



IG.P10 Density, Pressure in Liquids and Change of State

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Total Marks

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Answer ALL questions. Show all your working.

- 1** Define density as it is used in the context of solids and liquids, giving the equation and naming each symbol.

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

- 2** State the density of water used for simple comparisons at standard conditions, and give its units.

(Total for Question 2 is 1 mark)

- 3** A small metal cube used in a school test has mass 0.48 kg and volume 60 cm^3 . Calculate its density in kg/m^3 .

(Total for Question 3 is 1 mark)

- 4** An object floats on oil but sinks in water. Explain, using density ideas, what this tells you about the density of the object compared with oil and water.

(Total for Question 4 is 2 marks)

- 5** Define pressure in a liquid at a depth and state the equation linking pressure, depth, fluid density and gravitational field strength, naming symbols.

(Total for Question 5 is 2 marks)

- 6** A diver swims at a depth of 12 m in seawater with density 1025 kg/m^3 . Calculate the increase in pressure due to the water at that depth. Use $g = 9.8 \text{ N/kg}$. Give your answer in Pa.

(Total for Question 6 is 3 marks)

- 7** Explain why the pressure at the base of a tall tank of mercury is greater than at the base of a tall tank of water of the same depth, using the $p = h \rho g$ equation and particle ideas.

(Total for Question 7 is 3 marks)

- 8** A sealed container has two immiscible liquid layers of equal depth 0.20 m. The lower layer is oil with density 850 kg/m^3 and the upper layer is water with density 1000 kg/m^3 . Calculate the pressure at the interface between the oil and water due to the oil alone. Use $g = 9.8 \text{ N/kg}$. Give your answer in Pa.

(Total for Question 8 is 2 marks)

- 9** State a typical value for atmospheric pressure at sea level and give its units.

(Total for Question 9 is 1 mark)

- 10** A block of aluminium of mass 270 g is heated, and its temperature rises from 20 degrees C to 80 degrees C. The specific heat capacity of aluminium is $900 \text{ J/kg degrees C}$. Calculate the energy required to heat the block. Show equation, substitution and final answer with units.

(Total for Question 10 is 3 marks)

- 11** A student uses 500 g of water at 20 degrees C and supplies 9,000 J of energy. Calculate the final temperature of the water. Use specific heat capacity of water as 4200 J/kg degrees C. Show equation, substitution and final answer with units.

(Total for Question 11 is 4 marks)

- 12** Ice of mass 0.25 kg at 0 degrees C is melted to water at 0 degrees C. The specific latent heat of fusion of ice is 3.34×10^5 J/kg. Calculate the energy required. Show equation, substitution and final answer with units.

(Total for Question 12 is 3 marks)

- 13** A kettle contains 0.35 kg of water at 100 degrees C and some of the water is converted to steam at 100 degrees C. If 4.6×10^5 J of energy is supplied to the kettle to boil water into steam, calculate the mass of water that becomes steam. Use specific latent heat of vaporisation $L = 2.26 \times 10^6$ J/kg. Show equation, substitution and final answer with units.

(Total for Question 13 is 3 marks)

- 14** Explain, using particle ideas, why the temperature of a substance stays constant during melting or boiling even while energy is still being supplied. Give four distinct points.

(Total for Question 14 is 4 marks)

- 15** A small sample of an unknown metal has volume 15.0 cm^3 and mass 120 g . Calculate its density in kg/m^3 and suggest which metal it could be from this list: aluminium (2700 kg/m^3), copper (8900 kg/m^3), iron (7800 kg/m^3), zinc (7100 kg/m^3). Show your working and final answer.

(Total for Question 15 is 3 marks)

- 16** A cube of plastic has edge length 6.0 cm and density 950 kg/m^3 . Calculate the mass of the cube in grams. Show equation, substitution and final answer with units.

(Total for Question 16 is 2 marks)

- 17** Using $p = h \rho g$, calculate how much the pressure increases per metre depth in freshwater ($\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$). Give your answer in Pa per metre. Use $g = 9.8 \text{ N/kg}$.

(Total for Question 17 is 2 marks)

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Question 1

- **B1** $\rho = \text{mass} / \text{volume}$, with $\rho = \text{density}$, mass = mass (kg) and volume = volume (m^3) or equivalent units
- **Answer: $\rho = \text{mass} / \text{volume}$, where ρ is density, mass is mass and volume is volume**

Question 2

- **B1** 1000 kg/m^3
- **Answer: 1000 kg/m^3**

Question 3

- **M1** convert 60 cm^3 to $\text{m}^3 = 60 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$ or $6.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$
- **A1** density = $0.48 / 6.0 \times 10^{-5} = 8000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ cao
- **Answer: 8000 kg/m^3**

