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# TERBUKA

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AND CONSERVATION

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PROGRAMME CODE

: BWW

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**DURATION** 

: 3 HOURS

**INSTRUCTION** 

: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

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Q1 (a) (i) The peroxydisulfate ion  $S_2O_8^2$  is a potent oxidizing agent that reacts rapidly with iodide ion in water

$$S_2 O_8^{2-}_{(aq)} + 3I^-_{(aq)} \rightarrow 2 SO_4^{2-}_{(aq)} + I_3^-_{(aq)}$$

The table lists kinetics data for this reaction at 25 °C. Determine the rate law and the rate constant.

Experiment	$[S_2O_8^{2-}]$	$[I^-]$	Initial Rate
1	0.27	0.38	2.05
2	0.40	0.38	3.06
3	0.40	0.22	1.76

(5 marks)

(ii) The thermal decomposition of phosphine  $(PH_3)$  into phosphorus and molecular hydrogen is a first-order reaction:

$$4 PH_{3(g)} \rightarrow P_{4(g)} + 6 H_{2(g)}$$

The half-life of the reaction is 35.0s at 680 °C. Calculate the 1st order rate constant for the reaction.

(2 marks)

(iii) Referring to Q1 (a) (ii), determine the time required for 95 % of phosphine to decompose.

(3 marks)

(b) (i) Consider the reaction

$$H_{2(g)} + Cl_{2(g)} \rightarrow 2 HCl_{(g)}$$
  $\Delta H = -184.6 \ kJ/mol$ 

If 3 moles of  $H_2$  reacts with 3 moles of  $Cl_2$  to form HCl against a pressure of 1 atm at 25 °C. What is  $\Delta E$  for this reaction? Assume the reaction goes to completion. (Given that R=8.314 J/K·mol)

(4 marks)

(ii) Given that the thermochemical equation

$$SO_{2(g)} + \frac{1}{2}O_{2(g)} \rightarrow SO_{3(g)} \qquad \Delta H = -99.1 \, kJ$$

Calculate the heat evolved when 74.6 g of SO<sub>2</sub> is converted to SO<sub>3</sub>.

(2 marks)



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(c) (i) Consider the following equilibrium process at 686 °C

$$CO_{2(g)} + H_{2(g)} \rightleftarrows CO_{(g)} + H_2O_{(g)}$$

The equilibrium concentrations of the reacting species are [CO] = 0.050 M,  $[H_2] = 0.045$  M,  $[CO_2] = 0.086$  M and  $[H_2O] = 0.040$  M. Calculate  $K_{eq}$  for the reaction at 686 °C.

(3 marks)

(ii) Heating solid sodium bicarbonate in a closed vessel establishes the following equilibrium

$$2 \ NaHCO_{3(s)} \ \rightleftarrows \ Na_2CO_{3(s)} + \ H_2O_{(g)} + \ CO_{2(g)}$$

Conclude what will happen to the equilibrium position if some solid  $Na_2CO_3$  were added to the system.

(1 mark)

- Q2 (a) 3-bromopentanoic acid reacted with an organic compound A with the aid of an acid catalyst B producing ethyl 3-bromopentanoate and water.
  - (i) What is acid catalyst B?

(1 mark)

(ii) Illustrate the organic reaction occurs and give the systematic nomenclature of A.

(2 marks)

(iii) Determine the functional group of organic compound A.

(2 marks)

- (b) Starting with an alkene, illustrate how could a 1-bromocyclohexane compound can be synthesis.
  - (i) Indicate the type of reaction occurs.

(1 mark)

(ii) Illustrate the reaction and give the systematic nomenclature for each organic compound.

(4 marks)

(c) (i) List down **THREE** (3) recycling codes for plastics and the used of the recycled polymer.

(6 marks)

(ii) Explain briefly the difference between melt transition temperature  $T_m$  and glass transition temperature  $T_g$ 

(4 marks)



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Describe the unique feature of water and define what groundwater is. Q3 (a) (i) Illustrate the location of groundwater in soil and differentiate between zone of (ii) aeration and aquifer. (4 marks) Explain in details and illustrates the water cycle process. (b) (4 marks) List down FOUR (4) different ions that may presence in the rain and the initial (ii) sources of these ions. (2 marks) SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> gases play an important role in the formation of acid precipitation (c) in the environment. Determine if these gases are primary or secondary pollutant and write the chemical reactions of these gases with water. (3 marks) Acid precipitation may cause adverse effect to the environment. With the aid of an illustration, explain the effect of acid precipitation towards the environment. (4 marks) Define "Primary Protein Structure". 04 (a) (2 marks) Secondary Protein Structure commonly takes two forms which are α-helix and (b) β-pleated sheet. Differentiate between these TWO (2) forms. (4 marks)

(c) There are EIGHT (8) steps in Tricarboxylic Acid (TCA) cycle. Explain the first FOUR (4) steps in TCA cycle.

(8 marks)

(d) There are **THREE** (3) specificity types of enzyme activity. Explain each type. (6 marks)



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Q5 (a) (i) Determine the number of protons and electrons of the following common ions:  $Mg^{2+}$  and  $Br^-$ .

(2 marks)

(ii) Classify if K<sub>2</sub>O have an ionic or covalent bonding. Justify your answer.

(3 marks)

- (b) A certain amount of gas at 25 °C and at pressure of 0.8 atm is contained in a glass vessel. The vessel can withstand a pressure of 2 atm. How high can we raise the temperature (in Kelvin and Celsius) without bursting the vessel?

  (5 marks)
- (c) Demonstrate **THREE** (3) important roles of drugs in human society. (6 marks)
- (d) Many of the conservation genetics studies have utilized the sequence information of mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) marker for wildlife conservation. Explain TWO (2) advantages of using mtDNA marker over other tools.

  (4 marks)

-END OF QUESTIONS-

