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**State Examinations Commission**

**Junior Certificate 2014**

**Marking Scheme**

**Technology**

**Ordinary Level**

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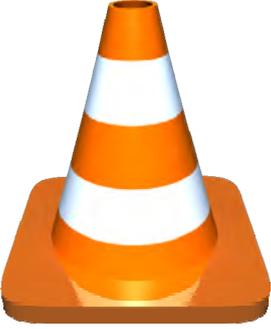
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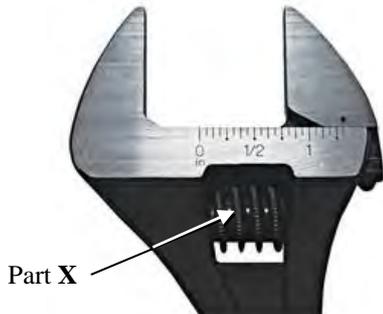
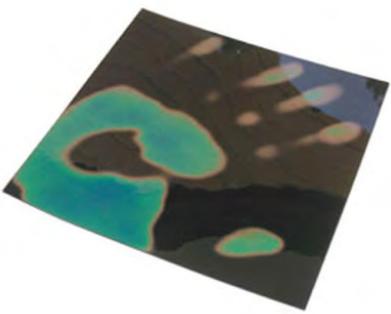
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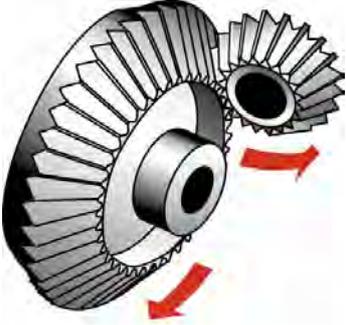
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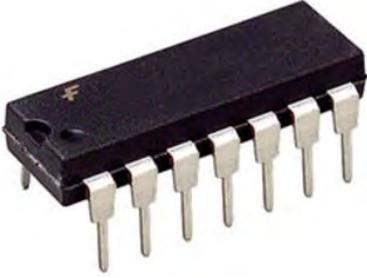
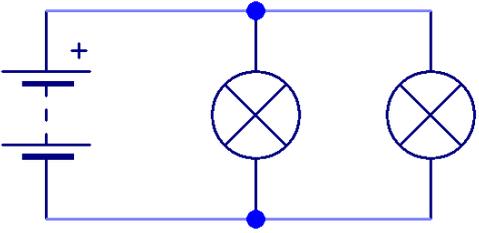
***Marking Scheme***

Section A – 80 Marks. Answer **any sixteen** questions in this section.

<p>1.</p> 	<p>The traffic device shown is:</p>	<p>Cylindrical</p>	
		<p>Conical</p>	5
		<p>Pyramidal</p>	
<p>2.</p> 	<p>The capacity of an external hard drive is measured in:</p>	<p>Gigabytes</p>	5
		<p>Kilobytes</p>	
		<p>Bytes</p>	
<p>3.</p> 	<p>A software application that requires the use of a web-cam is:</p>	<p>Microsoft Word</p>	
		<p>Skype</p>	5
		<p>SolidWorks</p>	
<p>4.</p> 	<p>Plastic is used for electrical products because it is a/n:</p>	<p>Conductor</p>	
		<p>Capacitor</p>	
		<p>Insulator</p>	5
<p>5.</p> 	<p>The process of coating steel to prevent rusting is called:</p>	<p>Soldering</p>	
		<p>Galvanising</p>	5
		<p>Welding</p>	

<p>6.</p> 	<p>Rubber is used to make wristbands because it is:</p>	<p>Elastic</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>7.</p> 	<p>Part X in the head of the adjustable wrench is:</p>	<p>A worm gear</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>8.</p> 	<p>The item shown is a:</p>	<p>Drill bit</p>	
<p>9.</p> 	<p>Thermo-chromic materials change colour in response to changes in:</p>	<p>Light</p>	
<p>10.</p> 	<p>LEDs are now used in torches because they:</p>	<p>Use very little energy</p>	<p>5</p>
		<p>They look good</p>	
		<p>They heat up</p>	

