

## QUESTION 1

You are in attendance at a fire at your local gas supply outlet, the cylinder storage area is well involved and it is encroaching on the nitrogen rack.

- a) If the nitrogen cylinders are burst rated at 20 mPa, what temperature will they be likely to explode at if they were filled to 12mPa @ 20°C?

**(5 marks)**

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- b) A Hydrogen cylinder bursts its safety disc in an adjoining room. What volume of gas will be released from a 25 litre cylinder filled to 3500 kPa?

(Take atmospheric pressure as 100kPa, disregard temperature)

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c) What is unique about the following gases when using the gas formulas:

- LPG (Liquefied Petroleum gas)
- Acetylene

**(5 marks each)**

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## QUESTION 2

At a well involved property fire, your officer returns from his scene size up and warns of a possible backdraught.

- a) List the likely indicators your Officer may have witnessed **(2 marks each point)**

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- b) Detail your actions as No1 before and during entry into the structure. **(2 marks each point)**

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- c) Briefly describe a backdraught. **(10 marks)**

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### QUESTION 3

You are called to a fire in a chemical processing plant in a non-reticulated area just outside your fire district. The only extinguishing medium available to you is what you carry on your appliance.

- a) Detail the potential outcome of using water on Calcium Carbide. **(7 marks)**

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- b) What medium would be most suitable for use on fires involving methylated spirits? **(6 marks)**

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- c) What affect will CO<sub>2</sub> have on burning hydrogen peroxide?  
*The use of chemical equations will attract additional marks.* **(7 marks)**

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## QUESTION 4

You are involved in fire investigation following a fire involving an electric heater.

- a) Calculate the power rating in kilowatts if it draws 9 amperes from a 240 volt supply. **(8 marks)**

b) The electrical circuit had three resistors connected in series,  $R_1 = 2.5$  ohms,  $R_2 = 7.5$  ohms and  $R_3 = 25$  ohms. An electromotive force (e.m.f) of 240 volts is applied across the circuit.

- Calculate the total resistance of the circuit
- Calculate the current through the circuit **(6 marks each)**

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## QUESTION 5

You have been sent into a scientific laboratory filled with smoke to identify which substance is generating the most noxious fumes. A storage cabinet contains a range of substances.

What substances are matched with the following chemical equations:

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| • $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$       | Ammonium Nitrate       |
| • $\text{CO}$                  | Hydrogen Peroxide      |
| • $\text{CH}_4$                | Potassium Bromide      |
| • $\text{HCN}$                 | Carbon Dioxide         |
| • $\text{NH}_3$                | Carbon Monoxide        |
| • $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$       | Hydrogen Sulphide      |
| • $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$      | Potassium Cyanide      |
| • $\text{HCl}$                 | Potassium Permanganate |
| • $\text{NaNO}_3$              | Methane                |
| • $\text{KMnO}_4$              | Hydrogen Cyanide       |
| • $\text{KCN}$                 | Ammonia                |
| • $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{NO}_3$ | Sodium Nitrate         |
|                                | Methanol               |
|                                | Sulphuric Acid         |
|                                | Hydrochloric Acid      |

**(2 marks each)**

## QUESTION 6

A crane is seconded at an industrial rescue to extricate an injured worker.

- a) Calculate the work done if the load was 1400N and the lift is 35 metres. **(7 marks)**

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- b) The lift took 27 seconds, what is the power of the crane? **(7 marks)**

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- c) Calculate the kinetic energy of the load. **(6 marks)**

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