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Design and Technology COMPONENT 1: Polymers									
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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- Calculators may be used.
- Any diagrams may NOT be accurately drawn, unless otherwise indicated.
- You must **show all your working out** with **your answer clearly identified** at the **end of your solution**.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 100.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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SECTION A

Core

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

- 1 (a) The materials that products are made from are chosen because of their properties.

Figure 1 shows a table of products.

For each of the products shown, give a property of the material it is made from that makes the material suitable for the product.

The first one has been done for you.

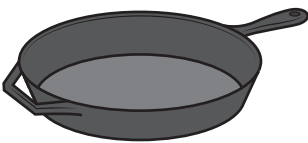
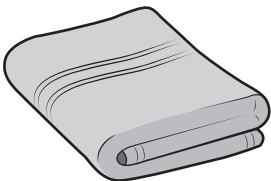

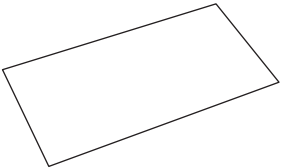
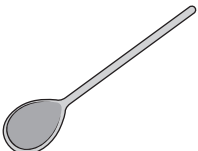
Picture of product	Material and product	Property
	Cast iron frying pan	Hard
	Cotton bath towel	(1) (i)
	Polyester resin earrings	(1) (ii)
	Copier paper	(1) (iii)
	Beech cooking spoon	(1) (iv)

Figure 1



- (b) (i) The frying pan is made from cast iron. Cast iron is hard, therefore it does not scratch easily.

Explain **one other** advantage of using cast iron for the frying pan.

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- (ii) Cast iron contains 2% carbon.

The cast iron frying pan weighs 3 kg.

Calculate how many grams of carbon are in the cast iron frying pan.

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Answer grams

(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)



2 Figure 2 shows a wooden sheep that is being threaded with a yarn.

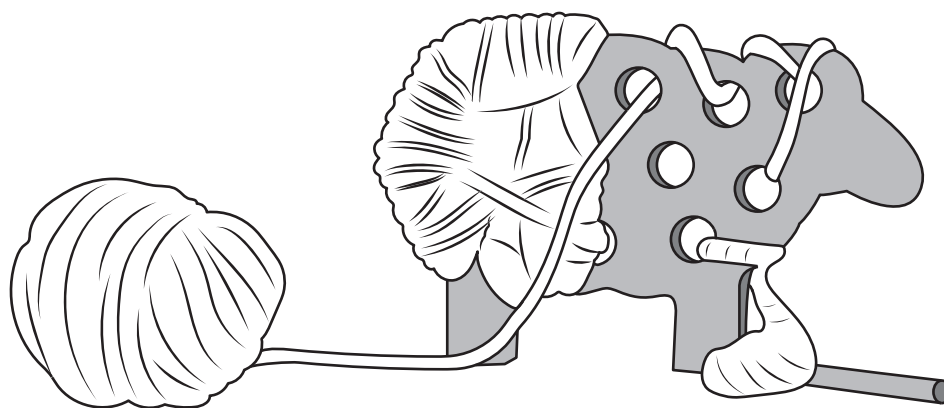


Figure 2

- (a) Name **one** specific animal fibre that can be used to make the yarn being threaded in Figure 2.

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The wood that is used to manufacture the sheep is delivered to the manufacturer using vehicles powered by biofuels.

- (b) Explain **one** advantage of using biofuels to power the delivery vehicles.

(2)

- (c) Explain **one** advantage of using computer-aided design (CAD) when producing the design ideas for the wooden sheep.

(2)

A new animal shape needs to be designed.

The designer has collected some data about the popularity of specific animals amongst young children.

Figure 3 is a table of data showing the popularity of specific animals amongst young children.

Animal	Number of votes	Percentage of votes (%)
Cat	165	55
Dog	75	25
Rabbit	15
Mouse	5
Total	300	100

Figure 3

(d) (i) Complete Figure 3 above by calculating the **two** missing values.

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Number of votes for Rabbit

Number of votes for Mouse



Figure 4 is a partly completed bar chart that shows the percentage of votes received for the Cat and the Dog.

