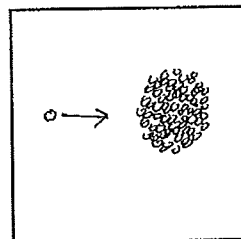
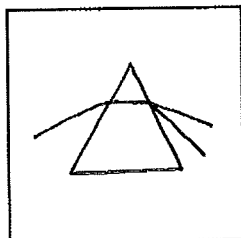
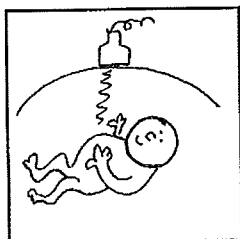
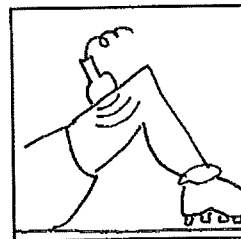
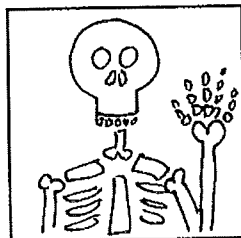
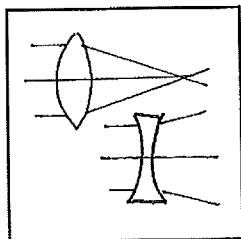
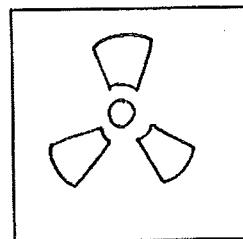
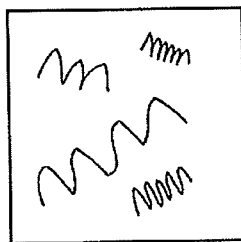
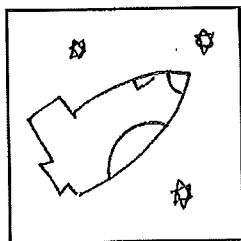


NQ 5 Physics

Unit 1

Waves and Radiation

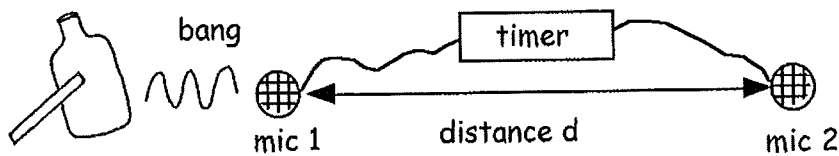


Summary Notes

A. Sound Waves

1. The speed of sound and light

- (1) To measure the speed of sound. Connect two microphones to a _____ .
Measure the distance between microphones using a _____ .



Make a loud _____. When sound gets to microphone 1 the timer _____
_____ When sound gets to microphone 2 the timer _____.

$$\text{speed of sound} = \frac{\text{distance between mic 1 and } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}}{\text{time to travel from mic 1 to } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}}$$

The speed of sound in air is _____ m/s.

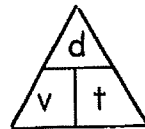
The speed of light in air is _____ m/s or 3×10^8 m/s

Light is much faster than _____. In a thunder storm the light and sound are made at exactly the same _____. We see the _____ first because the light signal travels _____ than the sound, so it gets to us first.

2. Wave speed, - distance and time.

$$\text{speed} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$



quantity	units
distance	m
time	
speed	

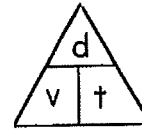
Example 1 How far would a sound wave travel in 0.6s?

$$d = ?$$

$$v = 340\text{m/s}$$

$$t = 0.6\text{s}$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$



$$d = v t$$

$$d = 340 \times 0.6$$

$$d = 204\text{m}$$

3. Scientific Notation

$$2300000 = 2.3 \times 10^{\square}$$

$$4560000000 = 4.56 \times 10^{\square}$$

$$300,00,000 = 3 \times 10^{\square}$$

$$806000 = 8.06 \times 10^{\square}$$

$$0.005 = 5 \times 10^{\square}$$

$$0.000000047 = 4.7 \times 10^{\square}$$

4. Converting Numbers

Useful prefixes - these make writing big and small numbers much easier.

$$\text{kilo or k} = \times 1000 \text{ or } \times 10^3$$

$$\text{Mega or M} = \times 1,000,000 \text{ or } \times 10^6$$

$$\text{cm} = \div \text{ by } 100 \text{ or } \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\text{milli or m} = \div \text{ by } 1000 \text{ or } \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\text{micro or } \mu = \div \text{ by } 1,000,000 \text{ or } \times 10^{-6}$$

$$4\text{km} = 4 \times 1000 \text{ or } 4 \times 10^{\square} \text{ m}$$

$$12.6\text{Mm} = 12.6 \times 1000000 \text{ or } 12.6 \times 10^{\square} \text{ m}$$

$$5.7\text{cm} = 5.7 \div 100 \text{ or } 5.7 \times 10^{\square} \text{ m}$$

$$6.2\text{ms} = 6.2 \div 1000 \text{ or } 6.2 \times 10^{\square} \text{ s}$$

$$4\mu\text{m} = 4 \div 1,000,000 \text{ or } 4 \times 10^{\square} \text{ m}$$

5. Converting Time to seconds

ms = \div by 1000 or $\times 10^{-3}$ s

$$5.6\text{ms} = 5.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}$$

minutes to seconds

\times minutes by 60

hours to seconds

\times hours by 60 then by 60

days to seconds

\times days by 24 then by 60 then by 60

Example How long would it take a light wave to travel 2.5km?

$$v = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$d = 2.5\text{km} = 2.5 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

