

TSOKOS READING ACTIVITY

Section 12-1A

1. Essential Idea: The microscopic quantum world offers a range of phenomena, the interpretation and explanation of which require new ideas and concepts not found in the classical world.
2. Nature Of Science:
 - a. Observations: Much of the work towards a quantum theory of atoms was guided by the need to explain the observed patterns in atomic spectra. The first quantum model of matter is the Bohr model for hydrogen. (1.8)
 - b. Paradigm shift: The acceptance of the wave–particle duality paradox for light and particles required scientists in many fields to view research from new perspectives.
3. Theory Of Knowledge:
 - a. The duality of matter and tunneling are cases where the laws of classical physics are violated.
 - b. To what extent have advances in technology enabled paradigm shifts in science?
4. Understandings:
 - a. Photons
 - b. The photoelectric effect
 - c. Matter waves
 - d. Pair production and pair annihilation
 - e. Quantization of angular momentum in the Bohr model for hydrogen
 - f. The wave function
 - g. The uncertainty principle for energy and time and position and momentum
 - h. Tunneling, potential barrier and factors affecting tunneling probability
5. Applications And Skills:
 - a. Discussing the photoelectric effect experiment and explaining which features of the experiment cannot be explained by the classical wave theory of light
 - b. Solving photoelectric problems both graphically and algebraically
 - c. Discussing experimental evidence for matter waves, including an experiment in which the wave nature of electrons is evident
 - d. Stating order of magnitude estimates from the uncertainty principle
6. Guidance:
 - a. The order of magnitude estimates from the uncertainty principle may include (but is not limited to) estimates of the energy of the ground state of an atom, the impossibility of an electron existing within a nucleus, and the lifetime of an electron in an excited energy state

- b. Tunnelling to be treated qualitatively using the idea of continuity of wave functions
7. Data Booklet Reference:
- $E = hf$
 - $E_{max} = hf - \Phi$
 - $E = -\frac{13.6}{n^2} eV$
 - $mvr = \frac{nh}{2\pi}$
 - $P(r) = |\psi|^2 \Delta V$
 - $\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{h}{4\pi}$
 - $\Delta E \Delta t \geq \frac{h}{4\pi}$
8. Utilization:
- The electron microscope and the tunnelling electron microscope rely on the findings from studies in quantum physics
 - Probability is treated in a mathematical sense in Mathematical studies SL sub-topics 3.6–3.7
9. Aims:
- Aim 1: study of quantum phenomena introduces students to an exciting new world that is not experienced at the macroscopic level. The study of tunneling is a novel phenomenon not observed in macroscopic physics.
 - Aim 6: the photoelectric effect can be investigated using LEDs
 - Aim 9: the Bohr model is very successful with hydrogen but not of any use for other elements
10. Read the first half of section 12-1 in your textbook (Pgs 481-491).
11. Adequately explain each term listed below to someone who is learning English as a second language. Include at least one picture or diagram for each term. These can be hand-drawn or cut-and-pasted, but try to make use of the MS Shapes function to further hone your computer skills for future projects in your academic career.
12. Terms:
- Electromagnetic wave
 - Quantum/quanta
 - Photon
 - Photoelectric effect
 - Photo-surface
 - Stopping voltage
 - Einstein's explanation
 - Work function
13. This assignment may be typed or neatly printed. Drawings may be freehand, but try to make use of the 'Shapes' or 'Insert Clipart' functions of MS Word. If you submit this assignment electronically, the

filename must be in the following format, “LastnameFirstinitialPerXReadActX-X”. You do not need include a copy of these instructions with the assignment you hand in.