Practice Question Set For A-Level

**Subject: Physics** 

Paper-2 Topic: 9\_Thermodynamics



Name of the Student:	Time : 20 Minutes
Q1.	
The fuel used in a camping stove is butane, which is stored in a canister as shown.	
butane canister	camping stove
Some of the butane in the canister is in a liquid state, and some is a gas.	
When the stove uses the butane gas, some of the liquid butane evaporates.	
Explain why the temperature of the canister decreases when the stove is used.	
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(Total fo	or question = 3 marks)

Q2.

The fuel used in a camping stove is butane, which is stored in a canister as shown.

The pressure inside the canister is 220 kPa and the temperature of the gas is 21 °C.

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(i)	The canister is in the shape of a cylinder of length 0.23 m and radius 0.11 m.	
	Calculate the number of molecules of butane gas in the canister.	
	Assume the volume of liquid butane inside the canister is negligible.	
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	Number of molecules of butane gas =	
(ii)	Calculate the r.m.s. speed of the molecules of butane gas.	
(")	mass of butane molecule = $9.6 \times 10^{-26}$ kg	
	mass of butane molecule = 9.6 x 10 kg	(2)
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	rms speed =	
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## Q3.

A fine-beam tube is used for investigating properties of electrons.

An electron beam is produced inside a spherical glass bulb. The bulb contains neon gas at a very low pressure.

The neon gas is at a pressure of 1.25 Pa and a temperature of 25 °C.

Calculate the number *N* of neon atoms inside the bulb.

bulb diameter = 16.0 cm

(Total for question = 6 marks)

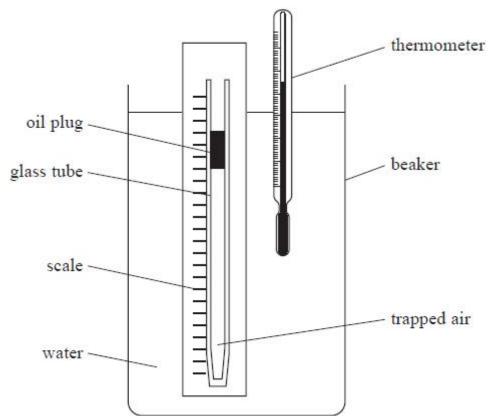
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## Q4.

A student investigated how the volume of a fixed mass of air varies with the temperature of the air. She used the apparatus shown.



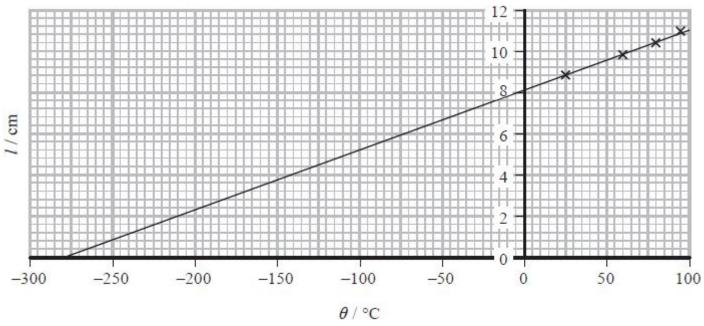
A glass tube was sealed at one end. A plug of oil trapped a length I of air in the tube. The water in the beaker was heated to a temperature  $\theta$ . The corresponding value of I was measured. This was repeated for a range of temperatures.

The thermometer had a resolution of 0.5 °C. The scale had mm divisions.

The student's results are shown in the table.

θ / °C	1 / cm
24	8.8
60	9.8
78.5	10.3
95.5	10.9

The student plotted a graph of I against  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  as shown.



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ii) The student wrote a report of the investigation in her lab book. In the conclusion she wrote:  "In this investigation uncertainties were minimised by selecting measuring instruments with a high resolution. The points lie on a perfect straight line, indicating that the investigation is accurate."  Discuss the student's conclusion.	
Discuss the student's conclusion.	(4)


(Total for question = 7 marks)