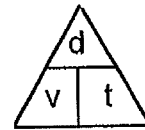
$$t = ?$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$t = \frac{d}{v}$$

$$t = \frac{2.5 \times 10^3}{3 \times 10^8}$$

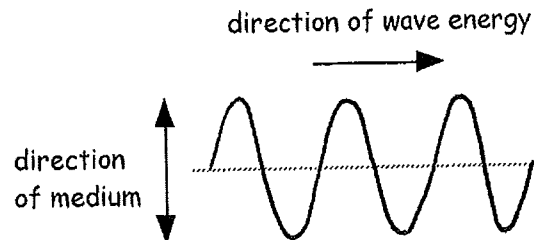
$$t = 0.000008\text{s}$$



6. Transverse and Longitudinal Waves

Transverse Waves

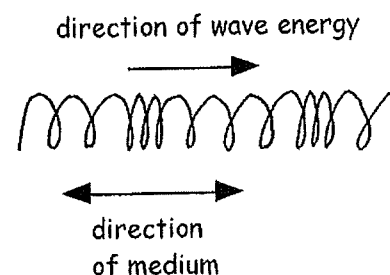
The medium the wave passes through vibrates at _____ angles to the direction the wave travels.



Examples of a transverse wave are _____ and _____ waves

Longitudinal Waves

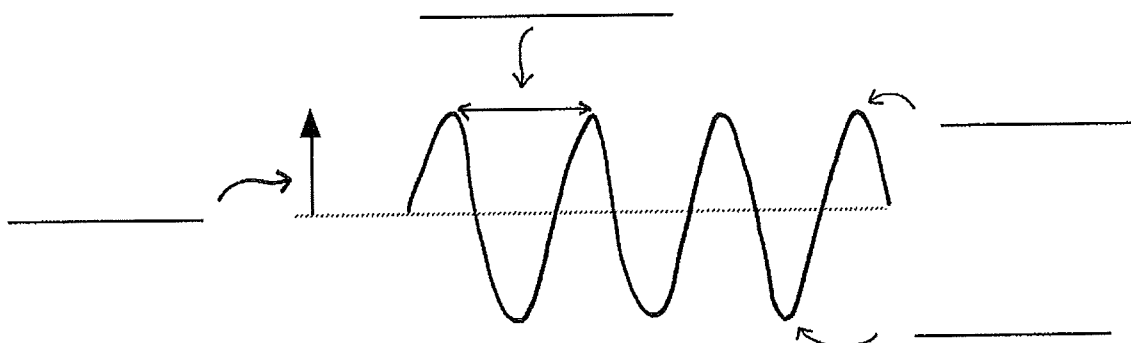
The medium the wave passes through vibrates back and _____ in the _____ direction the wave travels



An example of a longitudinal waves is _____.

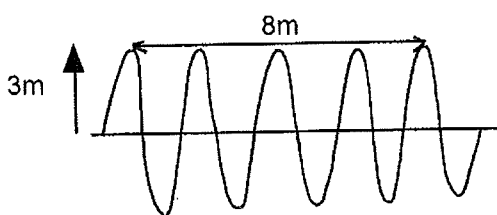
7. Wave words

(1) We use the following terms to describe parts of a wave.



Quantity	Symbol	Unit	Unit symbol	Definition
Wavelength		metre		The _____ between any 2 repeating points on the wave
Frequency	f			The number of waves passing a point in _____ second
Amplitude			m	The _____ of the wave from the middle line

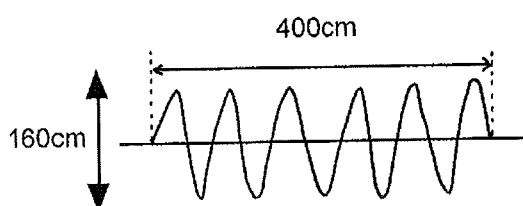
Example 1 Look at this water wave.



- (a) What is its amplitude?
 (b) What is its wavelength?

(a) Its amplitude = 3m
 (b) Its wavelength = $\frac{8}{4} = 2\text{m}$

Example 2 Look at this sound wave.



- (a) What is its amplitude?
 (b) What is its wavelength?

(a) Its amplitude = $\frac{160\text{cm}}{2} = 80\text{cm}$
 (b) Its wavelength = $\frac{400\text{cm}}{5.5} = 72.7\text{cm}$

8. Calculating frequency

To calculate the frequency of a wave from the number of waves passing in a certain time.

$$\text{frequency} = \frac{\text{Number of waves}}{\text{time in seconds}} \quad f = \frac{N}{t}$$

Example 600 waves pass a point in 2mins. What is the frequency?

$$f = ?$$

No of waves = 600
time 2mins = 120s

$$f = \frac{\text{Number of waves}}{\text{time in seconds}}$$

$$f = \frac{600}{120}$$

$$f = 5\text{Hz}$$

Example 16 water waves pass a point in 80s. What is the frequency?

$$f = ?$$

No of waves = 16
time = 80s

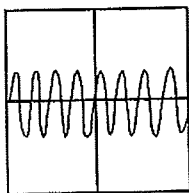
$$f = \frac{\text{Number of waves}}{\text{time in seconds}}$$

$$f = \frac{16}{80}$$

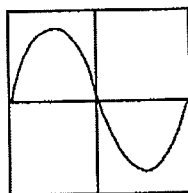
$$f = 0.2\text{Hz}$$

9. Pictures of Sound waves

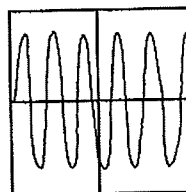
We can display sound waves on an oscilloscope screen.



