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Module P1 Energy for the home	Page numbers in New Physics for You
Item P1a: Heating Houses	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: <u>low</u> demand</p> <p>Recognise that hot objects have high temperatures and tend to cool down.</p> <p>Recognise that cold objects have low temperatures and tend to warm up.</p> <p>Recognise that for warm bodies the higher the temperature the quicker they cool.</p> <p>State that temperature is measured in °C.</p> <p>State that energy (heat) is measured in J.</p> <p>Apply knowledge that the energy needed to change the temperature of a body depends on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mass; • the material it is made from; • the temperature change. <p>Plan an experiment to measure the energy required to change the temperature of a body.</p> <p>State that energy is needed to melt or boil things.</p> <p>Interpret data which shows that there is no temperature change when materials are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • boiling; • melting or freezing. <p>'Standard' demand and 'High' demand are shown on the next page.</p>	<p>pages 41, 46</p> <p>41, 46</p> <p>46, 47</p> <p>26-7</p> <p>35</p> <p>36-7</p> <p>36-8</p> <p>53, 55</p> <p>54</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Recognise energy flow from a hot body to a cooler one.</p> <p>This will cause hotter bodies to cool and cooler bodies to warm.</p> <p>Recall that temperature is a measurement of hotness.</p> <p>Recall that heat is a measurement of energy.</p> <p>Recognise that the specific heat capacity of materials is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a measure of how much energy they can hold; • the energy needed to raise the temperature of 1kg by 1oC; • different for different materials. <p>Describe how, even though energy is still being transferred, there is no temperature change when materials are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • boiling; • melting or freezing. <p>Recognise that the specific latent heat of materials is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a measure of how much energy is needed to melt or boil them; • the energy needed to melt or boil 1kg of them; • different for different materials and states. <p>State and use the equation:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">energy = mass x specific latent heat.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(A change of subject may be required.)</p>	<p>pages 41-6</p> <p>41-6</p> <p>26-7</p> <p>26, 35</p> <p>36-7</p> <p>53, 54, 55</p> <p>53, 55</p> <p>54, 55</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Explain that temperature can be represented by a range of colours in a thermogram.</p> <p>Describe temperature as a measurement of hotness on a chosen scale.</p> <p>Describe heat as a measurement of energy on an absolute scale.</p> <p>State and use the equation:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">energy = mass x specific heat capacity x temperature change.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(A change of subject may be required).</p> <p>Explain that energy supplied during a change of state is used to break inter-molecular bonds and this explains why temperature does not change.</p>	<p>27, 50, 211</p> <p>26-7</p> <p>26, 35</p> <p>37-8</p> <p>53, 55</p>

Item P1b: Keeping homes warm	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Recognise everyday examples of energy saving methods in the home.</p> <p>Recognise good and bad conductors.</p> <p>Recognise that curtains reduce energy loss through windows.</p> <p>Recognise that many insulation materials contain air.</p> <p>Apply the fact that air is a very good insulator to its use in keeping homes warm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fibreglass or mineral wool is used as loft insulation; • double glazing in windows; • cavity-wall insulation foam; • reflective foil in or on walls; • draught-proofing. 	<p>pages 42-3, 49</p> <p>40-41</p> <p>43</p> <p>42</p> <p>42-3</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Interpret data and calculate cost savings of different energy saving strategies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • payback time. <p>State and use the equation:</p> $\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}}$	<p>12, 43</p> <p>102</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Explain in the context of the home the concepts of conduction, convection and radiation (absorption and emission) in terms of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the design features of the home; • the design and use of everyday appliances in the home; • energy saving strategies. <p>State and use the equation:</p> $\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}}$ <p>(A change of subject is required).</p>	<p>42-3, 48-9, 50-1</p> <p>102</p>

