Practice Question Set For GCSE
Subject : Physics
Paper-2 Topic: Waves (Low Demand Questions)

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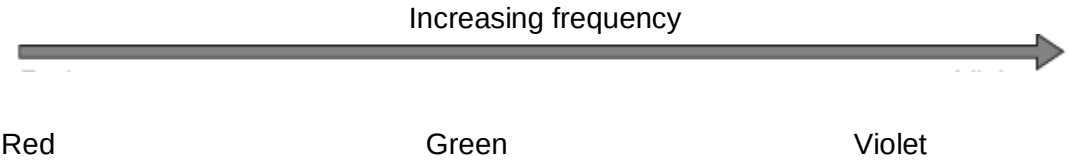
Name of the Student:_____
Max. Marks : 21 Marks **Time : 21 Minutes**

Q1.

(a) The visible light spectrum has a range of frequencies.

Figure 1 shows that the frequency increases from red light to violet light.

Figure 1



Use the correct answers from the box to complete the sentence.

decreases	**stays the same**	**increases**

As the frequency of the light waves increases, the wavelength

of the light waves _____ and

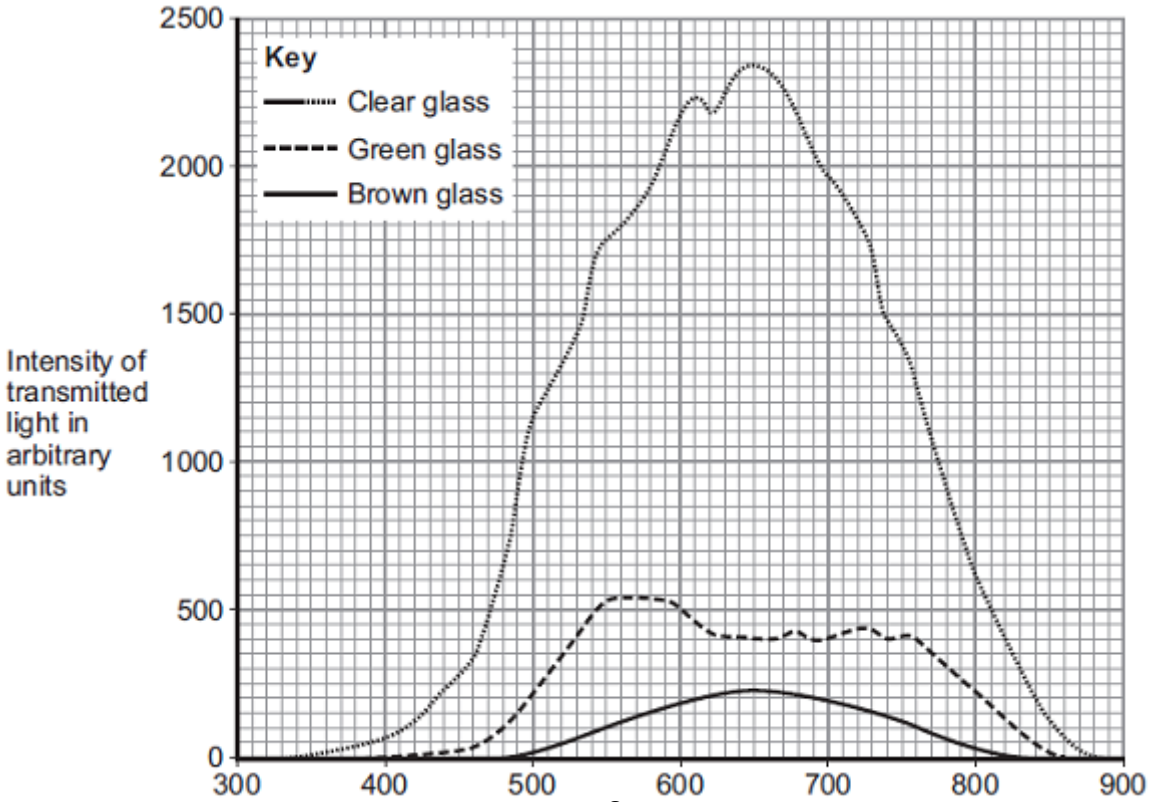
the energy of the light waves _____ .

(2)

(b) Bottled beer will spoil if the intensity of the light passing through the glass bottle into the beer is too high.

Figure 3 shows the intensity of the light that is transmitted through three different pieces of glass.

Figure 3



(i) The pieces of glass all had the same thickness.

Suggest why.

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(1)

(ii) Bottles made of brown glass are suitable for storing beer.

Suggest why.

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(1)

(Total 4 marks)

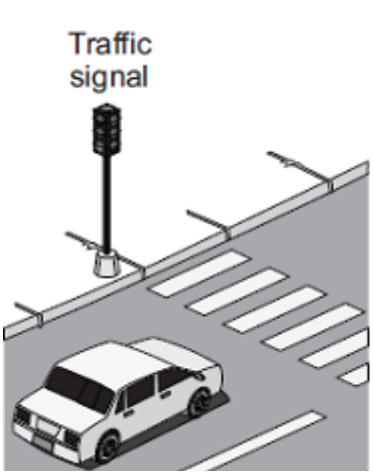
Q2.

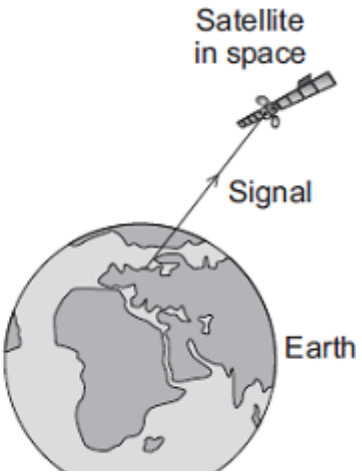
Diagram 1 shows four of the seven types of wave in the electromagnetic spectrum.

