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CHEMISTRY
Paper 1
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Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education

S.5 CHEMISTRY

Paper 1

(Set I)

2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

*This paper has **two** sections A and B.*

Section A has two compulsory items while B has two parts

Part I and Part II

*Each of part I and part II has two items, Answer only **one** from each.*

*Answers to Section A **must** be written in the spaces provided and Section B **must** be written in the answer booklet(s) provided*

Answer four in all.

Where necessary use,

Molar gas volume at s.t.p = 22.4dm³

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ITEM	CODE	SCORE	
1	<i>E_f</i>		
	<i>C₁</i>		
	<i>C₂</i>		
	<i>C₃</i>		
	<i>D₁</i>		
2	<i>E_c</i>		
	<i>C₄</i>		
	<i>C₅</i>		
	<i>E₁</i>		
	<i>D₂</i>		
3/4	<i>G_r</i>	<i>V_p</i>	
	<i>T_r</i>	<i>R</i>	
	<i>E_v</i>	<i>D₃</i>	
	<i>P_r</i>		
5/6	<i>F</i>		
	<i>Mc</i>		
	<i>S</i>		
	<i>D₃</i>		
TOTAL			

(e) Environmental impacts of the gaseous or aqueous equilibria and their mitigations.

Item 2

A recent report from Tororo Industrial Chemicals Ltd, one of Uganda's emerging producers of industrial reagents and laboratory kits, revealed that the company is developing a dual-purpose field chemical pack for technicians working in rural agricultural and health sectors. The pack is intended to include one safe *warming* substance for sterilising small instruments and generating heat in remote operations, and one *cooling* substance for preserving biological samples and stabilising temperature sensitive reactions.

The company's research department is currently *comparing* ethanol, a locally available biofuel derived from sugarcane waste, with *sodium chloride*, obtained from the salt works around Lake Katwe.

The thermochemical data obtained from a certain article about ethanol indicate that the standard heats of formation of ethanol, carbon dioxide and water are (-227.0) , (-393.5) , (-285.5) kJ mol^{-1} respectively.

For sodium chloride, the enthalpy of sublimation of sodium, bond dissociation energy of chlorine, first ionisation energy of sodium, first electron affinity of chlorine, enthalpy of formation of sodium chloride, hydration enthalpy of $\text{Na}^+(\text{aq})$ and hydration enthalpy of $\text{Cl}^-(\text{aq})$, $(+109)$, $(+242)$, $(+494)$, (-364) , (-411) , (-406) , and (-363) kJ mol^{-1} respectively.

Preliminary tests by the plant's laboratory team indicated that combustion of ethanol and, dissolution of sodium chloride in water produces minimal temperature change. To ensure the most energy-efficient and environmentally safe field pack, the company manager has invited you.

Task

As a student of chemistry, help the researcher;

- (a) Analyse the data to construct an energy cycle for the changes in the:
- (i) Combustion of ethanol.

SECTION B

Part I

Attempt One item in this section

Item 3

A chemical manufacturing company in Uganda, Kyoga Chemicals Ltd, produces industrial chemicals and water treatment agents. The company has been advised that substances suitable for use in water treatment plants and in construction industries, for stabilizing concrete and producing heat resistant materials must have the strongest ionic characters. The engineering department is analyzing the melting points of chlorides of Group II and Period 3 elements to select materials suitable for operations. The data is shown below:

Group/period	Group II chlorides					Period 3 chlorides							
Element	BeCl ₂	MgCl ₂	CaCl ₂	SrCl ₂	BaCl ₂	NaCl	MgCl ₂	AlCl ₃	SiCl ₄	PCl ₃	PCl ₅	S ₂ Cl ₂	SCl ₂
Atomic No	4	12	20	38	56	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Melting pt/°C	405	714	782	875	962	808	714	192	-68	-92	160	-76	-80

The engineering department seeks a scientific analysis to select materials for different intended purpose. The company is also considering an unknown element X, positioned between aluminium chloride and silicon chloride in the periodic table. *Plotting graphs* of melting point against atomic number for Group II and Period 3 chlorides (separately), *describing and explaining* trends and irregularities in melting points across Period 3 and down Group II chlorides, *evaluating, with reasons*, which chlorides are most suitable for water treatment and stabilizing concrete, casting molds, and producing heat resistant materials and *predicting* the likely melting point range and industrial suitability of the element X chloride.

Task

As a chemistry student, make a write up you will use to help the company.

Item 4

Kilembe Chemical Works Ltd, in Kasese, is investigating how bonding and molecular structure affect the properties and industrial uses of several compounds used in fertilizer formulation, water purification, and manufacturing of plastics and ceramics.

The *compounds* under study include *water, phosphorus trichloride, carbon tetrachloride, tin(II) chloride, ammonia, tin(IV) chloride, nitrate ion*, and .

