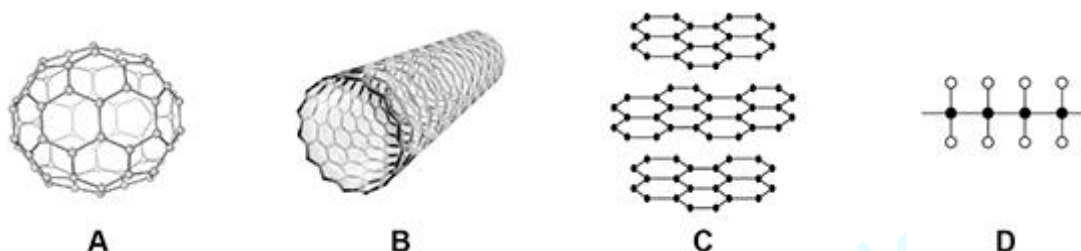


**Q1.**

This question is about carbon and compounds of carbon.

**Figure 1** shows diagrams that represent different structures.

**Figure 1**



Use **Figure 1** to answer parts (a) and (b).

(a) Which diagram represents graphite?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A       B       C       D

(1)

(b) Which diagram represents poly(ethene)?

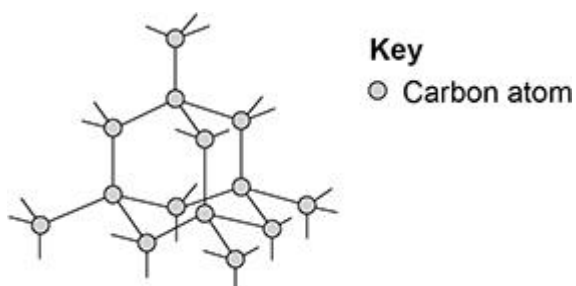
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A       B       C       D

(1)

**Figure 2** represents the structure of diamond.

**Figure 2**



(c) How many covalent bonds does each carbon atom form in diamond?

\_\_\_\_\_

(1)

(d) Which is a property of diamond?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Conducts electricity

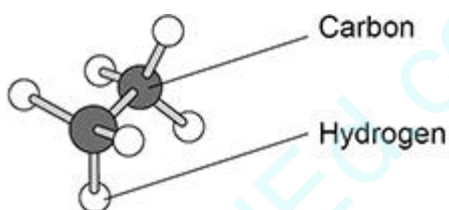
Low melting point

Very hard

(1)

(e) **Figure 3** shows a model of a molecule.

**Figure 3**



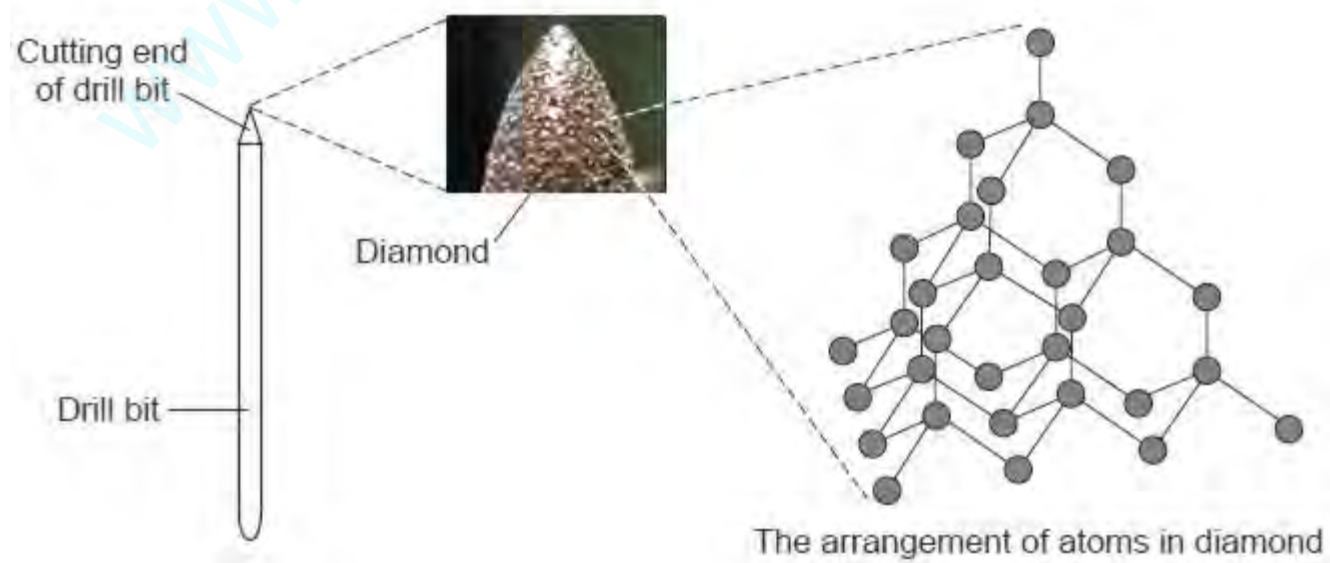
Complete the molecular formula of the molecule.

