Practice Question Set For A-Level

Subject: Physics

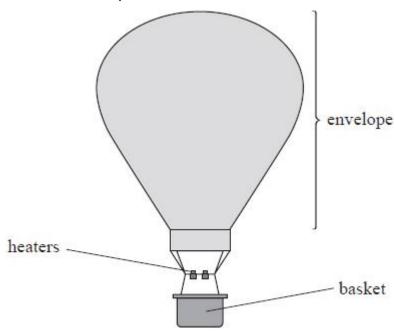
Paper-2 Topic: 9_Thermodynamics



Name of the Studer Max. Marks : 21 Ma				Time : 21 Minutes
Q1.				
A student placed a me	etal block of mass 220 g in boiling water at 1	00 °C for se	everal minu	tes.
	sferred the metal block into 300 g of water a of the water was 23 °C.	t 19 °C insid	le a glass c	container of mass 50 g
The table shows speci	fic heat capacity values for copper and tin.			
	Metal	copper	tin	
	Specific heat capacity / J kg ⁻¹ K ⁻¹	390	230	
Deduce whether the m	netal block was made from copper or tin.			•
specific heat capacity of specific heat capacity of	of water = 4200Jkg ⁻¹ K ⁻¹ of glass = 840Jkg ⁻¹ K ⁻¹			
				(5)

(Total for question = 5 marks)

A hot air balloon consists of a fabric envelope, heaters and a basket, as shown.



When the balloon is set up, the envelope is partly filled with air at 20°C. The air is then heated to 120°C and expands to fill the envelope and becomes less dense.

The air pressure inside the envelope is always equal to the air pressure outside the envelope because the envelope is open at the bottom.

The balloon takes off when the upthrust is more than the total weight of the balloon, the air in the envelope and the passengers.

Deduce whether the balloon can take off.

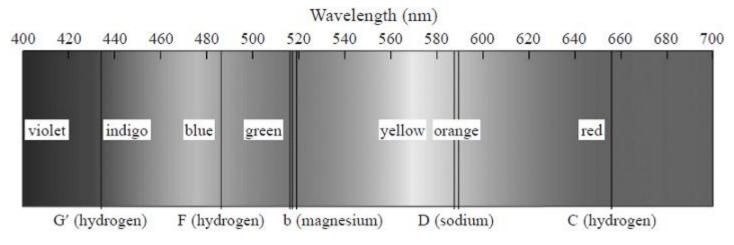
volume of air at 120° C in inflated envelope = 2800 m^3 density of air at 20° C = 1.2 kg m^{-3} mass of balloon = 380 kg mass of passengers = 340 kg upthrust when the envelope is full = 33 000 N

(Total for question = 6 marks)

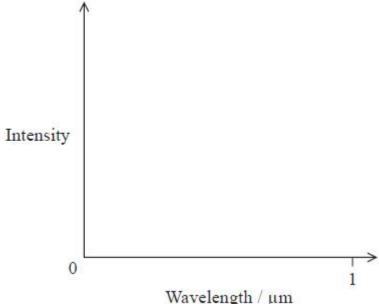
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Scientists can analyse light from stars that has passed through a diffraction grating.

A spectrum of the visible light emitted by a particular star is shown.



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(i) Light interacts with atoms as it passes through the atmosphere of the star.
Explain how this leads to the formation of the dark lines within the spectrum. (4
(ii) The surface temperature of the star is 5800 K.
On the axes below, sketch a graph of the intensity of radiation against the wavelength of that radiation for this star.
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wavelength / µm	
(iii) This star is a main sequence star.	
Explain why main sequence stars do not collapse due to gravitational forces.	(0)
	(2)

(Total for question = 10 marks)