

Questions are for both separate science and combined science students unless indicated in the question

Q1.

This question is about materials used to make plates.

Plates are made from ceramics, paper or poly(propene).

(a) Paper plates are biodegradable and recyclable.

Which stage of a life cycle assessment (LCA) would contain this information?

Tick (✓) one box.

Disposal at the end of useful life

Extracting and processing raw materials

Manufacturing and packaging

Use and operation during lifetime

(1)

(b) Which two processes are used to make ceramic plates?

Tick (✓) two boxes. (separate only)

Forming a composite

Galvanising with zinc

Heating in a furnace

Melting sand and boron trioxide

Shaping wet clay

(2)

Poly(propene) is produced from an alkene.

(c) Complete the sentences. (separate only)

The name for very large molecules such as poly(propene) is

_____.

The name of the alkene used to produce poly(propene) is

_____.

(2)

(d) The alkene needed to make poly(propene) is produced from crude oil.

Which two processes are used to produce this alkene from crude oil?

Tick (✓) two boxes.

Chromatography

Cracking

Fermentation

Fractional distillation

Quarrying

(2)

(e) What type of bond joins the atoms in a molecule of poly(propene)?

Tick (✓) one box.

Covalent

Ionic

Metallic

(1)

The table below shows information about two polymers used to make plates.

Polymer	Effect of heating the polymer
A	does not melt
B	melts at 50 °C

(f) What type of polymer is polymer A?

Use the table above. (separate only)

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(1)

(g) Why does polymer A behave differently to polymer B when heated? You should refer to crosslinks in your answer. (separate only)

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(1)

(Total 10 marks)

Q2.

This question is about materials used to make food plates.

Food plates are made from paper, polymers or ceramics.

The table below shows information about plates of the same diameter made from each of these materials.

	Food plate material		
	Paper	Polymers	Ceramics
Raw material	Wood	Crude oil	Mined clay
Number packaged in 10 dm ³ cardboard box	500	100	50
Average number of times used	1	400	1000
Biodegradable?	Yes	No	No
Recyclable?	Yes	Yes	No

(a) The table above does not show information about energy usage.

Suggest two pieces of information about energy usage which would help to produce a complete life cycle assessment (LCA) for the three food plate materials.

1 -----

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Some surfboards are made from addition polymers.

Addition polymers are made from small alkene molecules.

(a) Which type of bonding is present in small alkene molecules?

Tick (✓) one box.

Covalent

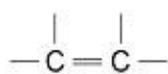
Ionic

Metallic

(1)

(b) What is the functional group in these small alkene molecules?

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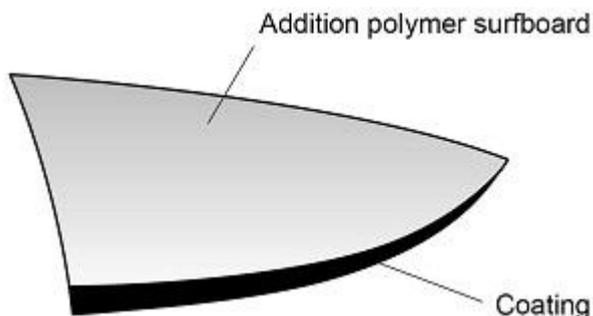


(1)

Figure 2 shows the structure of part of an addition polymer surfboard.

The outer surface of the surfboard is coated.

Figure 2



The coating is made from soda-lime glass fibres surrounded by a plastic.

(c) What type of material is the coating of the surfboard?

Tick (✓) one box. (separate only)

- Alloy
- Ceramic
- Composite
- Nanotube

(1)

(d) Complete the sentence.

Choose answers from the box. (separate only)

air	ammonia	copper
	limestone	sand

The materials used to make the soda-lime glass fibres are sodium carbonate,

_____ and _____

(2)

(e) Suggest two reasons why surfboards are coated. (separate only)

1 _____

2

(2)

Some surfboards are made from wood.

The following table contains information about the materials in an addition polymer surfboard and a wooden surfboard.

	Addition polymer surfboard	Wooden surfboard
Relative strength	14	38
Cost (£ per m ³)	140	390
Density (kg/m ³)	50	150
Disposal at end of life	Difficult to recycle	Can be used as fuel

- (f) Suggest two advantages and two disadvantages of using addition polymers rather than wood to make surfboards.