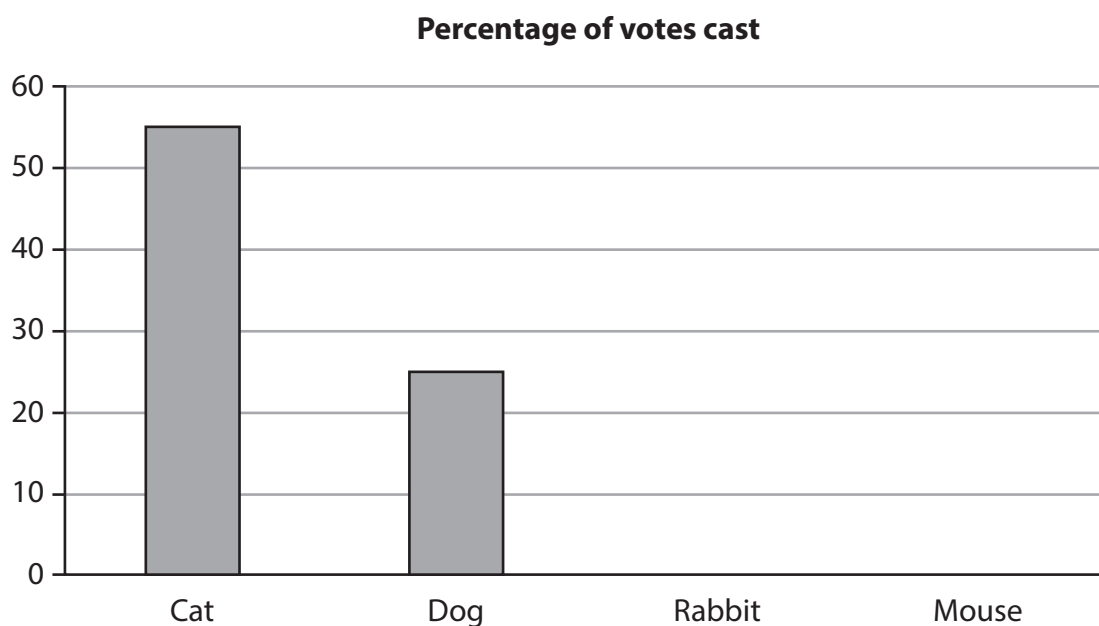


Figure 4

- (ii) Complete the bar chart shown in Figure 4 to show the percentage of votes received for the Rabbit and the Mouse.

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(Total for Question 2 = 9 marks)

- 3 Figure 5 shows a pulley and pulley belt, a motor, and the cross section of the pulley belt used in a model boat drive system.

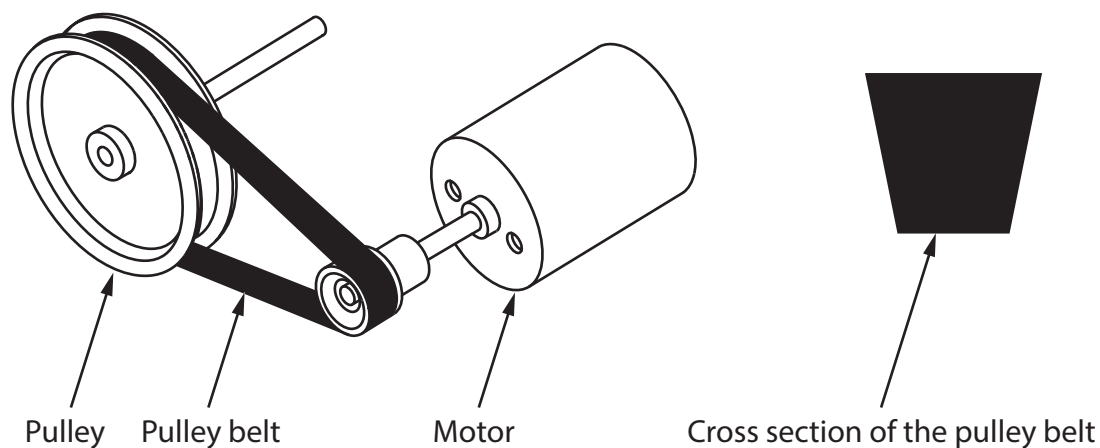


Figure 5

- (a) Name the type of pulley belt shown in the cross section in Figure 5.

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- (b) Explain **one** reason for manufacturing the pulley from aluminium rather than mild steel.

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Figure 6 shows the pulley system for the model boat drive system.

