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# PHYSICS PAPER 1

## ANSWERS

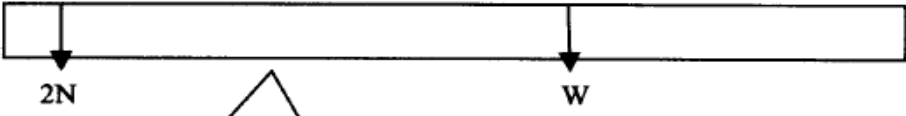
### KCSE 2010

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1. 1.62cm
2. Time = (2.53 + 0.50)s = 3.03s
3. Air molecules expelled by heating;  
cooling creates partial vacuum – pressure  
inside is less than atmospheric pressure.  
Therefore collapses: (2 marks)
4. Flame heats air which becomes less dense and hence moves upwards. This will push the blades  
upwards and cause clockwise rotation.  
This creates a conventional current (2 marks)
5. Flask which is in contact with the heat expands first. Then the liquid expands more than glass. (2 marks)
6.
 

5cm                      30cm                      50cm



$$W \times 0.2 = 2 \times 0.25$$

$$\therefore W = \frac{2 \times 0.25}{0.2} = 2.5N$$

(1 mark)

(1 marks)
7. The tube below Y is narrower than the tube below X. So water flows faster below Y. Pressure is  
therefore lower than Y (Benoulli effect). (2 marks)
8. (a) Resistance = 8N  
(b)  $14 - 8 = 30 \text{ a}$   

$$\therefore a = \frac{6}{30} \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

$$= 0.2 \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

(2 marks)
9. Drop spreads out until the patch is one molecule thick/monolayer. (1 mark)
10. (a) Upthrust = (5.0 – 4.04)N  
= 0.96N (1 mark)  
(b) Weight of liquid displaced = 0.96N  

$$\therefore \text{Mass of liquid} = 0.096\text{kg}$$

$$\frac{m}{V} = \rho$$

$$\frac{0.096}{V} = 800$$

$$\therefore V = \frac{0.096}{800} \text{ m}^3$$

$$= 1.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3$$

$$= 1.2 \times 10^2 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$= 120 \text{ cm}^3$$

(2 marks)

11. Volume decreases, so more collisions per second – hence higher pressure. (1 mark)
12.  $F = mr \omega^2 = mg$   
 $0.200 \times 1 \times \omega^2 = 0.5 \times 10 = 5$  (1 mark)
- $\omega^2 = \frac{5}{0.200}$  (1 mark)
- $\therefore \omega = \sqrt{\frac{5}{0.200}} = 5 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$  (1 mark)
13.  $\text{Nm}^{-1}$  (1 mark)
14. Increase the base area or lower the c.g. (1 mark)
15. (a) Potential Energy  $\rightarrow$  Kinetic energy  $\rightarrow$  Heat (1 mark)
- (b) (i) Work done by the force =  $200 \times 22.5 \text{ J}$   
 $= 4500 \text{ J}$  (2 marks)
- (ii) Work done on the mass =  $mgh$   
 $= 30 \times 10 \times 7.5 \text{ J}$   
 $= 2250 \text{ J}$  (2 marks)
- (iii) Work done to overcome friction =  $(4500 - 2250 \text{ J})$   
 $= 2250 \text{ J}$  (2 marks)
- (iv) Efficiency =  $\frac{\text{work output}}{\text{work input}} \times 100\%$   
 $= \frac{2250}{4500} \times 100\% = 50\%$  (2 marks)
- (c) Reduce friction by use of rollers/smoothing (polishing surfaces)/oiling. (1 mark)
16. (a) Mass of water completely filling the bottle  
 $= (66.4 - 43.2)\text{g}$   
 $= 23.2\text{g}$  (2 marks)
- (b) Volume of water completely filling the bottle =  $23.2 \text{ cm}^3$  (1 mark)
- (c) Volume of density bottle =  $23.2 \text{ cm}^3$  (1 mark)
- (d) Mass of sand =  $(67.5 - 43.2)\text{g} = 24\text{g}$  (1 mark)
- (e) Mass of water filling space above sand =  $82.3 - 67.5$   
 $= 14.8\text{g}$  (1 mark)
- (f) Volume of sand =  $(23.2 - 14.8) \text{ cm}^3$   
 $= 8.4 \text{ cm}^3$  (3 marks)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(g) Density of sand} &= \frac{m}{v} = \frac{24g}{8.4cm^3} \\
 &= 2.807 \text{ gcm}^{-3}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad (2 \text{ marks})$$