Use the table.

Advantages of addition polymers _____

Disadvantages of addition polymers _____

(4)

- (g) Calculate the volume of wood in a wooden surfboard of mass 5.25 kg

Use the table above and the equation:

$$\text{Density in kg/m}^3 = \frac{\text{Mass in kg}}{\text{Volume in m}^3}$$

Volume = _____ m³

(3)

(Total 14 marks)

Q4.

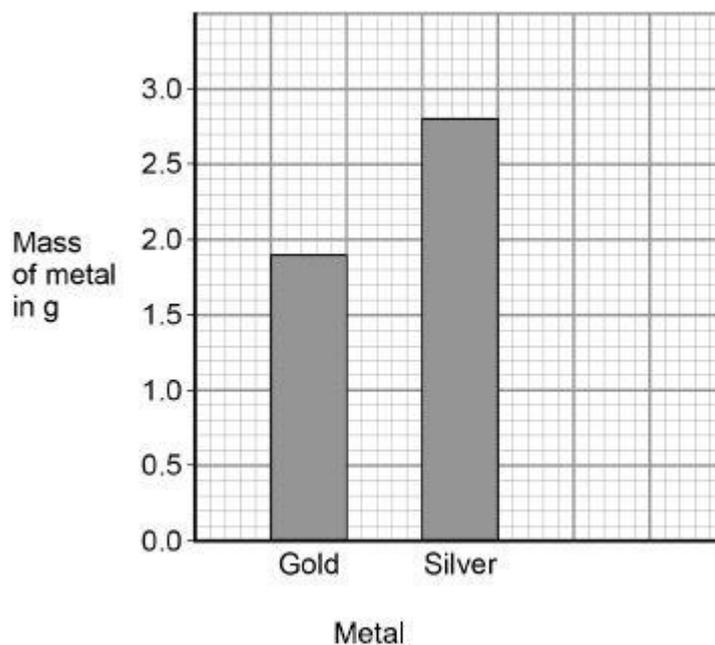
A 9 carat gold ring is made from a mixture of metals.

The table below shows the mass of different metals in the ring.

The mass of the ring is 5.0 g

Metal	Mass of metal in g
Gold	1.9
Silver	2.8
Copper	0.3

(a) Plot the data for copper from the table above on the graph below. [\(separate only\)](#)



(2)

(b) The cost of gold is £30 per gram.

Calculate the cost of the gold used in the 9 carat gold ring.

Use the table above. [\(separate only\)](#)

Cost of gold = £ _____

(1)

- (c) Rings can be made from 22 carat gold. The ratio of the mass of gold in 22 carat gold compared to 9 carat gold is 22 : 9
Calculate the mass of gold in a 22 carat gold ring of mass 5.0 g
Use the table above. (separate only)

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- Mass of gold = _____ g

(2)

- (d) Pure gold is 24 carats.

Suggest two reasons why silver and copper are mixed with gold to make 9 carat gold rings. (separate only)

1. _____

2. _____

(2)

- (e) Copper is obtained from copper ores or by recycling copper.

- Copper ores are non-renewable.
- Copper ores can be obtained by mining.
- Some scrap copper goes to landfill sites.

Give three reasons why we should use recycled copper instead of copper from copper ores.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

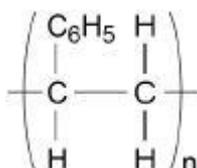
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(Total 10 marks)

Q5.

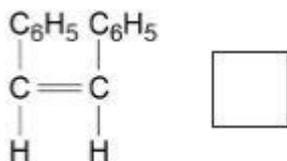
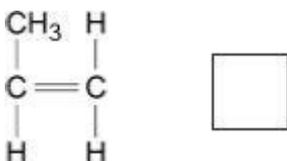
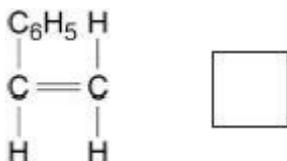
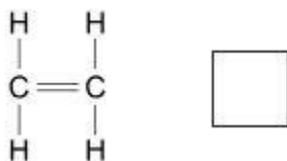
Disposable cups are made from coated paper or poly(styrene).

The diagram below represents the structure of poly(styrene).



(a) Which small molecule is used to produce poly(styrene)?

Tick one box. (separate only)



(1)

(b) Which process is used to make poly(styrene) from small molecules?

