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Section A

1 **(a)** **(i)** weight = GMm/r^2 C1
= $(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.42 \times 10^{23} \times 1.40)/(½ \times 6.79 \times 10^6)^2$ C1
= 5.20 N A1 [3]

(ii) potential energy = $-GMm/r$ C1
= $-(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.42 \times 10^{23} \times 1.40)/(½ \times 6.79 \times 10^6)$ M1
= -1.77×10^7 J A0 [2]

(b) *either* $½mv^2 = 1.77 \times 10^7$ C1
$v^2 = (1.77 \times 10^7 \times 2)/1.40$ C1
$v = 5.03 \times 10^3\ \mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ A1
or $½mv^2 = GMm/r$ (C1)
$v^2 = (2 \times 6.67 \text{ x } 10^{-11} \times 6.42 \times 10^{23})/(6.79 \times 10^6/2)$ (C1)
$v = 5.02 \times 10^3\ \mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ (A1) [3]

(c) **(i)** $½ \times 2 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \times (5.03 \times 10^3)^2 = \frac{3}{2} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times T$ C1
T = 2030 K A1 [2]

(ii) *either* because there is a range of speeds M1
some molecules have a higher speed A1
or some escape from point above planet surface (M1)
so initial potential energy is higher (A1) [2]

2 **(a)** temperature scale calibrated assuming linear change of property with temperature B1
neither property varies linearly with temperature B1 [2]

(b) **(i)** does not depend on the property of a substance B1 [1]

(ii) temperature at which atoms have minimum/zero energy B1 [1]

(c) **(i)** 323.15 K A1 [1]

(ii) 30.00 K A1 [1]

3	**(a)**	acceleration proportional to displacement/distance from fixed point	M1	
		and in opposite directions/directed towards fixed point	A1	[2]
	(b)	energy $= \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x_0^2$ and $\omega = 2\pi f$	C1	
		$= \frac{1}{2} \times 5.8 \times 10^{-3} \times (2\pi \times 4.5)^2 \times (3.0 \times 10^{-3})^2$	C1	
		$= 2.1 \times 10^{-5}$ J	A1	[3]
	(c) (i)	at maximum displacement	M1	
		above rest position	A1	[2]
	(ii)	acceleration $= (-)\omega^2 x_0$ and acceleration $= 9.81$ or g	C1	
		$9.81 = (2\pi \times 4.5)^2 \times x_0$		
		$x_0 = 1.2 \times 10^{-2}$ m	A1	[2]
4	**(a)**	e.g. storing energy separating charge blocking d.c. producing electrical oscillations tuning circuits smoothing preventing sparks timing circuits		
		(any two sensible suggestions, 1 each, max 2)	B2	[2]
	(b) (i)	$-Q$ (induced) on opposite plate of C_1	B1	
		by <u>charge conservation</u>, charges are $-Q$, $+Q$, $-Q$, $+Q$, $-Q$	B1	[2]
	(ii)	total p.d. $V = V_1 + V_2 + V_3$	B1	
		$Q/C = Q/C_1 + Q/C_2 + Q/C_3$	B1	
		$1/C = 1/C_1 + 1/C_2 + 1/C_3$	A0	[2]
	(c) (i)	energy $= \frac{1}{2}CV^2$ or energy $= \frac{1}{2}QV$ and $C = Q/V$	C1	
		$= \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 10^{-6} \times 9.0^2$		
		$= 4.9 \times 10^{-4}$ J	A1	[2]
	(ii)	energy dissipated in (resistance of) wire/as a spark	B1	[1]

5	**(a)**	supply connected correctly (to left & right) load connected correctly (to top & bottom)	B1 B1	[2]
	(b)	e.g. power supplied on every half-cycle greater <u>average/mean</u> power *(any sensible suggestion, 1 mark)*	B1	[1]
	(c) (i)	reduction in the variation of the output voltage/current	B1	[1]
	(ii)	larger capacitance produces more smoothing *either* product RC larger *or* for the same load	M1 A1	[2]
6	**(a)**	unit of magnetic flux density field normal to (straight) conductor carrying current of 1 A force per unit length is 1 $\mathrm{N\,m^{-1}}$	B1 M1 A1	[3]
	(b) (i)	force on particle always normal to direction of motion (and speed of particle is constant) magnetic force provides the centripetal force	M1 A1	[2]
	(ii)	$mv^2/r = Bqv$ $r = mv/Bq$	M1 A0	[1]
	(c) (i)	the momentum/speed is becoming less so the radius is becoming smaller	M1 A1	[2]
	(ii) 1.	spirals are in opposite directions so oppositely charged	M1 A1	[2]
	2.	equal <u>initial</u> radii so equal (initial) speeds	M1 A1	[2]

