



Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics: Energy 1: Conservation of Energy

Today's lesson will cover the following speci points (Pearson and Cambridge):

Know the principle of the conservation of energy and apply this principle to simple examples

State that energy may be stored as kinetic, gravitational potential, chemical, elastic (strain), nuclear, electrostatic and internal (thermal) (Pearson's spec adds 'magnetic').

Describe how energy is transferred between stores during events and processes, including examples of transfer by forces (mechanical work done), electrical currents (electrical work done), heating, and by electromagnetic, sound and other waves

Starter Question!

What have Energy and Happiness got in common? List your ideas.

Principal of Conservation of Energy
Energy cannot be created or destroyed, it can only be transferred from one store to another

Energy Store

Example (To complete in future lessons too, or independently)

Kinetic

Gravitational-potential

Chemical

Elastic (strain)

Nuclear

Electrostatic

Internal (thermal)

Magnetic

For each example say...

What store is filled?

What store is emptied?

Example: Walking uphill



Store filled: *Gravitational*
Store emptied: *Chemical*
(chemical energy stored by my body is being shifted)

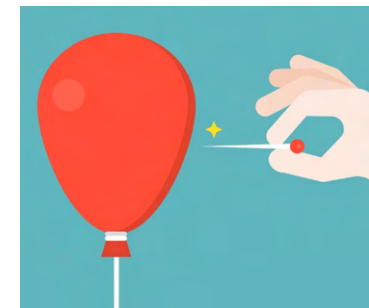
Catapult being pulled back



Store filled:

Store emptied:

Balloon bursting



Store filled:

Store emptied:

Lifting a cat onto a shelf



Store filled:

Store emptied:

Hot chocolate cooling down



Store filled:

Store emptied:

Meteorite falling to Earth



Store filled:

Store emptied:

Heating water on a gas stove



Store filled:

Store emptied:

Energy can be transferred by: Forces (mechanically), Electric currents, heating, waves

These are all clips from real websites. Can you spot all the mistakes that have been made when talking about energy? (Some are fine!)

Energy from trees. People can get energy by burning the scrap wood

over 100,000 lorry trips per year. Taking rubbish to the EfW also means that most black bag rubbish is converted into energy. The

Project

Plants create energy

Biomass energy production explained

Biomass feedstocks can be used to create 3 types of energy:

1. Heat
2. Electricity
3. Biofuels, such as biodiesel

as trees capture energy from the sun in chemical reactions. This is the energy that is released when they burn.

leaves. Plants use the energy of the sun to change water and carbon dioxide into a sugar called **glucose**. Gl

Plants make their energy by combining the water with carbon dioxide from

Green energy

Types of Waste That Can Be Turned Into Energy

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GCSE Questions!

1) A tennis ball is hit with a racket. While the ball and the racket are touching, the ball gets squashed and changes shape. State the type of energy stored in the ball.

2) A person jogs along a path. Complete the sentence.

As the person jogs, the energy in their

_____ store decreases.

3) Energy can be stored. Give examples of two ways that energy can be stored.

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Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics: Energy 2: Energy Stores

An IGCSE question says “give an example of a _____ energy store”. Complete the sentence giving the best example for each store.

Store	Example
Kinetic	
Gravitational-potential	
Chemical	
Elastic (strain)	
Nuclear	
Electrostatic	
Internal (thermal)	
Magnetic	

Choices! Choose one for each box!

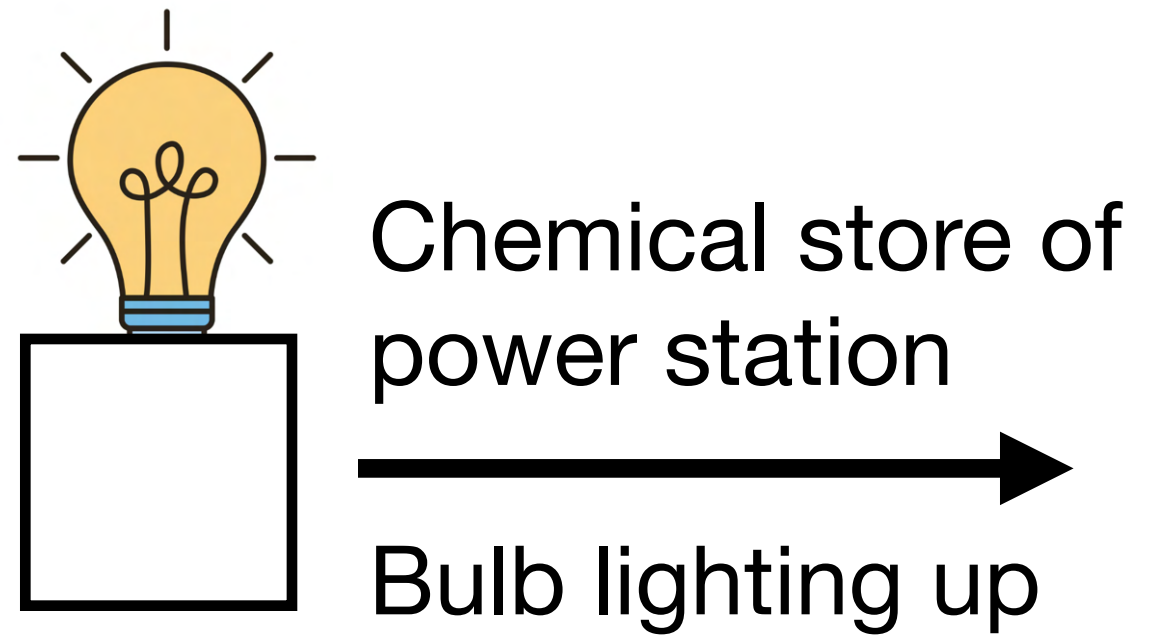
- 1) Football falling
- 2) Ball being kicked
- 3) Tree falling over
- 4) Book on a shelf
- 5) A banana
- 6) An ice cream
- 7) Elastic band
- 8) Ball being squashed
- 9) Nuclear fusion in the Sun
- 10) Negative and positive things being attracted to each other
- 11) Comb attracting tiny pieces of paper
- 12) Kettle heating water
- 13) Magnets that have stuck together
- 14) Magnets being attracted to each other

Energy is shifted from store to store in 4 different ways.

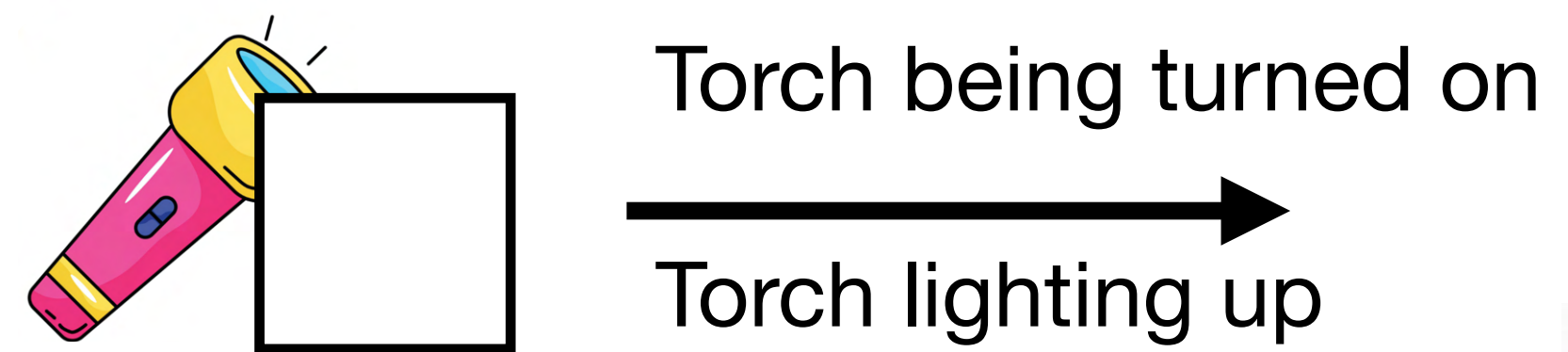
What's the pathway? Put M, E, P or R in the box.

Done? List the energy stores too!

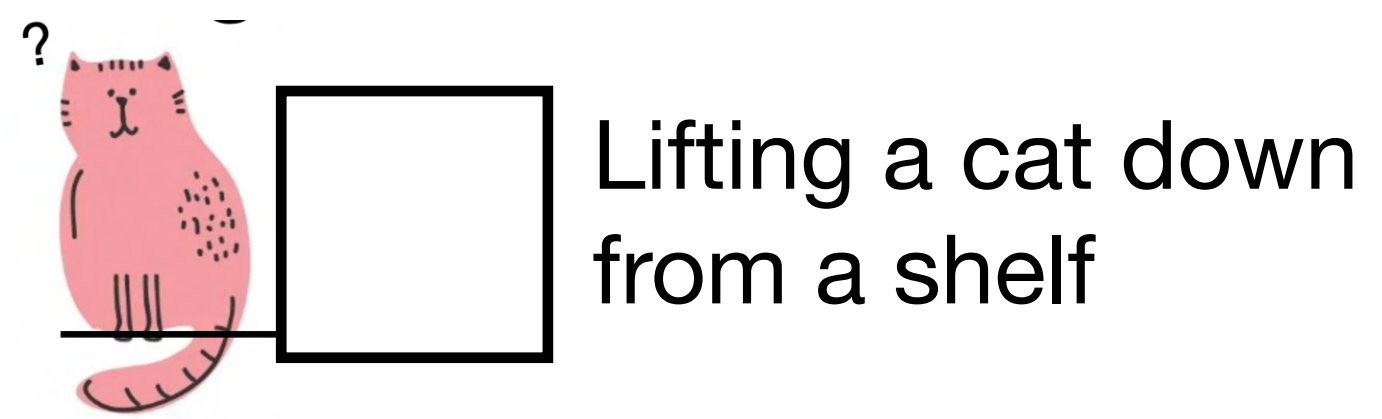
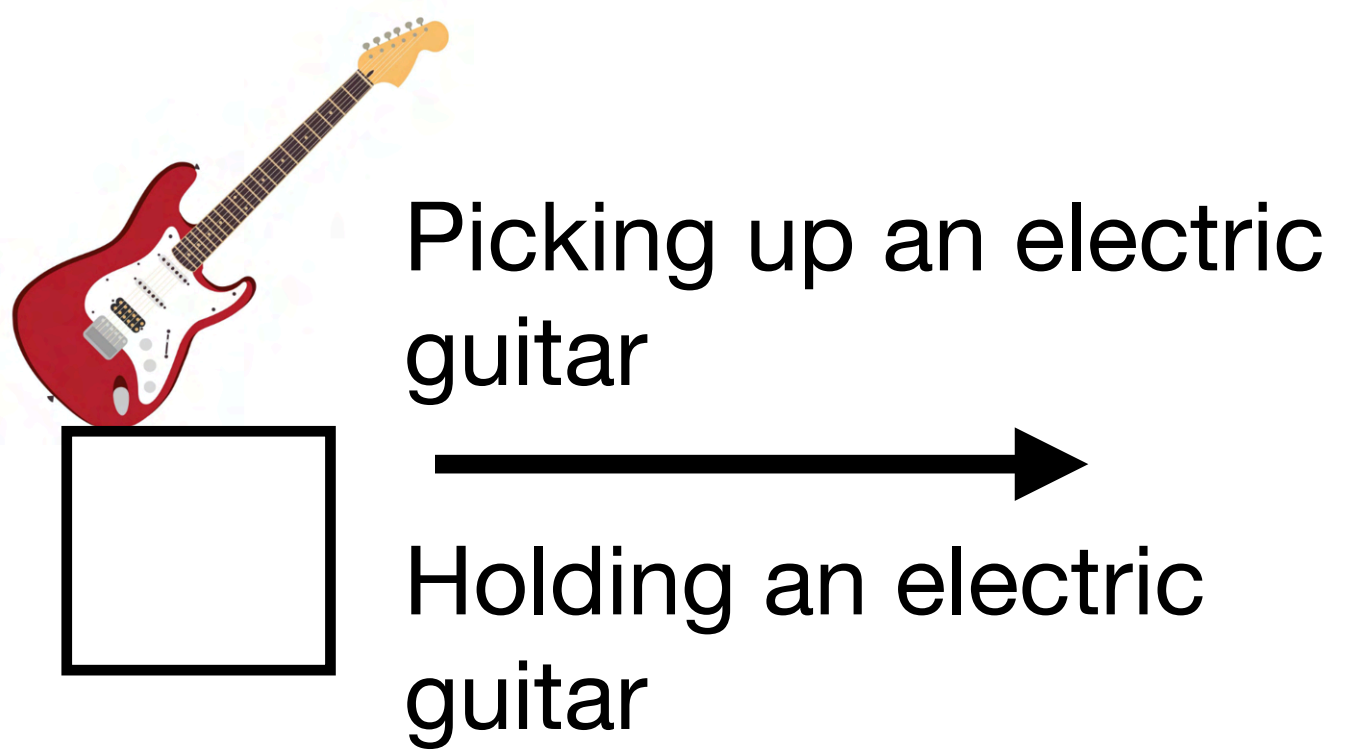
M: Mechanical
- by a force



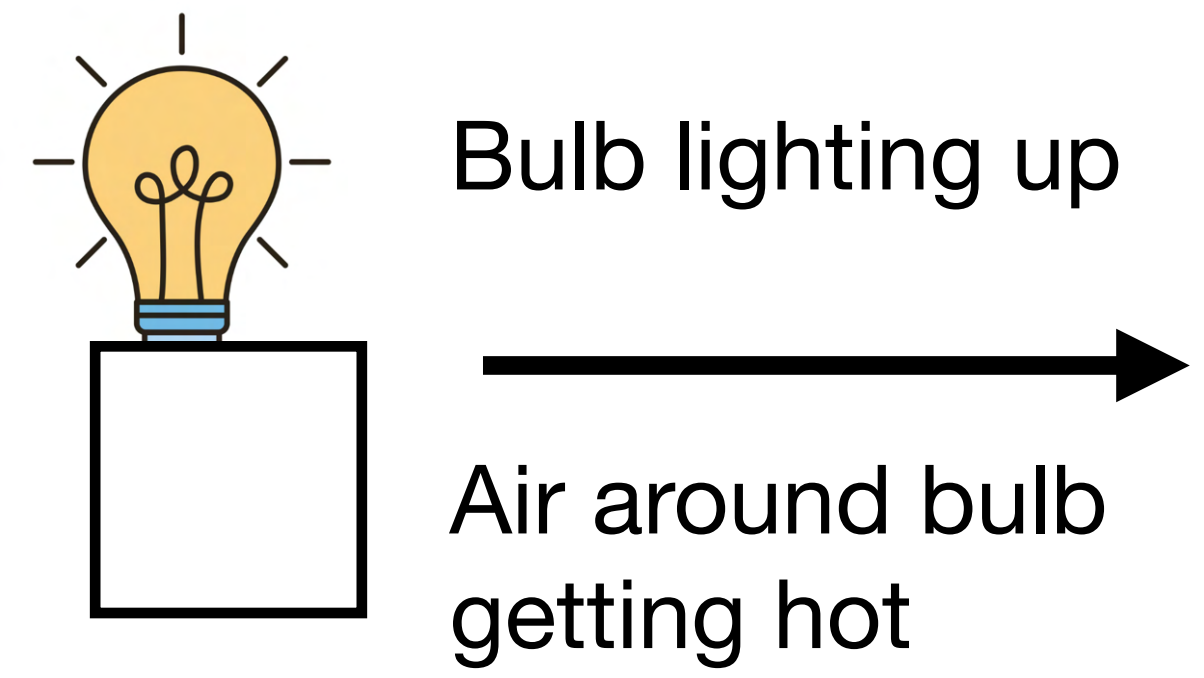
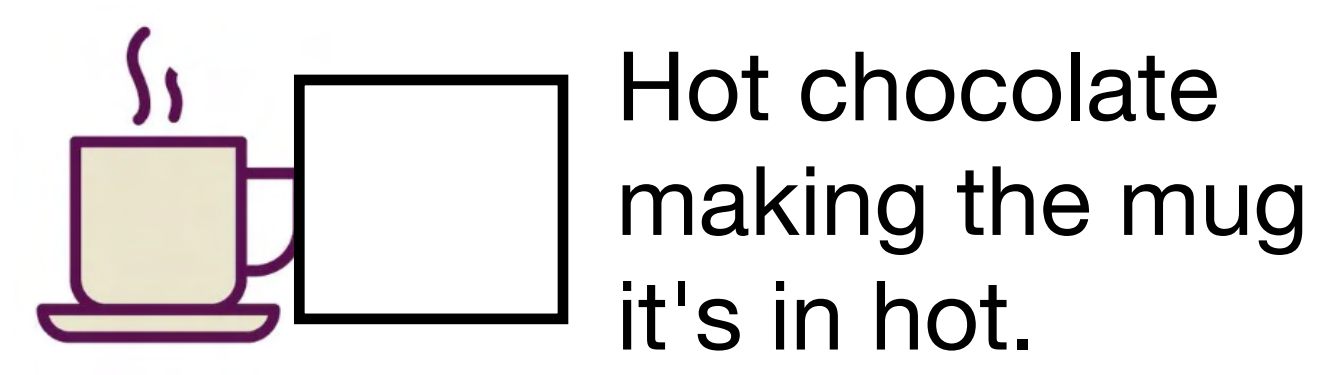
E: Electrical - a current flowing