Molecular formula = C\_\_ H\_\_

(1)

**Q2.**

A drill bit is used to cut holes through materials. The cutting end of this drill bit is covered with very small diamonds.



Draw a ring around the correct word in each box.

(a) Diamond is made from 

carbon
nitrogen
oxygen

 atoms. (1)

(b) Diamond has a giant structure in which 

none
some
all

 of the atoms are joined together. (1)

(c) The atoms in diamond are joined together by 

covalent
ionic
metallic

 bonds. (1)

(d) In diamond each atom is joined to 

two
three
four

 other atoms. (1)

(e) Diamond is suitable for the cutting end of a drill bit because it is 

hard.
shiny.
soft

 (1)

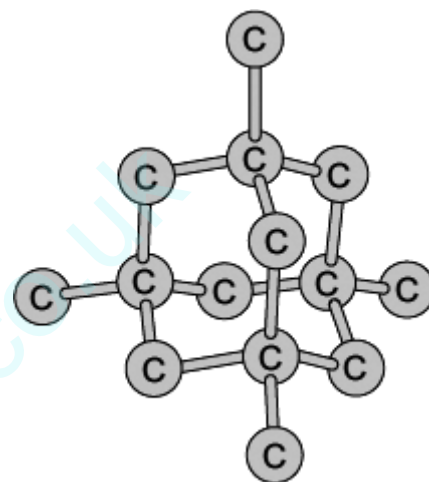
(Total 5 marks)

**Q3.**

Liquids containing nanoparticles of diamond are used as abrasives. Nanoparticles of diamond can be used to grind down surfaces to give them a very smooth polished finish.



Abrasive liquid containing nanoparticles of diamond



Model of part of the diamond structure

- (a) Diamond is made of one element. Draw a ring around the name of this element.

**calcium**

**carbon**

**chromium**

**cobalt**

(1)

- (b) Tick (✓) **two** statements in the table which explain why diamond is hard.

Statement	Tick (✓)
It is made of layers.	
It has weak covalent bonds.	
Each atom is joined to four other atoms.	
It has a giant structure.	
It has strong ionic bonds.	

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(2)

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

Nanoparticles of diamond are

very  
small.

large.

very  
large.

(1)

(Total 4 marks)

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**Q4.**

Read the information


**Graphene**

Scientists have made a new substance called graphene.  
The bonding and structure of graphene are similar to graphite.

Graphene is made of a single layer of the same atoms as graphite.



**Graphene**



**Graphite**

Use the information above and your knowledge of graphite to answer the questions.

(a) This part of the question is about graphene.

Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.

(i)

<b>ionic</b>	<b>covalent</b>	<b>metallic</b>
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The bonds between the atoms in graphene are \_\_\_\_\_

(1)

(ii)

<b>chromium</b>	<b>carbon</b>	<b>chlorine</b>
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Graphene is made of \_\_\_\_\_ atoms.

(1)

(iii)

<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
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In graphene each atom bonds to \_\_\_\_\_ other atoms.

(1)

(b) This part of the question is about graphite.

Graphite is used in pencils.

Explain why. Use the diagrams to help you.