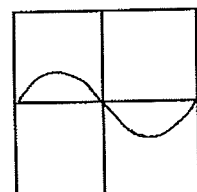
Quiet / loud
High / low
frequency sound



Quiet / loud
High / low
frequency sound



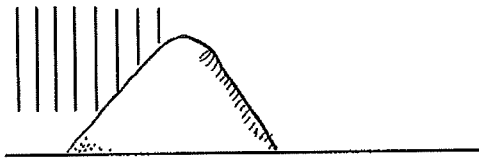
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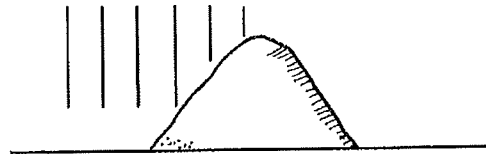
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frequency sound

10. Diffraction

(1) All waves will _____ around obstacles placed in their way. This bending effect is called _____. The longer the wavelength of the waves the _____ they diffract. Complete diagrams



short wavelengths



long wavelengths

A wave with a wavelength of 4m will diffract _____ than a wave of wavelength 2m

A wave of frequency 1000Hz will diffract _____ than a wave of frequency 50Hz.

11. Sound Level (Loudness)

(1) The larger the amplitude the _____ the sound. Sound level or loudness is measured in units called _____ or _____ for short.

Quiet conversation is _____dB. Danger Level is _____dB.

A loud Disco is _____dB. Loud sounds can damage your _____.

Wear _____ protectors to protect your hearing.

Noise _____ is any sound which can ruin your environment.



12. Ultrasound

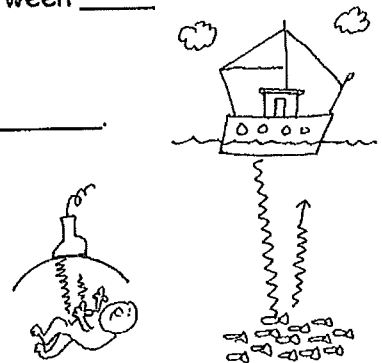
(1) Humans can hear sound waves with frequencies between _____ and _____Hz.

Frequencies above 20,000Hz are called _____.

When ultrasound travels from one medium into another some of it _____ back.

We can use this fact to create pictures of unborn _____, to find fish in the _____ and cracks in _____.

It can also be used to break up _____ stones.

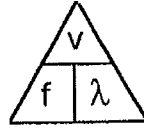


13. Speed, frequency and wavelength

(1) Wave speed, wavelength and frequency.

speed = frequency x wavelength

or $v = f\lambda$



quantity	units
frequency	Hz
wavelength	
speed	

Example A sound wave has a frequency of 12kHz.

(a) What is the wavelength of the wave?

$\lambda = ?$

$v = 340\text{m/s}$

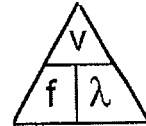
$f = 12\text{kHz} = 12 \times 10^3 \text{ Hz}$

$v = f\lambda$

$\lambda = \frac{v}{f}$

$\lambda = \frac{340}{12 \times 10^3}$

$\lambda = 0.028\text{m}$



(b) How long will it take the sound wave to travel 6.8km?

$t = ?$

$v = 340\text{m/s}$

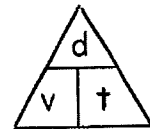
$d = 6.8\text{km} = 6.8 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$

$v = \frac{d}{t}$

$t = \frac{d}{v}$

$t = \frac{6.8 \times 10^3}{340}$

$t = 24.1\text{s}$



B. Electromagnetic Spectrum

14. Electromagnetic family

- (1) The electromagnetic spectrum describes a range or family of waves which all travel as _____ waves at a speed of _____.
- (2) Here is the electromagnetic spectrum. Fill in the names of the missing waves.

Radio	TV			Visible light		X -Rays	
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R_YG_IV



\longrightarrow frequency _____ \longrightarrow
 \longrightarrow wavelength _____ \longrightarrow

Radio waves have the longest _____, Gamma rays have the shortest _____ and therefore the highest _____. Violet light has a shorter _____ than red light. As the frequency of the wave increases the wave has more _____. In the spectrum the waves which diffract the most are _____ waves because they have the _____ wavelengths

- (3) Some more useful prefixes

nano = $\times 10^{\square}$ m eg 678nm = $678 \times 10^{\square}$ m

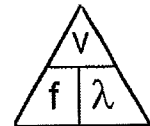
Example A ray of infra red radiation has a wavelength of 1400nm. What is its frequency?

$$f = ?$$

$$v = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\lambda = 1400\text{nm} = 1400 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

$$v = f\lambda$$



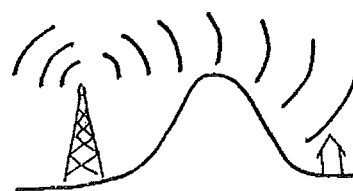
$$f = \frac{v}{\lambda}$$

$$f = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{1400 \times 10^{-9}}$$

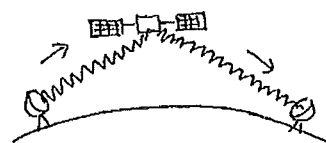
$$f = 2.14 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

15. Electromagnetic family - Names and Applications.

(1) **Radio and TV** waves have long _____ so they are good at _____ round hills and buildings. This makes them ideal for carrying radio and _____ programmes to your house.



(2) **Microwaves** are used to carry signals up to _____ in space.



(3) **Infra red** radiation is the scientific name for _____. It can be detected by a thermometer. In medicine it can be used in heat treatment to speed up the healing of damaged _____ tissue. In industry it can be used to _____ paint. Rescue services use _____ imaging cameras to find people in dark or smoky places.



(4) **Visible light** is made up of a range of different _____. Red has a _____ wavelength than blue light. A concentrated beam of visible light of one colour is called a _____ beam. It can be used to remove _____ marks and _____. It can be used to _____ tumours.