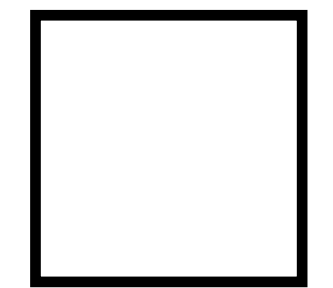
P: Heating by particles



R: Heating by radiation

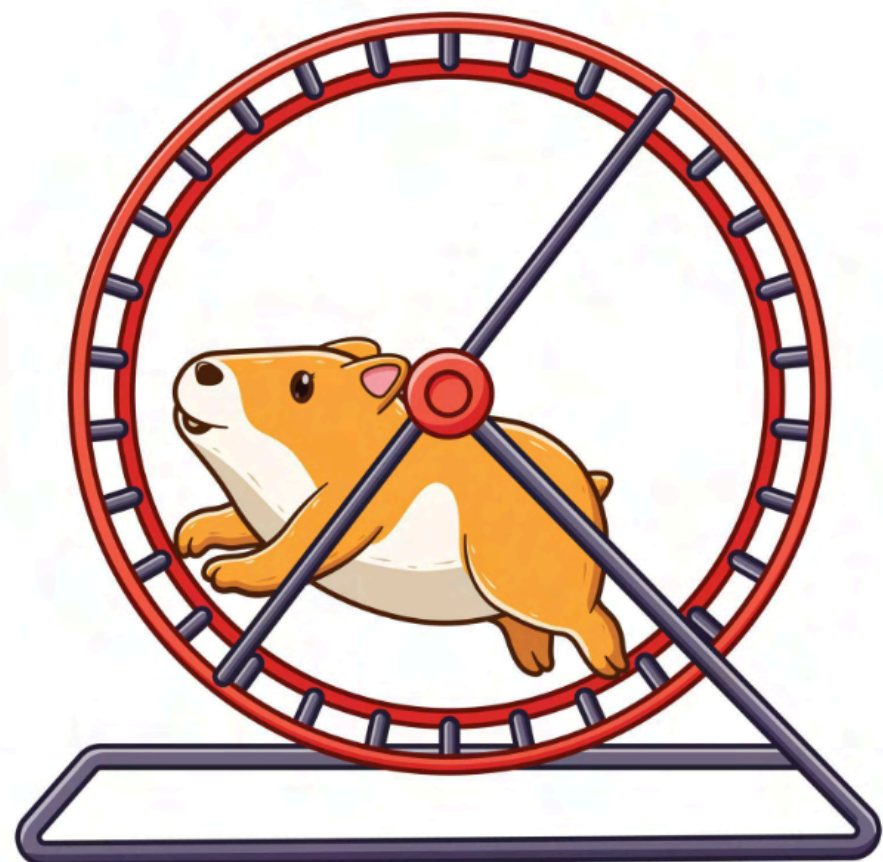


Book falling off a shelf



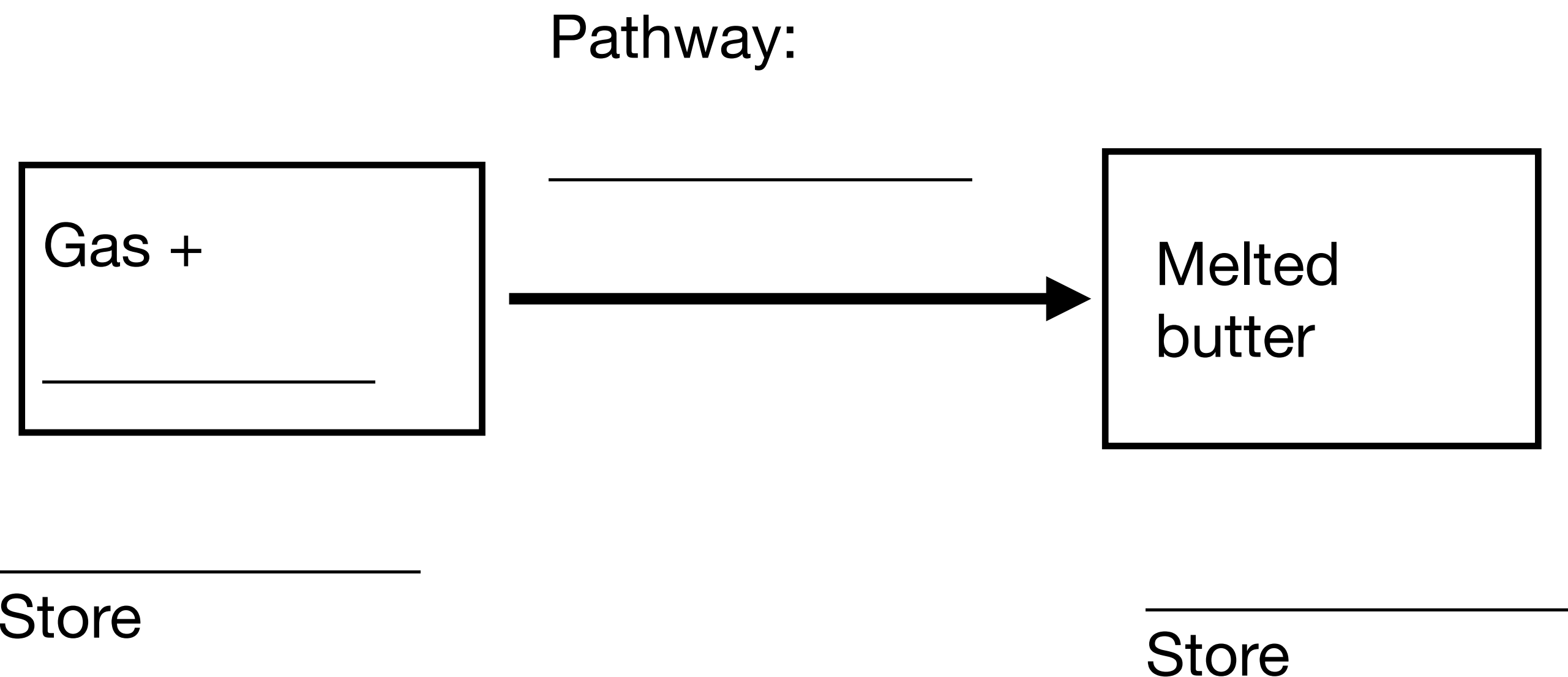
GCSE Questions!

1) A hamster runs in a wheel. Explain why the hamster's decrease in chemical energy is not equal to the wheel's increase in kinetic energy.



2) A car travelling along a road decreases its chemical store and increases its kinetic store. Describe the motion of the car.

3) A gas stove is used to melt butter in a pan. Fill in the four gaps to complete the simple flow diagram.





Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics: Energy 3: Work Done

Today's lesson will cover the following speci points
(Pearson and Cambridge):

Understand that mechanical or electrical work done is equal to
the energy transferred

Recall and use the equation for mechanical working $W = Fd = \Delta E$

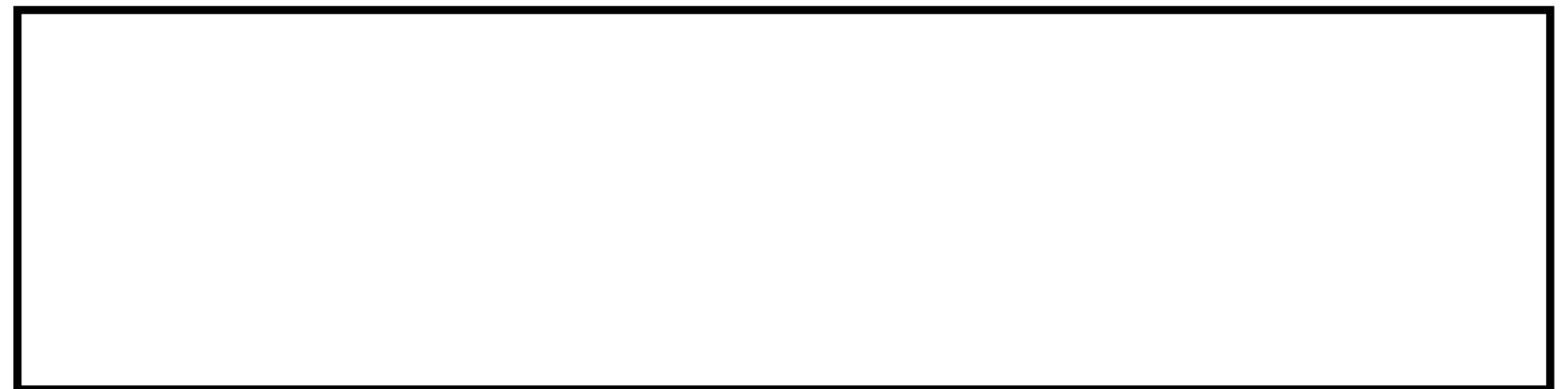
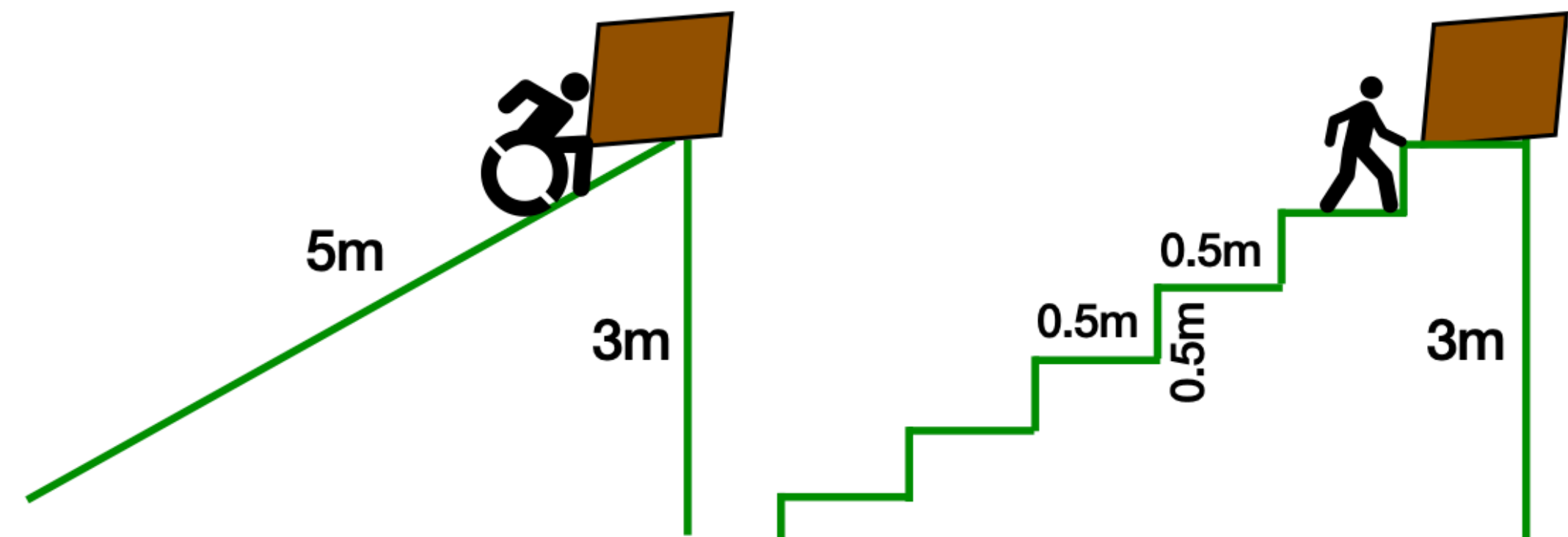
Define power as work done per unit time and also as energy
transferred per unit time; recall and use the equations (a) $P = \frac{W}{t}$
(b) $P = \frac{\Delta E}{t}$

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**These people have got this 4N box to the
top of the hill. How much work has each
done against gravity?**

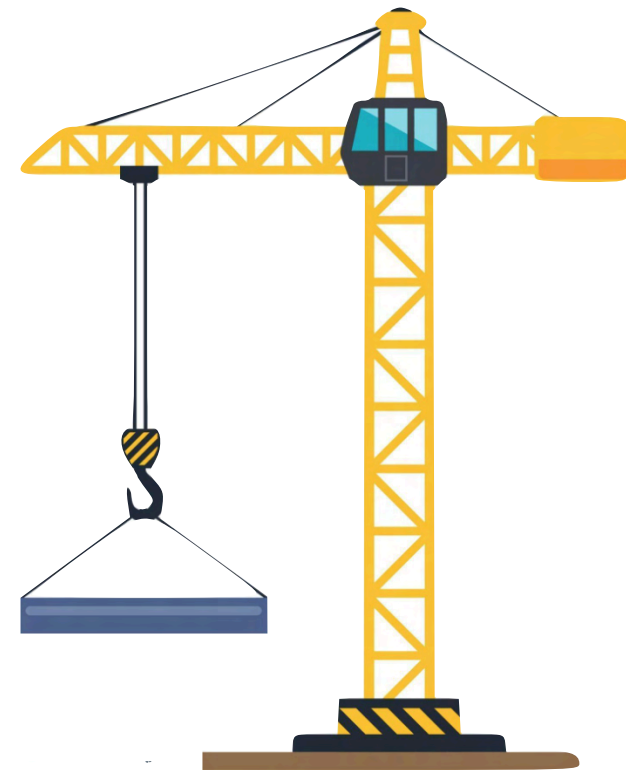


work done = force x distance moved in the direction of the force

A cat weighing 20N fall off a 4m high shelf. How much work is done by gravity?

Raphael lifts a 300N weight and shifts 300J of energy from his chemical store. How high does he lift the weight?

A crane lifts 8000N onto a 20m high scaffold. How much work does it do against gravity?



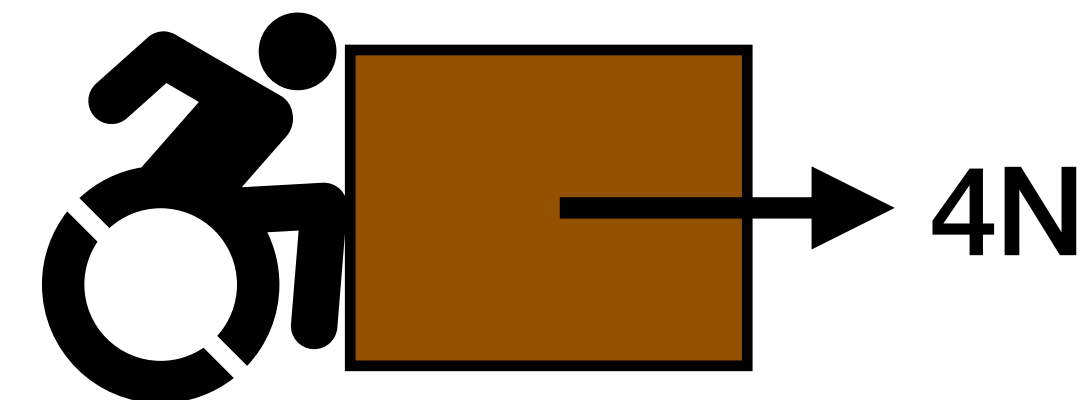
An acrobat weighing 900N sits on a hoop and is lifted 18m into the air. How much work does she do?



A T. rex drags a 40000N Triceratops 100m to its nest. How much work does it do?



A box weighs 5N. A woman pushes it with a force of 4N. It goes 2m. How much work is done against gravity?



If you did Forces! Is “distance moved in the direction of the force” a scalar or a vector?!



Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics. Energy 4: Gravitational Potential and Kinetic Energy

Today's lesson will cover the following specific points
(Pearson and Cambridge):

Recall and use the equation for kinetic energy $E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$

Recall and use the equation for the change in gravitational
potential energy $\Delta E_p = mg\Delta h$

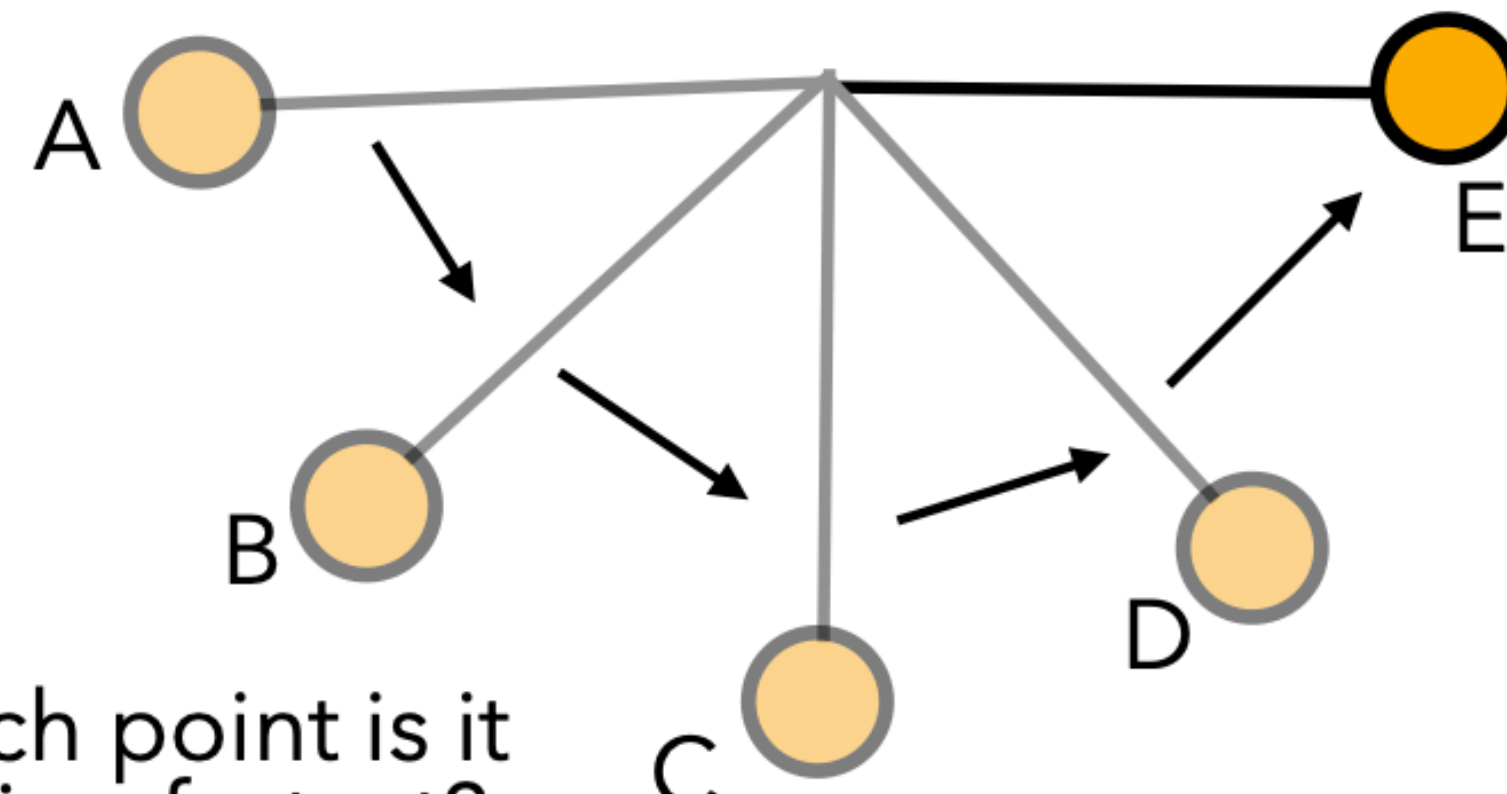
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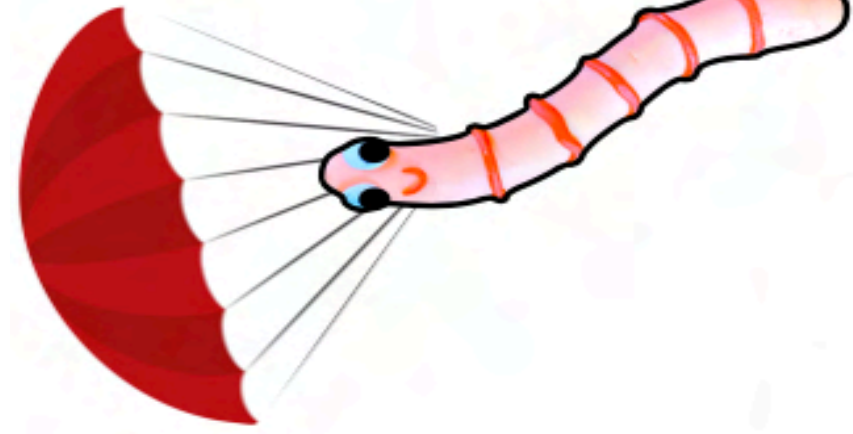
At which point in its swing does the pendulum have the
most gravitational potential energy?

At which point does it have the most kinetic energy?



At which point is it
travelling fastest?

Are there
any points at
which it
stays still?



Change in gravitational Potential Energy
= mass x g x change in height

g =
9.8N/kg

A cannonball of mass 8kg is fired directly upwards and reaches a height of 15m. How much gravitational potential energy does it have at its highest point?

Wormy parachutes to the ground from a height of 100m. If her mass is 0.2kg, calculate the change in her gravitational potential energy.

It has lost 392J of gravitational potential energy by the time the owner of the cannon realises he's going to get bonked on the head. How high is the cannon ball at this point?



A cyclist with a mass of 90kg rides a 10kg bike at 11m/s. How much kinetic energy does she have?



Kinetic Energy = $1/2 mv^2$

A 120kg skateboarder has 2940J of kinetic energy. How fast are they going?

A 40g tennis ball travels at 30m/s. How much kinetic energy does it have?



Change in gravitational Potential Energy
= mass x g x change in height

Kinetic Energy
= $1/2 mv^2$

A 70kg man sledges down a 6m high hill. If the snow is frictionless, how fast is he going at the bottom?

A 200kg rollercoaster car has 21560J of kinetic energy as it starts to move up a hill. If the rollercoaster is frictionless, what is the maximum height the hill can be for the car to make it to the top?





Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics. Energy Lesson 5: Efficiency

Why do you think the arrows on these diagrams go off to the side?

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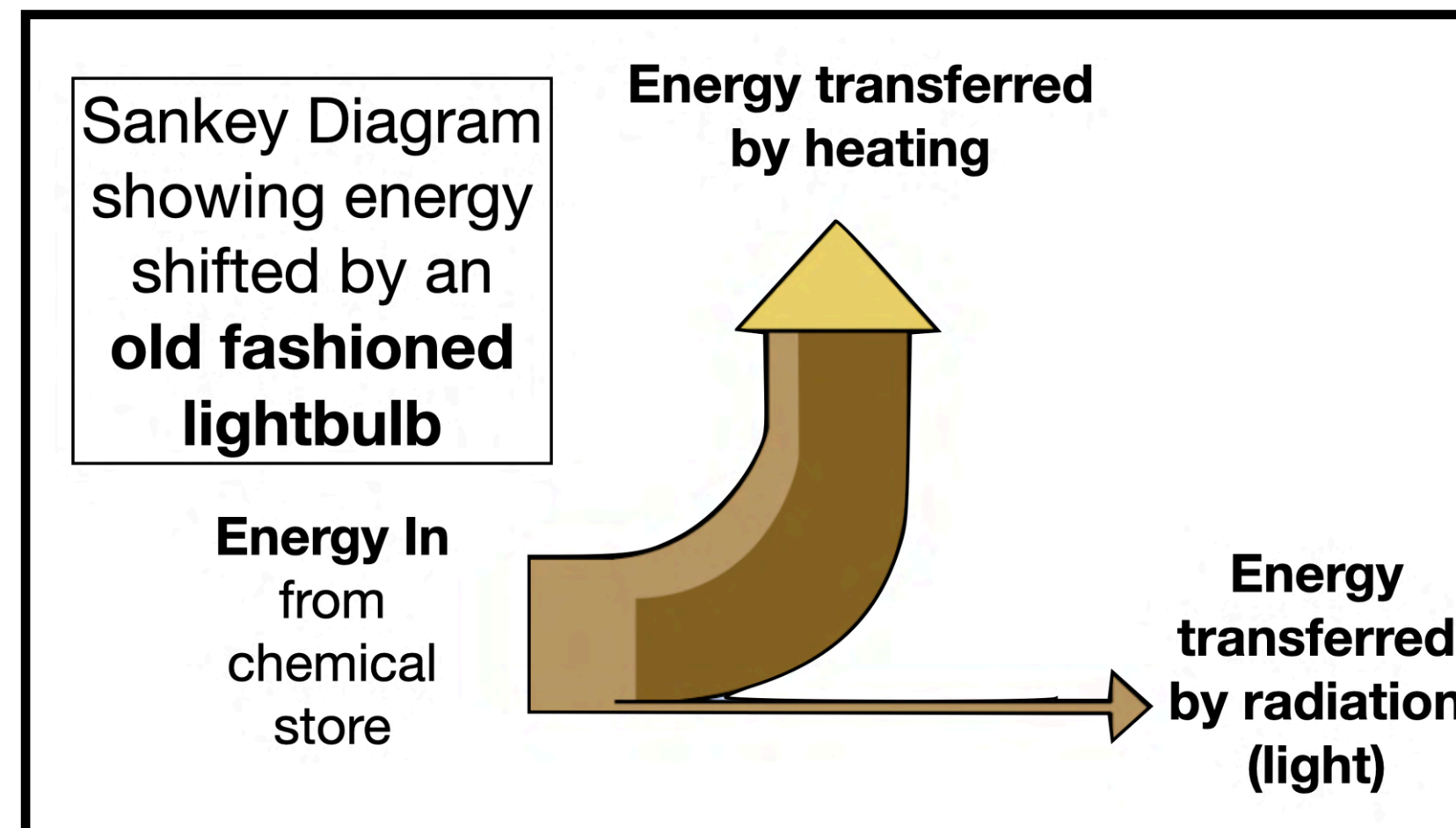
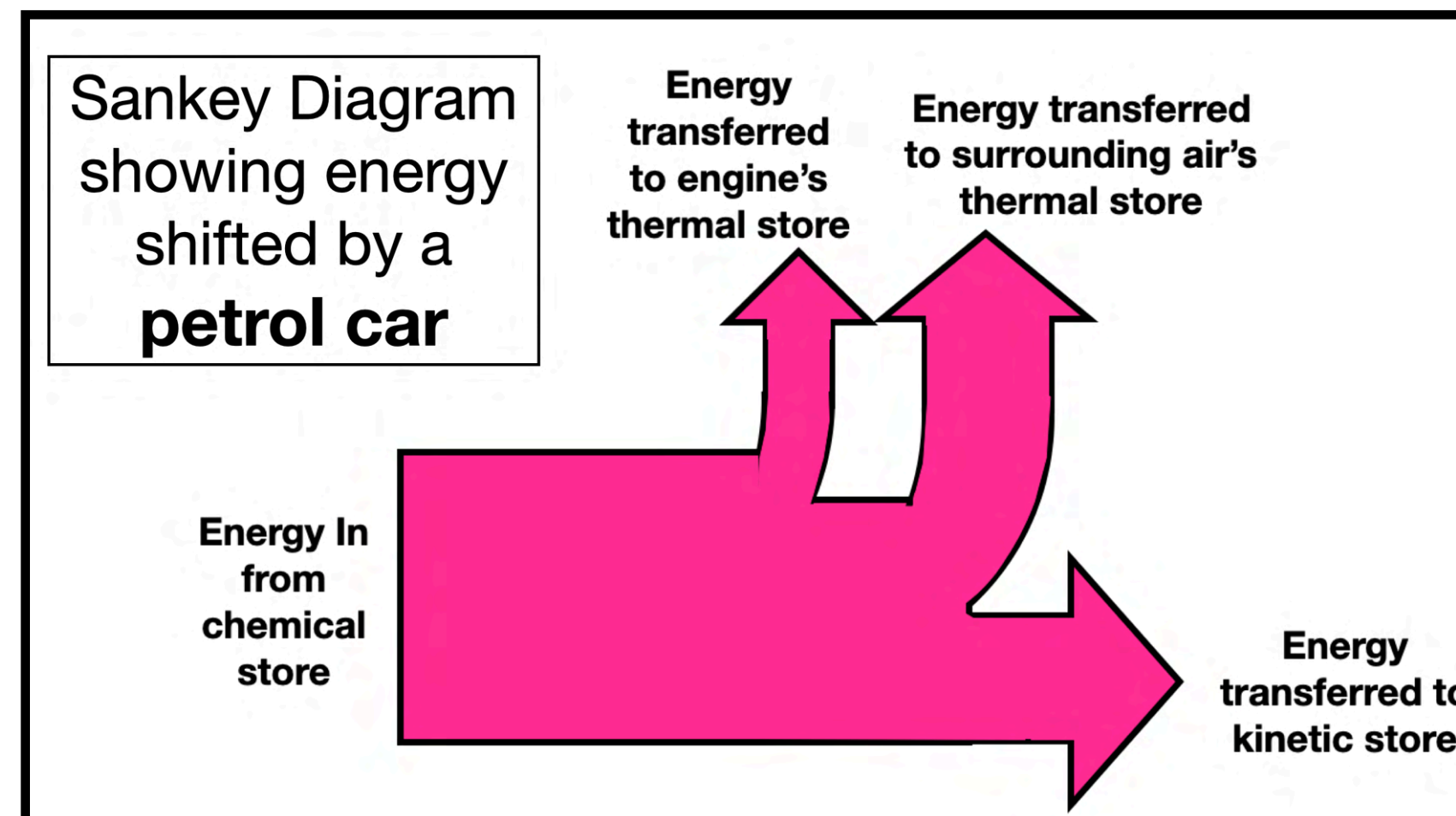
Understand, qualitatively, the concept of efficiency of energy transfer

Define efficiency as:

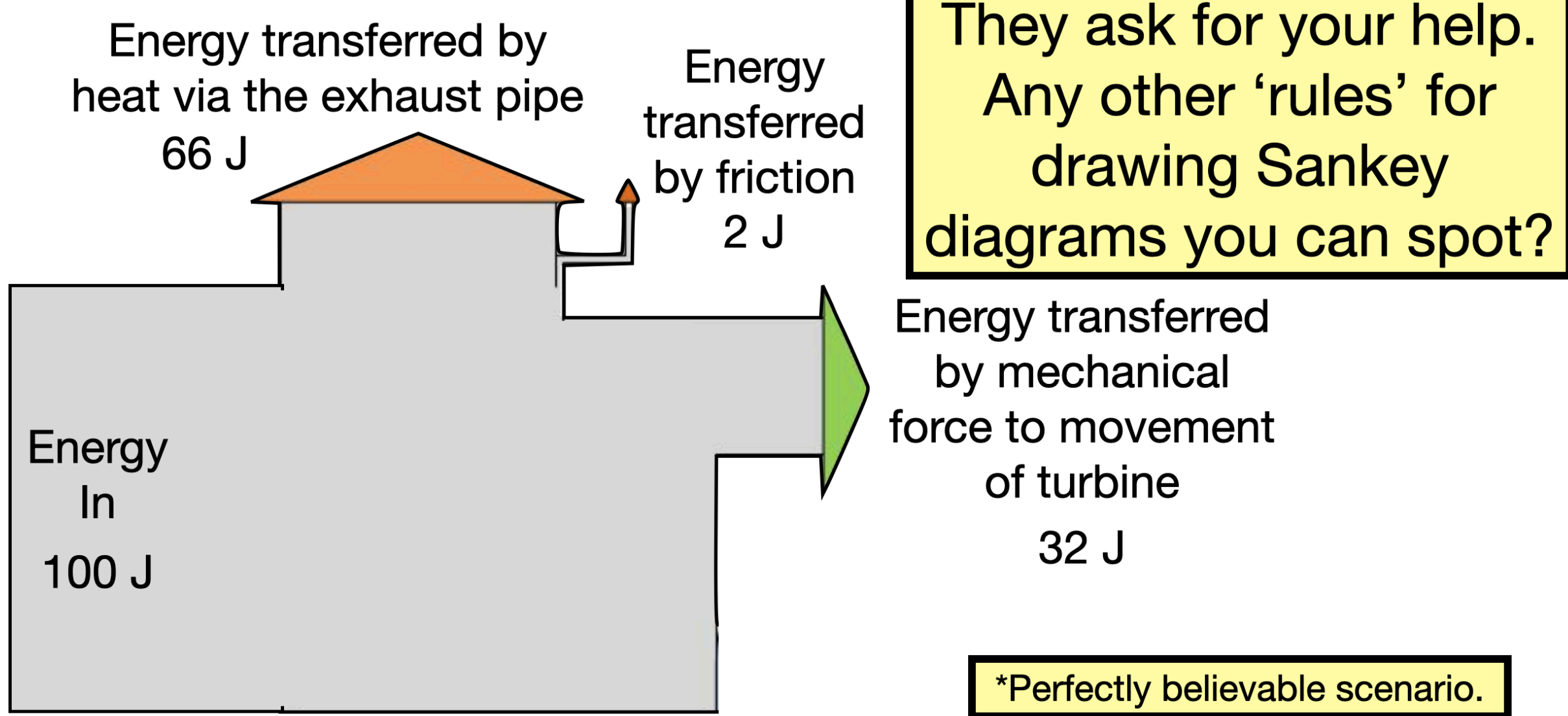
(a) (%) efficiency = (useful energy output) (total energy input) ($\times 100\%$)

(b) (%) efficiency = (useful power output) (total power input) ($\times 100\%$)
recall and use these equations

Know the principle of the conservation of energy and apply it to complex examples involving multiple stages, including the interpretation of Sankey diagrams (Pearson says 'describe a variety of everyday and scientific devices and situations').