Item P1c: How insulation works	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>State that air in a material is a very good insulator.</p> <p>Recognise that hot air rises and is replaced by falling colder air.</p> <p>Recognise that infrared energy can be reflected from a shiny surface</p>	<p>pages 40-43</p> <p>44-5</p> <p>47, 51, 213</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Explain in domestic situations, how energy transfer can be reduced in terms of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • conduction; • convection; • radiation. 	<p>42-51</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe how energy is transferred by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • conduction - transfer of KE between particles; • convection - change of density causes (bulk) fluid flow; • radiation - infrared radiation needs no medium. <p>Explain that, unless air is trapped in foam, there will still be energy loss by convection in a cavity wall.</p>	<p>41, 44, 46, 48</p> <p>43, 44</p>
Item P1d: Cooking with waves	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Interpret information on the electromagnetic spectrum to include microwaves and infrared radiation.</p> <p>Recognise that warm and hot objects emit radiation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hotter objects emit more radiation; • black dull objects emit more radiation. <p>Recognise that infrared radiation is absorbed by the surface of an object causing an increase in temperature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • black surfaces are good absorbers of radiation. <p>Recognise that microwaves cause heating when absorbed by water and this is the basis of the microwave oven.</p> <p>State that mobile phones use microwave signals.</p> <p>Describe some concerns about children using mobile phones.</p>	<p>209</p> <p>46, 211, 213</p> <p>47</p> <p>213</p> <p>216-7</p> <p>216</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe properties of microwaves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • penetrate (about 1cm) into food; • are reflected by metal; • can cause burns when absorbed by body tissue; • go through glass and plastics. <p>Describe properties of infrared radiation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • heats the surface of the food; • is reflected by shiny surfaces. <p>Recognise that microwaves are used to transmit information over large distances that are in 'line of sight':</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • some areas and places have poor signals. <p>Recognise that there may or may not be dangers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to residents near to the site of a mast; • to users of mobile phones. 	<p>209, 213, 214</p> <p>214, 47</p> <p>211, 217, 314</p> <p>216-7</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Explain how microwaves and infrared transfer energy to materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • microwaves absorbed by water particles in outside layers increasing their KE; • infrared is absorbed by all particles on the surface increasing their KE; • energy transferred to centre of food by conduction or convection. <p>Describe how the energy associated with microwaves and infrared depends on their frequency and relate this to their potential danger.</p> <p>Describe how diffraction and interference of microwaves can cause signal loss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • limited distance between transmitters; • high positioning of transmitters; • nuisance of obstacles affecting signals. 	<p>213</p> <p>209</p> <p>169, worksheet</p>

Item P1e: Infrared signals	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe uses of infrared radiation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in remote controls (TV, video, DVD,) automatic doors; • short distance data links for computer or mobile phones. <p>State that infrared sensors detect body heat and are used for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • burglar alarms; • security lights. <p>State the two types of signal used to transmit data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analogue; • digital. <p>Recognise, in the context of optical fibres, when Total Internal Reflection (TIR) happens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • glass-air, water-air or perspex-air boundary. <p>Recognise and describe how light and infrared radiation can both travel along an optical fibre from one end to another by reflection</p>	<p>page 213</p> <p>213</p> <p>218-9</p> <p>187, 189, 192</p> <p>192</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe the differences between analogue and digital signals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analogue signals have a continuously variable value; • digital signals are either on (1) or off (0). <p>Describe, in the context of optical fibres, what happens to light incident on a glass-air, water-air or Perspex-air boundary below, at and above the critical angle.</p> <p>Describe how light and infrared radiation can both travel along an optical fibre from one end to another by Total Internal Reflection (TIR).</p> <p>Describe the transmission of light in optical fibres</p>	<p>218-9</p> <p>187</p> <p>192</p> <p>187, 192</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe advantages of using digital signals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to allow more information to be transmitted because of multiplexing (interleaving of many digital signals on the same data line); • less interference (noise not recognised and amplified). <p>Describe the application of total internal reflection in fibre optics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • drawing and interpreting simple ray diagrams. <p>Describe advantages of using optical fibres to allow more information to be transmitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • multiplexing; • lack of interference. 	<p>218-9</p> <p>187, 192</p> <p>219</p>

Item P1f: Wireless signals	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe how radiation used for communication can be reflected.</p> <p>Recognise that wireless technology uses electromagnetic radiation for communication.</p> <p>State that wireless technology can have advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • available 24 hours a day; • no wiring needed; • portable and convenient. <p>Recognise that some radio signals are better quality than others.</p> <p>Interpret simple information on digital and analogue signals.</p>	<p>pages 168, 211</p> <p>209, 211</p> <p>211</p> <p>219</p> <p>218-9</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe how radiation used for communication can be refracted.</p> <p>Recognise common uses of wireless technology.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radio; • mobile phones. • laptop computers. <p>Recognise that radio stations with similar transmission frequencies often interfere.</p>	<p>168</p> <p>209, 216-7</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Explain how long-distance communication depends on the reflection of waves from the Ionosphere or by being received and re-transmitted from satellites.</p> <p>Explain how the refraction and diffraction of radiation can affect communications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • refraction at the interfaces of different layers of Earth's atmosphere; • diffraction by transmission dishes results in signal loss. <p>Explain the advantage of digital radio in terms of lack of interference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • optical fibres allow the rapid transmission of data; • optical fibres allow the transmission of data pulses using light. 	<p>211</p> <p>169, 211, 155</p> <p>218-9</p>