Tick one box. (separate only)

Cracking

Distillation

Fermentation

Polymerisation

(1)

(c) Complete the sentences.

Choose answers from the box. (separate only)

ceramics	composites	four	many
monomers	polymers	two	

Poly(styrene) is produced from small molecules called

When poly(styrene) is made, _____ styrene molecules join to form large molecules.

These large molecules are called _____ .

(3)

(d) The table below gives some information about disposable cups.

	Coated paper cups	Polystyrene cups
Source of raw materials	Wood	Crude oil
Energy to make 1 cup in arbitrary units	550	200
Biodegradable	Yes	No
Recyclable	No	Yes

Compare the advantages and disadvantages of using coated paper and poly(styrene) to make disposable cups.

Use the table above and your knowledge and understanding of life cycle assessments (LCAs).

(4)
(Total 9 marks)

Q6.

Disposable cups are made from coated paper or poly(styrene).

The table below shows information on the life cycle assessments (LCAs) of disposable cups.

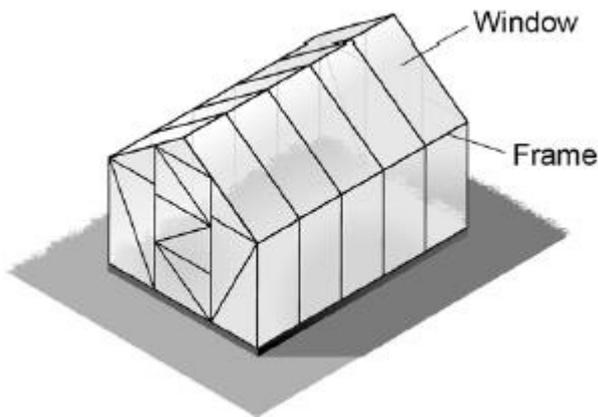
	Coated paper cups	Poly(styrene) cups
Raw materials	Wood	Crude oil
Mass of 1 cup in g	8.3	1.9
Energy to produce 1 cup in kJ	550	200
Energy released when 1 cup is burned in kJ	166	76
Biodegradable	Yes	No
Recyclable	No	Yes

- (a) Evaluate the use of coated paper compared with poly(styrene) to make disposable cups.
Use the table above and your knowledge and understanding of LCAs.

(2)
(Total 10 marks)

Q7.

The diagram shows a greenhouse.



A greenhouse frame can be made from wood or aluminium.

Table 1 gives some information about wood and aluminium.

Table 1

	Wood	Aluminium
Raw material	Renewable	Non-renewable
Mass of greenhouse frame in kg	80	20
Useful lifetime in years	20	50
End of useful life	Can be chopped up and used as fuel	Can be recycled into new aluminium products

(a) Evaluate the use of each material for making greenhouse frames.

Use Table 1.

(4)

- (b) Greenhouse frames are transported by lorry. The lorry used can carry a maximum load of 12 tonnes. Calculate the largest number of wooden greenhouse frames which could be transported by the lorry.
 Use Table 1.
 100 kg = 1 tonne

Number of wooden greenhouse frames = _____

(2)

- (c) It is more sustainable to make greenhouse frames from recycled aluminium than from aluminium from aluminium ore.
 Give two reasons why.

1. _____

2. _____

(2)

- (d) Greenhouse windows can be made from glass or from polymers.
 Table 2 gives information about glass and a polymer.

Table 2

	Glass	Polymer
Density in g / cm ³	2.8	1.2
Cost in £ per m ²	20	28
Effect of sunlight	No effect	Discolours over time

Suggest one advantage of making greenhouse windows from the polymer rather than from glass.