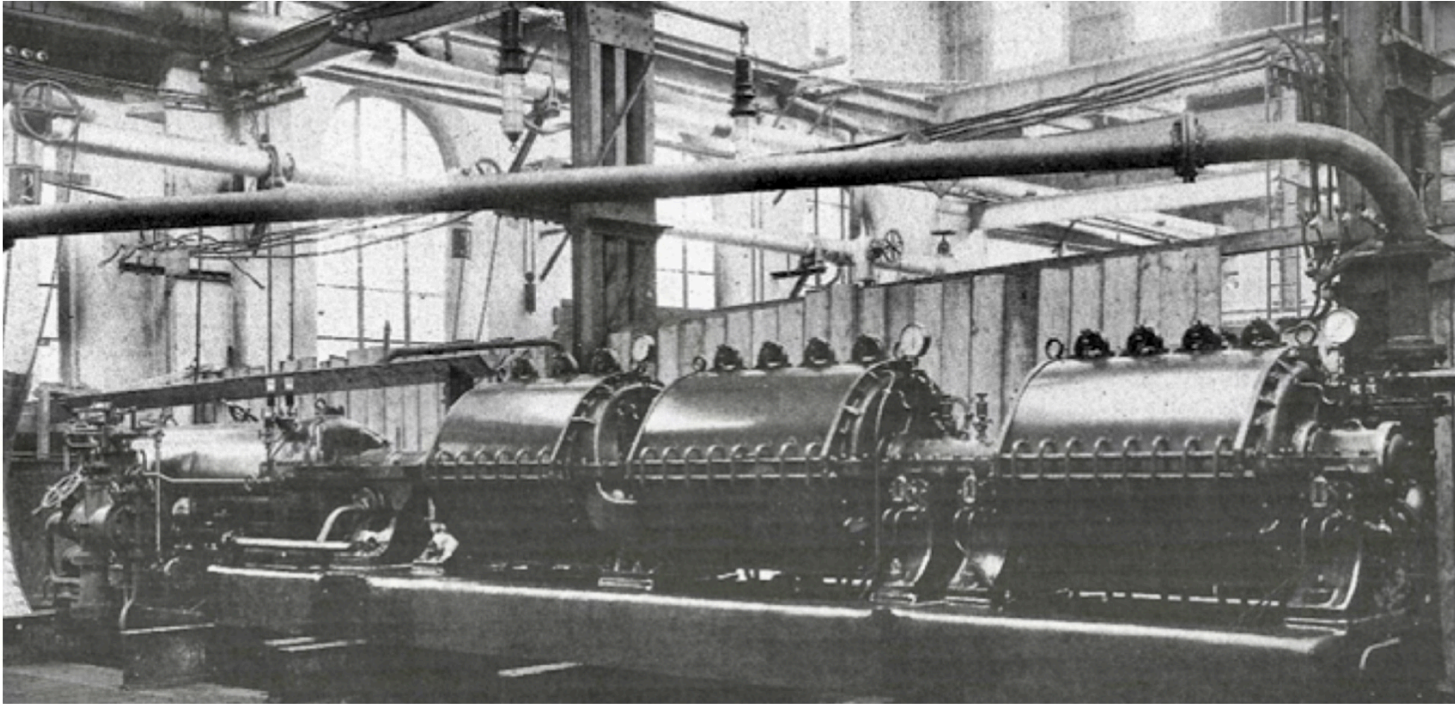
Your friend has to draw a Sankey diagram for work*



A machine wastes 9000 joules of energy. Is it...
A: Very efficient
B: Very inefficient
C: Can't say

The Armengaud-Lemale: a gas turbine invented in Paris in 1906

Wikipedia says it "was too inefficient to produce useful work".



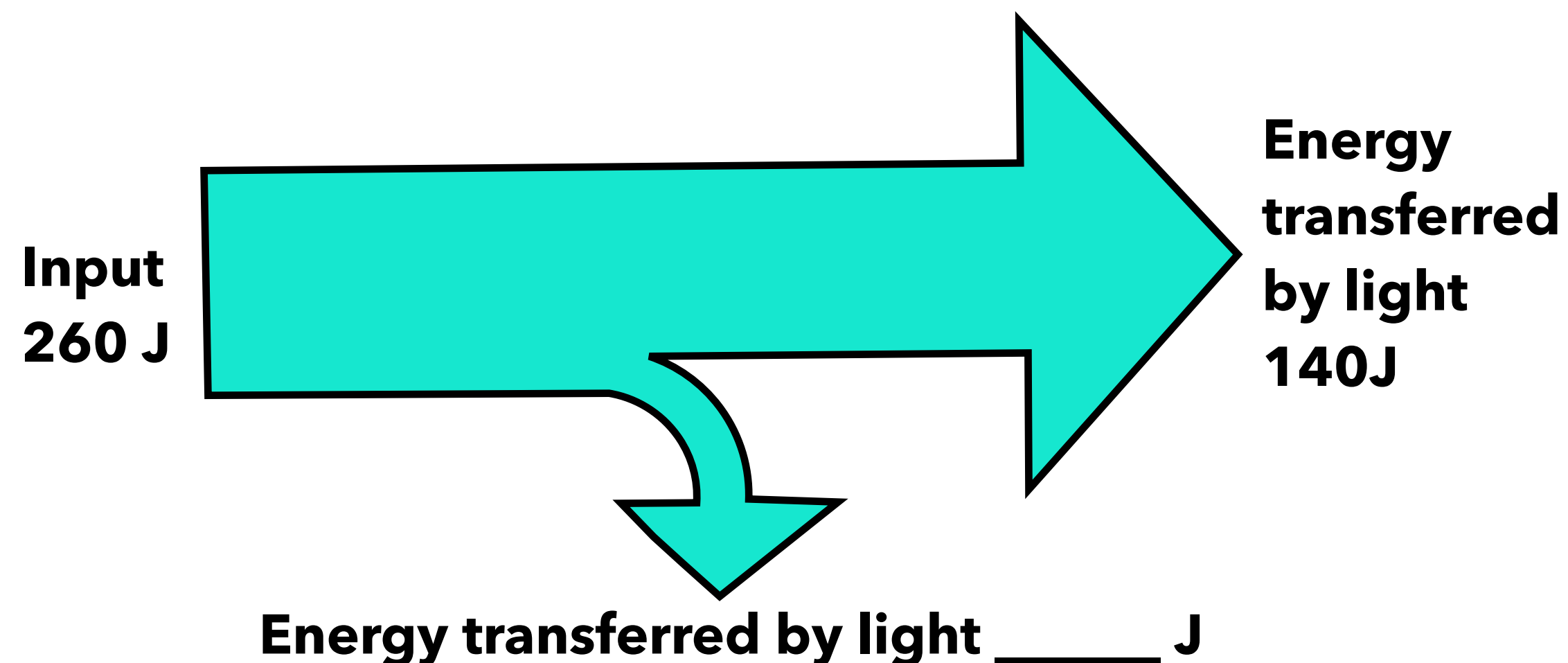
Imagine you're talking to someone who hasn't studied any physics. Explain what this means!

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$$(\%) \text{ efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}} \times 100$$

1) A motor uses 600J of energy to do 150J of useful work. What is its efficiency?

2) A Sankey diagram for a light bulb is shown below. Fill in the missing value, and calculate how efficient the bulb is.



3) A plug-in phone charger uses 20J of energy. 12J is shifted to the phone's battery, and 8J heats up the air around the charger. How efficient is the charger?

4) A wireless phone charger uses 7J of energy. 6.3J heats up the air around the charger and the rest charges the battery.

How much energy does the charger shift to the battery?

Which is more efficient, the wireless or plug-in charger?

5) The glowing red filament in a toaster receives energy electrically. 100% of this energy is shifted to the filament's thermal energy store. Is the toaster 100% efficient? Explain your answer.



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Energy Lesson 6: Fossil Fuels and Alternatives!

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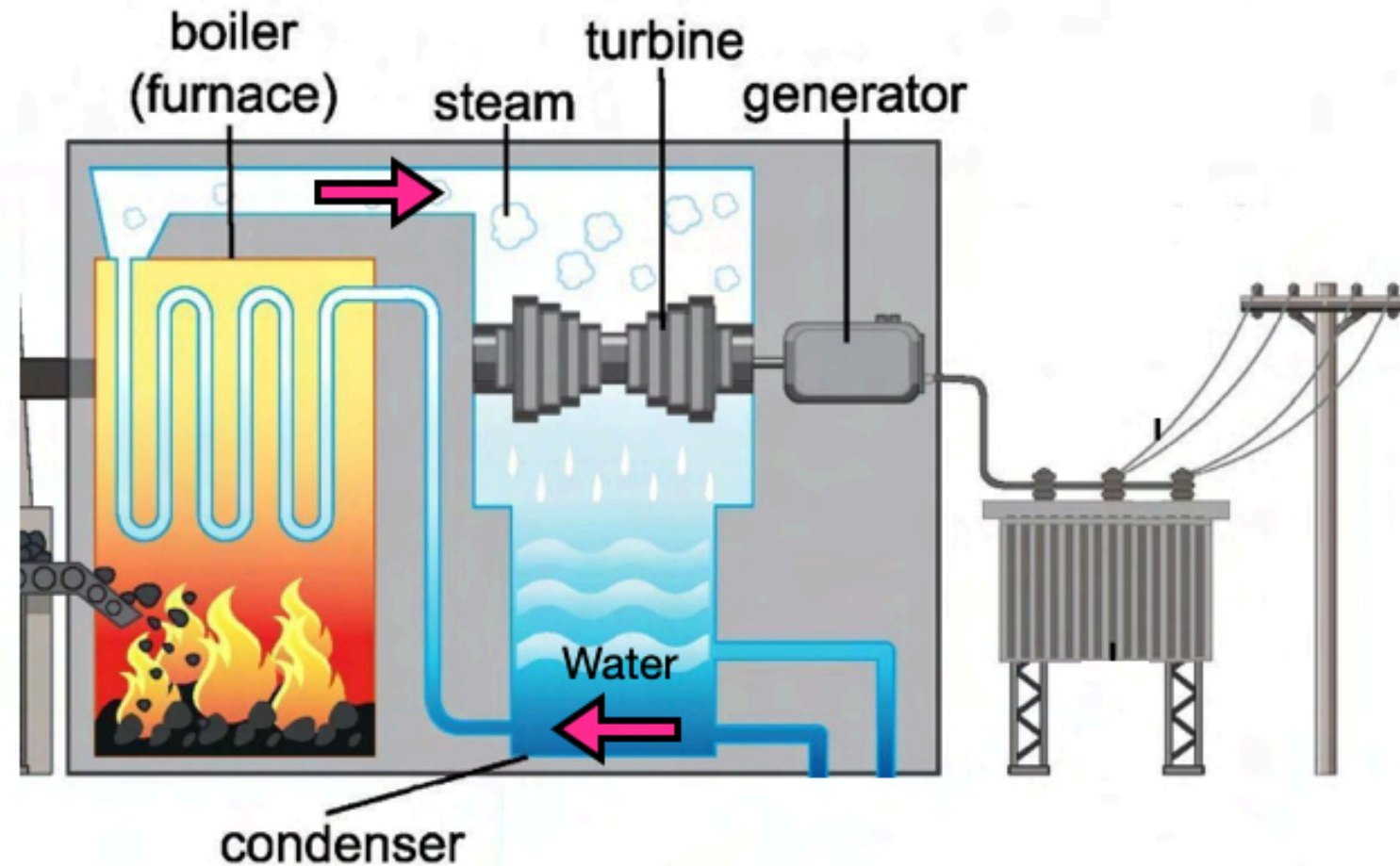
Describe how useful energy may be obtained, or electrical power generated, from:

- Chemical energy stored in **fossil fuels**
- Chemical energy stored in **biofuels** (Cambridge only)
- Geothermal** resources
- Wind** energy

Describe **advantages and disadvantages** of each method in terms of renewability, availability, reliability, scale and environmental impact

GCSE questions!

This power station burns fossil fuel



1) Which part transfers energy from a *chemical* store to a *thermal* store? (1)

- a) Boiler/Furnace
- b) Turbine
- c) Generator
- d) Condenser

2) Which part transfers energy electrically from a kinetic energy store? (1)

- a) Boiler/Furnace
- b) Turbine
- c) Generator
- d) Condenser

3) Name one fossil fuel (1) _____

4) Give two advantages of using wind turbines for generating electricity, compared to using fossil fuels.

5) Give one disadvantage of wind turbines, compared to fossil fuels.

Can you...

- 1) See the stages mentioned?
- 2) Spot 3 things not mentioned?
- 3) Guess what they do?

Heat water: make **steam**: steam turns a **turbine**: turbine's connected to **generator** so electricity flows



Land can still be used for farming

You can't have it on demand

Unreliable

It can be reused again and again

Can be noisy for people living nearby

Which of these are disadvantages and which are advantages of using **fossil fuel** **biofuels** **wind** **geothermal** to produce electricity.

Carbon-neutral

Difficult to find suitable places for it

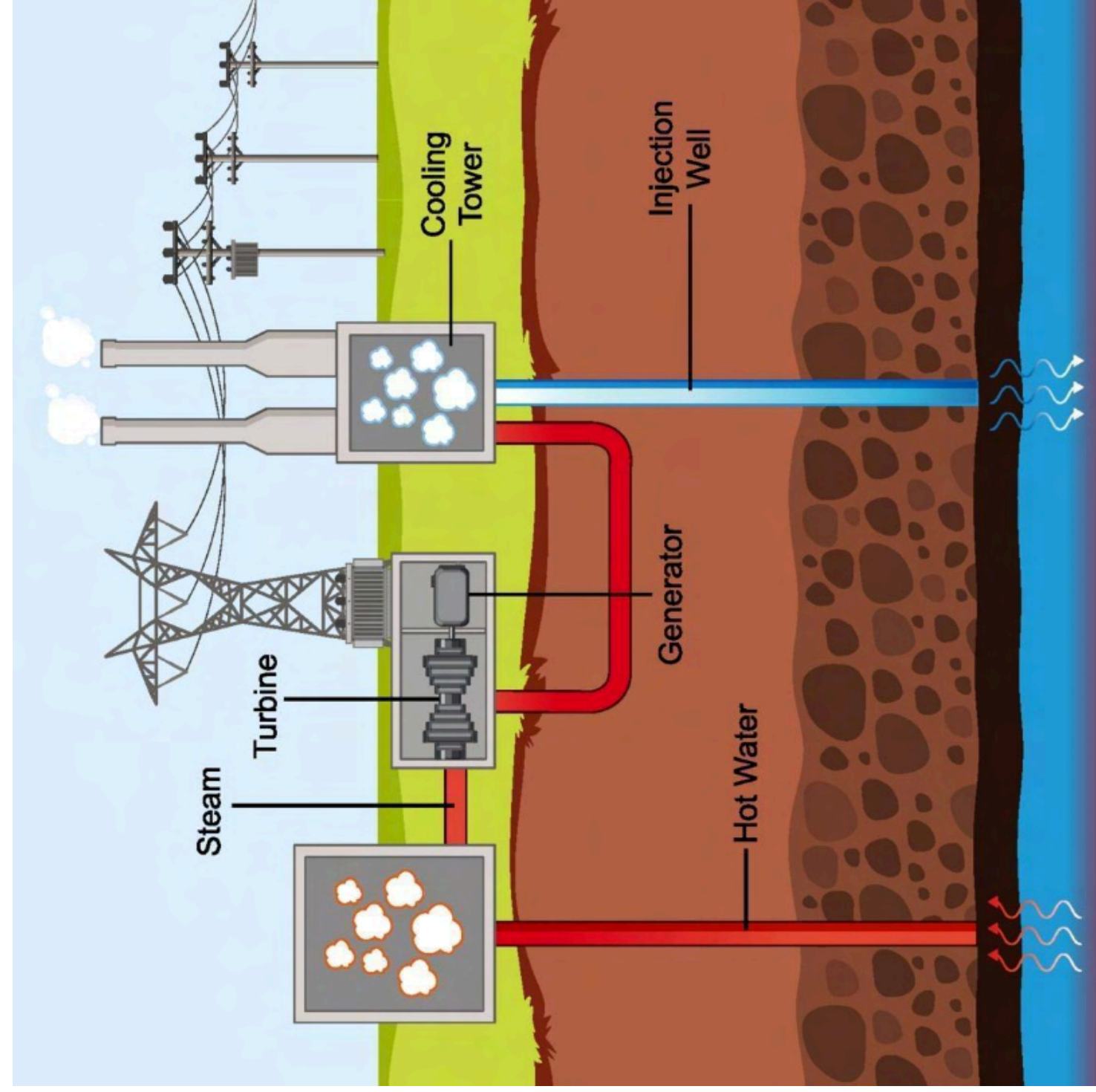
Doesn't give off pollution / carbon dioxide

Can be used on demand

Makes more nutritious flour

Takes up a lot of farm land

Reliable



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Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics. Energy Lesson 7: Energy from Water!