7	**(a)**	**(i)**	packet/quantum of energy	M1	
			of electromagnetic radiation	A1	[2]
		(ii)	<u>minimum</u> energy to cause emission of an electron (from surface)	B1	[1]
	(b)	**(i)**	$hc/\lambda = \Phi + E_{max}$	M1	
			c and *h* explained	A1	[2]
		(ii)	**1.** *either* when $1/\lambda = 0$, $\Phi = -E_{max}$		
			or evidence of use of *x*-axis intercept from graph		
			or chooses point close to the line and substitutes values of $1/\lambda$ and E_{max} into $hc/\lambda = \Phi + E_{max}$	C1	
			$\Phi = 4.0 \times 10^{-19}$ J (allow $\pm 0.2 \times 10^{-19}$ J)	A1	[2]
			2. *either* gradient of graph is $1/hc$	C1	
			gradient = $4.80 \times 10^{24} \rightarrow 5.06 \times 10^{24}$	M1	
			$h = 1/(\text{gradient} \times 3.0 \times 10^{8})$		
			$= 6.6 \times 10^{-34}$ J s $\rightarrow$ 6.9×10^{-34} J s	A1	
			or chooses point close to the line and substitutes values of $1/\lambda$ and E_{max} into $hc/\lambda = \Phi + E_{max}$	(C1)	
			values of $1/\lambda$ and E_{max} are correct within half a square	(M1)	
			$h = 6.6 \times 10^{-34}$ J s $\rightarrow$ 6.9×10^{-34} J s	(A1)	[3]
			(Allow full credit for the correct use of any appropriate method)		
			*(Do not allow 'circular' calculations in **part 2** that lead to the same value of Planck constant that was substituted in **part 1**)*		
8	**(a)**	**(i)**	probability of decay (of a nucleus)	M1	
			<u>per</u> unit time	A1	[2]
		(ii)	$\lambda t_{½} = \ln 2$		
			$\lambda = \ln 2/(3.82 \times 24 \times 3600)$	M1	
			$= 2.1 \times 10^{-6}$ s^{-1}	A0	[1]
	(b)		$A = \lambda N$	C1	
			$200 = 2.1 \times 10^{-6} \times N$	C1	
			$N = 9.5 \times 10^{7}$		
			ratio $= (2.5 \times 10^{25})/(9.5 \times 10^{7})$		
			$= 2.6 \times 10^{17}$	A1	[3]

Section B

9 **(a)** any value greater than, or equal to, 5 kΩ	B1	[1]
(b) **(i)** 'positive' shown in correct position	B1	[1]
(ii) $V^+ = (500/2200) \times 4.5$		
$\approx 1\,\text{V}$	B1	
$V^- > V^+$ so output is negative	M1	
green LED on, (red LED off)	A1	[3]
(allow full ecf of incorrect value of V^+)		
(iii) *either* V^+ increases *or* $V^+ > V^-$	M1	
green LED off, red LED on	A1	[2]
10 quartz/piezo-electric crystal	B1	
p.d. across crystal causes *either* centres of (+) and (–) charge to move		
or crystal to change shape	B1	
alternating p.d. (in ultrasound frequency range) causes crystal to vibrate	B1	
crystal cut to produce resonance	B1	
when crystal made to vibrate by ultrasound wave	M1	
alternating p.d. produced across the crystal	A1	[6]
11 **(a)** sharpness: ease with which edges of structures can be seen	B1	
contrast: <u>difference</u> in degree of blackening between structures	B1	[2]
(b) **(i)** $I = I_0 e^{-\mu x}$	C1	
$I/I_0 = \exp(-0.20 \times 8)$		
$= 0.20$	A1	[2]
(ii) $I/I_0 = \exp(-\mu_1 \times x_1) \times \exp(-\mu_2 \times x_2)$ *(could be three terms)*	C1	
$I/I_0 = \exp(-0.20 \times 4) \times \exp(-12 \times 4)$	C1	
$I/I_0 = 6.4 \times 10^{-22}$ or $I/I_0 \approx 0$	A1	[3]
(c) **(i)** sharpness unknown/no	B1	[1]
(ii) contrast good/yes *(ecf from **(b)**)*	B1	[1]

12	**(a)**	e.g. <u>carrier</u> frequencies can be re-used (without interference)	(M1)	
		so increased number of handsets can be used	(A1)	
		e.g. lower power transmitters	(M1)	
		so less interference	(A1)	
		e.g. UHF used	(M1)	
		so must be line-of-sight/short handset aerial	(A1)	
		(any two sensible suggestions with explanation, max 4)	B4	[4]
	(b)	computer at cellular exchange	B1	
		monitors the signal power	B1	
		relayed from several base stations	B1	
		switches call to base station with strongest signal	B1	[4]