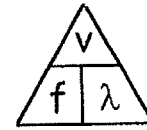
Example The frequency of a microwave is 2870MHz. Calculate its wavelength.

$$\lambda = ?$$

$$v = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$f = 2870\text{MHz} = 2870 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz}$$

$$v = f \lambda$$



$$\lambda = \frac{v}{f}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{2870 \times 10^6}$$

$$\lambda = 0.1\text{m}$$

Example How long would it take a beam of infra red radiation to travel 980km?

$$t = ?$$

$$v = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$d = 980\text{km} = 980 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

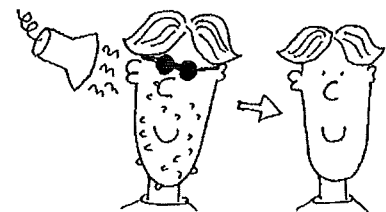
$$t = \frac{d}{v}$$

$$t = \frac{980 \times 10^3}{3 \times 10^8}$$

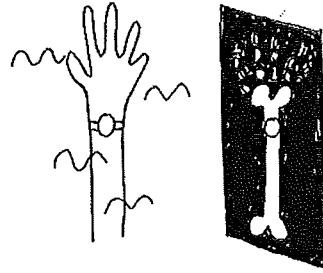
$$t = 0.003\text{s}$$

- (5) Most of our ultraviolet radiation comes from the _____. It gives us our _____ in summer, but too much can _____ the skin or even worse cause skin _____.

UV light can be used to treat skin conditions like _____. Special _____ chemicals can be painted on important items as _____ markings. These markings only show up under _____ light.

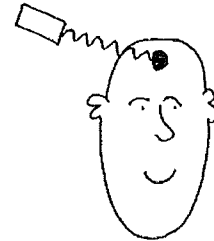


(6) X rays pass through most tissue and cause photographic film to turn _____. However X rays are absorbed by _____ in your body. So photographic film behind bones stays white. This allows X ray _____ to be taken of your body.



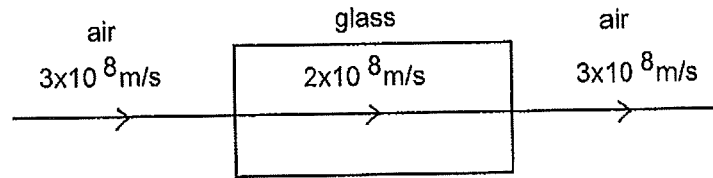
A Computer Aided Tomography or CAT scanner allows pictures of _____ through your body to be taken. This allows a detailed ____D image to be built up.

(7) Gamma rays can be used to kill _____ cells in your body. Chemicals emitting gamma radiation can be _____ into your blood stream. A Gamma camera picks up the _____ radiation being emitted by the chemical and creates an image of _____ flow in your body. This is called a _____.

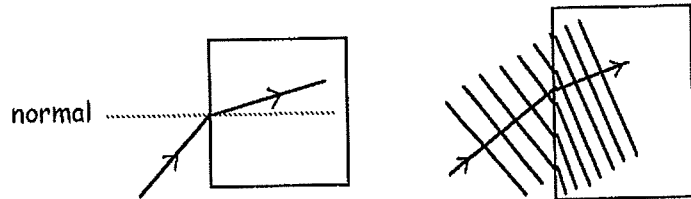


16. Refraction

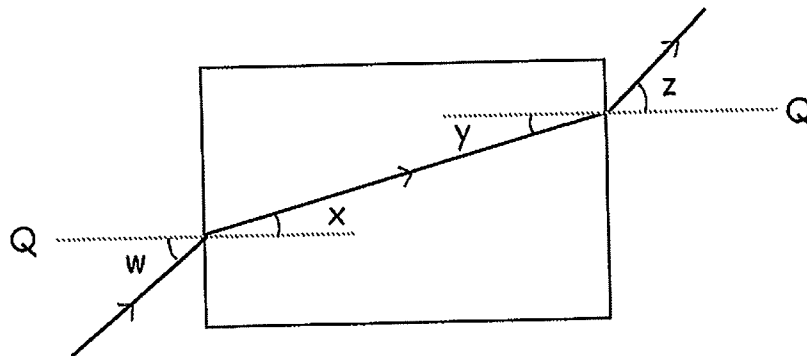
- (1) Refraction is the process where the _____ of a wave changes as it travels from one medium into a different medium (ie air into glass).



- (2) If the light travels at an angle to the normal from one medium into another its _____ also changes.



- (3) Here is a diagram showing a beam of light travelling from air into a glass block then back into air.

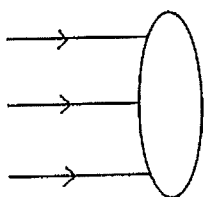


line Q is drawn at _____ to the boundary. It is called the _____.
All _____ are measured **from** the normal **to** the ray of light.

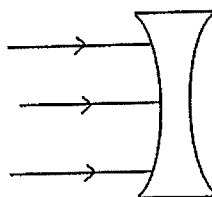
angle w = angle of _____
angle x = angle of _____

angle y = angle of _____
angle z = angle of _____

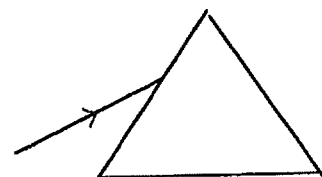
- (4) Copy and complete the path of light through these 3 common lenses.
Name the first two lenses.



_____ lens



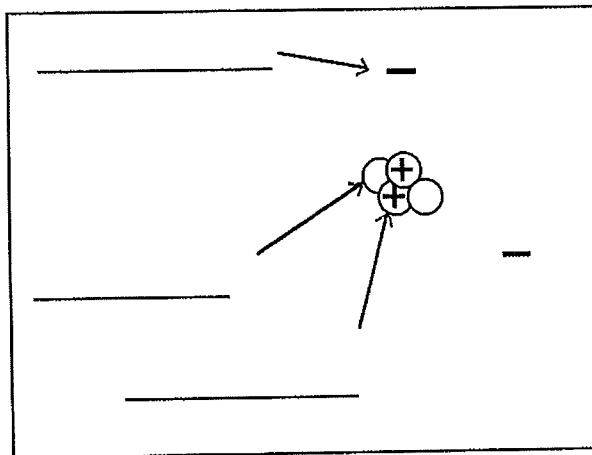
_____ lens



C. Nuclear Radiation

17. The atom

- (1) An atom has a tiny central _____ made up of positive _____ and _____ which have no charge. Flying around the nucleus are tiny particles called _____ which have a _____ charge.



