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Level 1 Physics, Earth and Space Science 2024

92047 Demonstrate understanding of a physical system using energy concepts

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Demonstrate understanding of a physical system using energy concepts.	Explain a physical system using energy concepts.	Analyse a physical system using energy concepts.

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QUESTION ONE: ENERGY CHANGES

Janet drops a tennis ball from the top of a building.

Describe the energy changes (transfer) that take place as the ball falls down. (a)

The mass of the tennis ball is 0.0585 kg. The tennis ball falls through a height of 14.7 m. (b)

Show that the gravitational potential energy the ball loses as it falls to the ground is 8.6 J.

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(c) Calculate the speed with which the ball hits the ground.

In reality, the speed of the ball when it hits the ground is not the same as what was calculated in (d) part (c) above.

Explain the reason for this difference, including a statement whether the speed was more or less than what was calculated above.

(e) Janet's friend Maya retrieves the ball from the ground and runs up two flights of stairs, covering a total height of 15 m. Maya has a mass of 48 kg and she takes 34.2 seconds to reach the top.

Calculate the power.

- Begin your answer by describing the meaning of power and how it relates to Maya running up the stairs.
- State any assumptions you make.
- Include a unit with your answer.

QUESTION TWO: THERMAL ENERGY

Oliver wants to be able to keep his water cool the whole day while he is at school. Firstly, he tries freezing a bottle of water to take to school. Over the day, Oliver finds that it takes a long time for the ice to melt. Once the ice has melted, the water gets to room temperature quite quickly.

The specific heat capacity of water = 4200 J kg^{-1} The latent heat of fusion = 334000 J kg^{-1} Mass of water in the bottle = 0.750 kg (750 mL)

(a) What does the term 'latent heat of fusion' mean?

(b) Calculate the heat energy required for 0.750 kg of water to change state from solid to liquid.

Use the information provided opposite and the graph below to describe the reason why it takes a longer time for the ice to completely melt, and a much shorter time for the melted water to get to room temperature.



Temperature against time graph for ice left outside

(d) Oliver next decides to try using a Thermos that holds the same volume of water as his earlier bottle. The Thermos flask is also known as a vacuum flask. It is a double-walled glass vessel that is designed to minimise heat transfer by keeping hot things hot, and cold things cold.

> Describe TWO key features of a Thermos that reduce heat transfer, and explain the type of heat transfer each feature is designed to reduce.



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(e) Oliver decides to test his Thermos, and finds that at the start of the day, the temperature of the water is 5 °C. Five hours later, he finds the temperature has risen to 12 °C.

Show that the average rate of thermal energy absorption of the water in the Thermos over the five hours is approximately 1.2 W.

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QUESTION THREE: ELECTRICITY

Tane is studying the relationship between current, voltage, and resistance. He uses a power supply, a variable resistor, and a piece of resistance wire submerged in a beaker of water. He connects the components as follows:



- (a) In the above diagram, include an ammeter to measure the circuit current and a voltmeter to measure the voltage across the coil of wire.
- (b) The following graph shows the relationship between voltage and current.

Using information from the graph, calculate the resistance of the coil and include an appropriate unit.



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(c)	Give a reason	why the	wire is	submerged	in water	during the	experiment.

(d) Using the data from the graph, what is the maximum rate of electrical potential energy being used?

Include units with your answer.

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- (e) One of the components in the circuit is a variable resistor.



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Explain how the variable resistor is used, and analyse the effect it has on both the current and the voltage for components in the circuit, as the resistance is increased.



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