

1. (a)

Particle	Relative Mass	Relative charge
Proton	1	
Neutron		0

*accept one, accept +1  
do **not** accept -1  
accept zero  
do **not** accept no charge/ nothing/neutral  
unless given with 0*

(b) equal numbers/amounts of protons and electrons  
protons and electrons have equal but opposite charge

*accept protons charge +1 and electron charge -1*

*accept (charge) on proton  
cancels/balances (charge) on electron*

*accept positive (charges) cancel out the negative(charges)*

*neutrons have no charge is neutral*

*do **not** accept total charge of protons,  
electrons (and neutrons) is 0 unless  
qualified*

(c) (i) (3) fewer neutrons

*accept lower/ smaller mass number*

*do **not** accept different numbers of  
neutrons*

*any mention of fewer/more  
protons/electrons negates mark*

*accept answers in terms of U-238  
providing U-238 is specifically stated  
i.e. U-238 has (3) more neutrons*

(ii) neutron

(iii) (nuclear) fission

*accept fision*

*do **not** accept any spelling that may be  
taken as fusion*

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2. 1 (a)

(i) protons

neutrons

*answers may be in either order*

(ii) 86

(iii) two fewer protons and two fewer neutrons

*do **not** accept two fewer protons and  
neutrons*

**or**

84 protons 134 neutrons

*do **not** accept 218 protons and neutrons*

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(b) (i) 0.4

*accept  $\frac{2}{5}$  / accept 40 % for 2 marks*

*allow 1 mark for correct totalling = 1.8*

*allow 1 mark for a clearly correct  
method with a clearly incorrect total*

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(ii) any **one** from:

- nuclear weapon testing

*do **not** accept nuclear*

- nuclear power (stations)

*accept nuclear/ radioactive waste*

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- nuclear accidents
- medical

*accept X-rays*

(c) (i) 2

*accept 2:1*

*accept twice as big*

*ignore units*

(ii) No with a reasonable reason explained

only going for two weeks so

**or**

even staying for a year

total exposure well under lowest limit for causing cancer

*1 mark is for a time frame*

*1 mark is for correctly relating to a dose*

**or**

Yes with a reasonable reason explained

all levels of radiation are (potentially) hazardous (1)

*accept low doses could still cause cancer*

*accept all levels affect you*

*do not accept radiation dose is high(er)*

*do not accept level of background*

*radiation is higher in Germany*

harm caused by lower doses may not have been recorded

(1)

**or**

evidence may not be complete

**or**

insufficient research into effect of small doses

3. 1

(a) (i) gamma hardly ionises the air

*accept does not ionise*

*accept gamma radiation is not charged*

*do not accept answers in terms of*

*danger of gamma or other properties*

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(ii) half-life (too) short

*accept need frequent replacement*

*'it' refers to curium-242*

(iii) (two) fewer neutrons

*accept different numbers of neutrons if a number is specified it must be correct*

*do not accept more neutrons unless curium-244 is specified*

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1 (b) (i) gamma

*accept correct symbol*

(ii) both absorbed by the metal / steel / weld

*only scores if (b)(i) is correct*

*accept cannot pass through the metal / steel / weld*

(c) (i) put source into water at **one** point on bank

*accept the idea of testing different parts of the river bank at different times*

see if radiation is detected in polluted area

*accept idea of tracing*

(ii) 2.7 (days)

*allow 1 mark for showing correct use of the graph*