As an atom gets bigger it has more protons, neutrons and _____.

Most atoms are electrically neutral because they have equal numbers of positive _____ and negative _____.

18. Nuclear radiation

- (1) Small atoms are stable because they have fairly similar numbers of protons and _____. However very big atoms like Uranium have a big imbalance. Uranium has _____ protons and _____ neutrons. To become more stable the nucleus can throw off _____ types of radiation. We call these 3 types NUCLEAR radiation, because they come from the _____ of the atom.

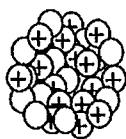
Radiation	Symbol	Picture	Nature	Nucleus Symbol
Alpha	α		2 _____ and 2 _____. It is a Helium _____	${}^4\text{He}$
Beta		—	A fast moving _____	
Gamma			An electromagnetic _____	

- (2) If there are no electrons in the nucleus, where does this beta particle come from?
Well, a neutron turns into a _____ and an electron and the electron is released as a _____ particle.

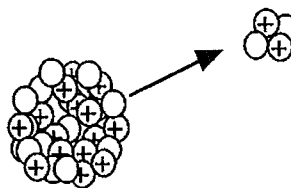
19. Decay

When a nucleus has emitted a piece of radiation we say that it has _____.

This diagram shows a radioactive nucleus decaying by emitting an _____ particle.



radioactive atom



radioactive atom decaying

Gamma emission usually happens along side alpha and beta emission.

Any material containing radioactive atoms is called a source.

20. Ionisation

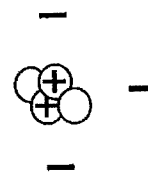
- (1) If an atom loses or gains electrons we say it has become a charged _____.
This process is called _____.



neutral atom
2 +ve protons
and
2 -ve electrons



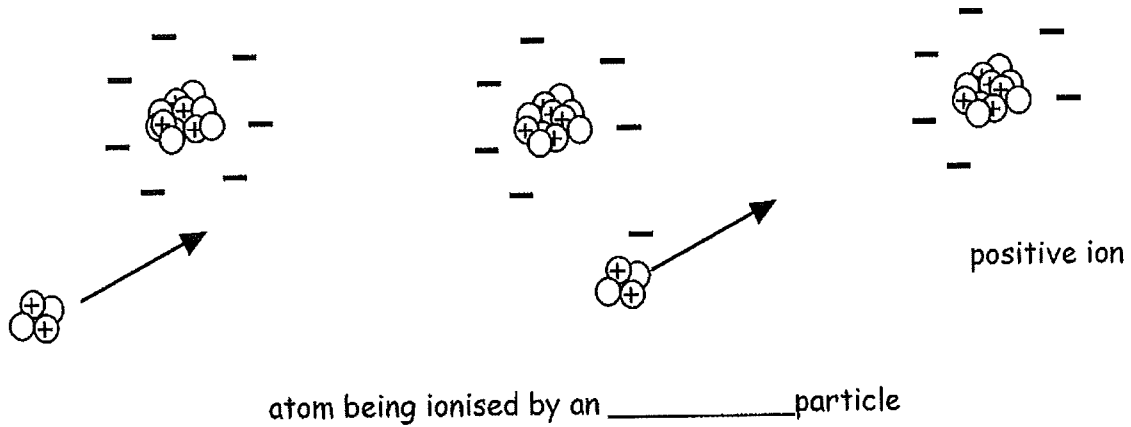
Atom loses an electron
and becomes a
_____ ion
with a charge of ____



Atom gains an electron
and becomes a
_____ ion
with a charge of ____

- (2) Ionisation can be caused by nuclear radiation. Alpha, beta and gamma are called _____ radiations as they can ionise the atoms they come close to or collide with.

- (3) Alpha particles cause the most ionisation because they are the biggest of the three nuclear radiations. Also, because it has a _____ charge it can attract the _____ off an atom without actually colliding with it. Beta and Gamma cause much less ionisation.

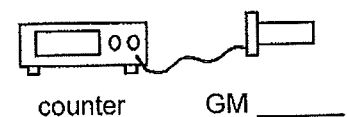


21. Absorption

- (1) When a material stops a radioactive particle or wave moving we say it has _____ the radiation. The following table shows what absorbs alpha, beta and gamma radiation

Alpha particles	Stopped by _____ cm of air or a thin sheet of _____.	
Beta particles	Stopped by _____ m of air or a _____ sheet of _____.	
Gamma radiation	Stopped by a thick block of _____.	

- (2) Radiation can be detected by a _____ tube or by _____ film
Radiation causes photographic film to turn black.



- (3) Radiation is dangerous to humans because it can damage healthy cells by _____ the atoms which make up the cells. A group of damaged cells is called a _____.

22. Uses and Applications of Nuclear Radiation.

(1) In medicine nuclear radiation can be used to _____ cancer cells.
A _____ source can be injected into your body and be used as a radioactive _____ to study the flow of _____ around your body. Because radiation can kill cells it can be used to _____ medical equipment by killing bacteria.

In our homes _____ radiation is used in _____ detectors. Some of the food you eat might have been _____ by gamma radiation to kill bacteria and prolong its shelf life.

In industry _____ radiation can be used to judge the _____ of paper or foil. Radioactive tracers can also be used to study the flow of liquids along _____.

Other Uses.