Item P1g: Light	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Identify the main features of a transverse wave:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • trough and crest; • amplitude; • wavelength. <p>Recognise that all electromagnetic waves travel at the same high speed in space.</p> <p>Describe how, historically, the use of light greatly increased the speed of communication but that it requires the use of a code.</p> <p>Recall that a laser produces a narrow intense beam of light.</p>	<p>pages 166-7</p> <p>209</p> <p>374</p> <p>193</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe the main features of a transverse wave:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • trough and crest; • amplitude; • wavelength; • frequency as the number of waves in each second. <p>State and use the equation: wave speed = frequency x wavelength.</p> <p>Describe how light was used as a means of communication: Morse code.</p>	<p>166-7</p> <p>167</p> <p>374</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>State and use the equation: wave speed = frequency x wavelength.</p> <p>(A change of subject may be required).</p> <p>Explain the advantages and disadvantages of using light, radio and electrical signals for communication.</p> <p>Explain that a laser produces an intense beam of light in which all of the waves are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the same frequency; • in phase with each other. <p>Explain how a laser beam is used in a CD player by reflection from the shiny surface:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • surface contains digital information; • information in the form of a pattern of pits. 	<p>167</p> <p>211, 374</p> <p>193</p> <p>306</p>

Item P1h: Stable Earth	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe earthquakes as producing shock waves which can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cause damage; • be detected by seismometers. <p>State that exposure to ultraviolet radiation can cause:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • suntan; • sunburn; • skin cancer. <p>Recognise that sun block can reduce damage caused by ultraviolet light:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high factors reduce risks more; • high factors allow longer exposure without burning. <p>Describe reasons for global warming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increased energy use; • increased CO₂ • deforestation. 	<p>pages 146-7</p> <p>210, 214</p> <p>214</p> <p>107</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe that earthquakes produce shock waves, which can also travel inside the Earth.</p> <p>State that there are two types of seismic waves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • longitudinal P-waves travel through both solids and liquids and travel faster than S-waves; • transverse S-waves which travel through solids but not through liquids. <p>Explain how darker skins reduce cancer risk:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • absorb more ultraviolet radiation; • let less ultraviolet radiation reach underlying body tissues. <p>Interpret given information about sun protection factor (no recall is expected).</p> <p>Calculate how long a person can spend in the sun without burning from a knowledge of the sun protection factor.</p> <p>Explain how human activity and natural phenomena both have effects on weather patterns. Dust from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • volcanoes reflect radiation from the Sun causing cooling; • factories reflect radiation from the city causing warming. 	<p>146-7</p> <p>146-7</p> <p>210, 214</p> <p>214</p> <p>214</p> <p>(107)</p> <p>continued...</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe how seismic waves transmitted through the Earth can be used to provide evidence for its structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P-waves travel through solid and liquid rock (i.e. all layers of the Earth); • S-waves cannot travel through liquid rock; (i.e. the outer core). <p>Describe how the ozone layer protects the Earth from ultraviolet radiation and that environmental pollution from CFCs is depleting the layer.</p> <p>Interpret given information about climate change as a result of natural or human activity (no recall is expected).</p>	<p>pages 146-7</p> <p>210</p> <p>107</p>
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Module P2 : Living for the Future	Page numbers in New Physics for You
