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Answer **ALL** questions in the space provided.

Scenario

- Alfred works in a water treatment plant.
- This plant employs a number of technicians of different knowledge and skills.
- Each technician is responsible for different aspects of the water generating plant.
- Alfred is responsible for the maintenance of all the water piping system.
- At the plant Health and Safety is given top priority considering the risks involved.

Question 1

K-2 (4 marks)

Safety signs are distributed throughout the plant to remind employees of potential hazards and to promote a safe working environment.

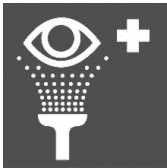


- a) Match the purpose of each safety sign with its respective colour using a line to connect the sign with the matching colour.



Warning sign	Red
First aid sign	Green
Danger sign	Yellow
Mandatory sign	Blue

(1)

- b) Table 1 shows a number of safety signs. Name each of the given safety signs.

Table 1: Safety signs

	Safety Sign	Name
i)		<hr/> <div style="text-align: right;">(0.2)</div>
ii)		<hr/> <div style="text-align: right;">(0.2)</div>
iii)		<hr/> <div style="text-align: right;">(0.2)</div>

	Safety Sign	Name
iv)		_____ (0.2)
v)		_____ (0.2)

(Source: <https://www.vectorstock.com>)

- c) Identify **FOUR** suitable safety signs that can be utilized in the situation shown in Figure 1 where a technician is working on a metal pipe within a water treatment facility.



Figure 1: Technician working on a metal pipe
(Source: www.careersinthemilitary.com)

(2)



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Question 2**K-4 (4 marks)**

Different metal forms are used by the water treatment plant.

a) Identify the different metal forms of supply shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Forms of Metal Supply

	Forms of Supply	Name
i)	 <p>(Source: https://www.thomasnet.com)</p>	<hr/> <p>(0.25)</p>
ii)	 <p>(Source: https://shutterstock.com/)</p>	<hr/> <p>(0.25)</p>
iii)	 <p>(Source: https://theconstructor.org/)</p>	<hr/> <p>(0.25)</p>
iv)	 <p>(Source: https://www.indiamart.com/)</p>	<hr/> <p>(0.25)</p>

b) For each of the metals given below, outline **TWO** different properties.

Type of metal: Carbon Steel

Property 1: _____
_____ (0.25)

Property 2: _____
_____ (0.25)

Type of metal: Copper

Property 1: _____
_____ (0.25)

Property 2: _____
_____ (0.25)

c) Figure 2 below shows a metallic shield protecting a window.



Figure 2: Metallic Window Shield
(Source: <https://www.pinterest.com/>)

i) Describe the type of metal used to construct the metallic window shield shown in Figure 2. Your description should include **ONE** reason why this type of metal was selected.

_____ (1)

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- ii) Describe the form of supply used for manufacturing the upper pointed metallic spades shown in Figure 2. Your description should include **ONE** reason why this metal supply was selected.

(1)

Question 3

K-5 (4 marks)

- Wood is supplied in various forms and is used in numerous applications such as building structures, furniture, windows and doors.
- Different applications require different wood types having different properties.

- a) List **FOUR** different forms of supply of wood.

Form of Supply 1: _____ (0.25)

Form of Supply 2: _____ (0.25)

Form of Supply 3: _____ (0.25)

Form of Supply 4: _____ (0.25)

- b) Outline **TWO** different properties for each of the following types of wood:

Type of wood: Red Deal

Property 1: _____

(0.25)

Property 2: _____

(0.25)

Type of wood: Beech

Property 1: _____

(0.25)

Property 2: _____

(0.25)

c) Figure 3 shows a wooden napkin holder.



Figure 3: Napkin holder.
(Source: <https://www.instructables.com/>)

i) Describe the type of wood required to construct the wooden napkin holder shown in Figure 3. In your answer, include **ONE** reason for using such type of wood.

(1)

ii) Describe the form of supply required to construct the wooden base of the napkin holder shown in Figure 3. In your answer, include **ONE** reason for using such form of supply.

(1)

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Question 4**C-2 (6 marks)**

A number of tests are performed on different materials to test their properties and hence decide whether they are suitable for a particular application or not.

a) Outline the following **TWO** tests:

Shear Test

(1)

Environmental Degradation Test

(1)

b) Explain the test needed to examine the hardness of cast iron.

(2)

c) A technician working in a water treatment plant has been tasked with checking the maximum twisting force of bolts and nuts to be used on flanged couplings (as shown in Figure 1 in Page 3). Justify a test which guarantees the twisting strength of the selected bolts and nuts.