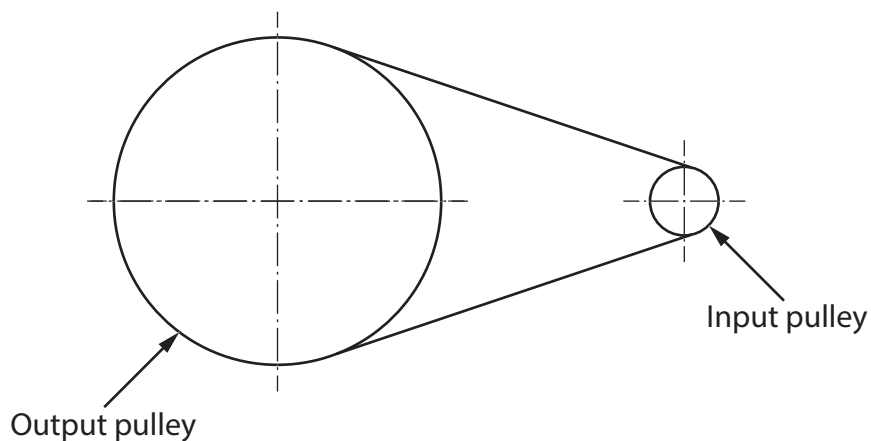


Figure 6

- (c) The pulley system has a velocity ratio of 5:1.

The input speed is 2000 revolutions per minute (rpm).

Calculate the output speed of the pulley system.

Use the formula below to calculate the answer.

$$\text{Velocity ratio} = \frac{\text{input speed}}{\text{output speed}}$$

Give your answer in rpm.

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Answer rpm



The motor for the model boat is powered by the solar cell shown in Figure 7.

The solar cell is 5 cm by 5 cm.

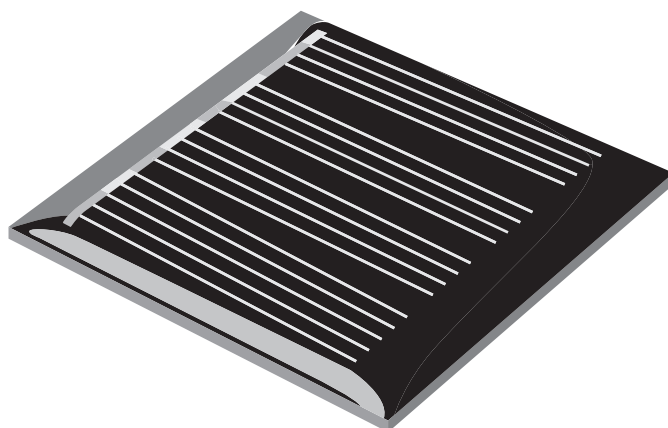


Figure 7

- (d) Explain **one** disadvantage of using the solar cell to power the motor for the model boat.

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Figure 8 shows the frame for the model boat.

The model boat has been manufactured from balsa wood.

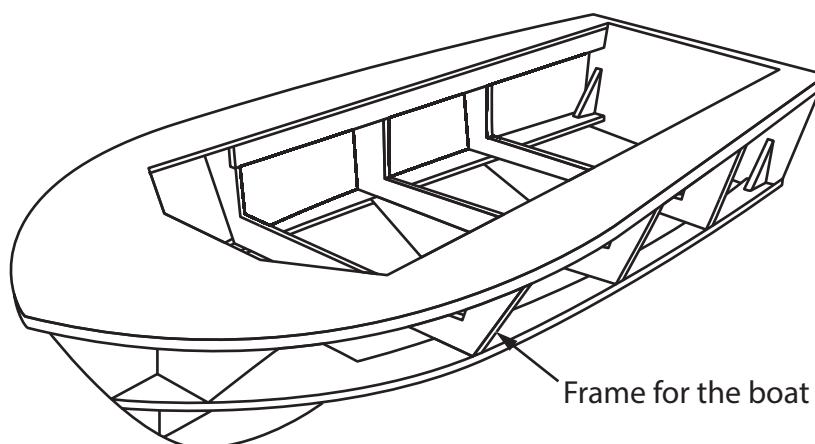


Figure 8

(e) Explain **two** benefits of using balsa wood for the frame of the model boat.

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(Total for Question 3 = 11 marks)

4 (a) Explain **two** ways that conductive inks can be used in products.

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(b) A small batch of conductive ink weighs 9 grams.

The ink contains 40% of hazardous material by weight.