It was reported that some compounds such as carbon tetrachloride and phosphorus trichloride are liquids at room temperature and insoluble in water, ammonia and water are highly soluble and have strong intermolecular attractions. tin(II) chloride conducts *electricity* in molten form, while tin(IV) chloride does not.

The manager seeks to know *molecular shape, bond type, and bond angle* for each substance, use bond type and molecular structure in the compounds *account for their differences* in melting point, solubility, and electrical conductivity. why water and ammonia form hydrogen bonds, and how this affects their boiling points and solubility compared to phosphorus trichloride and phosphorus pentachloride. Compare the bonding and structure of tin(II) chloride and tin(IV) chloride explain their difference in electrical conductivity and melting points. to guide the design of safe storage systems and efficient cooling and purification processes. Evaluate the environmental impacts of using nitrate ions in fertilizers

Task

As a chemistry student, make a write up you will use to help the company.

Part II

Attempt **One** item in this section

ITEM 5

Nile Chemical Industries Ltd, a chemical manufacturing firm located in Jinja, produces a range of organic-based materials used in plastics, fuels, solvents, and disinfectants. In one of its experiments, 20.0 cm³ of a gaseous hydrocarbon W was exploded with 150 cm³ of excess oxygen. After complete combustion, the residual gas measured 110 cm³, and when concentrated potassium hydroxide solution was added, the volume further decreased to 30 cm³

The company noted that ozonolysis of W produced only one compound and that W readily decolourised bromine water. These findings prompted the research team to seek a deeper understanding of W and its possible industrial applications in the synthesis of propan-1-ol,

benzoic acid, {  }, 1,2-dibromopentane and 1-chlorobutane.

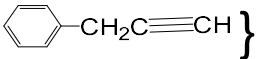

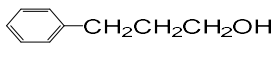
The company seeks a comprehensive evaluation: to determine the *formulae* of W, draw and name all possible *isomers*, *identify* W with reason(s), and illustrate the mechanism for the reaction between W and bromine water. Additionally, confirm the identity of the gas absorbed by potassium hydroxide solution, *predict* the functional groups of resulting organic compounds, describe *synthetic* pathways to related products, and assess the *environmental* impacts of producing above compounds in industry. You have been contacted for assistance.

Task

As a student of Chemistry, prepare a presentation you will use upon invitation.

ITEM 6

Albertine Oil Fractionation Ltd, an industrial chemical company in the Albertine region, produces fuels, solvents, and organic feedstocks for plastics and chemical synthesis. During a research study, an organic compound P was isolated from a distillation fraction. Complete combustion of a sample of P yielded 8.8 g carbon dioxide and 1.8 g water, while 0.100 g of P, vapourised at 273°C and 734 mmHg, occupied 4.46×10^{-2} dm³. Ozonolysis of P followed by hydrolysis produced a mixed Q of two different compounds, and P was observed to react readily with bromine and concentrated sulphuric acid. The company is exploring industrial

applications of these compounds for synthesis of prop-2-yn-1-ylbenzene {  } a component in manufacture of new drugs, benzene {  } solvent, and {  } chemical feedstocks.

The manager seeks to know the *formulae* of P, all possible structural *isomers*, *identity* of P with reasons, deduce the structure and functional groups of mixture Q, illustrate *mechanisms* for reactions of P with *bromine* and *concentrated sulphuric acid*, , outline *synthetic* pathways from Albertine oil fractions P to synthesis industrial compounds stated, and evaluate the environmental impacts of producing compounds in industry and their mitigations. You have been invited to help the manager.

Task

As a student of Chemistry, prepare a presentation you will use to help the firm.

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23.0 Na 11	24.3 Mg 12											27.0 Al 13	28.1 Si 14	31.0 P 15	32.1 S 16	35.4 Cl 17	40.0 Ar 18	
39.1 K 19	40.1 Ca 20	45.0 Sc 21	47.9 Ti 22	50.9 V 23	52.0 Cr 24	54.9 Mn 25	55.8 Fe 26	58.9 Co 27	58.7 Ni 28	63.5 Cu 29	65.7 Zn 30	69.7 Ga 31	72.6 Ge 32	74.9 As 33	79.0 Se 34	79.9 Br 35	83.8 Kr 36	
85.5 Rb 37	87.6 Sr 38	88.9 Y 39	91.2 Zr 40	92.9 Nb 41	95.9 Mo 42	98.9 Tc 43	101 Ru 44	103 Rh 45	106 Pd 46	108 Ag 47	112 Cd 48	115 In 49	119 Sn 50	122 Sb 51	128 Te 52	127 I 53	131 Xe 54	
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