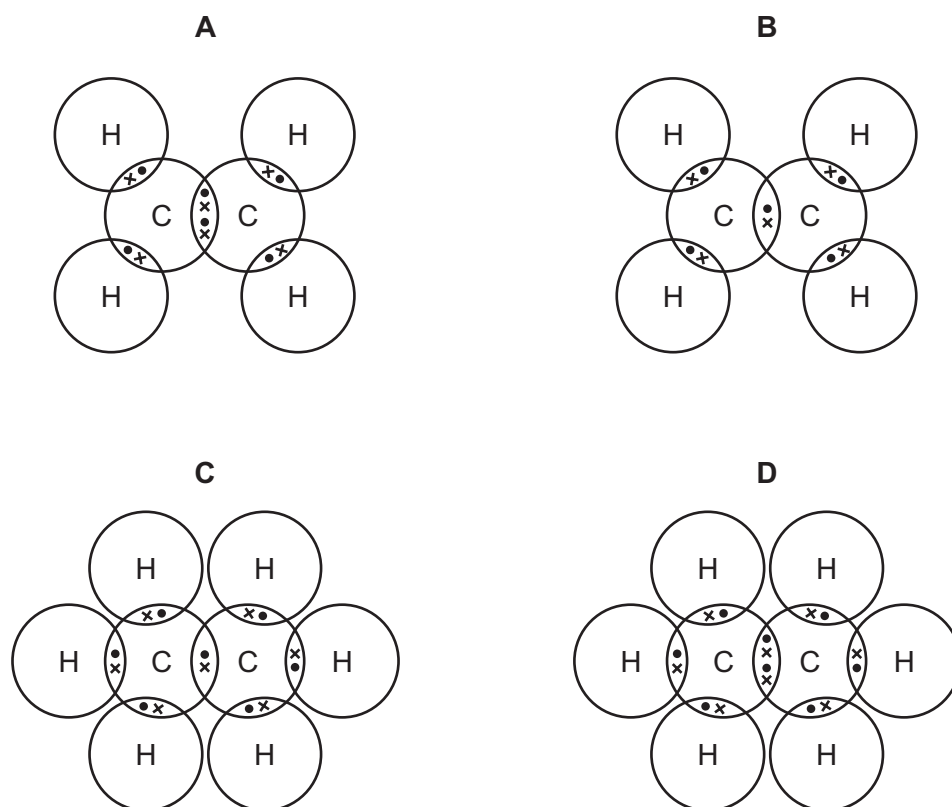
15 The protons, neutrons and electrons in a particle are shown.



What is the symbol for this particle?

- A** F **B** F⁻ **C** Ne **D** Ne⁺

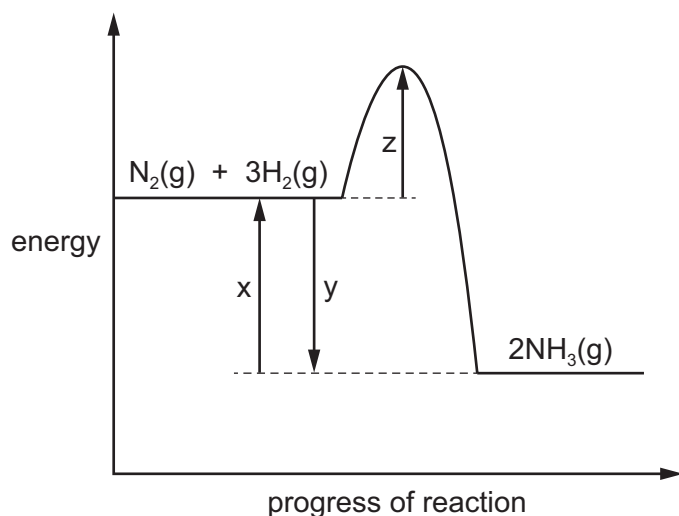
16 Which dot-and-cross diagram represents the bonding in a molecule of ethene?



17 Which reaction or process produces hydrogen?

- A** the electrolysis of concentrated aqueous sodium chloride
B the thermal decomposition of limestone
C the reaction of steam with ethene
D the reaction of sodium oxide with hydrochloric acid

- 18 The reaction pathway diagram for the formation of ammonia from nitrogen and hydrogen is shown.



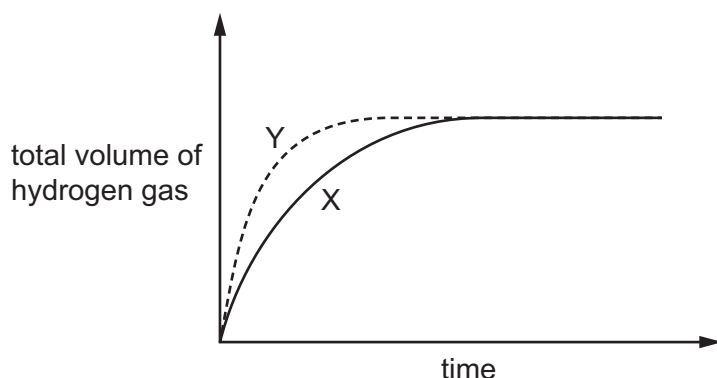
What is the activation energy for this reaction?