Calculate the weight of hazardous material present in the ink in grams.

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Answer grams



(c) Discuss how designers can minimise the environmental impact of materials when developing new and emerging technologies.

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(Total for Question 4 = 12 marks)

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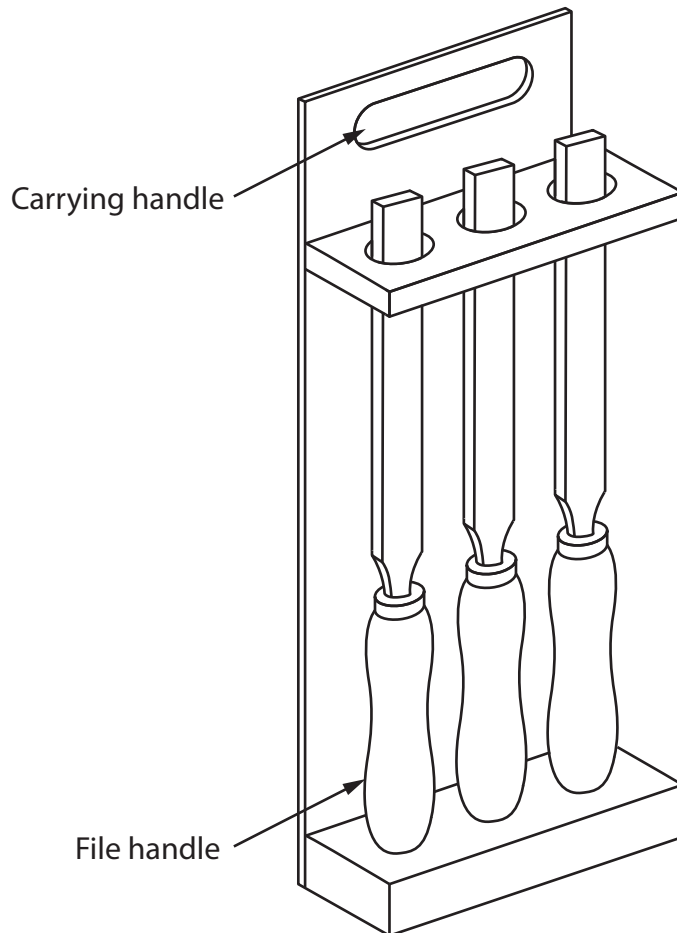


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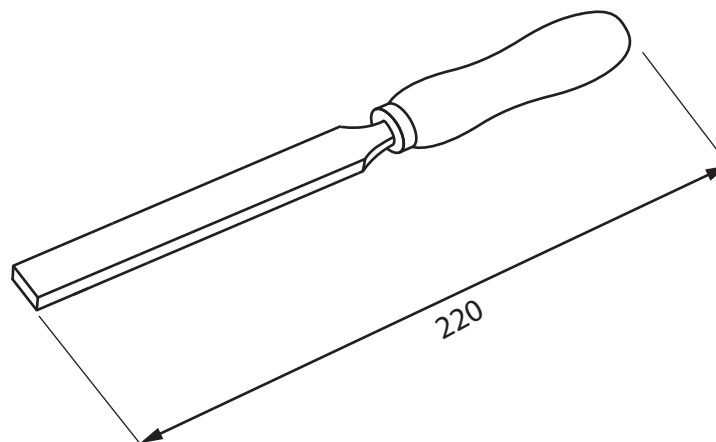
Polymers

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

- 5 Figure 9 shows a design solution for a file rack to hold three files, together with some additional information.



Additional information – dimensions of files



All dimensions in mm

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Figure 9

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- (a) The file rack holds three files and needs to be improved to include the following specification points.

The file rack must:

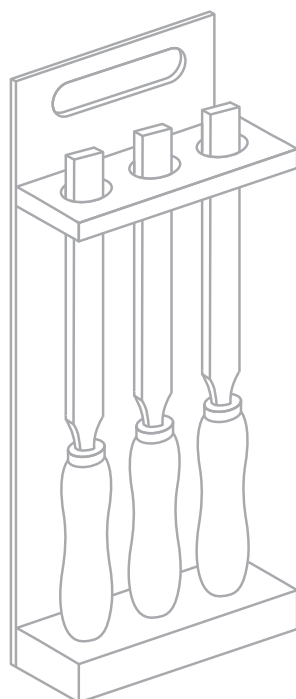
- be able to hold an additional three files and stop the handles of the files from moving as the rack is carried around a workshop
- protect the user from potential scratches when carrying the rack and have a surface finish that is easy to clean
- be more stable when placed on a bench and be capable of being hung up on a wall.