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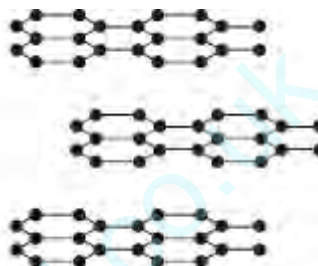
(2)  
(Total 5 marks)

**Q5.**

The diagrams show the structures of diamond and graphite.



**Diamond**



**Graphite**

- (a) Diamond and graphite both contain the same element.

What is the name of this element? \_\_\_\_\_

(1)

- (b) Use the diagrams above and your knowledge of structure and bonding to explain why:

- (i) graphite is very soft

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(2)

- (ii) diamond is very hard

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(2)

- (iii) graphite conducts electricity.

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(2)  
(Total 7 marks)

**Q6.**

- (a) Copper is a metal.  
Explain how it conducts electricity.

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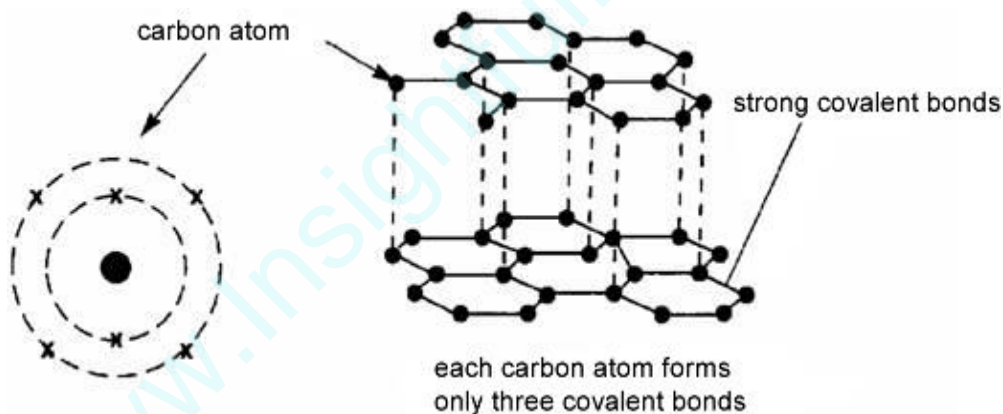
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(2)

- (b) Graphite is a non-metal.



Use the information to explain why graphite conducts electricity.

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(3)  
(Total 5 marks)



**Q7.**

This question is about diamonds.

Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete each sentence.

(a) Diamonds are found in meteorites.

(i) Meteorites get very hot when they pass through the Earth's atmosphere, but the diamonds do not melt.

Diamond has a 

high
low
very low

 melting point.

(1)

(ii) Most diamonds found in meteorites are nanodiamonds.

A nanodiamond contains a few 

hundred
thousand
million.

 atoms

(1)

(b) Diamonds are used for the cutting end of drill bits.

Diamonds can be used for drill bits because they are 

hard.
shiny.
soft.

(1)

(c) The figure below shows the arrangement of atoms in diamond.



- (i) Diamond is made from 

carbon
nitrogen
oxygen

 atoms. (1)
- (ii) Each atom in diamond is bonded to 

three
four
five

 other atoms. (1)
- (iii) Diamond has a giant 

covalent
ionic
metallic

 structure. (1)
- (iv) In diamond 

all
none
some

 of the atoms are bonded together. (1)
- (Total 7 marks)**

**Q8.**

This question is about substances containing carbon atoms.

- (a) Diamond is made of carbon atoms.
- (i) Diamond is used for tips of drills.

**Figure 1** shows a drill.

**Figure 1**



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Give **one** reason why diamond is used for tips of drills.

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(1)

(ii) Diamond nanoparticles can be made.

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

<b>hundred</b>	<b>million</b>	<b>thousand</b>
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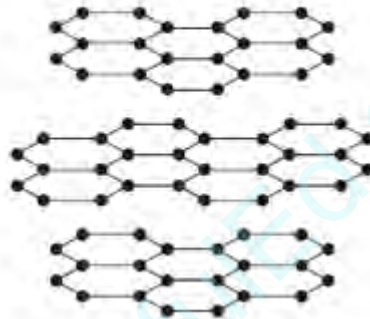
Nanoparticles contain a few \_\_\_\_\_ atoms.