<p>11.</p> 	<p>The downward force produced by a house acting on the ground is:</p>	<p>Shear</p>	
		<p>Torsion</p>	
		<p>Compression</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>12.</p> 	<p>The items shown are:</p>	<p>Bevel gears</p>	<p>5</p>
		<p>Spur gears</p>	
		<p>Worm gears</p>	
<p>13.</p> 	<p>The <b>pistons</b> in an engine:</p>	<p>Reciprocate</p>	<p>5</p>
		<p>Oscillate</p>	
		<p>Rotate</p>	
<p>14.</p> 	<p>The force that converts the kinetic energy of a car to heat energy in the brakes is called:</p>	<p>Bending</p>	
		<p>Friction</p>	<p>5</p>
		<p>Tension</p>	
<p>15.</p> 	<p>The energy produced by devices such as solar cells is often referred to as:</p>	<p>Blue energy</p>	
		<p>Green energy</p>	<p>5</p>
		<p>Red Energy</p>	

<p>16.</p> 	<p>Micro-chips are often called ICs. IC stands for:</p>	International Circuit	
		Integrated Circuit	5
		Internal Circuit	
<p>17.</p> 	<p>This energy saving light bulb:</p>	Has lower wattage than a standard light bulb.	5
		Has higher wattage than a standard light bulb.	
		Has the same wattage as a standard light bulb.	
<p>18.</p> 	<p>The long leg of the capacitor is:</p>	Negative	
		Positive	5
		Neutral	
<p>19.</p> 	<p>The bulbs in this circuit are in:</p>	Parallel	5
		Series	
		Neither of the above	
<p>20.</p> 	<p>The pneumatic bicycle tyre was invented by:</p>	Harry Ferguson	
		John Boyd Dunlop	5
		John Philip Holland	

Section B – 80 Marks.  
Answer **any two** questions from this section.

**Question 1**

**40 Marks**

(a) An image of a ring-throwing game is shown. 12 marks

(i) Brass was selected as the material for the rod.  
Give a reason for this choice.

Reason: Polished finish can applied,  
strong, does not rust.

(ii) Name a suitable wood for the base and give a reason for your choice.

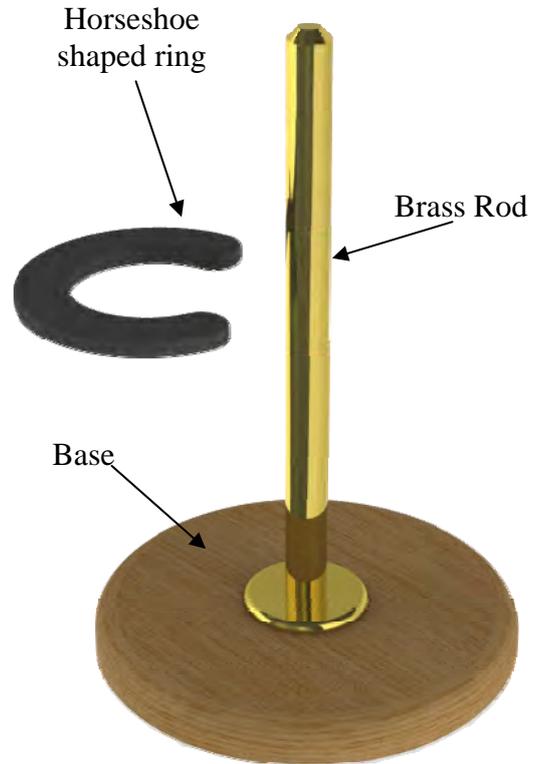
Wood: Any hardwood

Reason: Durable, looks well, easily drilled.