Diagram 1

J	**K**	**L**	Visible light	Infrared	Microwaves	Radio waves

(a) The **four** types of electromagnetic wave named in **Diagram 1** above are used for communication.





(i) Which type of electromagnetic wave is used when a traffic signal communicates with a car driver?

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(1)

(ii) Which type of electromagnetic wave is used to communicate with a satellite in space?

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(1)

(b) Gamma rays are part of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Which letter, **J**, **K** or **L**, shows the position of gamma rays in the electromagnetic spectrum?

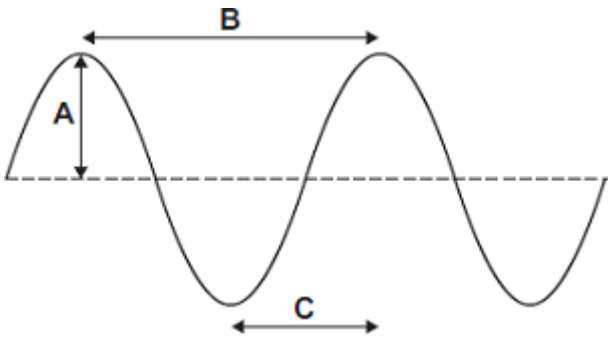
Draw a ring around the correct answer.

J **K** **L**

(1)

(c) **Diagram 2** shows an infrared wave.

Diagram 2



(i) Which **one** of the arrows, labelled **A**, **B** or **C**, shows the wavelength of the wave?

Write the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, in the box. ☐

(1)

(ii) Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete the sentence.

The wavelength of infrared waves is | shorter than / the same as / longer than | the wavelength of radio waves.

(1)

(d) Mobile phone networks send signals using microwaves. Some people think the energy a person's head absorbs when using a mobile phone may be harmful to health.

(i) Scientists have compared the health of people who use mobile phones with the health of people who do not use mobile phones.

Which **one** of the following statements gives a reason why scientists have done this?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

To find out if using a mobile phone is harmful to health. ☐

To find out if mobile phones give out radiation. ☐

To find out why some people are healthy. ☐

(1)

(ii) The table gives the specific absorption rate (SAR) value for two different mobile phones.

The SAR value is a measure of the maximum energy a person's head absorbs when a mobile phone is used.

Mobile Phone	SAR value in W/kg
X	0.28
Y	1.35

A parent buys mobile phone **X** for her daughter.

Using the information in the table, suggest why buying mobile phone **X** was the best choice.

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(2)

(Total 8 marks)

Q3.

A lorry has an air horn. The air horn produces sound waves in the air.

(a) Use **one** word to complete the following sentence.

Sound waves cause air particles to _____ .

(1)

(b) The air horn produces sound waves at a constant frequency of 420 Hz.

The wavelength of the sound waves is 0.80 m.

Calculate the speed of the sound waves.

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Speed = _____ m/s

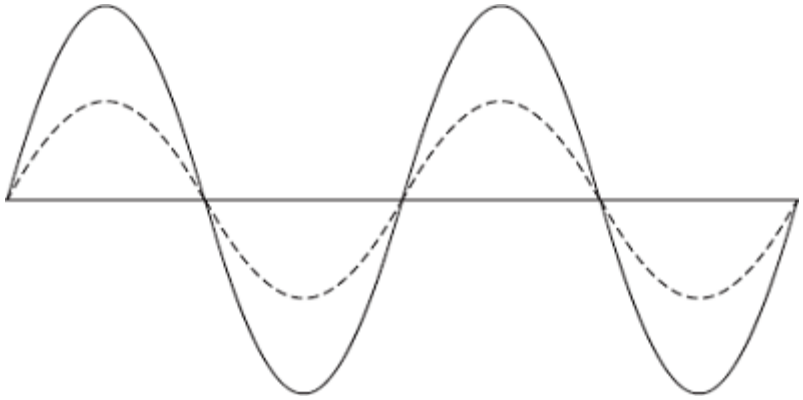
(2)

(Total 3 marks)

Q4.

(a) **Diagram 1** shows two waves.

Diagram 1



(i) Name **one** wave quantity that is the same for the two waves.

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(1)

(ii) Name **one** wave quantity that is different for the two waves.

_____

(1)

(iii) The waves in **Diagram 1** are transverse.

Which **one** of the following types of wave is **not** a transverse wave?

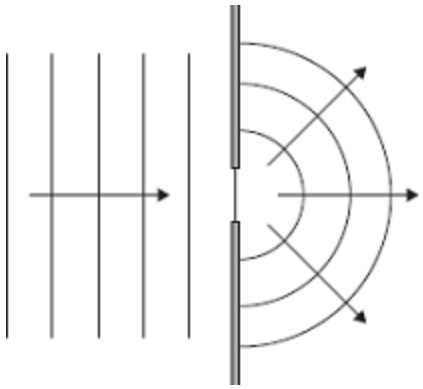
Draw a ring around the correct answer.

gamma rays **sound** **visible light**

(1)

(b) **Diagram 2** shows water waves in a ripple tank moving towards and passing through a gap in a barrier.

Diagram 2



Every second, 8 waves pass through the gap in the barrier. The waves have a wavelength of 0.015 metres.

Calculate the speed of the water waves and give the unit.

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Speed = _____

(3)

(Total 6 marks)