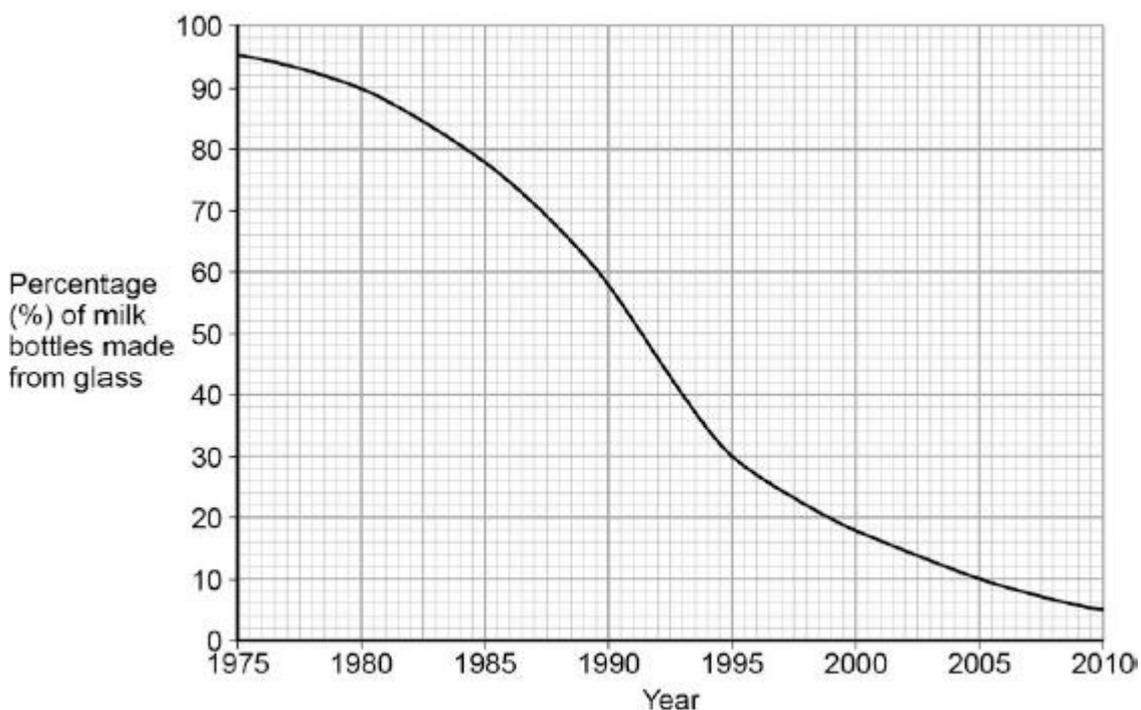
Use Table 2.

(1)
(Total 9 marks)

Q8.

Plastic and glass can be used to make milk bottles.

The figure below shows the percentage of milk bottles made from glass between 1975 and 2010.



(a) Plot the points and draw a line on the figure above to show the percentage of milk bottles made from materials other than glass between 1975 and 2010.

(3)

(b) The table below gives information about milk bottles.

	Glass milk bottle	Plastic milk bottle
Raw materials	Sand, limestone, salt	Crude oil
Bottle material	Soda-lime glass	HD poly(ethene)
Initial stage in production of bottle material	Limestone and salt used to produce sodium carbonate.	Production of naphtha fraction.

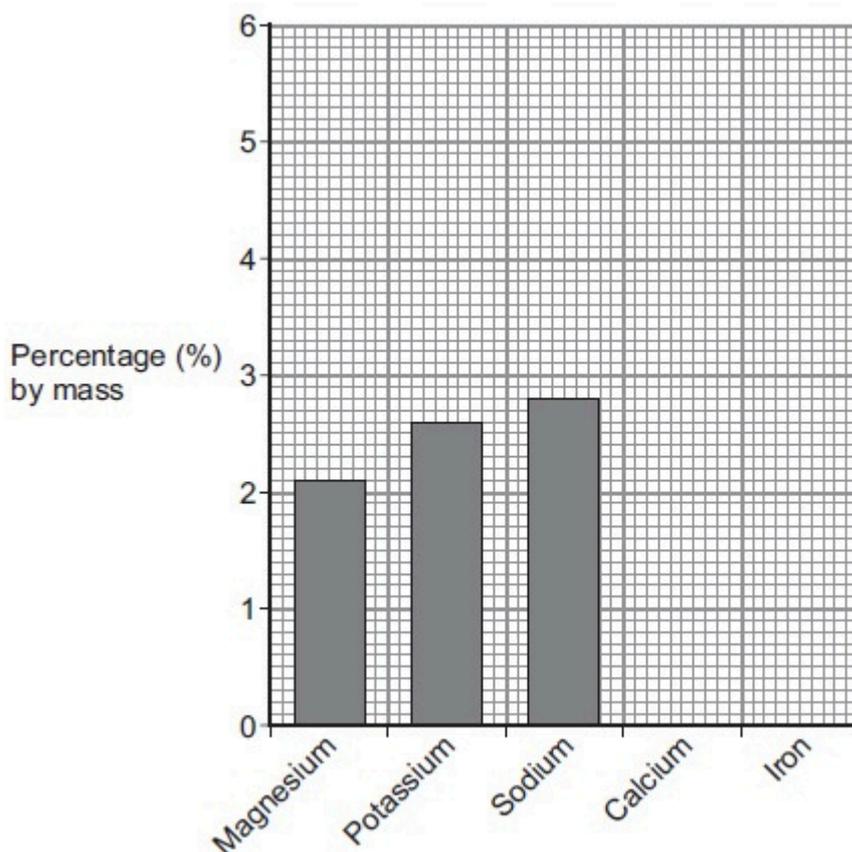
Because it does not react with water.

