Nuclear Radiations and Isotopes 2 MS

QUESTION 1

QUESTION	ANSWER	EXTRA INFORMATION	MARKS
a)	3 correct lines drawn not dangerous β 300 000 000 γ air	any box in list A with 2 or more lines, all lines for that box do not score	3
b)	radiation damages our cells	accept radiation can cause cancer accept kills cells accept changes DNA / causes mutations accept dangerous / poisonous / harmful / toxic accept so precautions can be taken	1
c)	it can pass through the human body		1
d)i)	6 (hours)	no tolerance	1
d)ii)	6 (hours)		1
Total marks			7

QUESTION 2

QUESTION	ANSWER	EXTRA INFORMATION	MARKS
a)	alpha		1
b)	damages them / changes DNA	accept kills them / destroys accept causes cancer accept causes cell mutations do not accept they ionise cells on its own	1
Total marks			2

QUESTION 3

QUESTION	ANSWER	EXTRA INFORMATION	MARKS
a)i)	Р		1
a)ii)	Q		1
b)	3 lines correct aluminium cardboard lead gamma beta alpha	allow 1 mark for 1 correct line two lines drawn from any source or box – both incorrect	2
Total marks			4

QUESTION 4

QUESTION	ANSWER	EXTRA INFORMATION	MARKS
a)	С		1
b)	Beta	Accept gamma	1
	any two from:	if answer alpha can still gain	
		marks	2
	range in air for beta is (at least) 50 cm	for saying why not beta or gamma	
	count-rate does not drop (much) in first 40 cm	must have at least one quantitative 2	
	count-rate does not fall much until	statement to get 2 marks	
	distance is 60 cm	accept alphas cannot travel that far accept gammas not	
	alphas cannot travel more than 5 cm	stopped by air	
	in air / alphas could not travel 100 cm	accept gammas	
	in air	travel further than	
		alphas and betas	
	alphas would not be detected		
		strength of source is neutral	
	gammas not absorbed by 100 cm of air		
		references to	
		penetrating power	
		is neutral	
c)i)	increases		1
c)ii)	Group A think that (even a very	accept there is always a risk, no	1
	small level of exposure) gives some	matter how small the level of	
	risk	exposure	1
	Group B think that there is no risk	accept below a certain level of	

	(from a very low level of exposure)	exposure there is no risk no marks for a simple graph description	
Total marks			7

QUESTION 5

QUESTION	ANSWER	EXTRA INFORMATION	MARKS
a)	alpha (particle)		1
a)ii)	(unstable) nucleus	accept (unstable) nuclei do not accept middle do not accept helium nucleus	1
a)iii)	same number of protons	accept same number of electrons accept same atomic / proton number accept they both have 92 protons same number of neutrons negates answer	1
Total marks			3

QUESTION 6

QUESTION	ANSWER	EXTRA INFORMATION	MARKS
a)	1 mark for each correct line		3
	List A List Type of nuclear radiation Property of	-	
	Alpha Has the same mass	s as an electron	
	Very strongly ionisi	ng	
	Passes through 10	cm of aluminium	
	Gamma Deflected by a mag not deflected by an		
	any box i	an 1 line is drawn from n List A , none of those n any credit	
b)i)	(the detector) reading had gone down	'it' equals detector reading	1
		accept the reading in the table is	

		range in air is neutral	
b)iii)	alpha would not penetrate the cardboard	accept the basic property- alpha (particles) cannot pass through paper / card accept alpha (particles) are less penetrating (than beta)	
	more beta (particles / radiation) is being absorbed / stopped	the smallest accept 101 is (much) lower than other readings / a specific value eg 150 do not accept this answer if it indicates the readings are the thickness accept radiation for beta particles / radiation accept fewer particles being detected	1