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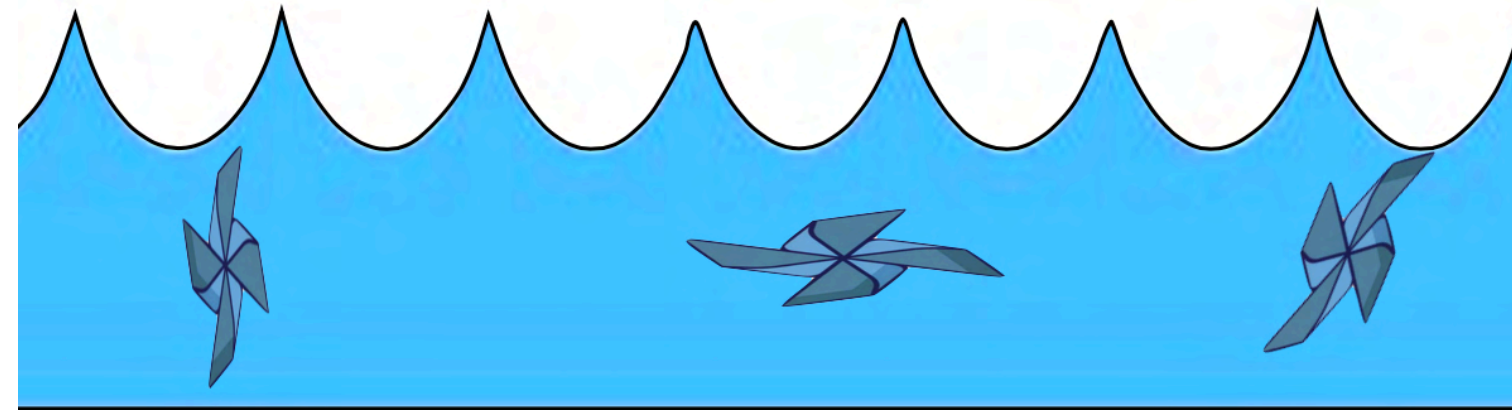
Describe how useful energy may be obtained, or electrical power generated, from:

Water, including the energy stored in waves, in tides, and in water behind hydroelectric dams

Describe **advantages** and **disadvantages** of each method in terms of renewability, availability, reliability, scale and environmental impact

What causes waves?

Which turbine is going to harness the most energy from these waves?



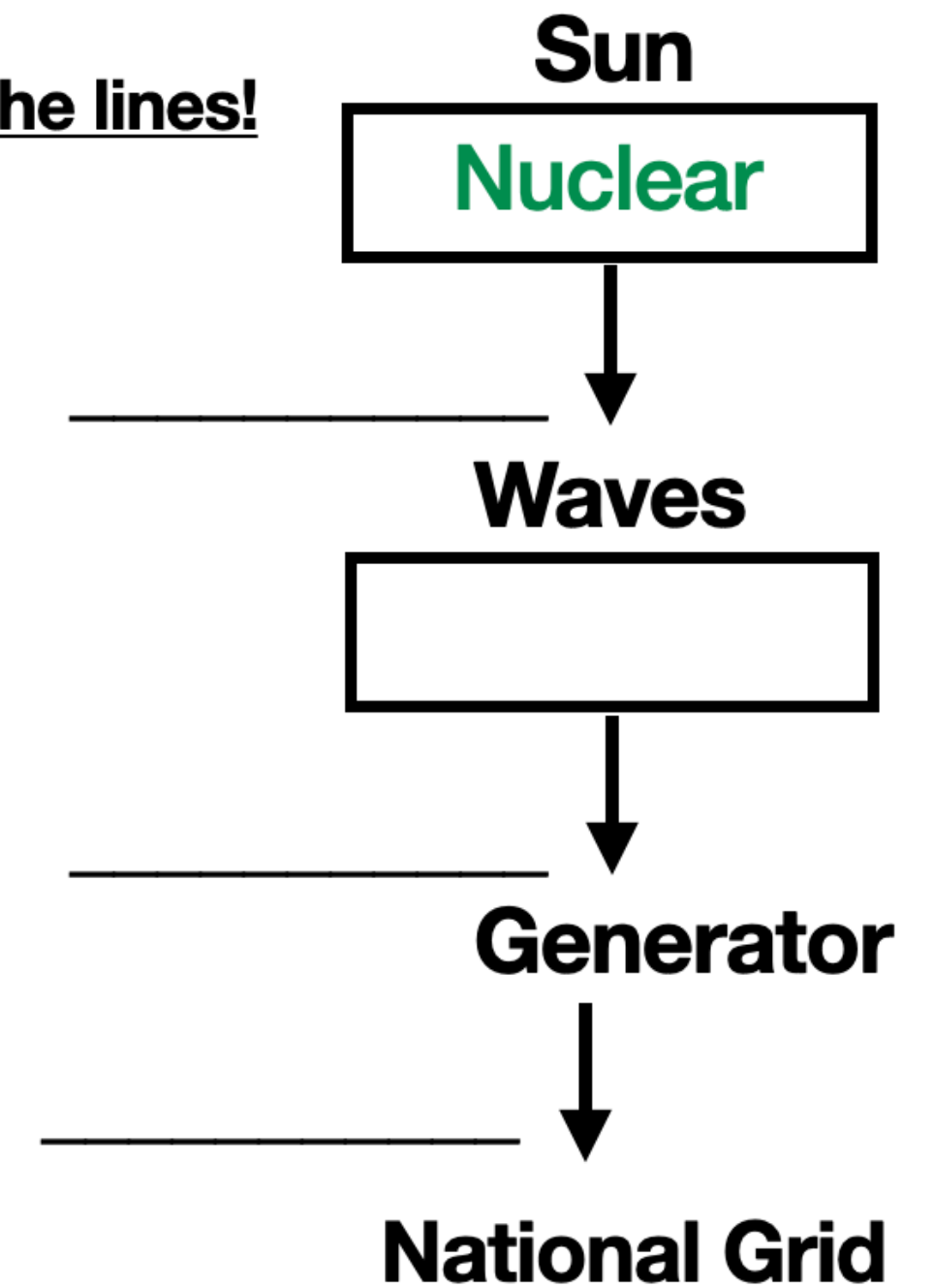
Write a store in the box and pathways on the lines!

Energy Stores

Kinetic
Gravitational potential
Chemical
Elastic (strain)
Nuclear
Electrostatic
Internal (thermal)
Magnetic

Pathways

Mechanically (by force)
Electrically
By radiation
By heating (Because of temperature difference)



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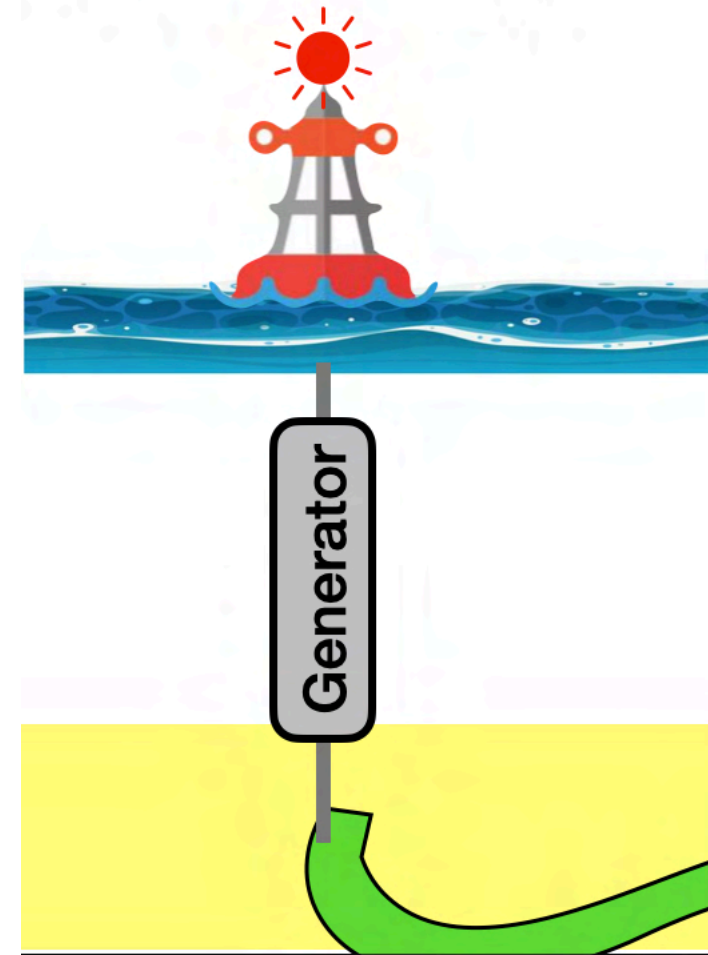
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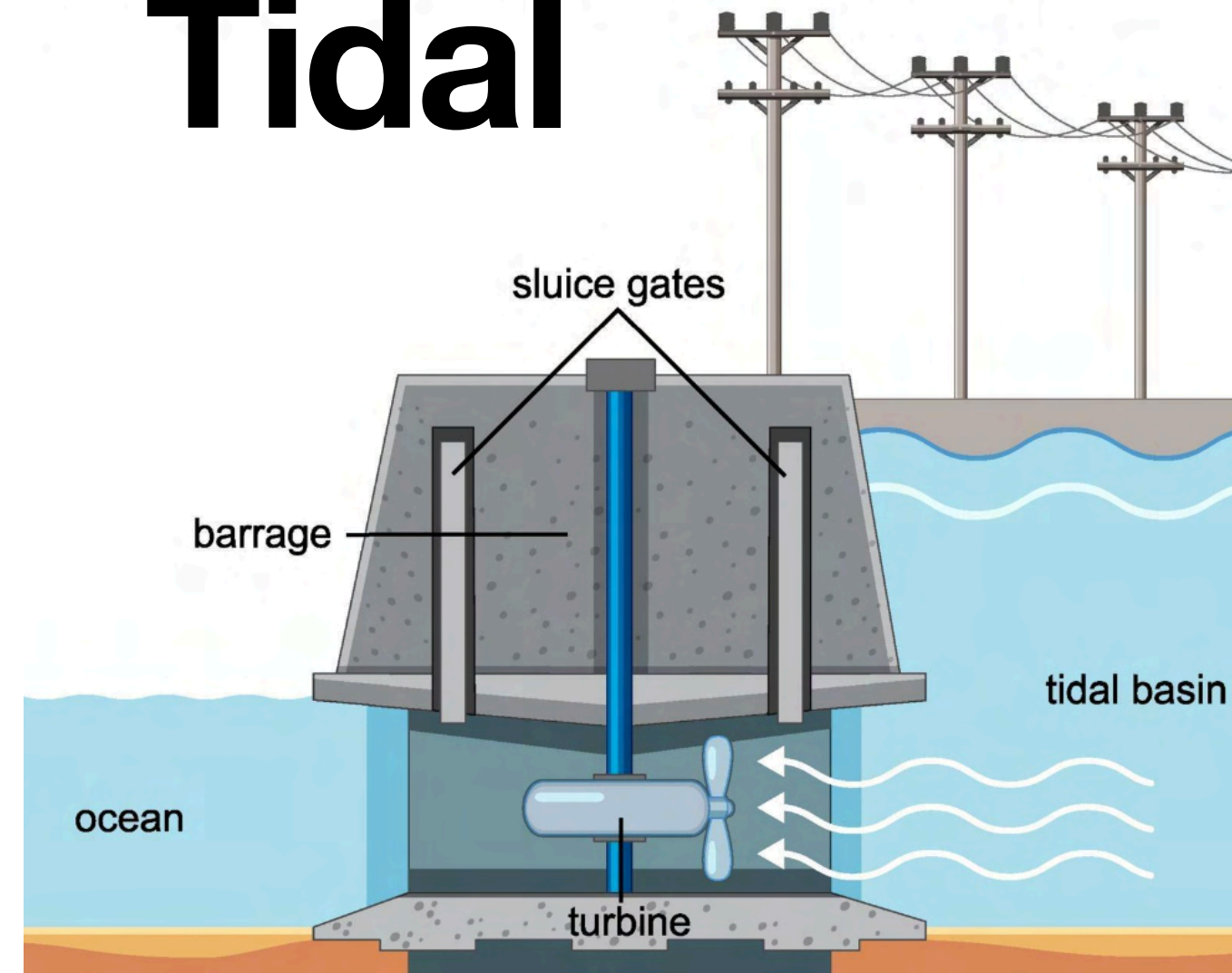
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Waves eg

