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APPLIED SCIENCE

Unit 1 Key Concepts in Science
Section B – Chemistry

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Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes. You are advised to spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

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For this paper you must have:

- a calculator
- the Formulae Sheet (enclosed)
- the Periodic Table (enclosed).

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Answer ALL questions in each section.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.



INFORMATION

- You will be provided with a copy of the Formulae Sheet and the Periodic Table.
- There are three sections in this paper:
SECTION A – Biology SECTION B – Chemistry
SECTION C – Physics.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 60 and the maximum mark for this section is 20.

ADVICE

Read each question carefully.

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SECTION B – CHEMISTRY

Answer ALL the questions in this section.

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The Periodic Table lists the elements in order of increasing atomic number.

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Define the atomic number of an element. [1 mark]



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Which is the correct definition for the mass number of an element? [1 mark]

Tick (✓) ONE box.

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Average mass of all isotopes of that element

☐

Number of electrons + number of neutrons

☐

Number of electrons + number of protons

☐

Number of protons + number of neutrons

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The Periodic Table is divided into blocks.

Suggest why an element would be classified as an s-block element. [2 marks]

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Transition elements are in the d-block.

Complete the electron configuration of nickel. [1 mark]

$1s^2 2s^2$ _____



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Analytical chemists use flame emission spectra to identify metal ions.

Explain how metal ions produce a coloured flame emission spectrum. [3 marks]

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This question is about properties of the elements in Group 2 of the Periodic Table.

TABLE 1 shows data for the elements in Group 2.

TABLE 1

Element	Atomic Number	Atomic radius / $\times 10^{-12}\text{m}$
Beryllium	4	99
Magnesium	12	140
Calcium	20	174
Strontium	38	190
Barium	56	206
Radium	88	211

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On the opposite page, plot a graph of atomic radius against atomic number on FIGURE 1.

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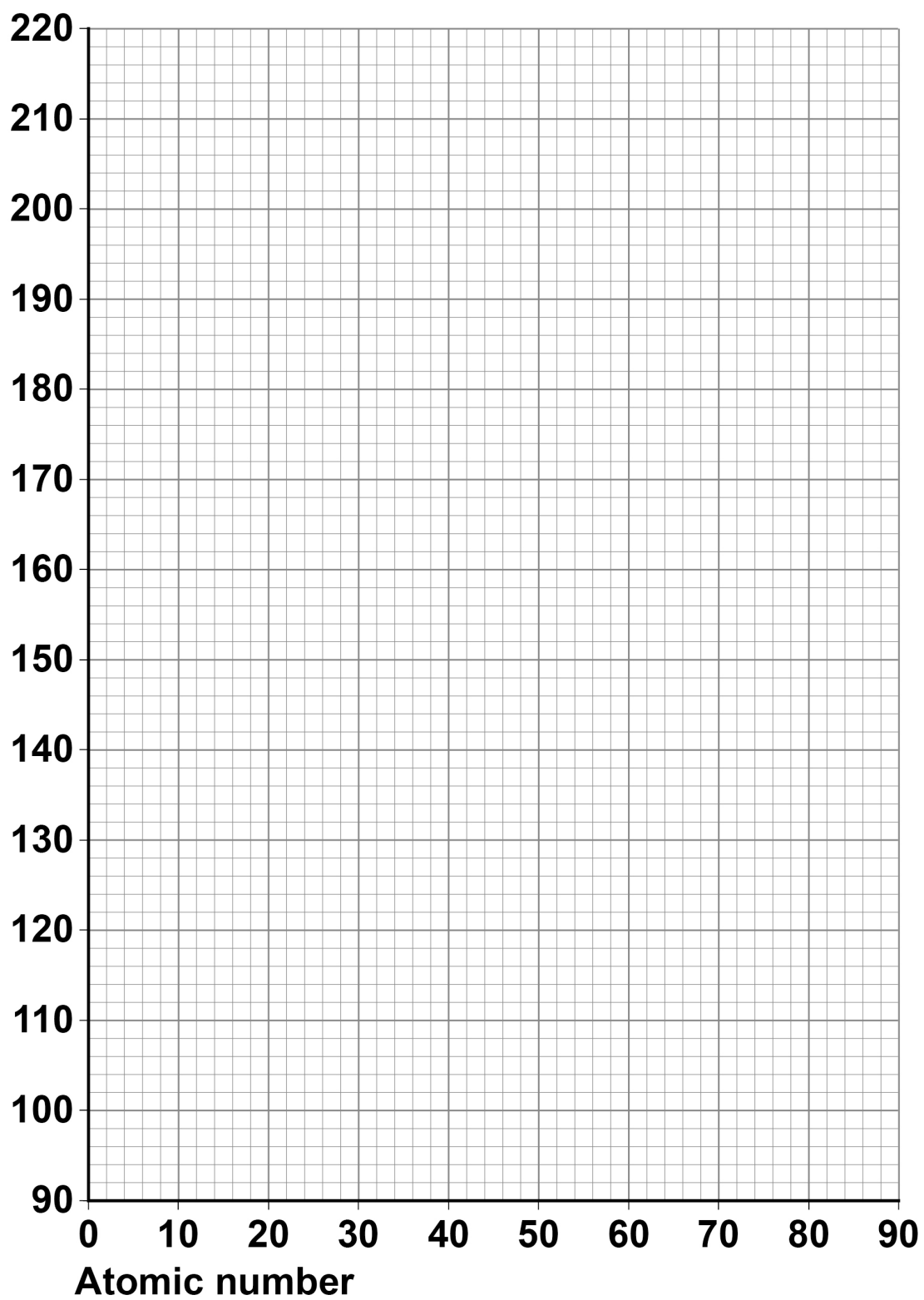
- draw a ring around the anomalous value on the graph
- draw a line of best fit.

[3 marks]



FIGURE 1

Atomic radius / $\times 10^{-12}\text{m}$



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Explain why atomic radius increases as atomic number increases in Group 2. [2 marks]

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Magnesium has three stable isotopes.

TABLE 2, on the opposite page, shows information about the three isotopes of magnesium.



TABLE 2

Isotope	Symbol	Isotopic Abundance / %
Magnesium-24	^{24}Mg	79
Magnesium-25	^{25}Mg	10
Magnesium-26	^{26}Mg	11

Calculate the relative atomic mass of magnesium.

Give your answer to 3 significant figures. [3 marks]

Relative atomic mass of magnesium = _____

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Diamond is a form of carbon.

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Explain why diamond is extremely hard.

Refer to the type of bonding in diamond and the structure of diamond. [3 marks]



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Why does diamond NOT conduct electricity? [1 mark]

END OF QUESTIONS

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