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X-rays and gamma rays are types of electromagnetic waves.

X-rays are used for medical imaging.

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Which substance will **not** absorb X-rays?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Bone Metal Skin

Table 1 shows the effect of exposure to different doses of radiation.

Table 1

Dose in mSv	Effect on the human body
100	slightly increased risk of cancer
1000	5% increased risk of cancer
5000	high risk of death

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During one X-ray a person receives a dose of 0.100 mSv

Why is this dose unlikely to harm the person?

[1 mark]

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A doctor takes an X-ray photograph of a person.

When taking the X-ray photograph, the doctor stands behind a screen.

Suggest why.

[1 mark]



0 3 . 4 Which of the following are gamma rays used for?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Cooking food

Energy-efficient lamps

Sterilising medical equipment

0 3 . 5 Why are gamma rays and X-rays harmful to humans?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

They are ionising

They are radioactive

They travel at the speed of light

0 3 . 6 Electromagnetic waves are also used in communications.

Describe how microwaves and visible light are used in communications.

[4 marks]

Microwaves _____

Visible light _____

Turn over ►



Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
03.1	skin		1	AO1 6.6.2.4
03.2	dose is much lower than even slight increased risk of cancer dose	allow much less than 100 mSv	1	AO3 6.6.2.3
03.3	to reduce the dose of radiation (they are exposed to)	allow reduce the risk	1	AO3 6.6.2.3
03.4	sterilising medical equipment		1	AO1 6.6.2.3
03.5	they are ionising		1	AO1 6.6.2.3
03.6	<p>microwaves</p> <p>data is transmitted / detected</p> <p>by (mobile) phone / WiFi / satellite</p> <p>visible light</p> <p>example of device / system</p> <p>description of how light is used</p>	<p>allow signal / information for data</p> <p>allow bluetooth</p> <p>e.g. the internet transfers information via visible light in fibre optics e.g. image produced / seen on a TV / mobile phone</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>	AO1 6.6.2.4

		allow any sensible suggestion for visible light, but the two marks must be linked		
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