# AGA KHAN UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION BOARD

## SECONDARY SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

## **CLASS IX EXAMINATION**

## **MAY 2016**

Time: 35 minutes Marks: 25

# **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Read each question carefully.
- atr 2. Answer the questions on the separate answer sheet provided. DO NOT write your answers on the question paper.
- 3. There are 100 answer numbers on the answer sheet. Use answer numbers 1 to 25 only.
- 4. In each question there are four choices A, B, C, D. Choose ONE. On the answer grid black out the circle for your choice with a pencil as shown below.



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- 5. If you want to change your answer, ERASE the first answer completely with a rubber, before blacking out a new circle.
- 6. DO NOT write anything in the answer grid. The computer only records what is in the circles.
- 7. You may use a simple calculator if you wish.



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5. Which of the following statements is TRUE about Bohr's atomic model?

- A. It shows that an atom produces continuous spectrum.
- B. It proves that the plum-pudding model of an atom was correct.
- C. It proves that the size and energy of each orbit in an atom is quantised.
- D. It shows that electrons emit radiation when revolving around the nucleus.

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6. How many sub-shells are present in an L-shell?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

7. Which of the following two elements react to form a covalent bond?

- A. Ba and Cl
- B. K and O
- C. H and S
- D. Na and F

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I.	$^{19}_{9}{ m F}$	III.	${}^9_4\text{Be}$	V.	$^{32}_{16}S$
II.	$^{40}_{18}{ m Ar}$	IV.	<sup>27</sup> <sub>13</sub> Al	VI.	$^{14}_{7}{ m N}$

Which of the above mentioned elements form cations?

- A. I and VI
- B. III and IV
- C. I, V and VI
- D. II, III and IV

9. Which of the following compounds shows hydrogen bonding?



10. In the modern periodic table, the elements are arranged according to

- A. increasing atomic mass.
- B. decreasing atomic mass.
- C. increasing atomic number.
- D. decreasing atomic number.

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11.  $X=1s^22s^22p^63s^23p^64s^2$ 

According to the given electronic configuration, the element  $\mathbf{X}$  belongs to which group and period of the modern periodic table?

	Period	Group
А	2	IVA
В	3	VIIIA
С	4	IIA
D	7	VIIIA

- 12. An oxygen atom is similar to an atom of sulphur because they both
  - A. form diatomic molecules.
  - B. have the same number of protons.
  - C. form cations with a double negative charge.
  - D. have the same number of valence electrons.
- 13. At constant temperature, if the volume of a gas in a container is reduced to half, then the pressure on the gas will
  - A. be doubled.
  - B. reduce to half.
  - C. remain the same.
  - D. reduce to a quarter.
- 14. Liquids can be converted into solids by
  - A. increasing collision among the molecules.
  - B. decreasing kinetic energy of the molecules.
  - C. increasing volume occupied by the molecules.
  - D. decreasing force of attraction among the molecules.
- 15. The picture shows gas formation around snow-capped mountains.



This formation of gas occurs through the process of

- A. diffusion.
- B. evaporation.
- C. sublimation.
- D. condensation.

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16. A scientist prepared sugar solution in a sequence as shown below. He started dissolving sugar at room temperature and then raised the temperature to dissolve an excess amount. The solution was then cooled to a temperature where the scientist observed crystal formation.

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The solution  $\mathbf{Z}$  which favoured the formation of crystals is said to be a/ an

- A. colloidal solution.
- B. saturated solution.
- C. unsaturated solution.
- D. supersaturated solution.
- 17. A concentrated solution is the one which is made up of
  - A. more solute than solvent.
  - B. more solvent than solute.
  - C. known amount of solute and solvent.
  - D. fixed amount of solute and solvent at 25°C.
- Which of the following predictions is WRONG about the solubility of substance X in substance Y?

	Substance X	Substance Y	Solubility
А	Toluene	Benzene	Soluble
В	Sodium chloride	Water	Soluble
С	Grease	Water	Insoluble
D	Paint	Kerosene oil	Insoluble

19. 
$$H_2S_{(g)} + Cl_{2(g)} \rightarrow S_{(s)} + 2HCl_{(g)}$$

The oxidation state of chlorine gas in the given equation changes from

A. 0 to +1B. 0 to -1C. -2 to 0D. -2 to -1

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	Redox Reaction	Observation
A	$2HI_{(g)} + Cl_{2(g)} \rightarrow I_{2(g)} + 2HCl_{(g)}$	Hydrogen iodide is reduced into
		iodine.
В	$Mg_{(s)} + 2HCl_{(aq)} \rightarrow MgCl_{2(aq)} + H_{2(q)}$	Magnesium is reduced into
	$\mathcal{L}(aq) = \mathcal{L}(aq) = \mathcal{L}(aq)$	magnesium chloride.
C	$CuSO_{4(aq)} + Mg_{(s)} \rightarrow MgSO_{4(aq)} + Cu_{(s)}$	Copper sulphate is reduced into
	$\tau(aq)$	copper.
D	$H_2S_{(g)} + Cl_{2(g)} \rightarrow S_{(s)} + 2HCl_{(g)}$	Hydrogen sulphide is reduced into
		sulphur.

20. Which of the following CORRECTLY matches the redox reaction with its observation?

21. Following diagrams show electrolytic cells with different chemical substances. In which of the electrolytic cells will the bulb NOT glow?



22. A metallic anchor is used to prevent ships from drifting due to wind or ocean current.

Anchors are often made up of iron because it

- A. is sonorous.
- B. is unreactive.
- C. has high density.
- D. has low melting point.

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23. What will happen when a small piece of burning sodium metal on a combustion spoon is introduced in a gas jar containing oxygen gas?

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- It will not react with oxygen gas. A.
- It will react violently to form oxide. Β.
- It will react slowly to form superoxide. C.
- It will react violently to form hydroxide. D.
- An element which forms a cation with +2 charge is a/ an 24.
  - A. halogen.
  - noble gas. B.
  - C. alkali metal.
  - alkaline earth metal. D.

Gold and silver are considered as noble metals because they 25. 

