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Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

Question ONE

- a) State five differences between Ar ($z = 18$) and Mn ($z = 25$) (5 Marks)
- b) Determine the oxidation state of
- (i) V in VO_2^+ (2 Marks)
 - (ii) Mn in MnO_4^{2-} (2 Marks)
 - (iii) Mn in Mn_2O_7 (2 Marks)
 - (iv) Ni in $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_3]^{2-}$ (2 Marks)
- c) For each of the following ores name the metallic element and give the corresponding formula of the compound (mineral) containing the metal.
- (i) Hematite (2 Marks)
 - (ii) Pyrolusite (2 Marks)
 - (iii) Cassiterite (2 Marks)
 - (iv) Rutile (2 Marks)
- d) Distinguish diamagnetic substance from paramagnetic substance and give one example for each. (4 Marks)
- e) State five advantages of potassium permanganate as reagent in volumetric analysis. (5 Marks)

Question TWO

- a) Discuss briefly the two theories of catalytic activity of transition element. (10 Marks)
- b) Give the IUPAC names of the following
- (i) $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$ (1 Marks)
 - (ii) $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\text{SO}_4$ (1 Marks)
 - (iii) $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{Cl}_2][\text{PtCl}_4]$ (1 Marks)
 - (iv) $\text{K}_2[\text{PtCl}_6]$ (1 Marks)
 - (v) $[\text{CO}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2$ (1 Marks)

Question THREE

- a) The mechanism of a certain reaction involves the following two steps.
- $$2\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{I}^- \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{I}_2 \quad 2\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-} \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{SO}_4^{2-}$$
- (i) State the role played by Fe^{3+} and $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$ in the reaction give a reason in each case (6 Marks)
- (ii) Determine the equation of the overall reaction (2 Marks)
- b) Given the following elements X(z=33) w(z=35) y(z=47)
- (i) Write the valence shell electron configuration for each (3 Marks)
 - (ii) From your answer in b(i) identify Coinage metal and Metalloid (5 Marks)

Question FOUR

- a) State three properties of cations that favour formation of stable complexes (3 Marks)
- b) Out of the following pairs of complexes, identify the more stable complex and give reason for your answer.
- (i) $\text{K}_4[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]$ and $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]$ (2 Marks)
 - (ii) $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ and $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$ (2 Marks)
 - (iii) $[\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2]\text{Cl}_2$ and $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4]\text{Cl}_2$ (2 Marks)
 - (iv) $[\text{Co}(\text{NO}_2)_6]^{4-}$ and $[\text{Co}(\text{NO}_2)_6]$ (2 Marks)
- c) Identify the transition metal or its compound used as a catalyst in the following
- (i) Manufacture of polythene (1 Mark)
 - (ii) Decomposition of H_2O_2 (1 Mark)
 - (iii) Haber process (1 Mark)
 - (iv) Contact process (1 Mark)

Question FIVE

The following table shows the ionization energies in KJ mol^{-1} of five elements lettered A,B,C,D and E

Element	1 st IE	2 nd IE	3 rd IE	4 th IE
A	500	4600	6900	9500
B	740	4500	7700	10500
C	630	1600	3000	4800
D	900	1800	14800	21000
E	580	1800	2700	11600

- a) Identify
- i) The element that is most likely to form + 1 ion. Explain (2 marks)
 - ii) The two element that are in the same group of periodic table state the group (5 marks)
 - iii) The group of periodic table element F belongs. Explain (3 marks)
 - iv) The element that would require the least energy to convert one mole of gaseous atoms into dipositive ions (2 marks)
- b) Element A is a crystalline solid at room temperature. Write equations of steps involved in formation of $A^{2+}(g)$ ions (3 marks)