(1)

(b) Graphite is made of carbon atoms.

**Figure 2** shows the structure of graphite.

**Figure 2**



(i) What type of bonding does graphite have?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Covalent

Ionic

Metallic

(1)

(ii) How many carbon atoms does each carbon atom bond to in graphite?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

1

2

3

4

(1)

(iii) What is a property of graphite?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Dissolves in water

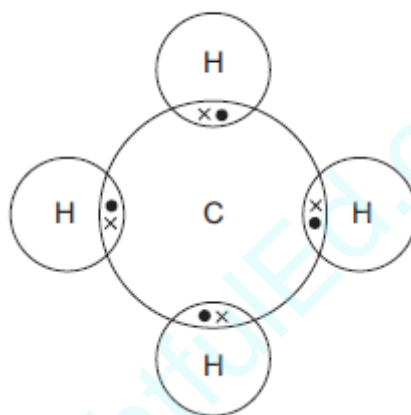
Has a low melting point

Soft and slippery

(1)

(d) **Figure 4** shows how the atoms are bonded in methane.

**Figure 4**



(i) What is the formula for methane?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

C<sub>4</sub>H

CH<sub>4</sub>

C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

(1)

(ii) Methane has a low boiling point.

What does methane consist of?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Charged ions

A giant lattice

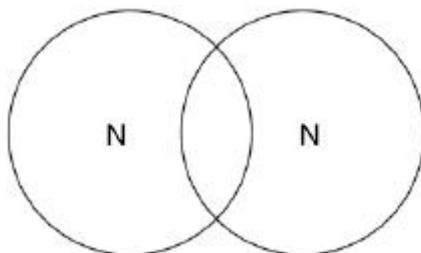
Small molecules

**Q9.**

This question is about structure and bonding.

- (a) Complete the dot and cross diagram to show the covalent bonding in a nitrogen molecule, N<sub>2</sub>

Show only the electrons in the outer shell.



(2)

- (b) Explain why nitrogen is a gas at room temperature.

Answer in terms of nitrogen's structure.

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(3)

- (c) Graphite and fullerenes are forms of carbon.

Graphite is soft and is a good conductor of electricity.

Explain why graphite has these properties.

Answer in terms of structure and bonding.

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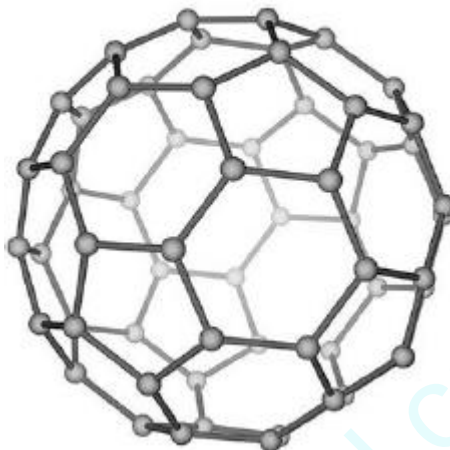
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(4)

(d) **Figure 1** shows a model of a Buckminsterfullerene molecule.

**Figure 1**



A lubricant is a substance that allows materials to move over each other easily.

Suggest why Buckminsterfullerene is a good lubricant.

Use **Figure 1**.

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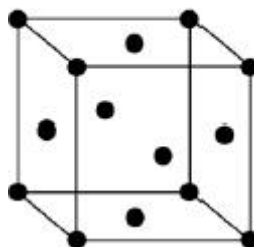
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(2)

Silver can form cubic nanocrystals.

**Figure 2** represents a silver nanocrystal.

**Figure 2**



(e) A silver nanocrystal is a cube of side 20 nm

Calculate the surface area to volume ratio of the nanocrystal.

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Surface area to volume ratio = \_\_\_\_\_

(3)

- (f) Silver nanoparticles are sometimes used in socks to prevent foot odour.