Question 4

- **B1** floats on oil means object density < density of oil
- **B1** sinks in water means object density > density of water
- **Answer: Object density is less than oil density but greater than water density**

Question 5

- **B1** $p = h \times \rho \times g$ with $p = \text{pressure}$, $h = \text{depth}$, $\rho = \text{fluid density}$, $g = \text{gravitational field strength}$
- **B1** states that pressure increases with depth and with fluid density
- **Answer: $p = h \rho g$, where p is pressure, h depth, ρ fluid density and g gravitational field strength; pressure increases with depth and density**

Question 6

- **M1** writes $p = h \rho g$
- **M1** substitutes $p = 12 \times 1025 \times 9.8$
- **A1** $p = 120,540 \text{ Pa}$ (give or take rounding) cao
- **Answer: $1.21 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ (120540 Pa)**

Question 7

- **B1** states $p = h \rho g$ and that h and g are same so difference is ρ
- **B1** mercury has higher density (more mass per unit volume) than water
- **B1** therefore weight of column above base is greater, so pressure at base is greater
- **Answer: Because mercury has a larger density, the term ρ is bigger so $p = h \rho g$ is larger; a denser fluid means more mass in the same column and therefore more weight on the base**

Question 8

- **M1** uses $p = h \rho g$ with $h = 0.20$, $\rho = 850$, $g = 9.8$
- **A1** $p = 0.20 \times 850 \times 9.8 = 1666 \text{ Pa}$ (rounding acceptable) cao
- **Answer: Approximately $1.67 \times 10^3 \text{ Pa}$ (1666 Pa)**

Question 9

- **B1** $1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ or $101,325 \text{ Pa}$
- **Answer: $1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ (approximately $101,325 \text{ Pa}$)**

Question 10

- **M1** writes $E = m c \Delta T$
- **M1** substitutes $m = 0.270 \text{ kg}$, $c = 900$, $\Delta T = 60$ so $E = 0.270 \times 900 \times 60$
- **A1** $E = 14,580 \text{ J}$ cao with units
- **Answer: $E = 1.46 \times 10^4 \text{ J}$ ($14,580 \text{ J}$)**

Question 11

- **M1** writes $E = m c \Delta T$
- **M1** substitutes $E = 9000$, $m = 0.500$ kg, $c = 4200$ so $9000 = 0.500 \times 4200 \times \Delta T$
- **M1** rearranges to $\Delta T = 9000 / (0.500 \times 4200)$
- **A1** $\Delta T = 4.29$ degrees C so final temperature = 24.29 degrees C
- **Answer: Final temperature = about 24.3 degrees C**

Question 12

- **M1** writes $E = m L$
- **M1** substitutes $m = 0.25$, $L = 3.34 \times 10^5$ so $E = 0.25 \times 3.34 \times 10^5$
- **A1** $E = 8.35 \times 10^4$ J
- **Answer: $E = 8.35 \times 10^4$ J (83,500 J)**

Question 13

- **M1** writes $E = m L$ and rearranges to $m = E / L$
- **M1** substitutes $m = 4.6 \times 10^5 / 2.26 \times 10^6$
- **A1** $m = 0.2035$ kg (allow awrt 0.204 kg)
- **Answer: Approximately 0.204 kg of water becomes steam**

Question 14

- **B1** states that supplied energy is used to break bonds or overcome attractive forces between particles rather than increase kinetic energy
- **B1** states that average kinetic energy of particles (and so temperature) stays the same while bonds are being broken
- **B1** mentions change of arrangement or spacing of particles, e.g. particles move further apart when melting or boiling
- **B1** links these points to latent heat, energy required per kg for the change of state
- **Answer: Energy goes into breaking intermolecular forces and increasing particle separation rather than raising particle kinetic energy, so temperature stays constant during the change of state; this energy per kg is the latent heat**

Question 15

- **M1** converts mass to kg and volume to m^3 : $m = 0.120$ kg, $V = 15.0 \times 10^{-6} m^3$
- **M1** computes density $= m / V = 0.120 / 15.0 \times 10^{-6} = 8000$ kg/ m^3
- **A1** identifies closest metal as iron (7800 kg/ m^3) or states value 8000 kg/ m^3 and suggests iron as reasonable match
- **Answer: Density = 8.00×10^3 kg/ m^3 , suggests iron as the closest match**

Question 16

- **M1** calculates volume $= 6.0^3 cm^3 = 216 cm^3 = 216 \times 10^{-6} m^3$
- **A1** mass = density $\times$ volume $= 950 \times 216 \times 10^{-6} = 0.2052$ kg = 205.2 g
- **Answer: Mass = 205.2 g**

Question 17

- **M1** uses $p/h = \rho g = 1000 \times 9.8$
- **A1** pressure increases by 9,800 Pa per metre
- **Answer: Pressure increases by 9,800 Pa per metre**