Item P2a: Collecting Energy from the Sun	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe that the Sun:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a stable source of energy; • transfers energy to Earth as light and heat. <p>Describe that photocells:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • transfer light into electricity; • produce direct current (DC); • can operate in remote locations; • have a power that depends on the surface area exposed to sunlight. <p>Describe other ways that the Sun's energy can be harnessed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • light can be absorbed by a surface and transferred into heat energy; • produce convection currents (wind) to drive turbines; <p>Describe that the Sun is a renewable source of energy.</p>	<p>page 101</p> <p>14, 103, worksheet</p> <p>101, 48, 50</p> <p>14-15</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe that DC electricity is current in the same direction all the time.</p> <p>Describe some advantages and disadvantages of using photocells to provide electricity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low maintenance; • no need for power cables; • no need for fuel; • long life; • rugged; • renewable energy resource; • no polluting waste; • no power at night or bad weather. <p>Describe other ways that the Sun's energy can be harnessed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how glass can be used to provide passive solar heating for buildings; • light can be reflected to a focus by a curved mirror; • transfer KE of air to electricity in wind turbines. 	<p>248</p> <p>14, 103, 105</p> <p>101, 48, 50, 103</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe how light produces electricity in a photocell:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • energy absorbed by photocell; • electrons are knocked loose from the silicon crystal; • electrons flow freely. <p>Describe how the power of a photocell depends on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • light intensity; • surface area exposed. <p>Explain why passive solar heating works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • glass is transparent to light; • heated surfaces emit infrared; • glass reflects infrared. <p>An efficient solar collector must track the position of the Sun in the sky.</p> <p>Describe the advantages and disadvantages of wind turbines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • renewable; • rugged; • no polluting waste; • visual pollution; • dependency on wind speed; • space needed. 	<p>pages 14, 103</p> <p>worksheet</p> <p>48, 50</p> <p>101, 14, 105-6</p>
<p>Item P2b: Generating Electricity</p>	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe and recognise the dynamo effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • electricity can be generated by moving a coil near a magnet; • moving a magnet near a coil. <p>Describe that a generator produces alternating current (AC).</p> <p>Describe that a battery produces direct current (DC).</p> <p>Describe the main stages in the production and distribution of electricity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • source of energy; • power station produces electricity; • national grid of power lines connecting station to consumers; • consumers are homes, factories, offices and farms. <p>Describe that some of the energy of the fuel in a power station is wasted as heat energy in the environment.</p> <p>Recognise that transformers can be used to increase or decrease voltage.</p>	<p>296-7</p> <p>298</p> <p>248</p> <p>101, 303</p> <p>104</p> <p>302</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe and recognise the dynamo effect can be increased (more current):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • stronger magnets; • more turns; • faster movement. <p>Describe and interpret AC using a voltage-time graph.</p> <p>Describe how simple AC generators work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • coil of wire; • magnetic field; • coil and field close; • relative motion between coil and field. <p>Describe how electricity is generated at a conventional power station:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • burning fuel; • producing steam; • spinning a turbine; • turbine turns generator. <p>Describe and recognise that there is significant waste of energy in a conventional power station.</p> <p>Explain how transformers are used in the National grid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • electricity is transmitted at high voltage to reduce energy waste and costs. 	<p>page 300</p> <p>299</p> <p>296-8</p> <p>104</p> <p>104</p> <p>302-3</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe that the frequency of AC electricity is the number of cycles per second.</p> <p>Use these equations in the context of a power station to calculate energy input, energy output, waste energy output and efficiency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fuel energy input = waste energy output + electrical energy output; • efficiency = $\frac{\text{electrical energy output}}{\text{fuel energy input}}$ <p>To include change of subject.</p> <p>Explain how for a given power transmission, increased voltage reduces current, so decreasing energy waste by reducing heating of cables.</p>	<p>299</p> <p>104, 102</p> <p>302-3</p>