- A $x + z$ B $y + z$ C y D z
- 19 Experiments X and Y investigate the rate of reaction between magnesium and excess dilute hydrochloric acid.

In each experiment, the total volume of hydrogen gas produced is measured over time.

There is only **one** difference in the conditions between experiment X and experiment Y.

Graphs of the results of both experiments are shown.



Which statement about the experiments is correct?

- A A catalyst is used only in X.
 B The hydrochloric acid in X is more concentrated than in Y.
 C The temperature of Y is lower than X.
 D Smaller pieces of magnesium are used in Y compared to X.

- 20 An aqueous solution of an alkali is tested separately with litmus and methyl orange indicators.

Which row is correct?

	colour with litmus	colour with methyl orange
A	blue	red
B	red	yellow
C	blue	yellow
D	red	red

- 21 Transition elements are metals with similar properties.

Which row shows properties typical of a transition element?

	density	melting point	colour of the sulfate
A	low	high	pink
B	low	low	white
C	high	high	pink
D	high	high	white

- 22 Which statements about stainless steel are correct?

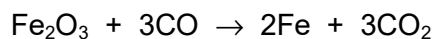
- 1 It contains different sized atoms.
- 2 It is a compound of iron and chromium.
- 3 It is hard because its atoms slide over each other easily.
- 4 It is more resistant to corrosion than pure iron.

- A** 1 and 2 **B** 1 and 4 **C** 2 and 3 **D** 2 and 4

- 23 Which equation is balanced **and** represents a reaction in which a metal displaces another metal from an aqueous solution of its ion?

- A** $\text{MgCl}_2(\text{aq}) + \text{Zn}(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{ZnCl}_2(\text{aq}) + \text{Mg}(\text{s})$
B $\text{Zn}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + \text{Cu}(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{Zn}(\text{s}) + \text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq})$
C $\text{Mg}(\text{s}) + \text{AgNO}_3(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{Mg}(\text{NO}_3)_2(\text{aq}) + \text{Ag}(\text{s})$
D $\text{Fe}(\text{s}) + \text{CuSO}_4(\text{aq}) \rightarrow \text{FeSO}_4(\text{aq}) + \text{Cu}(\text{s})$

- 24** The equation for one reaction in the blast furnace is shown.



Which row identifies the type of reaction and the type of each oxide?

	reaction	Fe_2O_3	CO_2
A	redox	basic	acidic
B	cracking	basic	basic
C	redox	acidic	acidic
D	cracking	acidic	basic

- 25** Nitrogen monoxide, NO, reacts with carbon monoxide, CO, in a catalytic converter.

The number of CO molecules that react with one NO molecule is1..... .

The substance reduced in this reaction is2..... .

Which row completes gaps 1 and 2?

	1	2
A	one	CO
B	one	NO
C	two	CO
D	two	NO

- 26** Many molecules of T combine to form a single molecule U.

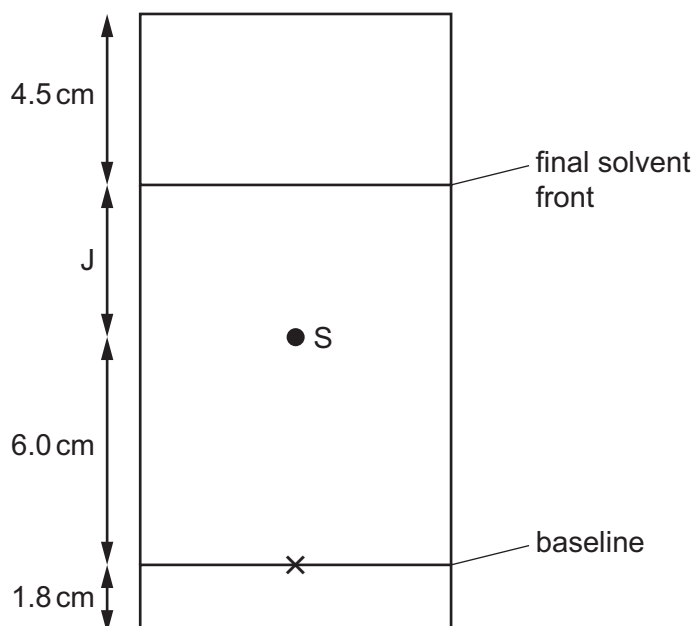
What are T and U?

	T	U
A	fraction	monomer
B	monomer	fraction
C	monomer	polymer
D	polymer	monomer

- 27 Substance S is analysed by paper chromatography.