23. Background Radiation

(1) Background radiation is the radiation which is _____ us all the time. It can come from n _____ sources or m _____ made sources. Here are some sources of Background radiation.

Source	Natural / Manmade
Cosmic rays	
Rocks/soil	N
Human Body	
Industry	
Chest X ray	
Dental X ray	M
1 flight over Atlantic	

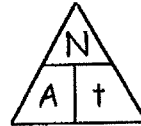
(2) Background radiation can be measured using a _____ tube and a counter. When measuring the activity of a source we must make sure we take into account _____ radiation.

24. Dosimetry - Measuring Radiation.

(1) Activity

The activity of a radioactive source tells us the number of decays happening in _____ second. Activity is measured in Becquerels or (_____) for short.

$$\text{Activity} = \frac{\text{No of decays}}{\text{time in seconds}}$$



Quantity	Units
Activity	
No of decays	
time	

$$A = \frac{N}{t}$$

Example A radioactive source emits 2400 alpha particles in 3minutes. What is its activity?

$$\begin{aligned} A &= ? \\ N &= 2400 \\ t &= 3\text{mins} = 180\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \frac{N}{t}$$

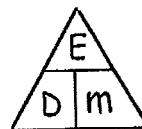
$$A = \frac{2400}{180}$$

$$A = 13.3\text{Bq}$$

(2) Absorbed Dose

Absorbed Dose, D, tells you how much radioactive energy 1____ of body tissue absorbs. It is measured in Grays (Gy).

$$\text{Absorbed Dose} = \frac{\text{Energy absorbed}}{\text{Mass of tissue}}$$



Quantity	Units
Absorbed dose	
Energy	
mass	

$$D = \frac{E}{m}$$

Example A 70kg scientist absorbs 0.41J of radiation. What is the absorbed Dose?

$$D = ?$$

$$E = 0.41\text{J}$$

$$m = 70\text{kg}$$

$$D = \frac{E}{m}$$

$$D = \frac{0.41}{70}$$

$$D = 0.006\text{Gy}$$

(3) Equivalent Dose

The Equivalent Dose, H, is a term which tells you the _____ effect that radiation has on a body. Equivalent Dose takes into account the _____ Dose and the type of _____ which you are exposed to.

The unit for Equivalent Dose is the _____ or _____ for short.

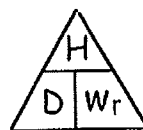
We take into account the type of radiation by multiplying the Absorbed Dose by a _____ factor, w_r . Each radiation causes a different amount of ionisation so has a different _____ factor.

Radiation	w_r
beta particles	1
gamma	1
fast neutrons	10
alpha particles	20

Alpha particles have a weighting factor of _____. This tells us that they cause _____ times more ionisation than gamma or beta radiation.

Equivalent Dose = Absorbed Dose x Weighting _____

$$H = D \times w_r$$



Quantity	Units
Dose Equivalent	
Absorbed Dose	
weighting factor	

Example A man receives an absorbed dose of 0.15Gy of alpha particles.
What is the equivalent dose he experiences?

$$H = ?$$

$$D = 0.15\text{Gy}$$

$$w_r = 20$$

$$H = D \times w_r$$

$$H = 0.15 \times 20$$

$$H = 3 \text{ Sv}$$

25. Comparing Risk

We now have a quantity which allows us to compare the biological harm different sources can cause. This table indicates the Equivalent Dose an average person receives each year from different sources.

Source	Natural / Man made	Annual Dose (μSv)
Rocks and Soil		800
Carbon and Potassium in body.		370
Cosmic rays from space		300
Medical (x-rays, CT scan etc)		250
Fallout from weapons testing		10
Nuclear waste		2
Aeroplane trips		11

The total dose is still very small and will cause very little harm to the average person. However from the table we run a greater risk of biological harm from _____ sources than from _____.

26. Safety in dealing with radiation

(1) Radiation is dangerous so it is important we avoid too much exposure to it by

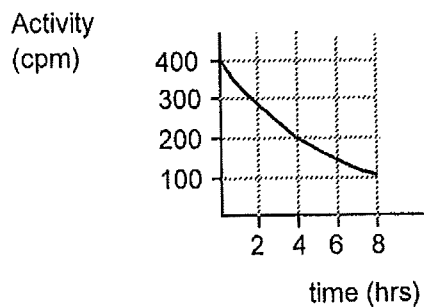
1. S_____ the source with an appropriate absorber like _____.
2. Limiting the t_____ you are exposed to radiation
3. Putting a big d_____ between you and the source.

(2) If you do have to handle radioactive sources

1. Always use f_____ or t_____ when lifting a source.
2. Never bring a source close to your _____.
3. Store in a l_____ lined l_____ box.
4. Always _____ your hands after using sources.

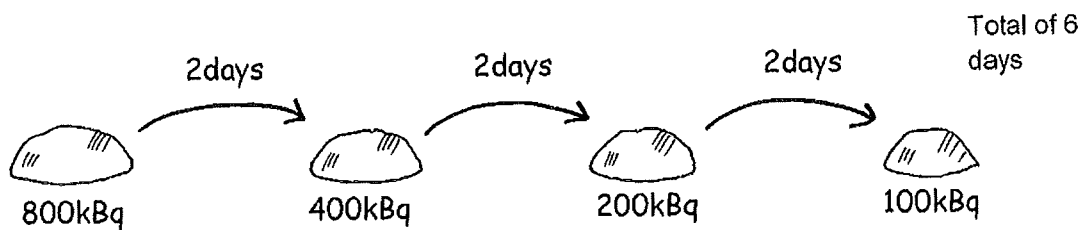
27. Half Life

- (1) A source may contain billions of radioactive atoms. As time goes by the atoms decay and become _____. So the Activity of all sources _____ with time.
- (2) The half life of a source is the time it takes the activity of a source to fall to _____ of its previous value.



