Physics - Key Stage 3 - Energy

Lesson 9: Mid Topic Review

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Independent practice: answer the questions

- 1. When the catapult is pushed down...
 - a. Which energy store of the person has decreased?
 - b. Which energy store of the catapult has increased?
 - c. Which pathway was used?
- 2. When the catapult is released and the ball flies...
 - a. Which energy store of the catapult has decreased?
 - b. Which energy stores of the ball has increased?
 - c. Which of these stores are wasted?



- choose the correct answer

- 1. When the catapult is pushed down...
 - a. Which energy store of the person has decreased? Nuclear or Chemical
 - b. Which energy store of the catapult has increased? Elastic potential or Electrostatic
 - c. Which pathway was used? Mechanical or Radiation
- 2. When the catapult is released and the ball flies...
 - a. Which energy store of the catapult has decreased? Chemical or Elastic potential
 - b. Which energy stores of the ball has increased?

Kinetic or Chemical or Gravitational Potential or Thermal or Magnetic

c. Which of these stores are wasted?

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Independent practice: fill your comparison table

Conduction	Convection	Radiation



- use these to fill your table

Mainly occurs in solids Requires particles Hot fluids rise

Requires particles Involves changes in density Creates currents

Example: hot air balloon Involves waves Does not require particles

Particles vibrate more and collide with the particles next to them Example: hot rod

Black surfaces are the best absorbers and emitters Can occur in a vacuum

Example: sun heating the Earth Occurs in fluids (liquids and gases)



Independent practice: change the incorrect word to make the statement correct

- 1. Black objects get hotter because they attract radiation
- 2. Insulators stop energy transfers
- 3. The 8 energy types are kinetic, chemical, thermal, nuclear, electrostatic, magnetic, gravitational potential, elastic potential
- 4. The 4 energy pathways are radiators, electricity, mechanical and heating
- 5. The law of conversation of energy says total energy before transfer is equal to total energy after transfer



- the bold words are incorrect and need to be changed

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Independent practice: identify the different variables

Investigation: which beaker wrap is the best insulator?

Independent variable - the one you change

Dependent variable - the one you observe

Control variable - the one you keep the same



- use the method to help identify the variables

- 1. Cover each beaker with a <u>1 cm thick</u> beaker wrap <u>(1. Cotton wool, 2. Paper, 3. polystyrene)</u>
- 2. Boil the kettle, so the water is at <u>100°C</u>
- 3. Pour 200ml of water into each beaker
- 4. Start the timer, for <u>10 minutes</u>
- 5. Record the temperature of each beaker



Analysing our results: calculating a mean

Beaker wrap type	Temperature of water after 10 minutes (°C)			
	Attempt 1	Attempt 2	Attempt 3	Average (mean)
Cotton wool	56	52	51	
Paper	25	27	26	
Polystyrene	64	61	58	

To find a mean: add up all your values and divide by the number of values you added



Independent practice: write a conclusion

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I know this because...

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use this scaffold to help structure your conclusion

The beaker wrap that provides the best insulation is _____?___.

I know this because it had the _____?___ temperature decrease after 10 minutes, which means the it _____? the energy transfers from the water to the surroundings the most.

The water in the beaker with this beaker wrap had a temperature of ____? after 10 minutes,

which means the temperature dropped ___?__ from the 100°C starting temperature. Whereas the water in the beaker with the ____?___ beaker wrap had a temperature of ____?___ after 10 minutes, which means the temperature dropped ___?__ and the beaker with the _____?___ beaker wrap had a temperature of ____?___ after 10 minutes, which means the temperature dropped ___?__ from the 100°C starting temperature.