Use notes and sketches to show how the file rack could be modified to include these three specification points.

You will be marked on how you apply your understanding of design and technology, not your graphical skills.

Use the outline of the original design solution to show your modifications.

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(b) Figure 10 shows a food play set manufactured from polymers.

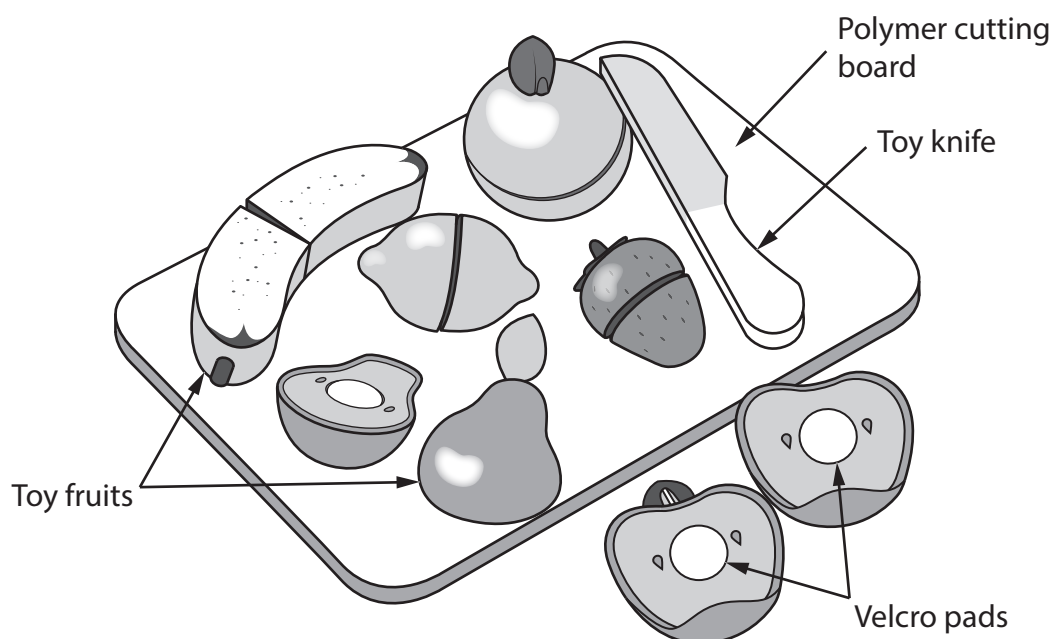


Figure 10

Explain **two** ways that the polymer food play set meets, or fails to meet, the criterion of providing a method to educate young children about healthy eating.

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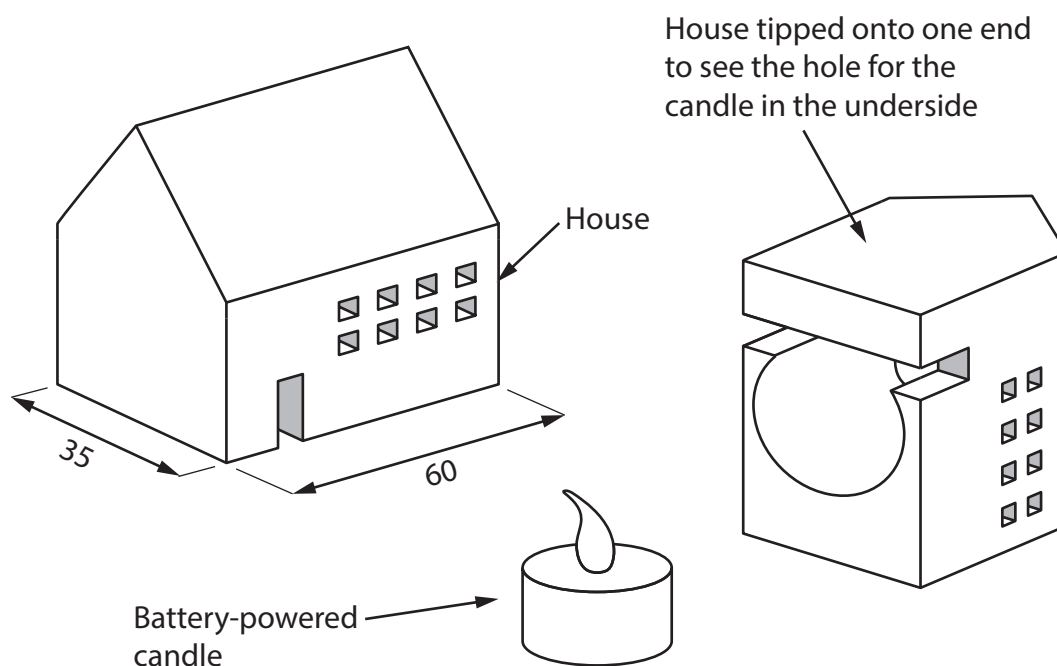
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(Total for Question 5 = 10 marks)