(2)

Question 5**C-3 (6 marks)**

To manufacture different materials with specific properties different manufacturing processes were developed.

a) i) Identify **TWO** metal manufacturing processes. Underline the appropriate answers.

hardening	moulding	vacuum forming	galvanising
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(1)

ii) Identify **TWO** polymers manufacturing processes. Underline the appropriate answers.

finishing	line bending	casting	annealing
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(1)

b) Describe the **FOUR** steps, in the correct order, involved in bending a wooden sheet required for an arch frame of a door.

Step 1: _____
 _____ (0.5)

Step 2: _____
 _____ (0.5)

Step 3: _____
 _____ (0.5)

Step 4: _____
 _____ (0.5)

c) Explain the reason behind the following processes when manufacturing metals.

i) Annealing: _____

 _____ (1)

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ii) Electroplating: _____

_____ (1)

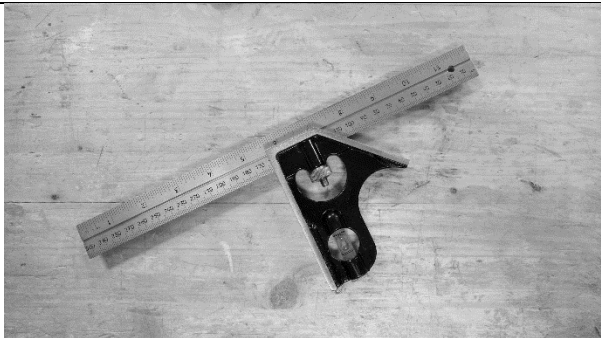
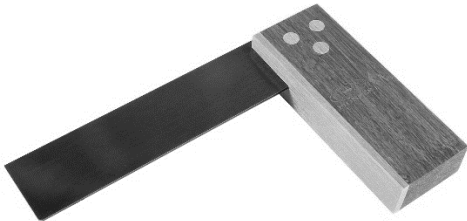
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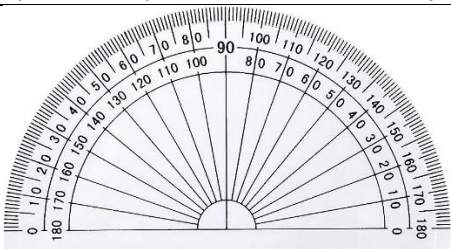
K-7 (4 marks)

Different measuring and marking tools are used during the manufacturing processes of furniture.

a) Identify the measuring and marking out tools given in Table 3 below.

Table 3: Measuring and marking out tools.

Measuring and Marking Out Tool	Name
 <p>(Source: https://www.commonwoodworking.com/)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>(0.2)</p>
 <p>(Source: https://www.fine-tools.com/)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>(0.2)</p>

Measuring and Marking Out Tool	Name
 <p>(Source: https://www.mt.rsdelivers.com)</p>	<hr/> <p>(0.2)</p>
 <p>(Source: https://www.limit-tools.com/)</p>	<hr/> <p>(0.2)</p>
 <p>(Source: https:// www.amazon.co.uk/)</p>	<hr/> <p>(0.2)</p>

b) Outline the functions of the following measuring and marking out tools.

Sliding Bevel: _____

_____ (0.5)

Centre Square: _____

_____ (0.5)

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- c) Choose **TWO** appropriate measuring tools and **TWO** marking out tools to manufacture the sheet metal square scoop shown in Figure 4.



Figure 4: Sheet Metal Square Scoop
(Source: <https://www.monotaro.sg/>)

(2)

Question 7

C-4 (6 marks)

- a) Describe the following methods of joining materials together.

Plastic welding: _____

(1)

Rivets: _____

(1)

b) Select the ideal joining method for the following scenarios.

i) Joining two wooden sheets in parallel with each other.

_____ (1)

ii) Permanently joining two drain water plastic pipes together without heating.

_____ (1)

c) Justify the ideal joining method for each of the following scenarios:

Scenario 1: Permanently joining thick metal sheet for the bottom edges of a ship.

_____ (1)

Scenario 2: Joining the wooden furniture of a bedroom set that can be dismantled in the future.

_____ (1)






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Question 8**K-10 (4 marks)**

Assembly and finishing tools are essential to manufacture items to a given specification.

- a) Identify the assembly and finishing tools given in Table 4 below. (1)
 b) Relate each tool to a specific task. (1)

Table 4: Assembly and finishing tools

Assembly and Finishing Tools	(a) Name	(b) Specific task for which tool can be used
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 (Source: https://www.stanleytools.com/)		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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- c) The manufacturing of wooden furniture requires the safe use of assembly and finishing tools. Describe **FOUR** preventive measures when using assembly and finishing tools and equipment.

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