The chromatogram obtained is shown. The chromatogram is **not** drawn to scale.

The R_f value of S is 0.60.



What is distance J?

- A** 4.0 cm **B** 5.2 cm **C** 6.0 cm **D** 7.8 cm
- 28 An object is accelerating.
- Which statement describes the motion of the object?
- A** It is at rest.
- B** It is moving at constant speed in a straight line.
- C** It is moving at constant velocity.
- D** It is moving with increasing velocity.
- 29 A system uses a 250 W electric motor to lift a 50 N load through a height of 4.0 m in 3.0 s.
- What is the efficiency of this system?
- A** 27% **B** 38% **C** 63% **D** 67%
- 30 A chair of weight 40 N rests on four legs. Each leg has an area of contact with the floor of 10 cm^2 .
- What is the pressure on the floor due to the chair?
- A** 1.0 N/cm^2 **B** 4.0 N/cm^2 **C** 16 N/cm^2 **D** $40\,000 \text{ N/cm}^2$

- 31** A gas is stored in a sealed container. The particles of the gas exert a pressure on the container walls.

What causes this pressure?

- A** The particles are attracted by the container walls.
- B** The particles collide with each other.
- C** The particles collide with the container walls.
- D** The particles repel each other.

- 32** Over a period of time, it is observed that the temperature of the Earth increases slightly.

Which statement about the Earth explains this observation?

- A** No radiation is absorbed or emitted.
- B** More radiation is absorbed than is emitted.
- C** More radiation is emitted than is absorbed.
- D** Radiation is emitted and absorbed at the same rate.

- 33** A radio transmitter emits radio waves with a frequency of 1.25×10^8 Hz. The most suitable aerial for this frequency is $\frac{1}{4}$ of a wavelength long.

The speed of radio waves is 3.0×10^8 m/s.

What is the length of the most suitable aerial?

- A** 0.10 m **B** 0.60 m **C** 2.4 m **D** 9.6 m

- 34** A glass block on a laboratory bench is surrounded by air. Light travels in the glass block and reaches the edge of the block. The angle of incidence at the edge is much smaller than the critical angle.

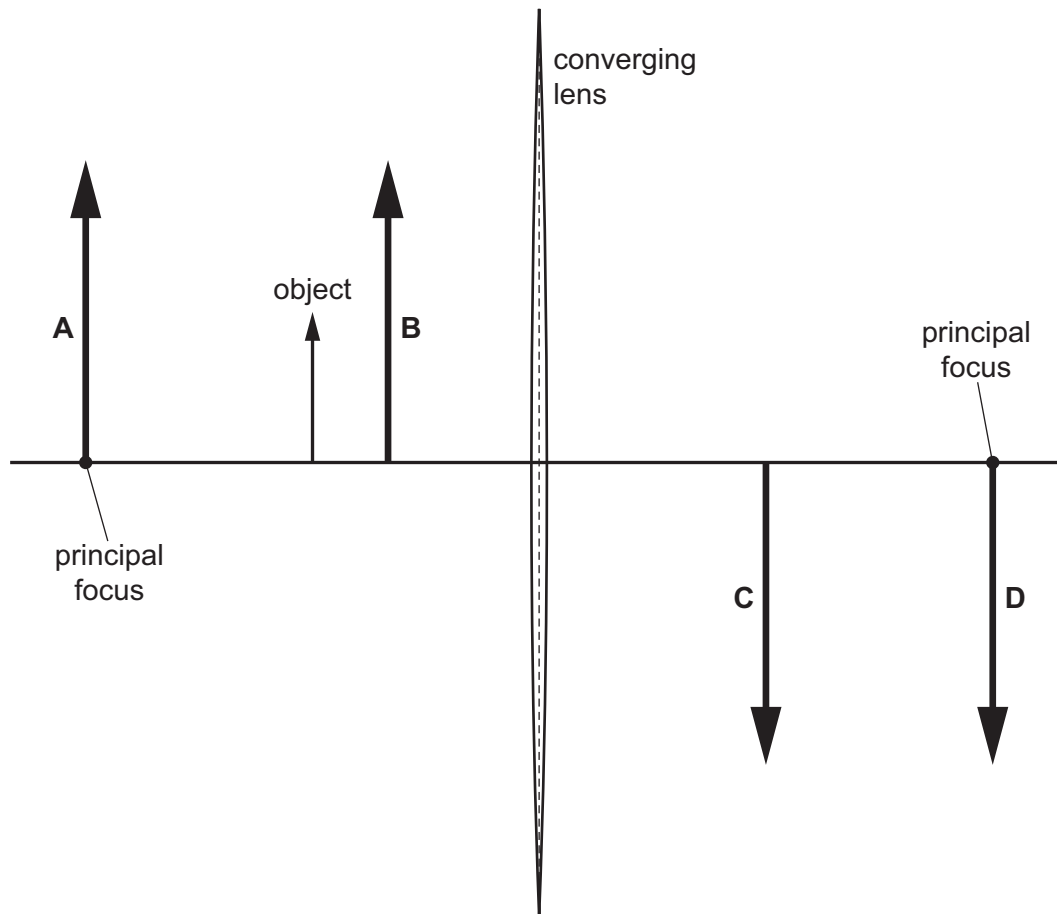
What happens to the light?