(iii) A ring is required that will not damage the wood or brass. Name a suitable material for the ring and state a property of this material.

Material: Nylon, rubber, etc.

Property: Hard material



Ring Throwing Game

(b) (i) Name a tool that could be used to cut the thread at the end of the rod. Give a reason why a thread is a suitable method of joining the rod to the base. 8 marks

Tool: Stocks & Die

Reason for using a thread: \_\_\_\_\_

Easily assembled by user



Brass Rod Thread

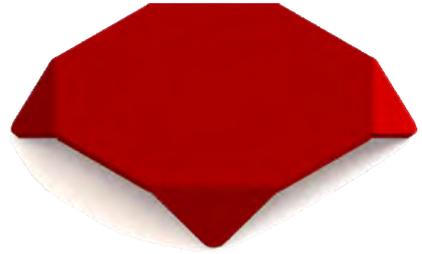
(ii) A large diameter base has been used. Suggest a reason for this.

Reason for large base: To make the object stable

**Question 1**

12 marks

- (c) (i) An alternative base for the game is shown in which the four corners are folded downwards.  
Name a suitable material for this base and explain the procedure for bending the corners.



Alternative Base

Material: Acrylic

Bending procedure: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of bending with a strip heater.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- (ii) Make labelled sketches of an alternative method of joining the brass rod to the base shown above.

Joining Method	No Attempt	0	←	→	1
	Fair	2	←	→	3
	Good	4	←	→	

Quality of the sketches = 2max

- (d) The material for making the alternative base is shown.

8 marks

- (i) Draw in all the lines required for marking out the bends at the four corners.
- (ii) The marking out of the bend lines at all four corners must be exactly the same. Give a reason for this.

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Stability and related reasons  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

No Attempt	0	←	→	1
Fair	2	←	→	3
Good	4	←	→	

Quality of the solution = 2max

**Question 2**

**40 Marks**

*12 marks*

(a) An image of a mechanism used for tensioning the net on a tennis court is shown.

(i) Give **two** reasons why this mechanism is suitable for this purpose.

1. Crank can be turned easily

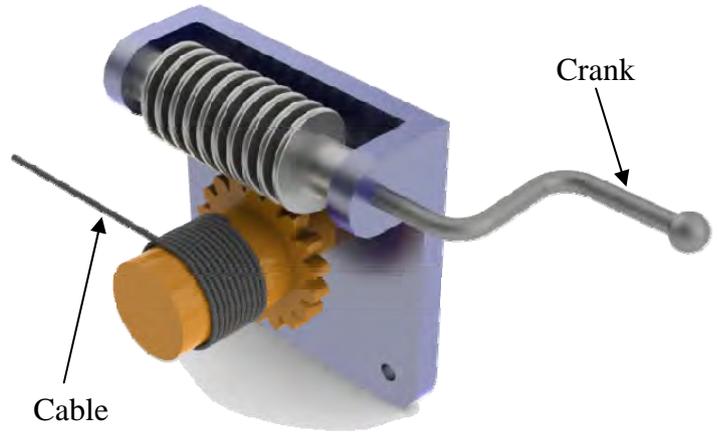
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2. Will not slip when tensioned

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



Net Tensioner

(ii) A crank handle is used to turn the mechanism. Name **two** other devices/mechanisms that use a crank handle.

Device 1: Car jack

Device 2: Lathe

(iii) To make it easier to turn the crank by hand, suggest one change that could be made to the mechanism.

Change: Make the crank lever longer

\_\_\_\_\_

*8 marks*

(b) (i) A version of the above mechanism uses a motor instead of the crank handle. It also uses a double-pole double-throw slide switch (DPDT slide switch).

Give a reason why this DPDT slide switch is needed to control the motor.

Reason: Forward and reverse motion

\_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Suggest a method of automatically stopping the motor when the net is fully tensioned.