6 Figure 11 shows a battery-powered candle and a polymer house.

The candle sits inside the hole in the polymer house.



All dimensions in mm

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Figure 11

The polymer house has been manufactured from acrylic.

(a) Explain **two** reasons for manufacturing the house from acrylic.

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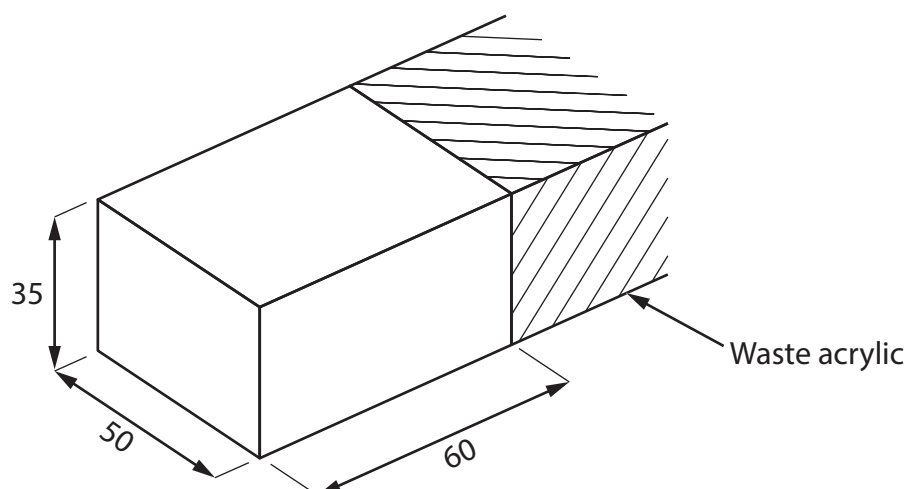
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- (b) Figure 12 shows a dimensioned drawing of a marked-out piece of acrylic ready to be cut to the correct length of 60 mm to start making the polymer house.

The acrylic has a cross section that measures 50 mm \times 35 mm.



All dimensions in mm

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Figure 12

Use notes and sketches, in the space below, to show how the acrylic would be cut to the correct length using hand tools.

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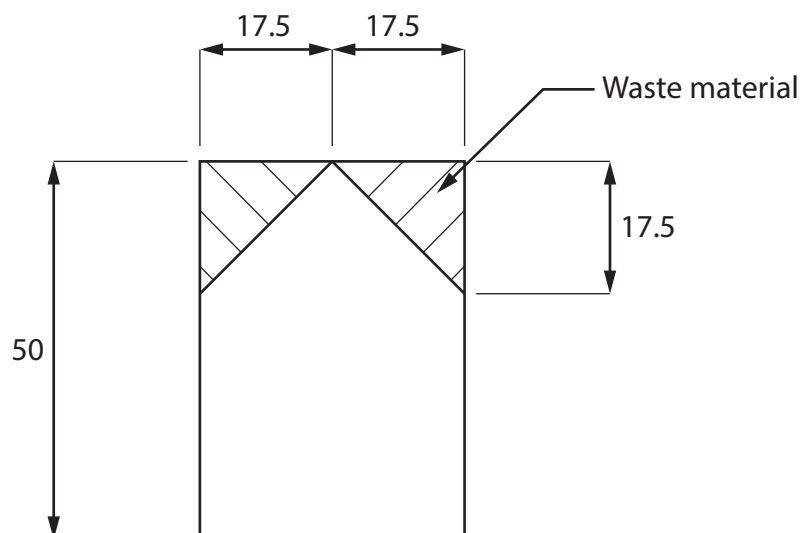
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(c) Explain **one** surface finish or treatment that could be used to personalise the house with a name or number.