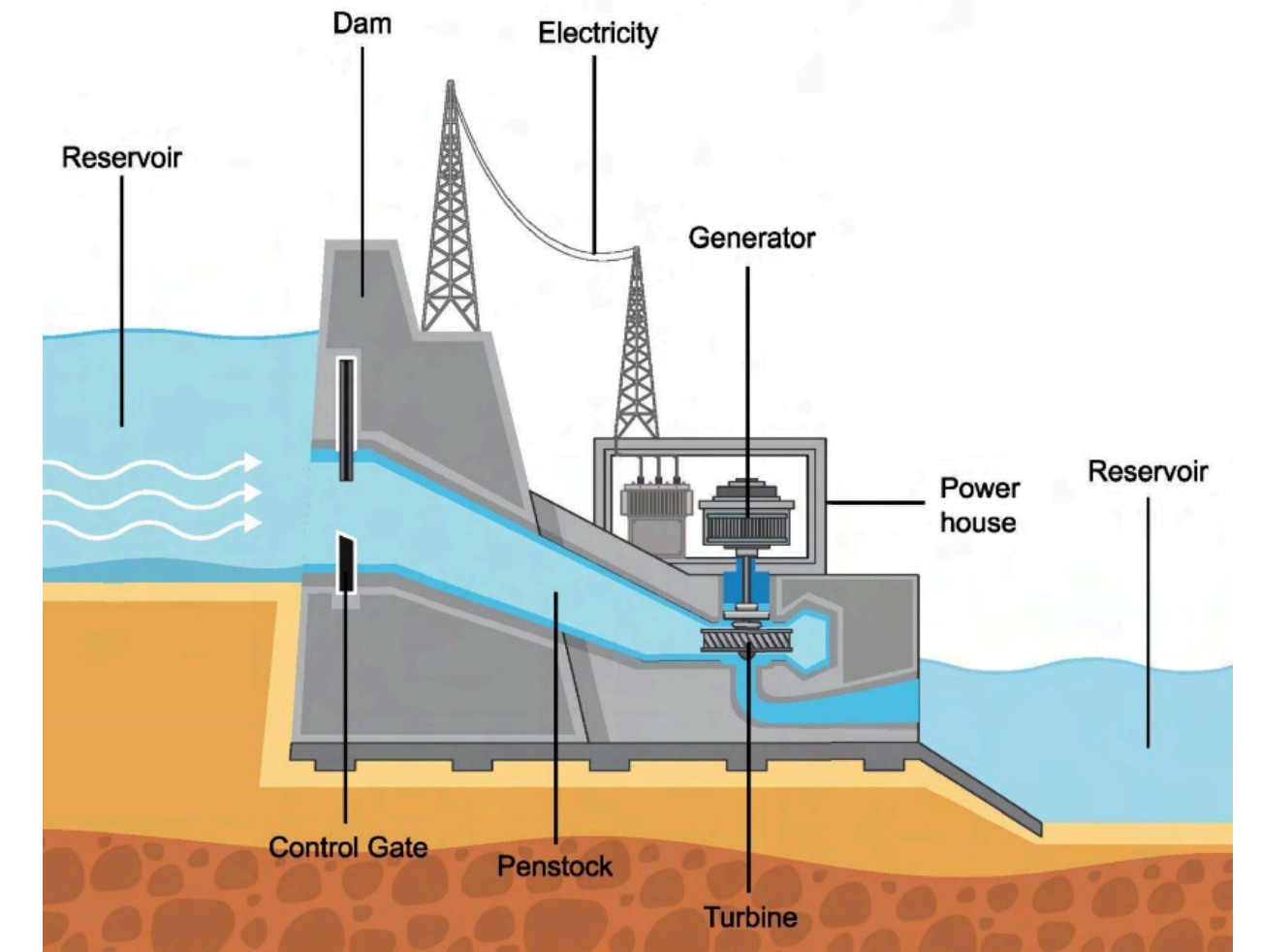
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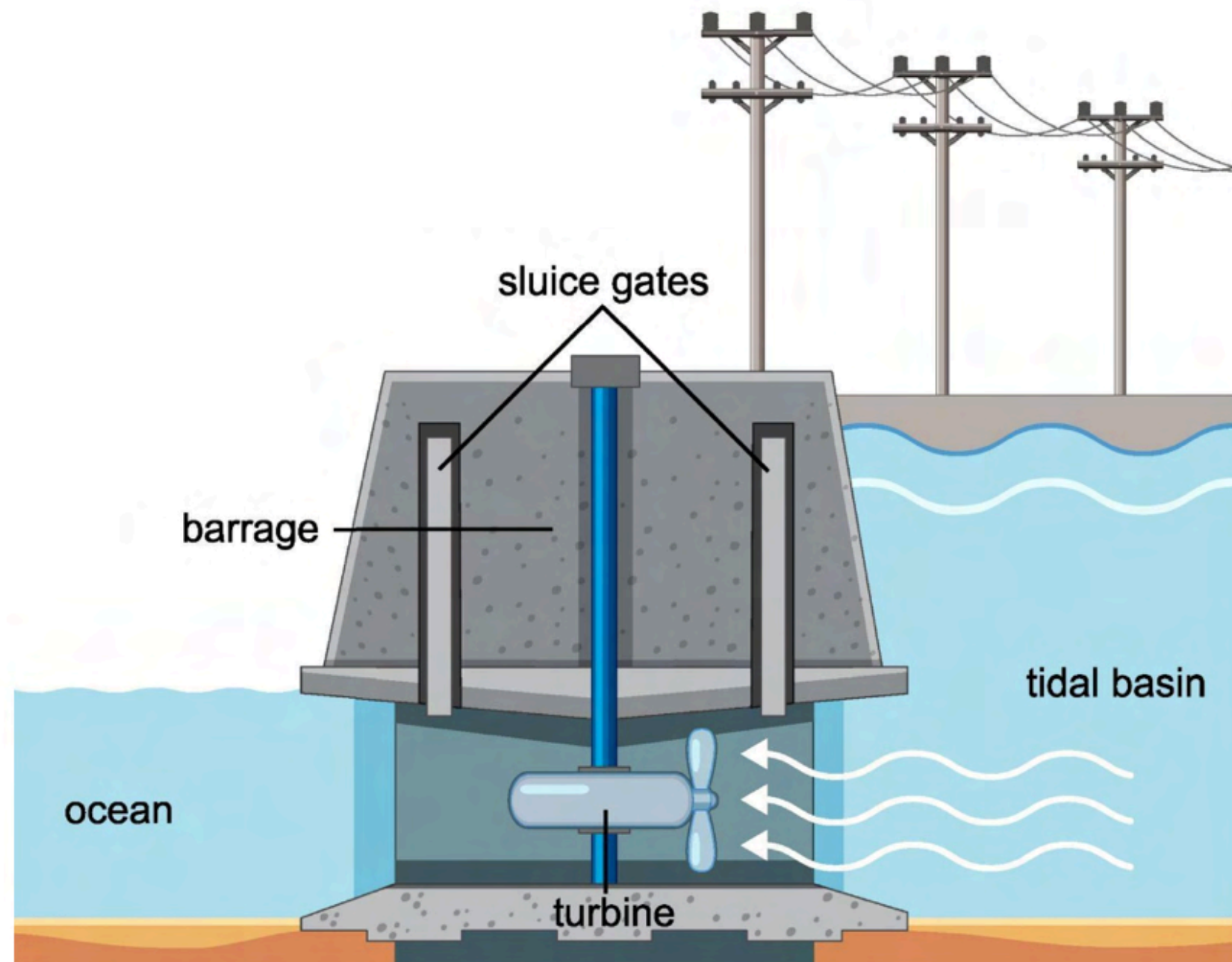


Tidal



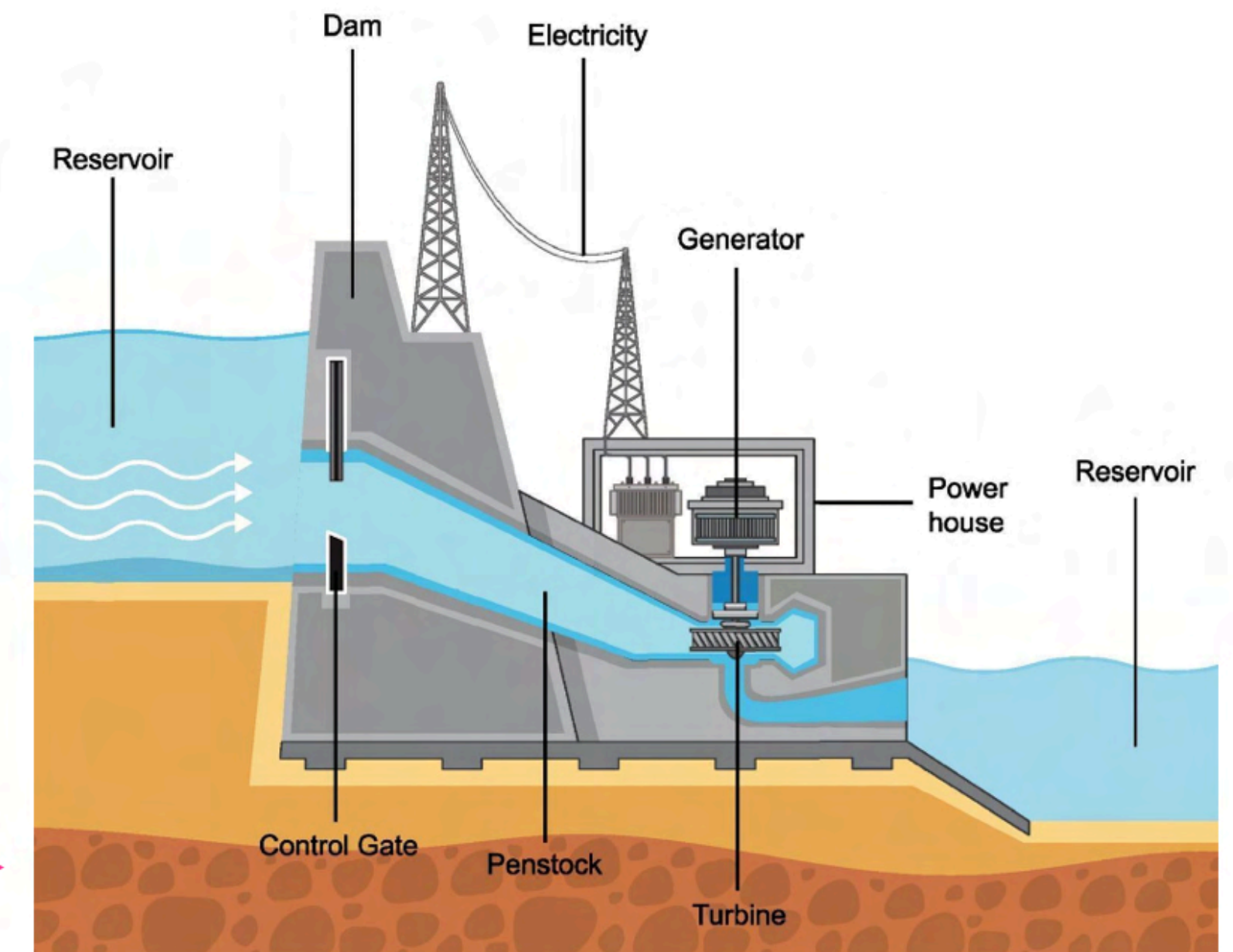
Hydroelectric Dam





Tidal power
(the tide flowing through a turbine)

Hydro-power
(river water flowing through a turbine)



What do they have in common?

They don't release pollution while running

Their energy comes from the Sun

They harm migrating animals

What's different about them?

Reliable

Renewable

No need to transport fuel

Large area might need to be flooded

Expensive to build

Hard to find places to put them



Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics. Energy Lesson 8: Solar Energy

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Describe how useful energy may be obtained, or electrical power generated, from:

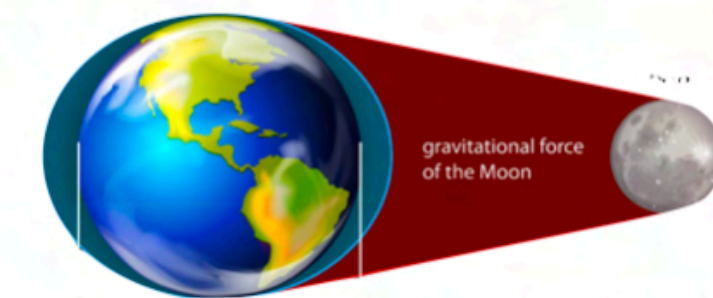
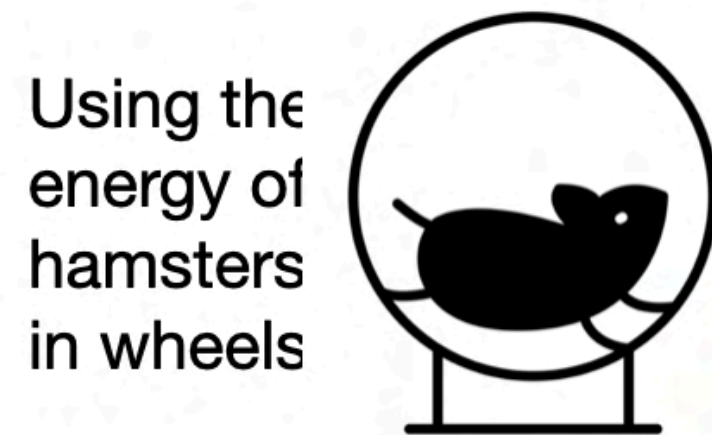
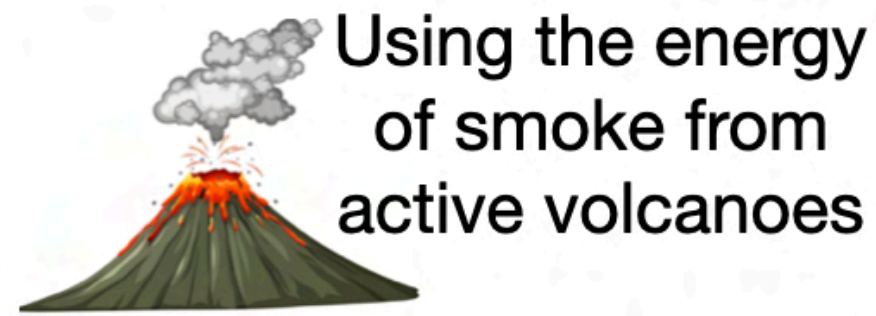
nuclear fuel

light from the Sun to generate electrical power (solar cells)

infrared and other electromagnetic waves from the Sun to heat water (solar panels)

Describe **advantages and disadvantages** of each method in terms of renewability, availability, reliability, scale and environmental impact

Which of these renewable ways of generating electricity have I made up?



2. Say WHY the made-up methods wouldn't work:

3. Say WHERE the energy first came from in each case!

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Match the description to the renewable energy source