Suggest why it is cheaper to use nanoparticles of silver rather than coarse particles of silver.

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(2)

(Total 16 marks)

**Q10.**

This question is about carbon and its compounds.

Fullerenes are molecules of carbon atoms.

The first fullerene to be discovered was Buckminsterfullerene (C<sub>60</sub>).

- (a) What shape is a Buckminsterfullerene molecule?

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(1)

- (b) Give **one** use of a fullerene.

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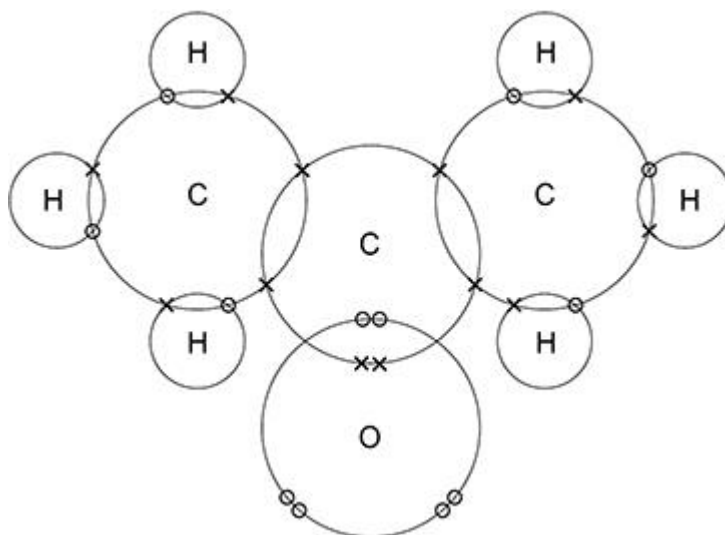
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(1)

Propanone is a compound of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen.

**Figure 1** shows the dot and cross for a propanone molecule.

**Figure 1**

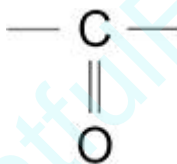


- (c) Complete **Figure 2** to show a propanone molecule.

Use a line to represent each single bond.

Use **Figure 1**.

**Figure 2**



(1)

- (d) Determine the molecular formula of propanone.

Use **Figure 1**.

Molecular formula = \_\_\_\_\_

(1)

- (e) Propanone is a liquid with a low boiling point.

Why does propanone have a low boiling point?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

The covalent bonds are strong.

The covalent bonds are weak.

The intermolecular forces are strong.

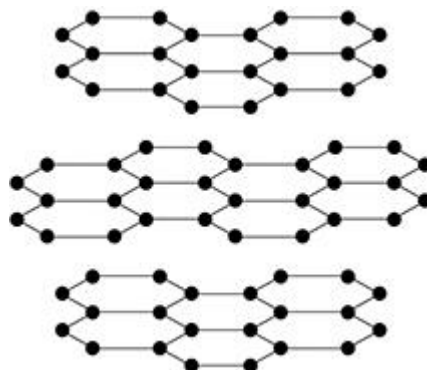


The intermolecular forces are weak.

(1)

(f) **Figure 3** represents the structure of graphite.

**Figure 3**



Explain why graphite is:

- a good electrical conductor
- soft and slippery.

You should answer in terms of structure and bonding.

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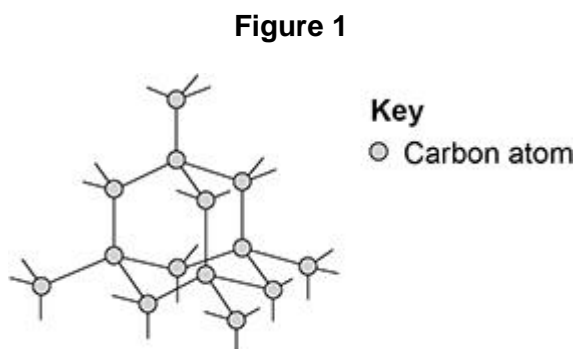
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(Total 11 marks)

**Q11.**

This question is about different forms of carbon.

**Figure 1** represents the structure of diamond.



(a) Describe the structure and bonding of diamond.