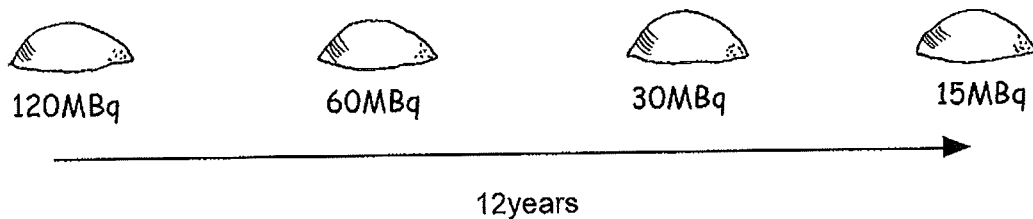
Half life = _____

Example The activity of a source is 800kBq and its half life is 2days. What is the activity after 6 days.



So the activity halves 3 times in 6 days. The final activity is 100kBq

Example The activity of a source is 120MBq. 12 years later the activity is 15MBq. What is the half life of the source? So how many time does its activity half in these 12 years?

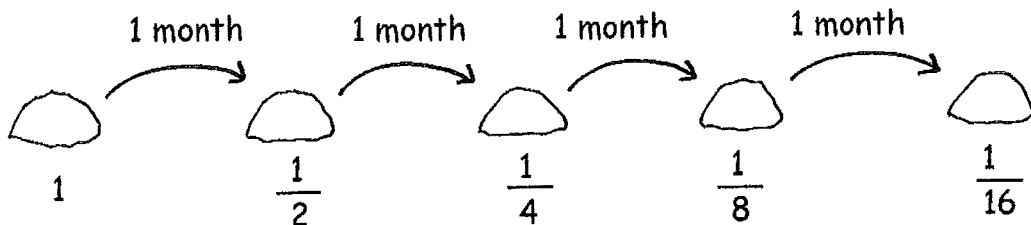


Activity has halved 3 times in 12 years. Therefore the half life = $\frac{12}{3} = 4$ years

(28) Fractional activity.

Instead of talking about the actual activity after a period of time we can describe the source as having a certain fraction of its activity left. So after 1 half life the activity would have dropped to half its first value. Another half life later we would be down to a _____ of the original activity , then after another half life the activity would be an _____ of the original.

Example. The half life of a source is 1 month. What fraction of the activity is left after 4 months? We call the original activity 1. So we will half the original activity 4 times



So the activity will have fallen to $\frac{1}{16}$ of the original after 4 months.

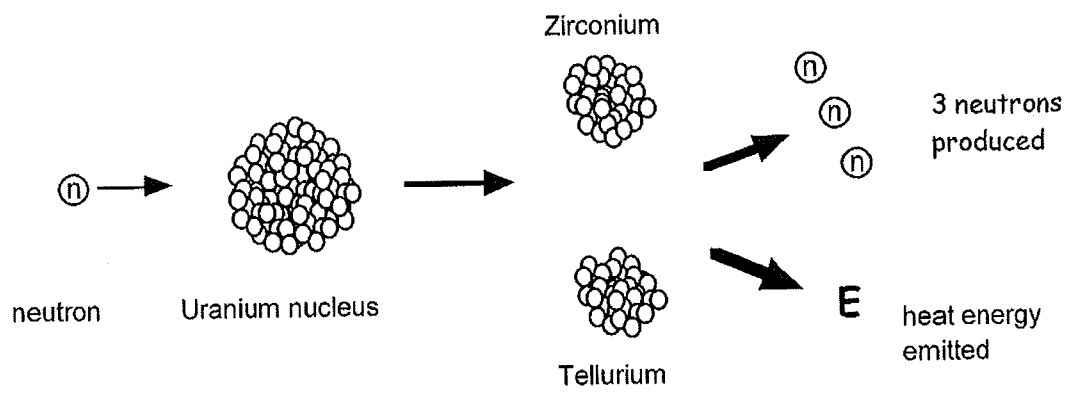
(29) Taking Background radiation into account.

When measuring the activity of an unshielded source it is important that you measure the _____ radiation. This number must be subtracted from all the readings you take.

30. Nuclear Reactions

1. Nuclear Fission.

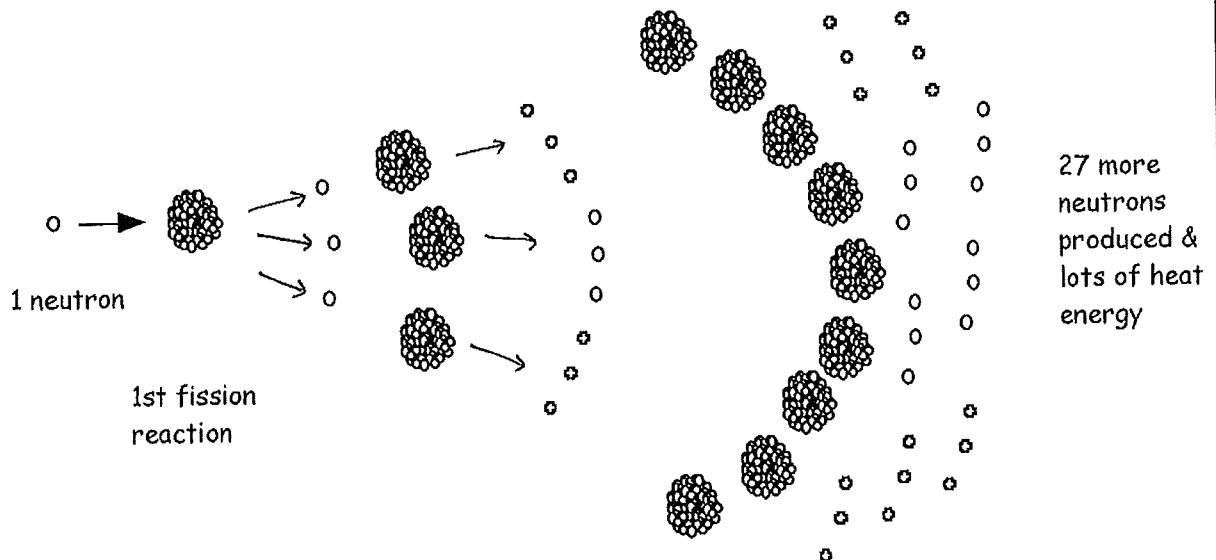
(1) In a nuclear fission reaction a neutron is fired at a large unstable U _____ nucleus. The Uranium nucleus absorbs the neutron and _____ into two smaller nuclei. When the nucleus splits some neutrons are emitted. But more importantly the mass of the particles after the reaction is _____ than the mass of the particles before the reaction. This lost mass is turned into _____ energy.