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Figure 13 shows a dimensioned side view of the polymer house.



All dimensions in mm

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Figure 13

- (d) Give **two** different manufacturing methods that could be used to remove the waste material to form the roof shape as shown in Figure 13.

Explain **one** reason for using each manufacturing method.

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Method 1

Explanation

Method 2

Explanation

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7 Figure 14 shows a magazine rack.

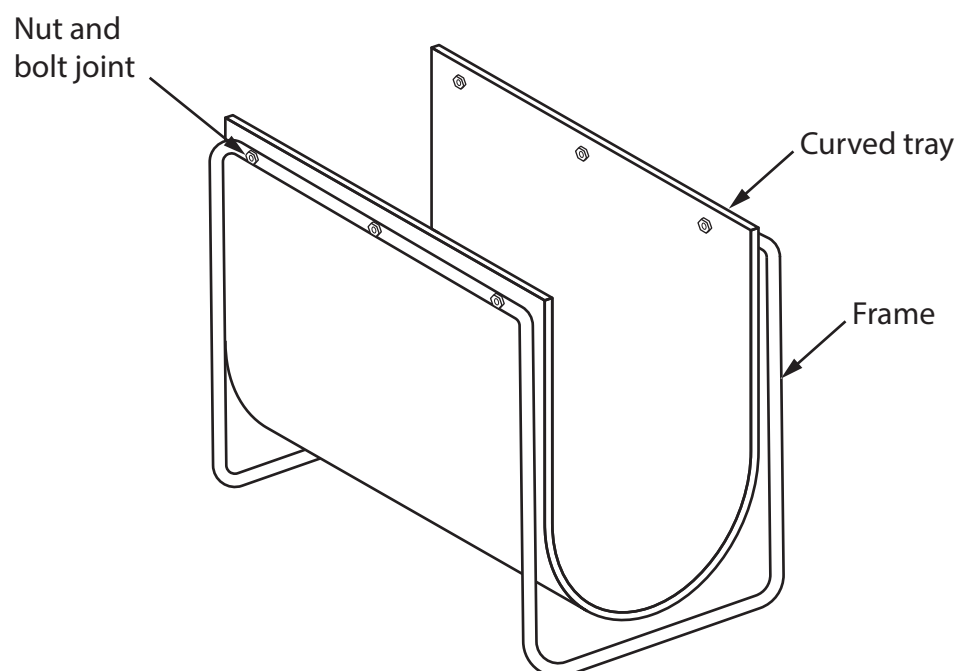


Figure 14

- (a) Name a reinforcement technique that could be used to stiffen the frame of the magazine rack shown in Figure 14.

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The curved tray has been formed from a sheet of high impact polystyrene (HIPS).

- (b) Explain **two** working properties of HIPS that make it an ideal material for the curved tray.

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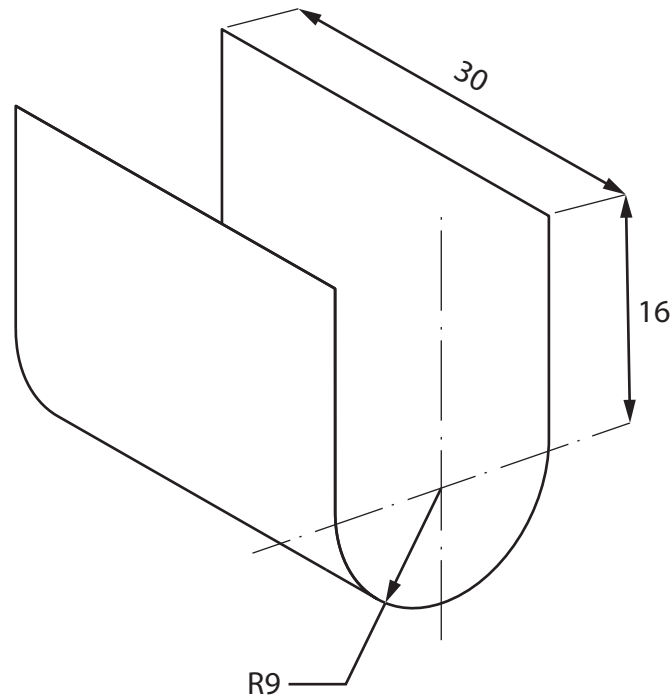
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Figure 15 shows a dimensioned drawing of the curved tray.