Answer: Limit switch

\_\_\_\_\_



Motor



DPDT Slide switch

## Question 2

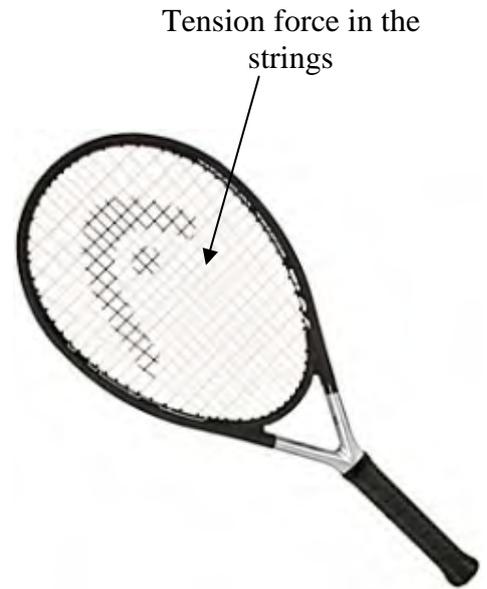
- (c) The strings of a tennis racket are in tension. This is what makes the head of a tennis racket strong.

8 marks

Name and sketch another item (from sport or elsewhere) that uses tension to make it strong.

Name = 2

No Attempt	0	←	→	1
Fair	3	←	→	4
Good	6	←		



Tennis Racket

- (d) Old tennis rackets were made from wood. Today rackets are made from special plastics or carbon fibre.

6 marks

Give **two** reasons why manufacturers stopped using wood to make the rackets.

Reason 1: Difficult to manufacture

\_\_\_\_\_

Reason 2: To reduce cost of manufacture

\_\_\_\_\_



Wooden Racket

- (e) (i) Ash is used in the making of hurleys. Give **one** reason why ash is used.

6 marks

Answer: Ash is a tough flexible wood

\_\_\_\_\_

- (ii) Suggest **one** advantage of using wood for this purpose instead of plastic.

Advantage: Plastic hurleys are more likely to cause injury

\_\_\_\_\_



**Question 3**

**40 Marks**

(a) A company producing solar panels wishes to give a child's nightlight to each of its customers for advertising purposes. Two LEDs light up a display panel on which is placed a logo representing the company.

12 marks

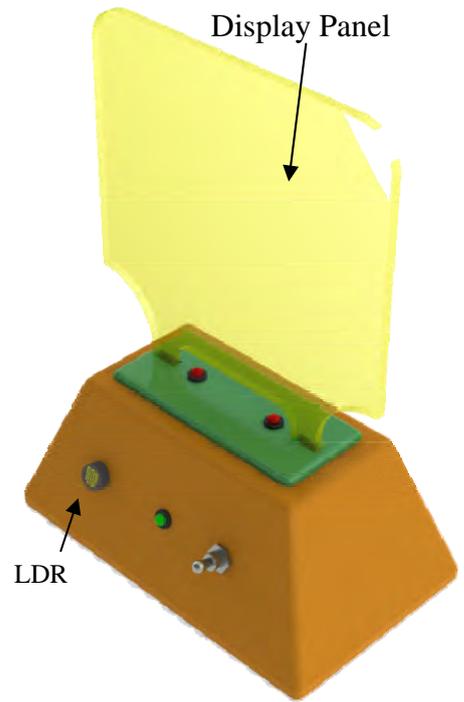
(i) The display panel is tinted. Explain the term 'tinted'.

Answer: Cannot see through the display panel

(ii) An LDR is used in the control circuit of the nightlight. Explain the term LDR and suggest why it is needed.

LDR: Light Dependent Resistor

Why it is needed: To turn on lights at night



Night Light

(iii) Name a suitable material for the tinted display panel and give a reason for your choice.

Material: Acrylic sheet

Reason for choosing: Lightweight, easily shaped

(b) (i) Half of the outline of the tinted display panel is shown. Complete the drawing of the display panel in the space provided.

