

## Transition skills - basic mathematical competencies answer sheet

### Rearranging equations

1.

a.  $c = \frac{1000n}{v}$

b.  $v = \frac{1000n}{c}$

2.

a.  $m = d \times v$

b.  $d = \frac{m \times 10^{-3}}{v \times 10^{-6}} = \frac{m}{v \times 10^{-3}}$

1 mark for both parts of the fraction correct, 1 mark for cancelling down the  $\times 10^{-6}$  to  $\times 10^{-3}$ .

3.

a.  $p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$

b.  $v = \frac{h}{\lambda m}$

1 mark for substitution of  $p = mv$  into the first equation and 1 mark for successful rearrangement.

4.

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{KE}{0.5m}} \text{ or } v = \sqrt{\frac{2KE}{m}}$$

1 mark for first rearrangement moving 0.5 m underneath the KE, 1 mark for dealing with the  $v^2$  by addition of the square root.

### BODMAS

1. a. 28

b. 40

c. 8

d. 45

e. 6

f. 40

2. a. 180

b. 5352

c. 180

Evaluation: Pressing equals after each operation leads to BODMAS errors.

### Quantity calculus

1. g cm<sup>-3</sup>
2. 2.mol dm<sup>-3</sup>
3. 3.g cm<sup>-3</sup>
4. 4.mol dm<sup>-3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>
5. 5.N m<sup>-2</sup>
6.
  - a) mol<sup>2</sup> dm<sup>-6</sup>
  - b) mol<sup>-1</sup> dm<sup>3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>
  - c) kPa<sup>-0.5</sup>
  - d) mol<sup>2</sup> dm<sup>-6</sup>
  - e) mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

### Expressing large and small numbers

1.
  - a.  $1.06 \times 10^6$
  - b.  $1.06 \times 10^{-3}$
  - c.  $2.222 \times 10^2$
2. 1 mark for sensible choice of  $\times 10^x$  power, in this case  $\times 10^{-2}$  or  $\times 10^{-3}$  is most sensible.  
0.5 marks for each number correctly converted.
3.
  - a.  $10^4$
  - b.  $10^{14}$
  - c.  $0.5 \times 10^{-11}$  or  $5 \times 10^{-12}$
  - d.  $2.4 \times 10^2$

### Significant figures, decimal places and rounding

|          |           | Significant figures | Decimal places |
|----------|-----------|---------------------|----------------|
| <b>1</b> | 3.131 88  | 6                   | 5              |
| <b>2</b> | 1000      | 1                   | 0              |
| <b>3</b> | 0.000 65  | 2                   | 5              |
| <b>4</b> | 1006      | 4                   | 0              |
| <b>5</b> | 560.0     | 4                   | 1              |
| <b>6</b> | 0.000 480 | 3                   | 6              |

*(0.5 mark for each correct answer)*

7.
  - a.
    - i. 0.0758
    - ii. 0.08
  - b.
    - i. 231
    - ii. 231.46

## Unit conversions 1 – Length, mass and time

1. 12 mm
2. 72.00 m
3. 270 s
4. 154 s
5. 2 h 25 min
6. 15.5 t
7. 26.5 g
8. 75 mg/tablet = 0.075 g/tablet  
 $1 \text{ g} \div 0.075 \text{ g/tablet} = 13.3 \text{ tablets}$   
Minimum number of tablets needed = 14
9. 30 g/min

NOTE In this example, as you are converting 1/the unit, you need to do the inverse of what is described in the diagram eg instead of  $\div 60$ ,  $\times 60$ .

10.  $10.44 \text{ kg/h} = 10\,440 \text{ g/h} = 174 \text{ g/min} = \underline{2.9 \text{ g/s}}$

## Unit conversions 2 – Volume

1. drinks bottle,  $1 \text{ dm}^3$ ; sugar cube,  $1 \text{ cm}^3$ ; washing machine,  $1 \text{ m}^3$
2. To convert a volume in  $\text{cm}^3$  into a volume in  $\text{dm}^3$ , divide by 1000.

To convert a volume in  $\text{cm}^3$  into a volume in  $\text{m}^3$ , divide by 1 000 000.

3. a.  $1.6 \text{ dm}^3$   
b.  $5.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3$   
c.  $1350 \text{ cm}^3$   
d.  $375\,000\,000 \text{ cm}^3$   
e.  $0.006\,54 \text{ m}^3$

|                     | £ per $\text{m}^3$ |    | p per $\text{cm}^3$   |    | p per $\text{dm}^3$ |
|---------------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|----|---------------------|
| <b>Cylinder 'a'</b> | 7.27               | or | $7.27 \times 10^{-4}$ | or | 0.727               |
| <b>Cylinder 'b'</b> | 7.87               |    | $7.87 \times 10^{-4}$ |    | 0.787               |
| <b>Cylinder 'c'</b> | 4.11               |    | $4.11 \times 10^{-4}$ |    | 0.411               |

Therefore 'c' is the best value for money.

## Moles and mass

- $32.0 \text{ g} \div 16.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 2 \text{ mol}$
  - $175 \text{ g} \div 100.1 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 1.75 \text{ mol}$
  - $0.2 \text{ g} \div 180.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 0.0011 \text{ mol}$
- $20 \text{ mol} \times 180 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 3\,600 \text{ g}$
  - $5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol} \times 63.5 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 0.318 \text{ g}$
  - $42.0 \text{ mol} \times 249.6 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 10\,500 \text{ g}$
- $3.09 \text{ g} \div 0.0250 \text{ mol} = 123.6 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$
    - $\text{CuCO}_3$
  - molar mass of chromium carbonate =  $4.26 \text{ g} \div 0.015 \text{ mol} = 284 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$   
 $\text{Cr}_2(\text{CO}_3)$

## BONUS QUESTION

$6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ p} \div 7\,500\,000\,000 \text{ people} = 8.03 \times 10^{13} \text{ p per person}$  or 803 000 million pounds per person!

## Moles and concentration

- $1.5 \text{ mol} \div 0.25 \text{ dm}^3 = 6.0 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
  - $0.25 \text{ dm}^3 \times 0.0150 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} = 3.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}$
  - $0.125 \text{ mol} \div 0.85 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} = 0.15 \text{ dm}^3$
- $5.0 \text{ g} \div 84.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = \underline{0.0595 \text{ mol}}$   
 $0.0595 \text{ mol} \div 0.100 \text{ dm}^3 = \underline{0.60 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}}$
  - $0.025 \text{ dm}^3 \times 3.8 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} = \underline{0.095 \text{ mol}}$   
 $0.095 \text{ mol} \times 40.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = \underline{3.8 \text{ g}}$
  - $2.5 \text{ g} \div 129.9 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = \underline{0.0192 \text{ mol}}$   
 $0.0192 \text{ mol} \div 1.3 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} = \underline{0.015 \text{ dm}^3}$   
 $0.015 \text{ dm}^3 = \underline{15 \text{ cm}^3}$  (to 2 sig. fig.)