Solar Cells: Use sunlight to produce electricity



No pollution released while working

Reliable: energy is always available

Releases some harmful gases trapped inside Earth

Very hard to find places to put it

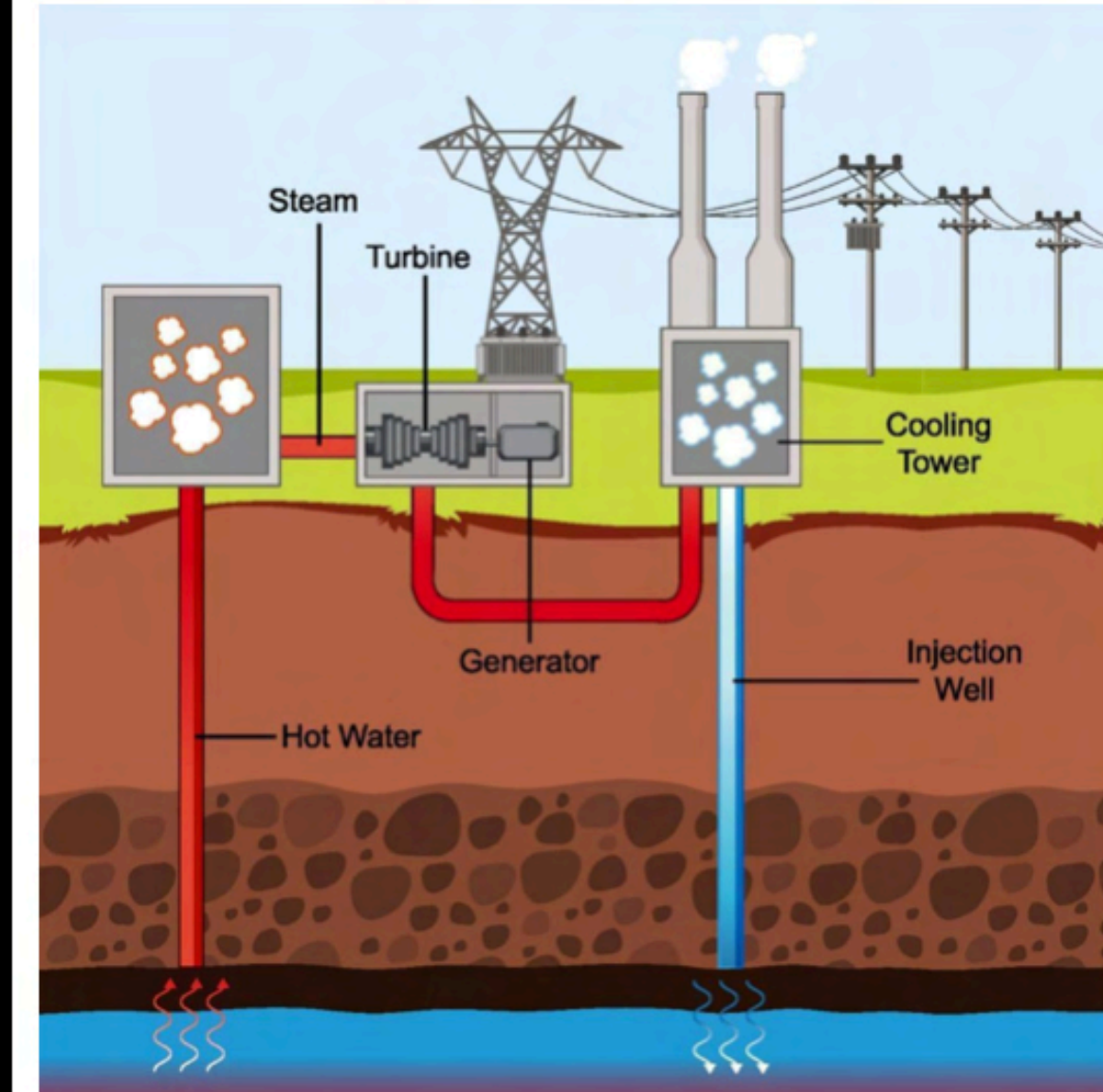
Cheap to run

Easy to look after

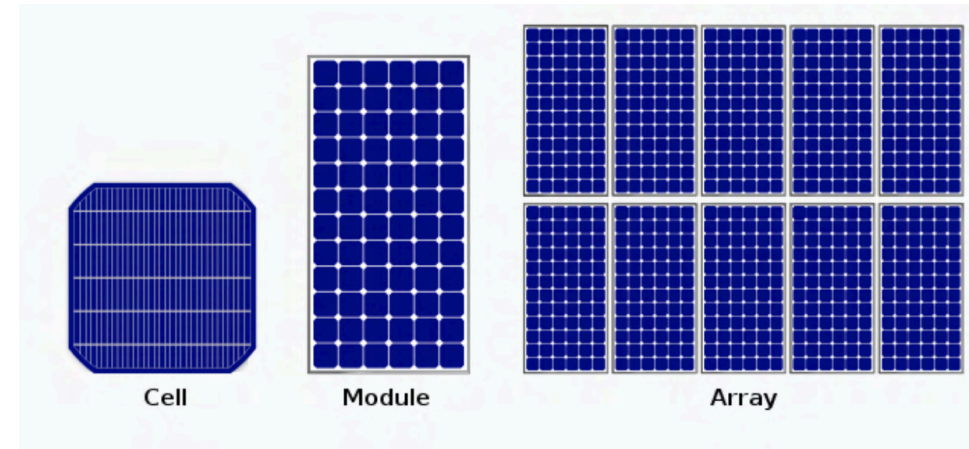
Takes up farm land

Where they are (ie, in the shade?) makes a big difference to how well they work

Geothermal: Use Earth's heat to make steam, to generate electricity



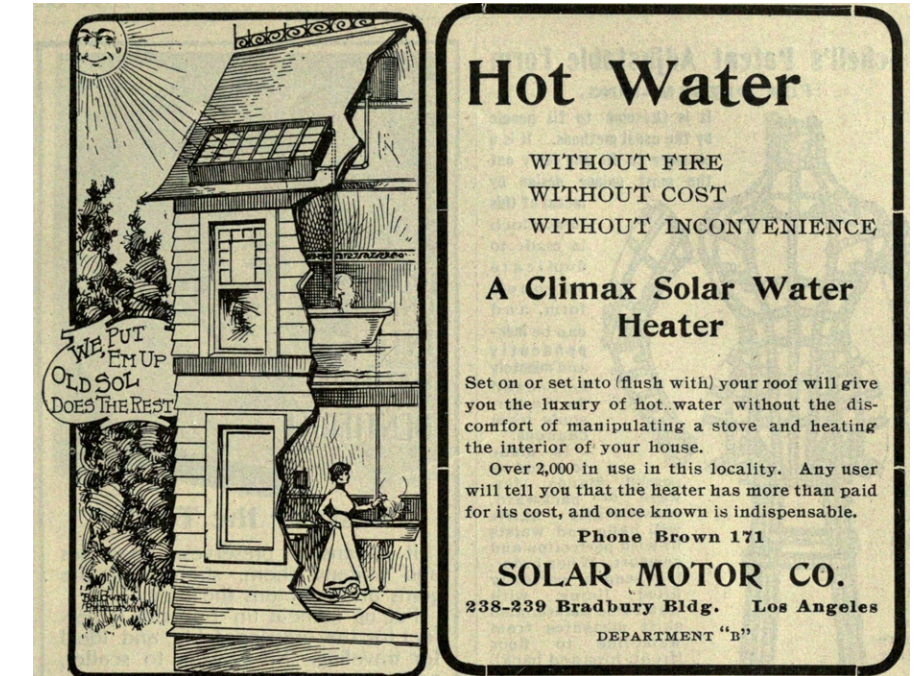
(Photovoltaic) Solar Cell



Advantages of _____ over _____

Advantages of _____ over _____

Solar 'Panel' / Heating



Advantages of _____ over _____

Advantages of _____ over _____



Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics. Energy 9: Conduction and Convection!

Today's lesson will cover the following spec points (Pearson and Cambridge):

Describe the particle structure of solids, liquids and gases in terms of the arrangement, separation and motion of the particles, and represent these states using simple particle diagrams

Explain convection in liquids and gases in terms of density changes and describe experiments to illustrate convection

Know that convection is an important method of thermal energy transfer in liquids and gases

Describe thermal conduction in all solids in terms of atomic or molecular lattice vibrations and also in terms of the movement of free (delocalised) electrons in metallic conductors

Describe, in terms of particles, why thermal conduction is bad in gases and most liquids

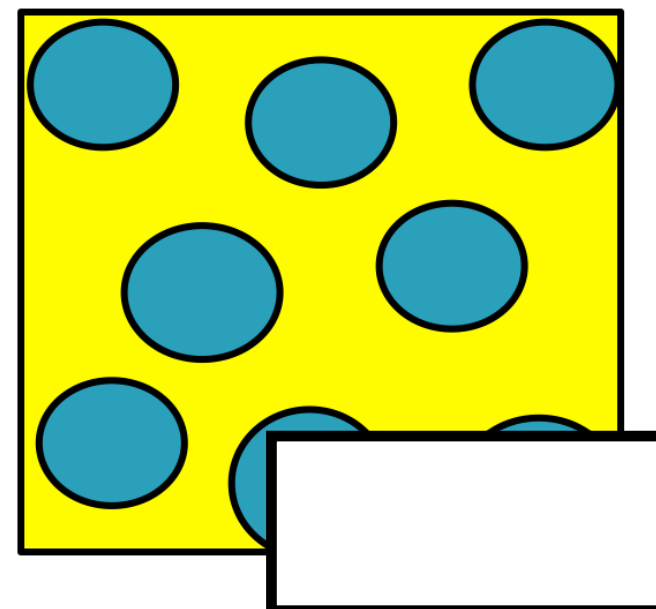
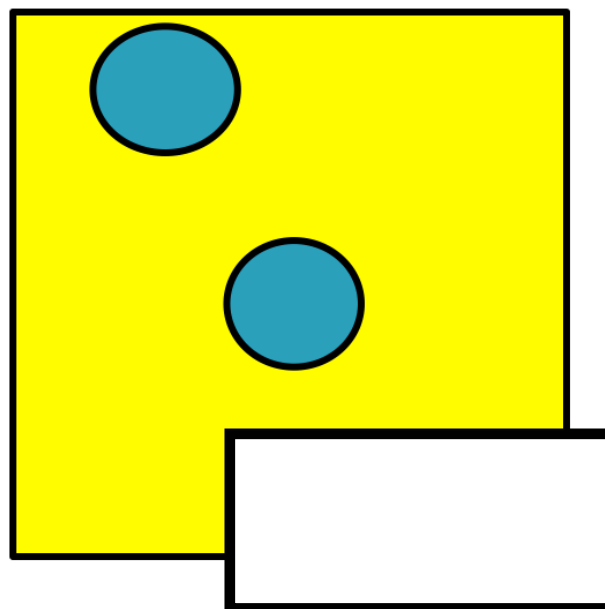
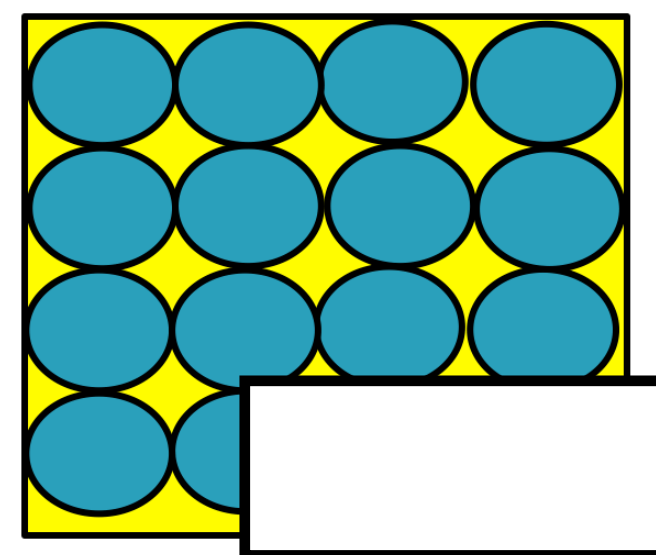
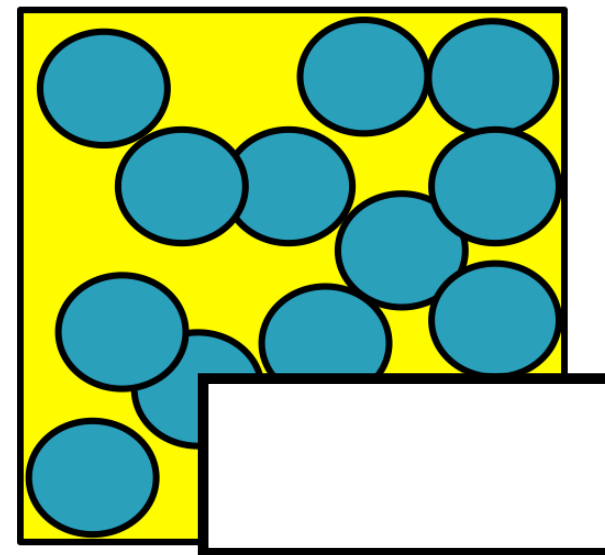
Know that there are many solids that conduct thermal energy better than thermal insulators but do so less well than good thermal conductors

Explain some of the basic everyday applications and consequences of conduction, convection (and radiation), including: (a) heating objects such as kitchen pans (b) heating a room by convection

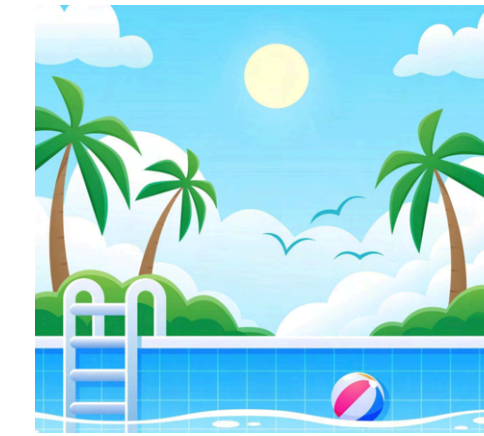
Starter: As a kid, I used to run outside and leave the kitchen door open. My Mum would always say "Shut the door, you're letting all the cold air in!" Why was she wrong?!



Which of these diagrams best represents how the particles are arranged in a solid, and liquid and a gas? Label them. One isn't a good model of any of them!



Is it Conduction?! Write mostly, a bit, or no!



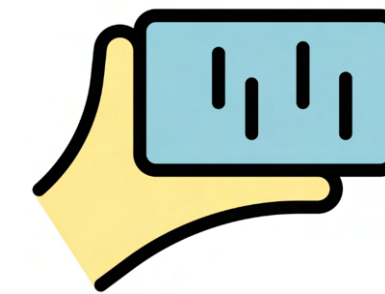
The Sun heating the surface of a swimming pool



Soup heating on a stove



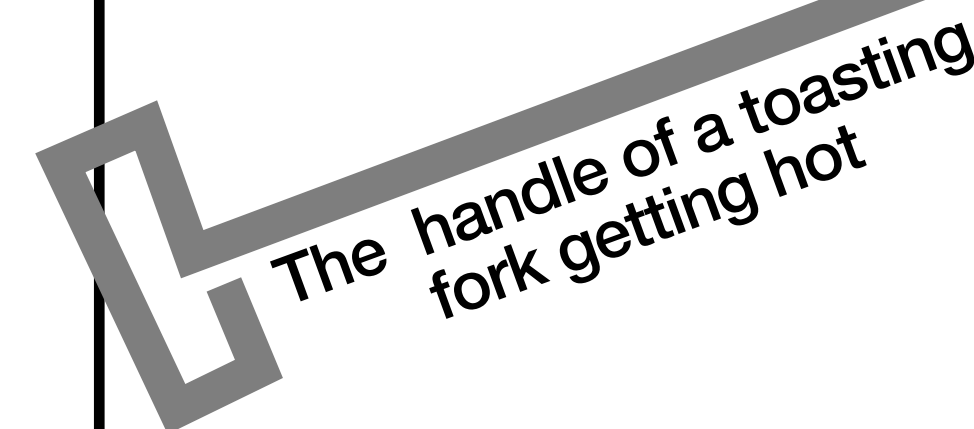
A radiator heating a room



An ice cube making your hand cold



Fire toasting a marshmallow



The handle of a toasting fork getting hot

1) The kitten is cold! Put the stages in the correct order to heat her up before her eyes get frostbite!

a) Air particles gain energy

b) The radiator heats the air

d) Then is heated by the radiator

c) Cold air is pushed out of the way

f) So spread out

e) And the cycle continues

h) and rise

g) And sinks

I so chilly and not know how radiators work

2) Add more stages to question one. Include the words “more dense” & “less dense”.

3) How many examples of convection can you see below? Name and explain them!



4) Explain why the little freezers inside fridges are always at the top.



GCSE Questions!

1) Energy is transferred from this hot mug of tea to the surroundings. Complete the sentences below using the words “Conduction” or “Convection”.

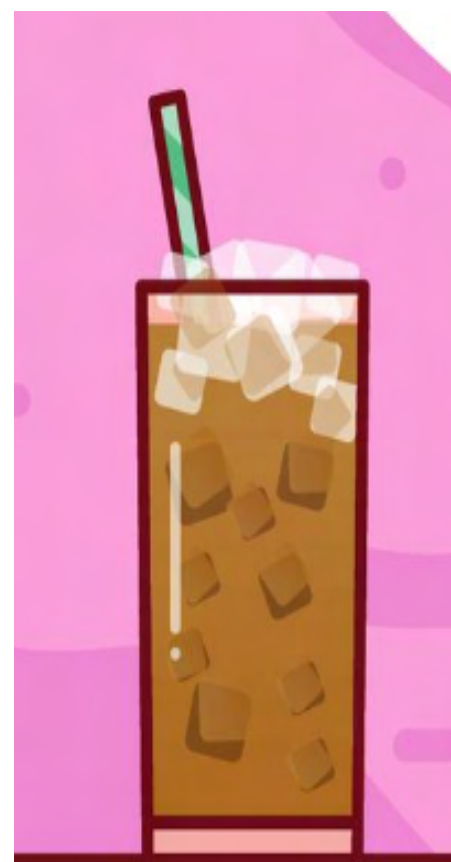
Energy is transferred through the sides of the mug by _____

In the air around the mug, energy is transferred by _____



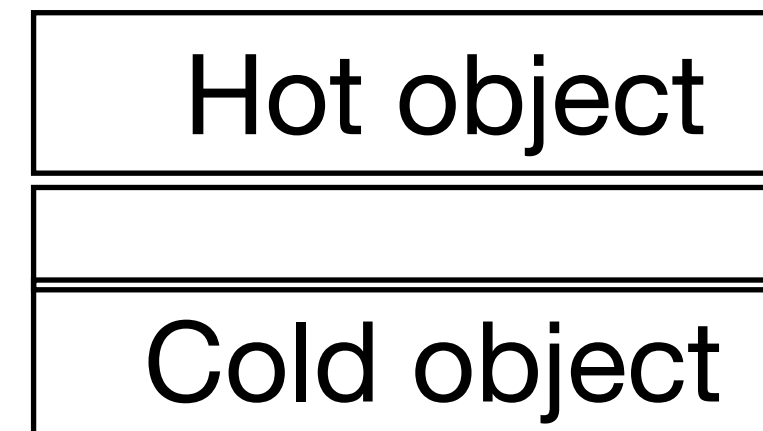
2) The picture shows ice being used to cool some hot coffee. How is the coffee at the bottom of the glass being cooled?

- a. Conduction
- b. Convection
- c. Condensation



3) The gap between these hot and cold objects can be filled with air, iron, a vacuum or water. Which will allow thermal energy to pass between the surfaces the fastest?

- a. Air
- b. Iron
- c. Vacuum
- d. Water



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Theatre of Science IGCSE Physics. Energy 10: Radiation!