(2) The fission products Tellurium and Zirconium are called daughter products of fission _____ and are very radioactive.

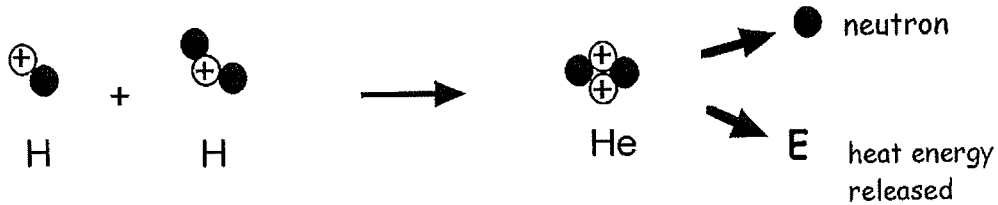
2. Chain Reaction

The neutrons which are released caused 3 more _____ reactions which produce _____ more neutrons which cause _____ more fission reactions. This is called a _____ reaction and as a result a huge amount of _____ energy is created very quickly.



3. Nuclear Fusion

In a fusion reaction two small _____ join or fuse together to produce a larger _____. A neutron and _____ energy are also released.

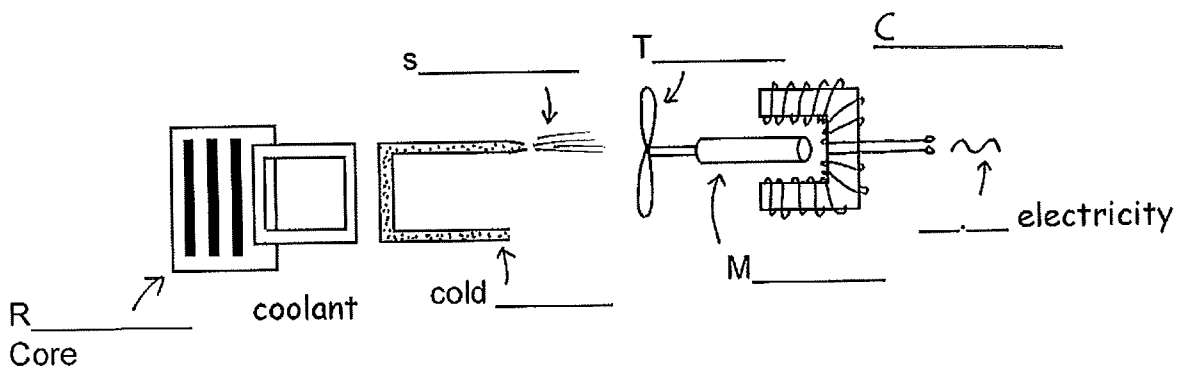


As in the fission reaction, the mass of the particles after the reaction is _____ than the mass of the particles before the reaction. This lost mass is turned into _____ energy.

4. Nuclear Power Station - Using the Heat Energy

- (1) The heat energy produced is used to create electricity. A fluid called the _____ flows through the _____ core and absorbs the _____ energy. The coolant then passes near to pipes containing _____ water. The cold water absorbs this heat and is turned to super heated steam. The steam is fired out of a nozzle and hits _____ blades. These blades spin and turn a _____ which sits inside a coil of _____. This moving magnet causes or induces an electric _____ in the coil.

The Nuclear Reactor



- (2) At present electricity produced from nuclear fission reactors accounts for _____% of all the electricity made in Scotland.

- (3) The lost mass involved in both a fission and fusion reaction is converted to energy. The amount of energy converted from this lost mass is given by Einstein's famous equation

$$E = mc^2$$

where m = the lost mass c = speed of light.

5. Pros and Cons of Generating Electricity from Nuclear Fission

(1) Advantages of Nuclear Fission Power

1. The fission process produces no _____ gases which are partly responsible for global warming.
2. The supply of electricity is very _____.
3. A small amount of fuel creates a _____ amount of electricity.

(2) Disadvantages of Nuclear Fission Power

1. The fission reaction produces nuclear waste which remains dangerous for _____ of years.
2. Nuclear waste has to be stored safely for _____ of years. This is very _____.
3. Although normally very safe, catastrophic failure due to earthquakes, tsunamis or terrorism could cause dangerous emissions of _____ into the atmosphere and water supply.
4. Nuclear power stations are expensive to build and expensive to _____ once they have come to the end of their lives.

6. Nuclear fission versus nuclear fusion

(1) Advantages of fusion compared to fission.

1. The fusion reaction is a very clean process. It does not produce _____ gases or _____ waste
2. The fuel is a type of hydrogen atom which is in plentiful supply in sea _____.

(2) Disadvantage of fusion compared to fission.

1. The fusion process requires temperatures similar to the core of the _____ to fuse the nuclei together. Creating temperatures this high is very _____.

If scientists can get fusion working at _____ temperatures then we will have a clean, cheap and renewable energy source.

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