- A** All of the light emerges into the air.
- B** All of the light is reflected back into the block.
- C** Some of the light emerges into the air and some is reflected back into the block.
- D** Some of the light is reflected back into the block and some travels along the edge of the block.

- 35** A student uses a converging lens to obtain a magnified, virtual image of an object.

The diagram shows the position of the object and the principal focus on each side of the lens.

At which labelled position is the image formed?

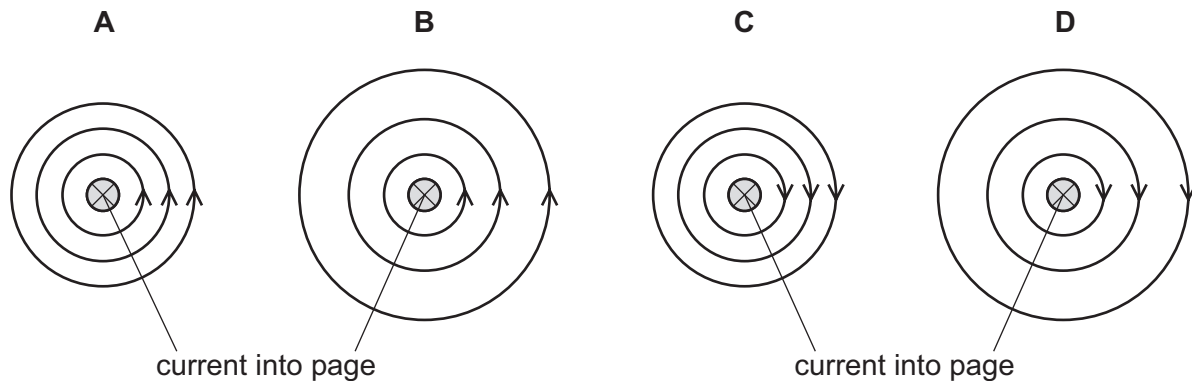


- 36** What is a reason why slip rings are used in an a.c. generator?

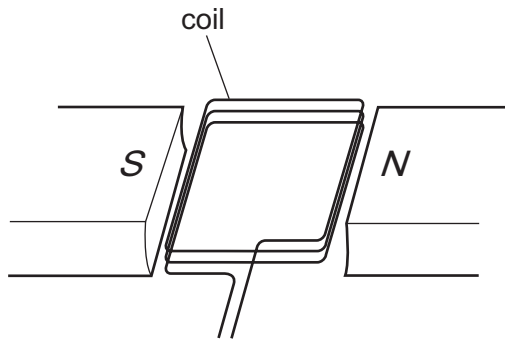
- A** to connect the brushes to the external circuit as the coil turns
- B** to connect the ends of the coil to the brushes as the coil turns
- C** to create the magnetic field in which the coil turns
- D** to turn the coil in the magnetic field

- 37** A straight wire carries a current into the page.

Which diagram shows the pattern and the direction of the magnetic field around the wire?



- 38** The diagram shows a coil of wire between the poles of two magnets. The coil is connected to a direct current (d.c.) power supply.



Which change increases the magnitude of the turning effect on the coil?

- A** decreasing the number of turns on the coil with the same current in it
 - B** increasing the resistance of the coil with the same potential difference (p.d.) across it
 - C** increasing the strength of the magnetic field
 - D** reversing the direction of the magnetic field
- 39** A radioactive source that emits gamma radiation is stored safely in a wooden box with a lining.

Which lining is the safest to use?

- A** thick aluminium
- B** thick copper
- C** thick lead
- D** thick paper

40 An early phase of star forms from interstellar clouds of dust and gas due to gravitational attraction.

What is the name of the star formed?

- A** protostar
- B** red giant
- C** supernova
- D** white dwarf

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89	Ac	actinium	—	90	Th	thorium	232	91	Pa	protactinium	231	92	U	uranium	238	93	Np	neptunium	—	94	Pu	plutonium	—	95	Am	americium	—	96	Cm	curium	—	97	Bk	berkelium	—	98	Cf	californium	—	99	Es	einsteinium	—	100	Fm	fermium	—	101	Md	merdelevium	—	102	No	nobelium	—	103	Lr	lawrencium	—

The volume of one mole of any gas is 24 dm^3 at room temperature and pressure (r.t.p.).