8 marks

(ii) Two red LEDs light up the display panel. Explain the term LED.

LED: Light Emitting Diode

(iii) List **two** steps required to produce a smooth finish on the edges of the display panel.

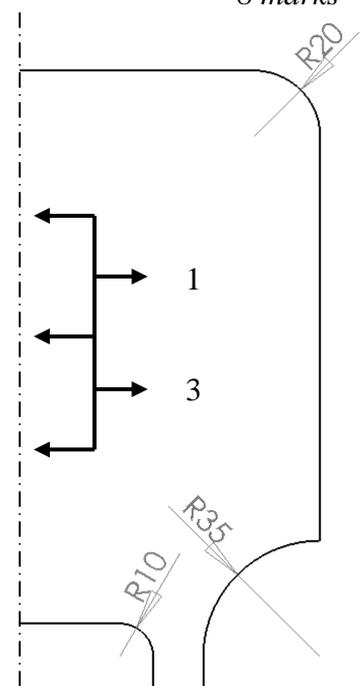
Step 1: File

Step 2: Polish

No Attempt 0

Fair 2

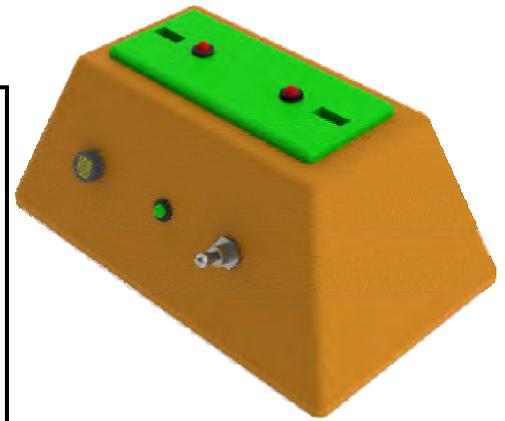
Good 4



### Question 3

12 marks

- (c) (i) The circuit box of the night light is vacuum formed. In the space below make a sketch of the mould needed to form this shape.



Circuit box

No Attempt	0	←	→	1
Fair	3	←	→	4
Good	6	←	→	

- (ii) High Impact Polystyrene (HIP) is used to make the circuit box. List **two** important properties of this material that make it suitable for vacuum forming.

Property 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Property 2: \_\_\_\_\_

- (iii) An LED is used on the front panel to act as a *pilot* light. What is the purpose of a pilot light?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- (d) The company producing the solar panels requires a logo to be etched into the tinted display panel. In the space below, make a sketch of your design for this logo.

8 marks

Logo Design

No Attempt	0	←	→	2	LOGO
Fair	4	←	→	6	
Good	8	←	→		

Question 4

40 Marks

(a) 12 marks

Electronic technology is playing an ever increasing role in sport. Describe **three** modern uses for this technology in sports.

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1. Goal line technology

\_\_\_\_\_

4

2. Roving cameras

\_\_\_\_\_

4

3. Electronic scoreboards

\_\_\_\_\_

(b) 12 marks

(i) This rowing machine uses a chain drive. Give **two** reasons for using a chain drive for this purpose.

3

Reason 1: Does not slip

3

Reason 2: Efficient method of power transmission



(ii) The seat on the rowing machine can glide back and forward in response to the movement of the person using it. Suggest a way of obtaining this smooth motion.

2

Answer: Mount seat in a slider mechanism

2

(iii) Name **two** other machines that use a chain drive.

2

Machine 1: Bicycle Machine 2: Timing belt in a car

(c) 16 marks

(i) Suggest one possible advantage and one possible disadvantage of wind power generation.

4

Advantage: Produces green energy

\_\_\_\_\_

4

Disadvantage: Can look unsightly

\_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Give **two** reasons why carbon fibre is now being used to make the blades of wind turbines.

4

Reason 1. Strong

4

Reason 2. Lightweight