17. (a) At high altitudes pressure is low so boiling point is low. So pressure cooker increases pressure which raises the boiling point, hence faster cooking. (2 marks)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) (i) Heat absorbed by water} &= 3 \times 4200 \times 80 \text{ J} \\
 &= 1008000 \text{ J}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad (2 \text{ marks})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Heat absorbed by kettle} &= 450 \times 80 \text{ J} \\
 &= 36000 \text{ J}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad (2 \text{ marks})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Heat applied by heater} &= pt = 3000t \text{ J} \\
 &= 3000t = 1008000 + 36000 \text{ J} \\
 &= 1044000
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore t &= \frac{1044000}{3000} \\
 &= 348s
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{348}{60} \text{ minutes} \\
 &= 5.8 \text{ minutes}
 \end{aligned}$$

(3 marks)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv) Time taken to boil away} \\
 m_{\text{ev}} &= Pt \\
 3 \times 2.3 \times 10^6 &= 3000t \\
 \therefore t &= \frac{3 \times 2.3 \times 10^6}{3000} \text{ s} = 2300 \text{ s}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2300}{60} \text{ minutes} = 38.3 \text{ minutes}$$

(3 marks)

$$\begin{aligned}
 18. \text{ (a) } \frac{m}{v} &= \rho \\
 \frac{4}{v} &= 3000 \\
 \therefore v &= \frac{4}{3000} m^3 \\
 v &= 1.33 \times 10^{-3} m^3
 \end{aligned}$$

(2 marks)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) Mass of liquid displaced} &= m \\
 \frac{m}{v} &= 800 \Rightarrow m = 800 \times 1.33 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg} \\
 &= 1.064 \text{ kg}
 \end{aligned}$$

(1 mark)

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Weight of the displaced liquid = 10.64 N (1 mark)

Upthrust = 10.64 N (1 mark)

(c) Weight of stone in air = 40 N (1 mark)  
Reading of spring balance = (40 - 10.64) N (1 mark)  
= 29.36 N

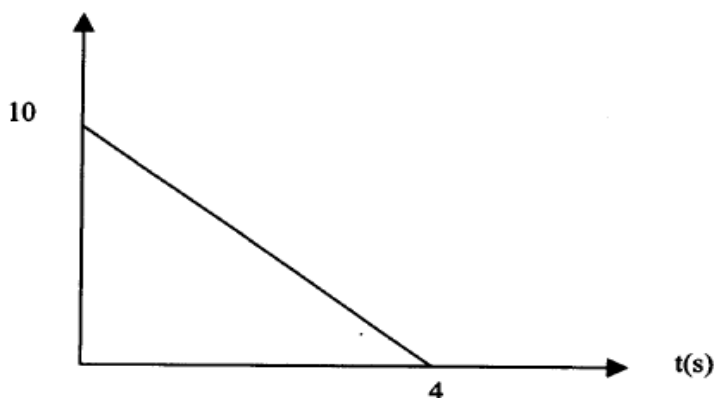
(d) When the stone is removed reading of compression balance  
= (85 - 10.64) N = 74.36 N (2 marks)

19. (a) (i) **OA** - Body moves from rest at constant acceleration.  
(ii) **AB** - Body moves with decreasing acceleration.  
(iii) **BC** - Body moves with constant velocity i.e. zero acceleration. (3 marks)

(b) (i)  $u = 10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$   
 $a = -25 \text{ ms}^{-2}$   
 $t = 1.5 \text{ s}$   
 $V = u + at = 10 - 25 \times 1.5 = 6.25 \text{ ms}^{-1}$   
(ii)  $S = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$   
 $= 10(1.5) - \frac{1}{2}(2.5) 1.5^2 = 12.1875 \text{ m}$   
 $= 12.19 \text{ m}$  (1 mark)  
(1 mark)

(iii)  $V = 0$   
i.e.  $0 = 10 - 2.5t$   
 $\Rightarrow t = \frac{10}{2.5} \text{ s} = 4 \text{ s}$  (1 mark)

(c) (i)  $V (\text{ms}^{-1})$



(1 mark)

(ii) Distance = Area of triangle  
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 10 = 20 \text{ m}$  (1 mark)  
(1 mark)