Because it is a good conductor of electricity.

(1)

- (b) Figure 1 shows the percentage (%) by mass of some metals in the Earth's crust.

Figure 1



- (i) What is the percentage by mass of magnesium in the Earth's crust?

_____ %

(1)

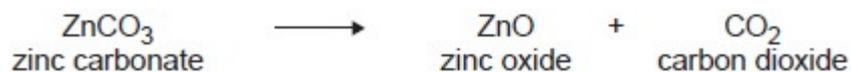
- (ii) On Figure 1 draw the bars for:

- calcium at 3.6% by mass
- iron at 5.0% by mass.

(2)

- (c) An ore of zinc contains zinc carbonate.

The equation for the reaction when zinc carbonate is heated is:



(i) What is the name of this type of reaction?

Tick (✓) one box.

corrosion

decomposition

electrolysis

(1)

(ii) Which substance in the equation is a gas at room temperature (20 °C)?

Tick (✓) one box.

zinc carbonate

zinc oxide

carbon dioxide

(1)

(iii) Complete the table below to show the number of atoms of carbon and oxygen in the formula of zinc carbonate.

Element	Number of atoms in the formula ZnCO ₃
zinc, Zn	1
carbon, C	
oxygen, O	

(2)

(iv) When 125 g zinc carbonate is heated, 81 g zinc oxide is produced.

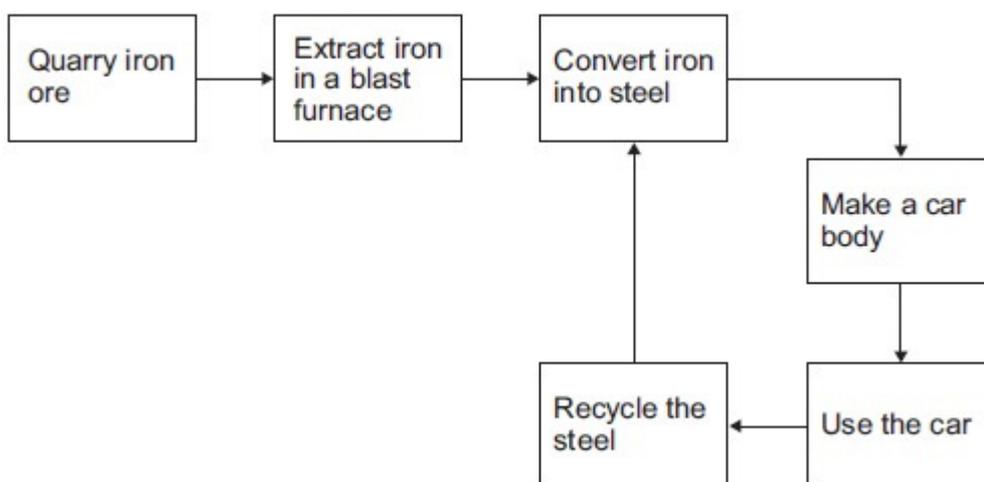
Calculate the mass of carbon dioxide produced.

Mass of carbon dioxide = _____g

(1)

(d) Figure 2 shows a simple life cycle of a car body.

Figure 2



- (i) What is one reason why iron from the blast furnace is converted into steel?

Tick (✓) one box.

To make the iron pure.

To make the iron more brittle.

To make alloys for specific uses.

(1)

- (ii) Apart from cost, give three different reasons why steel should be recycled.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

(3)

(Total 13 marks)

Q10.

Metals are extracted from ores in the Earth's crust.

Some ores contain metal carbonates and some ores contain metal oxides.

