Marking Scheme for Sec 4N Science (Chemistry) Preliminary Exam 2023 Paper 3 & 4

Paper 3

1	В	2	С	3	D	4	С	5	В
6	Α	7	D	8	С	9	Α	10	В
11	С	12	С	13	D	14	В	15	Α
16	В	17	Α	18	С	19	В	20	D

Paper 4
Section A [MAX:14M]

Question No	Answers		Comments
A1	Substance	Diagram(s)	
	(a) Water	C [1]	
	(b) Oxygen gas	E [1]	
	(c) Mercury	B [1]	
	(d) Mixture	F [1]	
A2	(a) (i) Low air-fuel ratio produces fuel ratio produces lower con	-	
	(ii) Accelerating mode generates and oxygen in the air to react to	1	
	(b) Incomplete combustion [1] (c) NO causes breathing difficult	e	

	lungs. [1] Reject: Acid rain CO combines with haemoglobin and obstruct oxygen uptake/ headaches and fatigue/ heart damage and loss of consciousness/ death as body tissues do not receive oxygen for respiration [1] Reject: if only write death	
A3	(a) Cracking [1] (b) Number of mol of pentadecane = 5.30/ ((15x12) + 32) = 0.025 mol [2] [1] for correct Mr; [1] for correct final answer (c) Correct drawing of C ₂ H ₄ Correct bonding – [1] Correct number of valence electrons for all atoms – [1]	

Section B [Max:16] Any 2 questions out of 3

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B4	 (a) 4M + O₂ → 2M₂O [1] (b) The reactivity of the alkali metals towards oxygen increases down the group. [1] (c) It reacts very violently/ explosively with water/ Effervescence observed./ Flame observed [1] (d) (i) Correct plotting for all points – [1] (ii) Correct drawing of the curve of best fit, joining the points together– [1] (iii) 71°C [1] (+/- 2) [1] (e) (i) To conserve natural resources/ To save cost of extracting metals/ helps to reduce environmental problems caused by extraction of metals. [1] There should be 2 different sizes of atoms – bigger atom to be labelled as iron, smaller atom as carbon [1] No label – [0] 	
B5	 (a) Correct plotting for all points – [1] (b) Correct drawing of graph, joining the points together using straight lines – [1] (c) 9cm³ [1] (d) Violet [1] Reject: blue (e) (i) H₂SO₄ + CaCO₃ → CaSO₄ + CO₂ + H₂O [1] (ii) Acidifies lakes and streams, causing aquatic plants and animals die [1] Corrode marble building and statues [1] (iii) Slaked lime/ quicklime/ Calcium oxide/ Calcium hydroxide [1] 	