Today's lesson will cover the following spec points (Pearson and Cambridge):

Know that thermal radiation is infrared radiation and that all objects emit this radiation

Know that thermal energy transfer by thermal radiation does not require a medium

Describe the effect of surface colour (black or white) and texture (dull or shiny) on the emission, absorption and reflection of infrared radiation

Know that for an object to be at a constant temperature it needs to transfer energy away from the object at the same rate that it receives energy

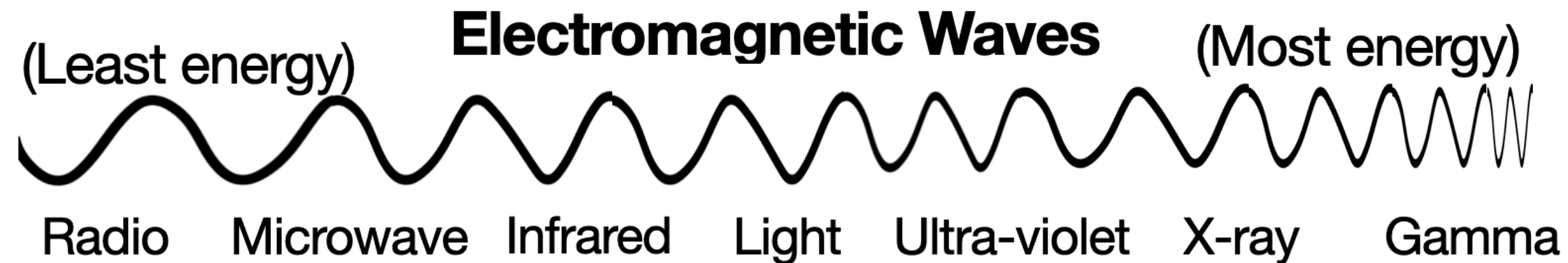
Know what happens to an object if the rate at which it receives energy is less or more than the rate at which it transfers energy away from the object

Know how the temperature of the Earth is affected by factors controlling the balance between incoming radiation and radiation emitted from the Earth's surface

Describe experiments to distinguish between good and bad emitters of infrared radiation

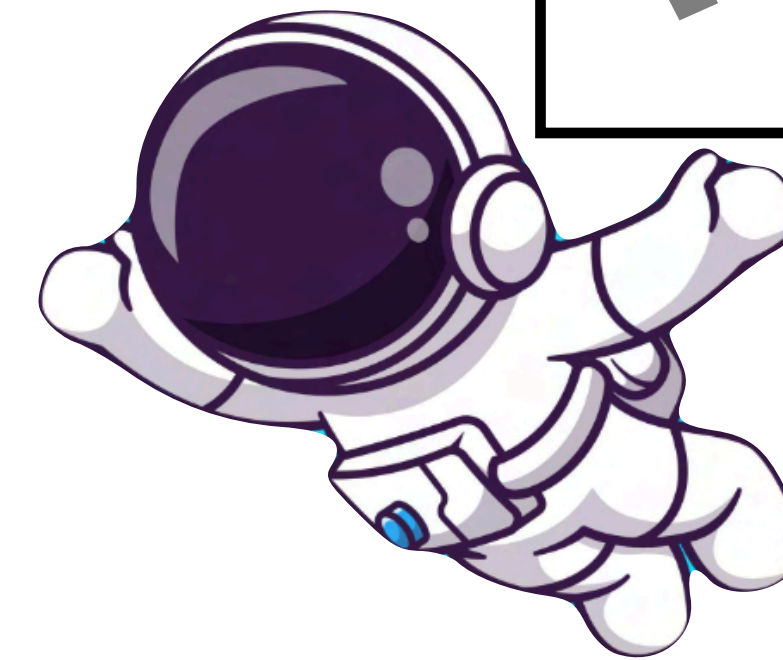
Describe experiments to distinguish between good and bad absorbers of infrared radiation

Describe how the rate of emission of radiation depends on the surface temperature and surface area of an object

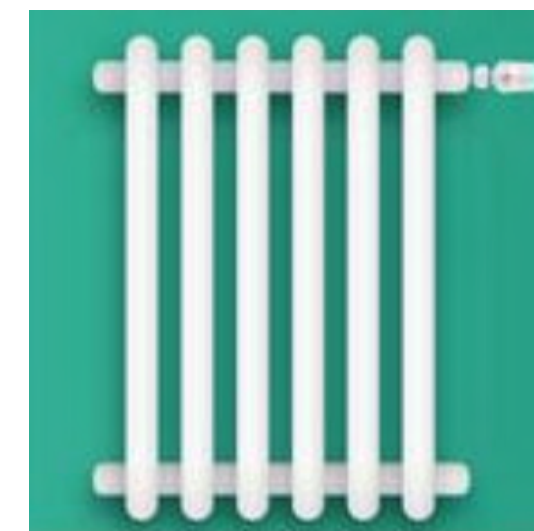


White and shiny materials are good at reflecting infrared radiation. Black and matt materials are good at absorbing and emitting radiation.

Write / sketch two examples of each:

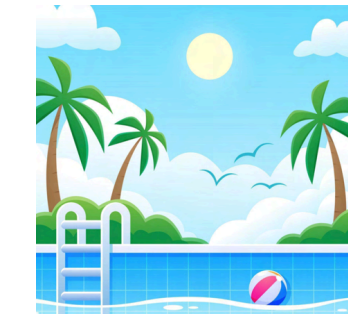


Eg: Astronauts wear white suits on space walks to reflect radiation given off by the Sun.

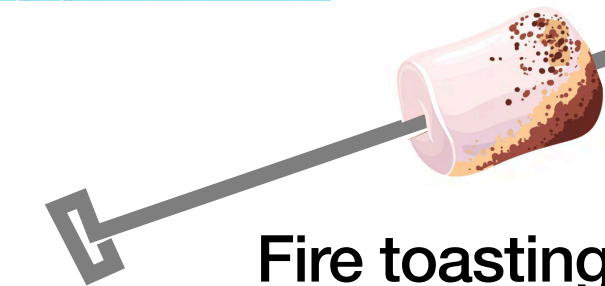


Why are radiators white? Shouldn't they be emitting radiation?!

Examples of heating by radiation from last week.

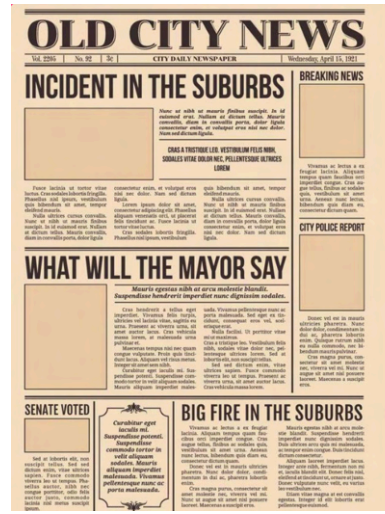


The Sun heating the surface of a swimming pool

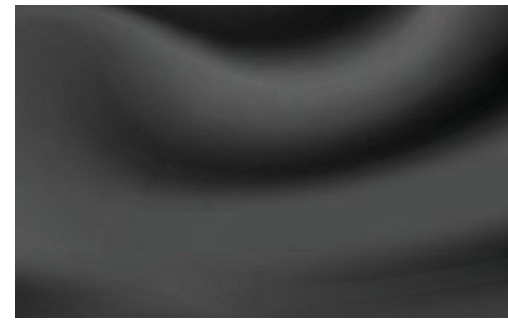


Fire toasting a marshmallow

I'm going out for an hour. You're in charge of keeping my coffee hot. You look around the room for equipment to help you complete this vitally important task and find:



Newspaper



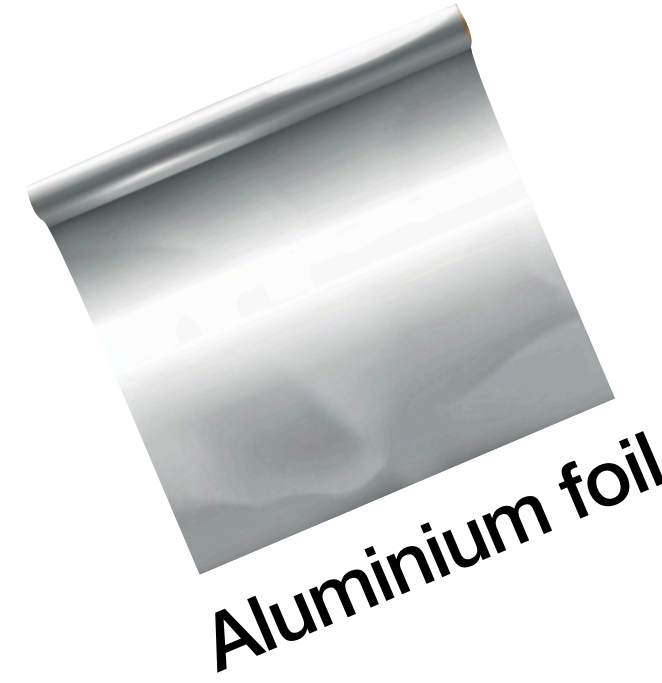
Shiny black fabric



Thick wool



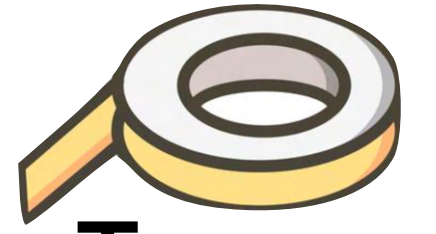
Bubble wrap



Aluminium foil



Scissors



Tape



String

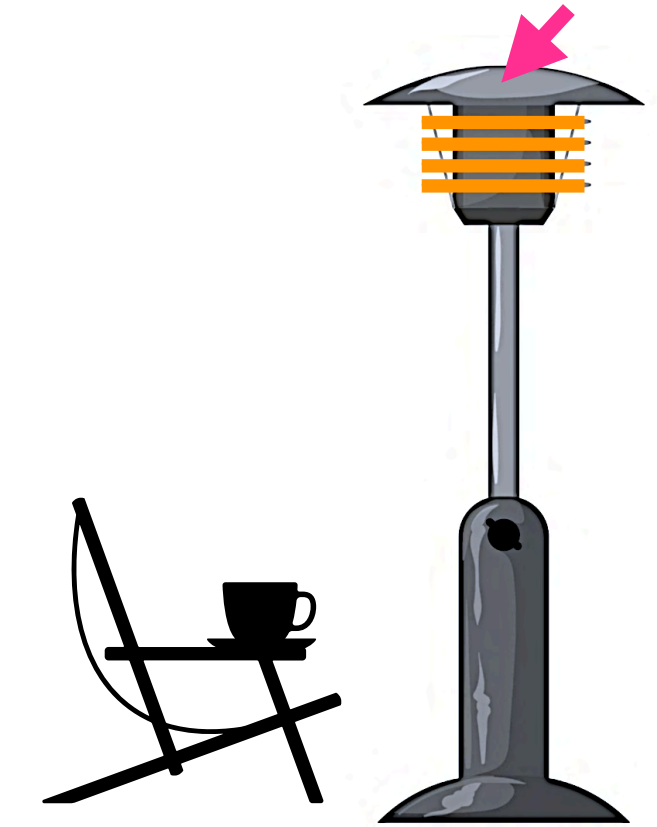
Try a few designs! What's the absolute best you can do?



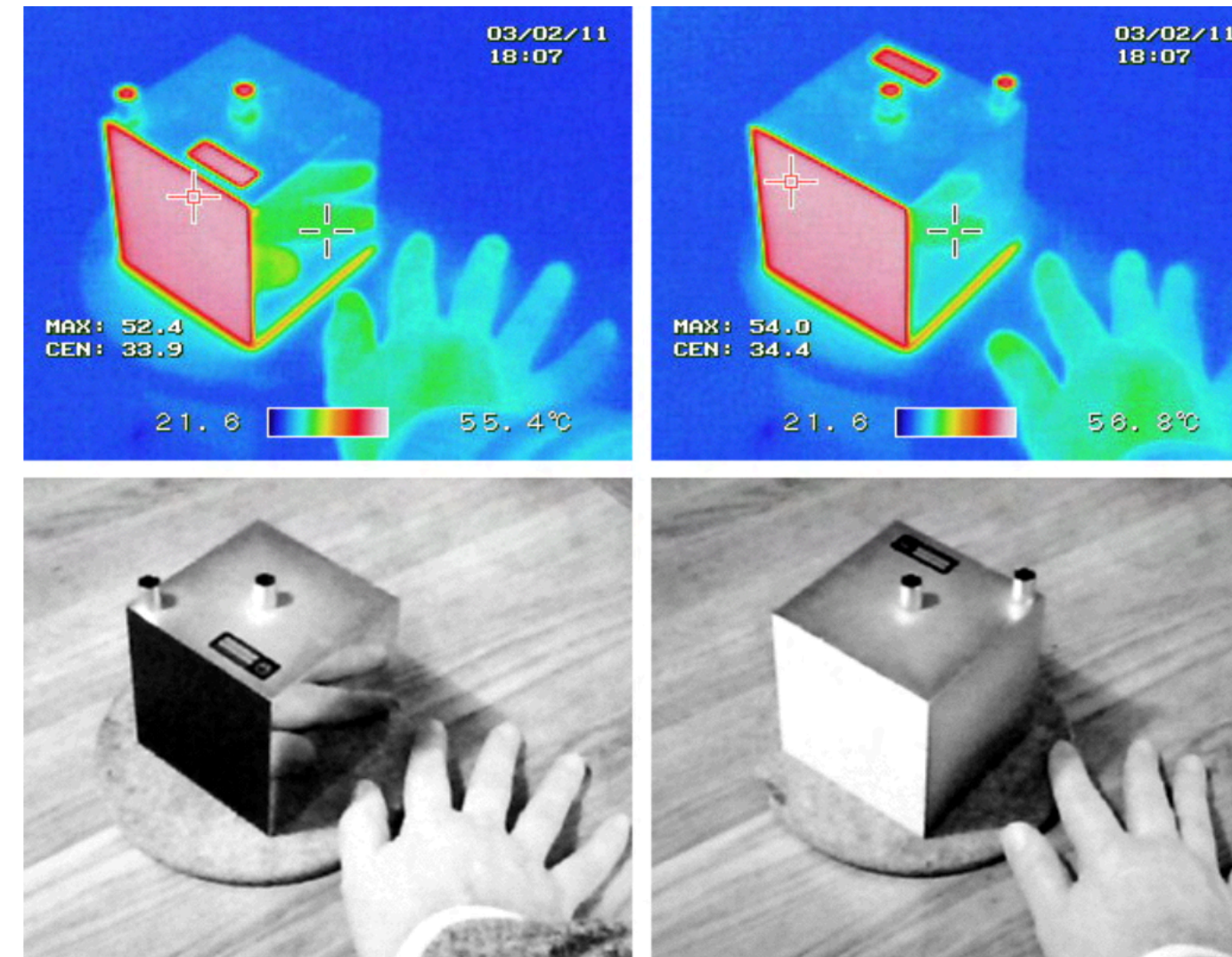
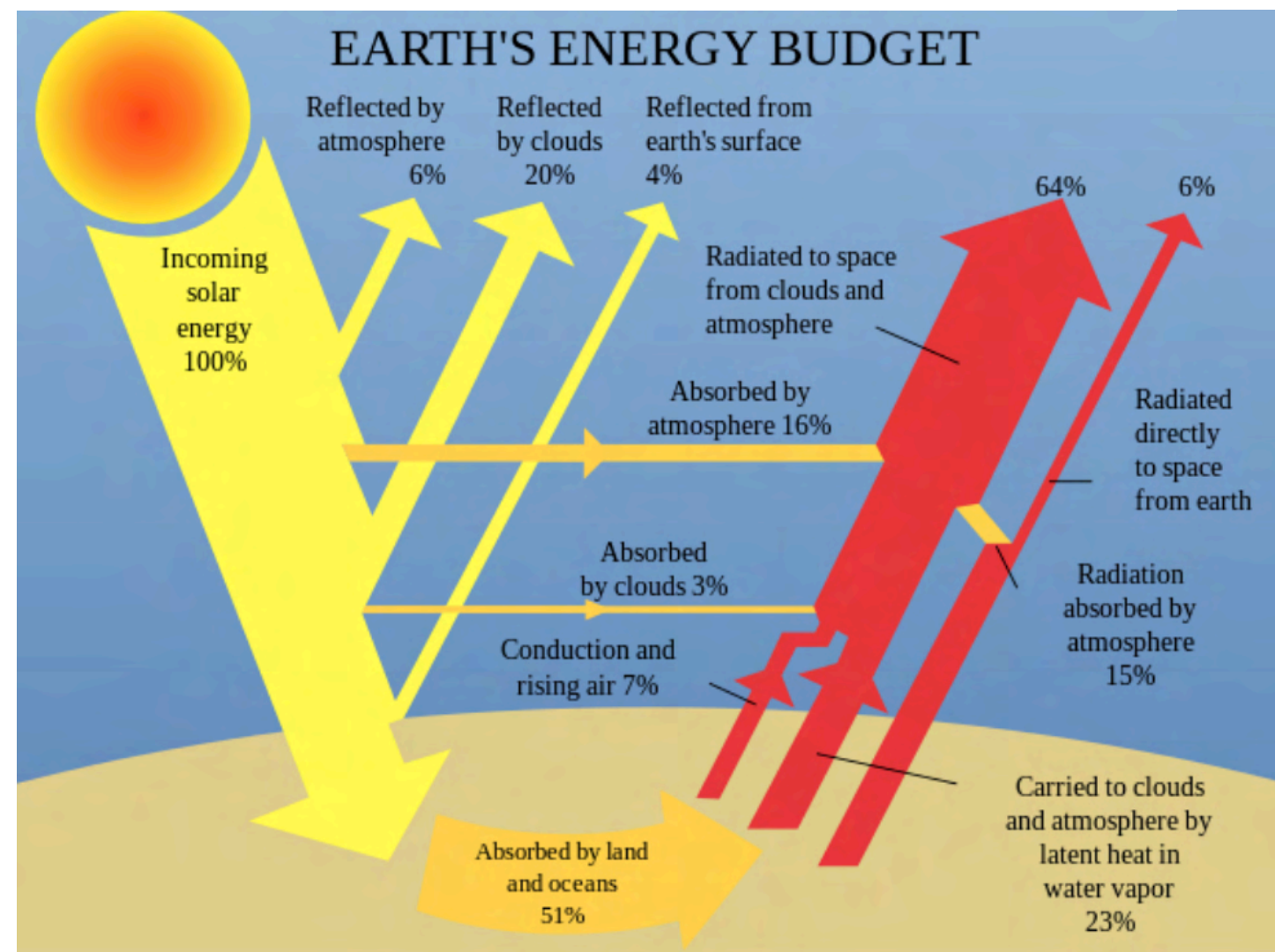
How does snow behave when radiation shines on it?



Why does a patio heater have a shiny metal top?



Far more complicated than you need!



A Leslie cube



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