Item P2c: Fuels for Power	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe that the common fuels (energy sources) used in power stations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fossil fuels - crude oil, coal, natural gas; • renewable biomass - wood, straw, manure; • nuclear fuel. <p>Describe that the unit of power is the watt or kilowatt:</p> <p>Interpret data to show the cost of using expensive electrical appliances depends on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • power rating in watts and kilowatts; • the length of time it is switched on <p>Describe that waste from nuclear power is radioactive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can be harmful; • does not give rise to global warming. 	<p>pages 13-14</p> <p>266</p> <p>267</p> <p>346, 106</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • burning fuels releases energy as heat; • uranium fuel rods release energy as heat; • biomass can be fermented to generate methane. <p>Calculate the power rating of an appliance using the equation: power = voltage × current</p> <p>State that the unit of electrical energy supplied is the kilowatt hour.</p> <p>Calculate the number of kilowatt hours given the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • power in kilowatts; • time in hours. <p>Calculate the cost of energy supplied.</p> <p>Recall that ionising radiations (from radioactive waste) can cause cancer.</p> <p>Recall that uranium is a non-renewable resource.</p> <p>Recall that plutonium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is a waste product from nuclear reactors; • can be used to make nuclear bombs. 	<p>35, 348-9, 14</p> <p>266</p> <p>267</p> <p>267</p> <p>267</p> <p>346</p> <p>349</p> <p>348</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe and evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of different energy sources.</p> <p>State, be able to use and manipulate the equation: power = voltage × current</p> <p>Use the kilowatt hour as a measure of the energy supplied;</p> <p>State and use the equation: energy supplied = power x time to calculate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • power in kW or W; • time in hours and / or minutes. <p>Describe the advantages and disadvantage of using off-peak electricity in the home.</p> <p>Describe the advantages and disadvantages of nuclear power:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • decommissioning costs; • pollution from fuel processing; • risk of accidental emission of radioactive material; • high maintenance costs; • independence from fossil fuels; • high stocks of fuel; • no greenhouse gases. 	<p>pages 13-15, 104-6</p> <p>266</p> <p>267</p> <p>266-7</p> <p>105-7, 349</p>
<p>Item P2d: Nuclear Radiations</p>	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe and recognise that nuclear radiation can be beneficial or harmful:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • state one example of a beneficial use; • harmful effect: damages living cells. <p>State and recognise the three types of nuclear radiation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alpha; • beta; • gamma. <p>Describe and recognise that there is background radiation in the environment which is always present.</p> <p>Describe how to handle radioactive materials safely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • protective clothing; • tongs / keep your distance; • short exposure time; • shielded and labelled storage. 	<p>346-7</p> <p>340-1</p> <p>340, 350</p> <p>350</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe examples of beneficial uses of radiation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alpha - smoke detectors; • beta - tracers and paper thickness gauges; • gamma - treating cancer, non-destructive testing and sterilising equipment. <p>Describe that radioactive materials give out nuclear radiation.</p> <p>Describe the relative penetrating power of alpha, beta and gamma.</p> <p>State that nuclear radiation ionises materials.</p> <p>Describe that ionisation produces charged particles.</p> <p>Describe background radiation and state that it is caused by radioactive substances, rocks, soil, living things and cosmic rays.</p> <p>Describe some ways of disposing radioactive waste e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low level waste in land-fill sites; • encased in glass and left underground; • reprocessed. 	<p>pages 346-7</p> <p>340-1</p> <p>340-1</p> <p>338, 346</p> <p>338, 244</p> <p>340, 350</p> <p>350</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe how alpha, beta and gamma can be identified by their penetrating power.</p> <p>Explain ionisation in terms of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • removal of electrons from particles; • gain of electrons by particles. <p>Explain the problems of dealing with radioactive waste:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • remains radioactive for a long time; • terrorist risk; • must be kept out of groundwater; • acceptable radioactivity level may change over time. 	<p>340-1</p> <p>338, 244</p> <p>350</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Describe that cosmic rays:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are fast moving particles which create gamma rays when they hit the atmosphere; • spiral around the Earth's magnetic field to the poles; • cause the Aurora Borealis. <p>Describe that magnetic fields can be generated by moving charged particles.</p> <p>Discuss the evidence for the Earth-Moon system as the result of a collision between two planets.</p> <p>Describe the consequences of a solar flare arriving at the Earth:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • satellite communications; • electricity distribution. 	
<p>Item P2f: Exploring our Solar System</p>	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>State and recognise that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth is one of a number of planets that orbit the Sun; • the moon orbits Earth; • Earth orbits the Sun. <p>State and recognise that the universe consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • stars and planets; • comets and meteors; • black holes; • large groups of stars called galaxies. <p>Describe that stars can be seen even though they are far away because they are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • very hot; • give off their own light. <p>Describe that radio signals take a long time to travel through the solar system.</p> <p>Explain that manned spacecraft need to take food, water and oxygen.</p> <p>Explain that unmanned spacecraft (probes) do not need food, water or oxygen.</p>	<p>pages 148-151</p> <p>150-2, 157-8</p> <p>156-7</p> <p>161</p> <p>161</p> <p>161</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>State and recognise the relative positions of Earth Sun and planets (includes the order of the planets).</p> <p>Describe that gravitational force determines the motion of planets and satellites.</p> <p>Describe some of the difficulties of manned space travel between planets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enough fuel; • long time required; • effect of low gravity on health; • shielding from cosmic rays; • maintaining a stable atmosphere; • providing enough food and water; • keeping warm. <p>Recall that unmanned spacecraft can withstand conditions that are lethal to humans.</p> <p>State that unmanned spacecraft can send back information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • temperature, magnetic field and radiation; • gravity, atmosphere and surroundings. 	<p>pages 150-1</p> <p>148, 153</p> <p>161</p> <p>161</p> <p>161</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>State the relative positions of planets, stars, comets, meteors, galaxies and black holes.</p> <p>State and recognise that circular motion requires a centripetal force.</p> <p>State and recognise that gravity provides the centripetal force for orbital motion.</p> <p>Describe that a light-year is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a measurement of very large distances; • the distance light travels in a year. <p>Explain the advantages and disadvantages of using unmanned spacecraft to explore the Solar System:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • costs; • safety; • reliability; • maintenance. 	<p>150-2</p> <p>70, 148</p> <p>71, 148</p> <p>171, 157</p> <p>161</p>