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(3)

(b) Explain why diamond has a very high melting point.

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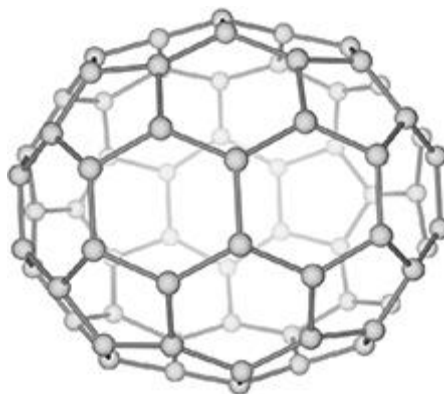
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(3)

**Figure 2** represents the molecule  $C_{70}$

**Figure 2**



(c) What is the name of this type of molecule?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Fullerene

Graphene

Nanotube

Polymer

(1)

(d) Molecules such as  $C_{70}$  can be used in medicine to move drugs around the body.

Suggest **one** reason why the  $C_{70}$  molecule is suitable for this use.

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(1)

## Mark schemes

### Q1.

- (a) **C** 1
- (b) **D** 1
- (c) 4 / four 1
- (d) very hard 1
- (e)  $C_2H_6$  1

### Q2.

- (a) carbon 1
  - (b) all 1
  - (c) covalent 1
  - (d) four 1
  - (e) hard 1
- [5]**

### Q3.

- (a) carbon 1
  - (b) each atom is joined to four other atoms 1
  - It has a giant structure 1
  - (c) very small 1
- [4]**

### Q4.

- (a) (i) covalent

- two different answers indicated gains 0 marks* 1
- (ii) carbon  
*two different answers indicated gains 0 marks* 1
- (iii) 3  
*two different answers indicated gains 0 marks* 1
- (b) layers can slide / slip 1
- because there are no bonds between layers  
*accept because weak forces / bonds between layers*
- or** so (pieces of) graphite rubs / breaks off
- or** graphite left on the paper 1

[5]

**Q5.**

- (a) carbon  
*allow C* 1
- (b) (i) (atoms are in) layers (that) can slide over each other 1
- because between the layers there are only weak forces  
*accept because there are no (covalent) bonds between the layers*  
*accept Van der Waals forces between the layers*  
*do **not** allow intermolecular bonds between the layers*  
*if no other marks are awarded allow weak intermolecular forces for 1 mark* 1
- (ii) because each atom forms four (covalent) bonds **or** (diamond is a) giant (covalent) structure **or** lattice **or** macromolecular  
*any reference to ionic / metallic bonding or intermolecular forces scores a maximum of 1 mark*  
*accept carbon forms a tetrahedral shape* 1
- (and) covalent bonds are strong  
*accept covalent bonds need a lot of energy / difficult to break* 1
- (iii) because graphite has delocalised electrons  
*allow sea of electrons*

*allow each carbon atom has one free electron*

1

which can move through the whole structure (and carry the current / charge / electricity)

1

[7]

**Q6.**

(a) *idea that*

- copper has free electrons / electrons that move throughout the structure

*gains 1 mark*

**but**

- in copper, electrons from the highest (occupied) energy level /outer shell, are free / can move throughout the structure

*gains 2 marks*

2

(b) *idea that*

- in graphite, only three bonds are formed by each carbon atom  
*for 1 mark*

- one outer electron (per atom), free to move  
*for 1 mark*

- an electric current is a flow of (free) electrons\*  
*for 1 mark*

(\* this mark to be given in **either** (a) **or** (b) but not in both)

3

[5]

**Q7.**

(a) (i) high

1

(ii) hundred

1

(b) hard

1

(c) (i) carbon

1

(ii) four

1

(iii) covalent

1

(iv) all

1

[7]

**Q8.**

(a) (i) hard

*ignore strong*

1

(ii) hundred

1

(b) (i) Covalent

1

(ii) 3

1

(iii) Soft and slippery

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(d) (i) CH<sub>4</sub>

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(ii) Small molecules

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[11]