- (a) (i) Name the type of reaction that happens when a metal carbonate is heated.

(1)

- (ii) Which solid product is formed when copper carbonate is heated?

Tick (✓) one box.

copper

copper nitrate

copper oxide

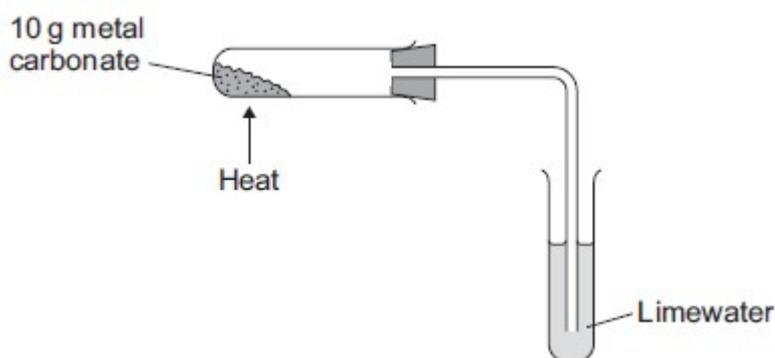
copper sulfide

(1)

- (b) A student investigated heating four metal carbonates.

Figure 1 shows the apparatus used.

Figure 1



The student heated each metal carbonate for five minutes.

The table below shows the results.

Metal carbonate	Mass of metal carbonate at start in g	Mass of solid after heating for 5 minutes in g	Observations
Copper carbonate	10.0	6.9	Limewater turns cloudy
Magnesium carbonate	10.0	9.1	Limewater turns cloudy

Potassium carbonate	10.0	10.0	Limewater does not turn cloudy
Zinc carbonate	10.0	8.3	Limewater turns cloudy

(i) Explain the results for potassium carbonate.

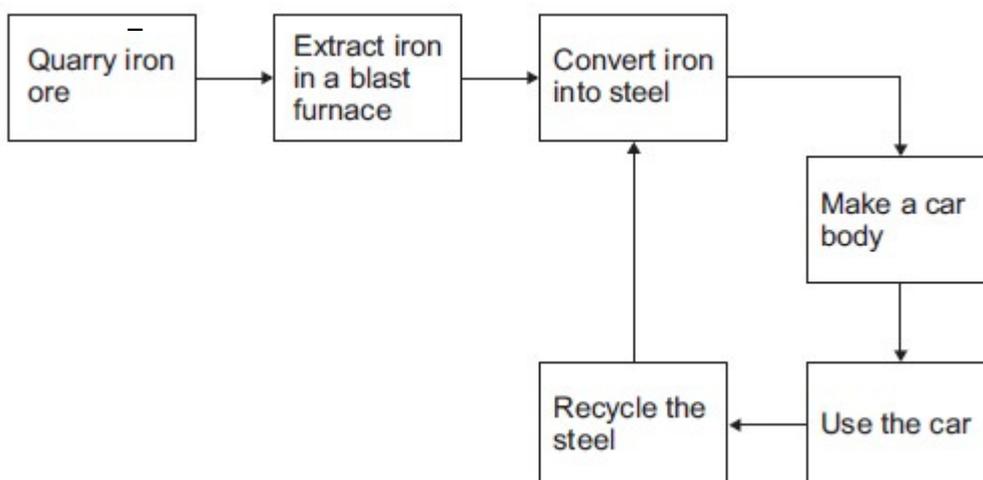
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(ii) Suggest how the reactivity series can be used to predict which metal carbonate reacts most easily when heated.

(2)

(c) Figure 2 shows a simple life cycle of a car body.

Figure 2



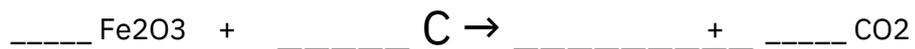
- (i) Complete the sentence.

Iron ores must contain enough iron to _____

(1)

- (ii) Some iron ores contain iron oxide (Fe₂O₃).

Complete and balance the equation for a reaction to produce iron from iron oxide.



(2)

- (iii) Give two reasons why iron produced in a blast furnace is converted into steel.

(2)

- (iv) When a car reaches the end of its useful life, the car body can be:

- recycled
- reused
- sent to landfill.

Give three reasons why a steel car body should be recycled and not reused or sent to landfill.

(3)

(Total 15 marks)