All dimensions in cm

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Figure 15

Circumference of a circle = πD

Use $\pi = 3.142$

- (c) Calculate how many of the curved trays shown in Figure 15 can be cut from a large flat sheet of HIPS that measures 244 cm \times 122 cm.

Ignore the width of any saw cuts.

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Answer



- (d) Figure 16 is an exploded assembly view showing how the frame is joined to the curved tray.

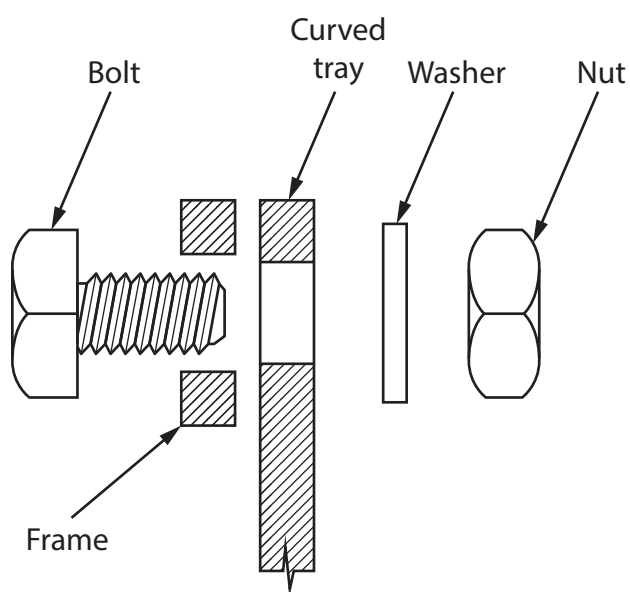


Figure 16

Explain **two** benefits of using nut and bolt joints in the assembly of the magazine rack.

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(Total for Question 7 = 16 marks)

- 8 Figure 17 shows a swimming aid that has been manufactured from expanded polystyrene.

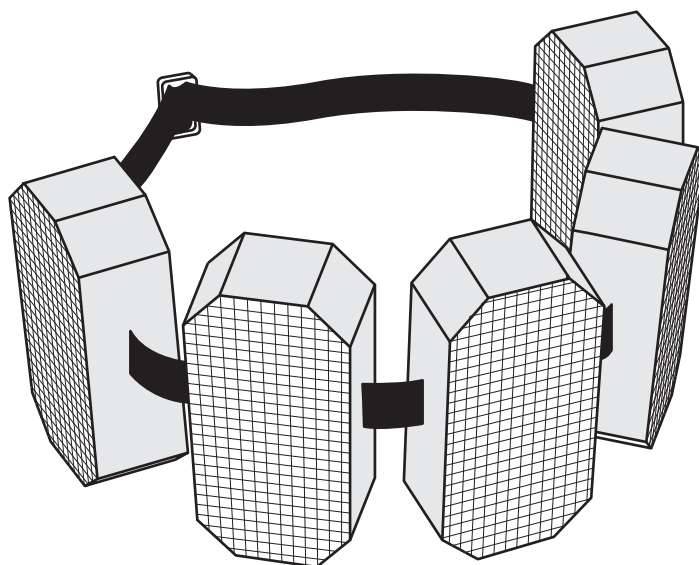


Figure 17

- (a) Explain **one** advantage of manufacturing the swimming aid from expanded polystyrene.

(2)

The swimming aids are manufactured from a standard thickness expanded polystyrene sheet.

- (b) Explain **one** advantage of using a standard thickness expanded polystyrene sheet.

(3)



(c) Explain **two** ways that the expanded polystyrene has been cut during the manufacture of the swimming aid.

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(d) The swimming aids are manufactured in the United Kingdom and sold around the world.

Figure 18 shows some additional information about the swimming aids.

Source of expanded polystyrene	Saudi Arabia
Country of manufacture	United Kingdom
Potential market	Swimming clubs, health clubs, schools and hotels
Scale of production	Batch

Figure 18

Analyse the information in Figure 18.

- quality of material
- manufacturing processes necessary
- treatments.

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TOTAL FOR PAPER = 100 MARKS