**Q9.**

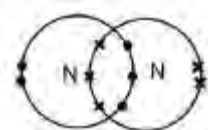
(a) six electrons in the overlap

*allow dots, crosses or e<sup>(-)</sup> for electrons*

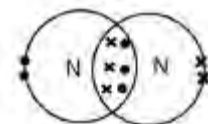
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2 non-bonding electrons on each nitrogen atom

**2 marks for an answer of:**



or



1

(b) weak forces

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between molecules

**or**

- intermolecular  
*do not allow references to covalent bonding between molecules* 1
- (which) need little energy to overcome 1
- (c) each (carbon) atom forms three covalent bonds 1
- forming layers (of hexagonal rings) 1
- (soft)  
(because) layers can slide over each other 1
- (conducts electricity)  
(because of) delocalised electrons 1
- (d) molecules are spherical 1
- (so molecules) will roll 1
- (e) surface area ( $= 20 \times 20 \times 6$ ) = 2400 (nm<sup>2</sup>) 1
- volume ( $= 20^3$ ) = 8000 (nm<sup>3</sup>) 1
- ratio = 0.3 (nm<sup>3</sup>): 1 (nm<sup>3</sup>)  
ratio = 0.3 (nm<sup>3</sup>): 1 (nm<sup>3</sup>)  
**or**  
1 (nm<sup>3</sup>): 3.33 (nm<sup>3</sup>) 1
- (f) (nanoparticles) have a larger surface area to volume ratio 1
- so less can be used for the same effect 1

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**Q10.**

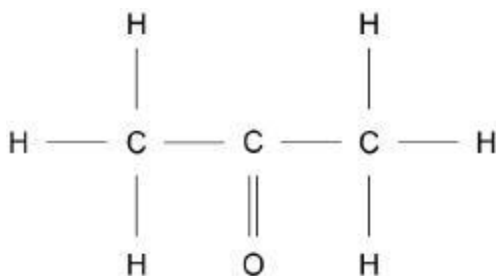
- (a) spherical  
*allow ball-shaped*  
*ignore round / circular* 1
- (b) any **one** from:  
• drug delivery (round the body)  
• hydrogen storage  
• anti-oxidants  
• reduction of bacterial growth



- catalysts
- (cylindrical fullerenes for) strengthening materials
- (spherical fullerenes for) lubricants

1

(c)



1

(d)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O}$

*allow  $\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_3$*

*allow elements in any order*

1

(e) the intermolecular forces are weak

1

(f) **Level 3:** Relevant points (reasons/causes) are identified, given in detail and logically linked to form a clear account.

5-6

**Level 2:** Relevant points (reasons/causes) are identified, and there are attempts at logical linking. The resulting account is not fully clear.

3-4

**Level 1:** Points are identified and stated simply, but their relevance is not clear and there is no attempt at logical linking.

1-2

**No relevant content**

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**Indicative content**

- bonds are covalent
- giant / macromolecular structure
- three (covalent) bonds per carbon atom  
**or**  
only three electrons per carbon atom used in (covalent) bonds
- so one electron per carbon atom (is delocalised)
- these delocalised electrons
- can move through the structure
- carrying (electrical) charge
- so graphite conducts electricity
- layered structure
- of (interlocking) hexagonal rings
- with weak (intermolecular) forces between layers  
**or**  
no (covalent) bonds between layers

- so the layers can slide over each other
- so graphite is soft and slippery

[11]

**Q11.**

(a) giant structure

*allow macromolecular*

*allow (giant) lattice*

1

covalent (bonds)

1

four bonds per carbon / atom

1

(b) (covalent) bonds are strong

1

(and many covalent) bonds must be broken

1

(so) a lot of energy is required

1

(c) fullerene

1

(d) any **one** from:

- (C<sub>70</sub> is) hollow

*allow (C<sub>70</sub>) acts as a cage*

*allow (C<sub>70</sub>) traps the drug*

- (C<sub>70</sub> is) unreactive
- (C<sub>70</sub> is) not toxic
- (C<sub>70</sub> has) a large surface area to volume ratio

*ignore references to ease of movement around the body*

1