Item P2g: Threats to Earth	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>State that large asteroids have collided with the Earth in the past.</p> <p>State that asteroids are rocks.</p> <p>Describe some of the consequences of a collision with a large asteroid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • crater; • ejection of hot rocks; • widespread fires; • sunlight blocked by dust; • climate change; • species extinction. <p>Describe that the tail of a comet is a trail of debris.</p> <p>Describe that a near-Earth object (NEO) is an asteroid or comet on a possible collision course with Earth.</p> <p>Describe that Near Earth Objects may be seen with telescopes.</p>	<p>page 152</p> <p>152</p> <p>152</p> <p>worksheet</p> <p>worksheet</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe that asteroids:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are left over from the formation of the Solar System; • orbit between Mars and Jupiter. <p>Describe some of the evidence for past asteroid collisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • craters; • layers of unusual elements in rocks; • sudden changes of fossil numbers between adjacent layers of rock. <p>Describe that comets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have highly elliptical orbits; • are made from ice and dust; • come from objects orbiting the Sun far beyond the planets. <p>Describe that the speed of a comet increases as it approaches a star.</p> <p>Describe that observations of near-Earth objects (NEO) can be used to determine their trajectories.</p>	<p>152, 151</p> <p>worksheet</p> <p>152</p> <p>152</p> <p>worksheet</p>

<p>Assessable learning outcomes Higher Tier only: high demand</p> <p>Explain why the asteroid belt is between Mars and Jupiter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the large gravity of Jupiter disrupts the formation of a planet. <p>Explain why the speed of a comet increases as it approaches a star:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the strength of gravity increases. <p>Suggest and discuss possible actions which could be taken to reduce the threat of near-Earth objects (NEO):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> surveys by telescope; monitoring by satellites; deflection by explosions. 	<p>page 151</p> <p>152-3</p> <p>worksheet</p>
<p>Item P2h: The Big Bang</p>	
<p>Assessable learning outcomes Foundation Tier only: low demand</p> <p>Describe some ideas about the Big Bang theory for the origin of the Universe;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> started with an explosion; the Universe is still expanding. <p>Describe that stars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> have a finite 'life'; start as a huge gas cloud. <p>Describe that not even light can escape from a black hole.</p>	<p>158</p> <p>152, 157</p> <p>157</p>
<p>Assessable learning outcomes both tiers: standard demand</p> <p>Describe that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> all galaxies are moving away from us; distant galaxies are moving away more quickly; microwave radiation is received from all parts of the universe. <p>Describe the end of a medium-weight star like our Sun:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> red giant; planetary nebula; white dwarf; <p>Describe the end of a heavy-weight star:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> red giant; supernova; neutron star or black hole. 	<p>158</p> <p>157</p> <p>157</p>

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Explain how the Big Bang theory accounts for:

- light from galaxies is shifted to the red end of the spectrum;
- the further away galaxies are, the greater the red shift;
- the age and starting point of the Universe.

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Describe the life history of a star:

- interstellar gas cloud;
- gravitational collapse producing a proto-star;
- thermonuclear fusion;
- long period of normal life (main sequence);
- end depends on mass of star;

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Explain the properties of a black hole;

- large mass;
- large gravity;
- not even light can escape.

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