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Unit 12

LIGHT

Consolidation Worksheet 1  
- Review & Discussion

## 1. SYLLABUS LEARNING OUTCOMES

Hello,

You have made a very important and right decision to look at this sample learning material created by Calvin Kong, a former MOE Senior Teacher in Physics with more than a decade of experience, also trained under the [Research for Better Teaching, Inc.](#) (Massachusetts) and [New Teacher Centre](#) (California).

This set of **Consolidation Worksheet (Part 1)** is designed for students to try out the structured questions (explanation and calculation) that they will face in Paper 2. Class discussions will be facilitated where students are given the chance to practice academic language, build discussion skills, and increase their understanding. It will be followed up with **Consolidation Worksheet (Part 2)**, a timed quiz where Calvin Kong can further check the understanding of his students by marking their written work.

This set of notes is designed based on numerous pedagogical research findings (theoretical) and fine-tuned based on feedback and response of students who uses them (theories put to test).

## 2. ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES

### A. Knowledge with Understanding

Factual knowledge that candidates may be asked to recall.

Questions testing these objectives will require candidates to **describe**, **explain** or **outline**.

### B. Handling Information and Solving Problems

Apply **principles and concepts** in a variety of contexts.

Questions testing these objectives will require candidates to **calculate** or **determine**.

#### Understanding the Assessment Objectives

It is stated clearly in the syllabus that in the National Examination, candidates will be assessed on the 2 board aspects.

##### A. Knowledge with Understanding

##### B. Handling Information and Solving Problems

More information is available online [here](#) (page 3).

While the Guided Study Notes are focused on concept attainment, Calvin Kong had planned for this learning resource to be more examination oriented. It is designed to allow students to be exposed to wide range of structured questions commonly seen in examination papers, building confidence in the process.



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## A. Knowledge with Understanding

<b>FOCUS 1 – Reflection of Light</b>	1.	recall and <b>use</b> the term <b>normal</b> , including normal, angle of incidence and angle of reflection
	2.	<b>state</b> that, for reflection, the angle of incidence is equal to the angle of reflection

### A. Knowledge with Understanding

Questions and most answers are given under this category. This is because from Calvin Kong's experience, he knows that for these knowledge based questions, students will get it when they read them. In cases where students need to clarify, he does allocate time for student to consult.

1. State what is meant by the following terms:

(a) *normal*,

Imaginary line that is perpendicular to the surface at the point of incidence

(b) *angle of incidence*,

The angle between incident ray and normal at the point of incidence

(c) *angle of reflection*.

The angle between reflected ray and normal at the point of reflection

2. Write down the 2<sup>nd</sup> Law of Reflection

The angle of incidence is equal to the angle of reflection

<b>FOCUS 2 – Refraction of Light</b>	3.	recall and <b>use</b> the term <b>refractive index</b> , including refractive index, angle of incidence and angle of refraction
	4.	recall and <b>apply</b> the term <b>critical angle</b>
	5.	<b>define</b> refractive index of a medium with respect to vacuum
	6.	<b>explain</b> the change in speed of light when it passes from one medium to another
	7.	identify the conditions for total internal reflection to occur

3. State what is meant by the following terms:

The angle of incidence

4. Define the term **critical angle**

5. When an incident ray inside an optically denser medium has an angle of incidence larger than the *critical angle*, *total internal reflection* will occur.

State what is meant by the terms

(a) *critical angle*, and

The angle of incidence in an optically denser medium for which the angle of refraction in the optically less dense medium is  $90^\circ$ .

(b) *total internal reflection*.

The complete reflection of a light ray inside an optically denser medium at the boundary with an optically less dense medium.

6. Write down the two conditions for a ray of light to undergo total internal reflection.

1. The ray of light must be traveling from an optically denser medium to an optically less dense medium.
2. The angle of incidence inside the denser medium must be greater than the critical angle.

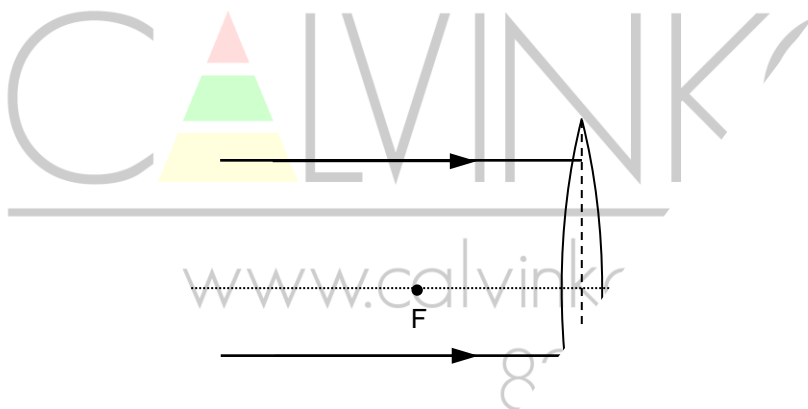
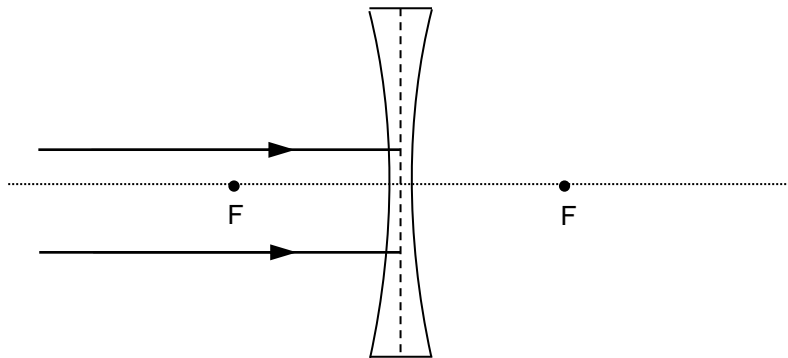
<b>FOCUS 3 – Refraction by Thin Lenses</b>	8.	<b>describe</b> the action of a converging lens on a parallel beam of light
	9.	<b>define</b> the term focal length
	10.	<b>draw</b> ray diagrams to illustrate the formation of a real image by a converging lens

7. Describe the difference between the refraction of light by a convex lens and a concave lens.

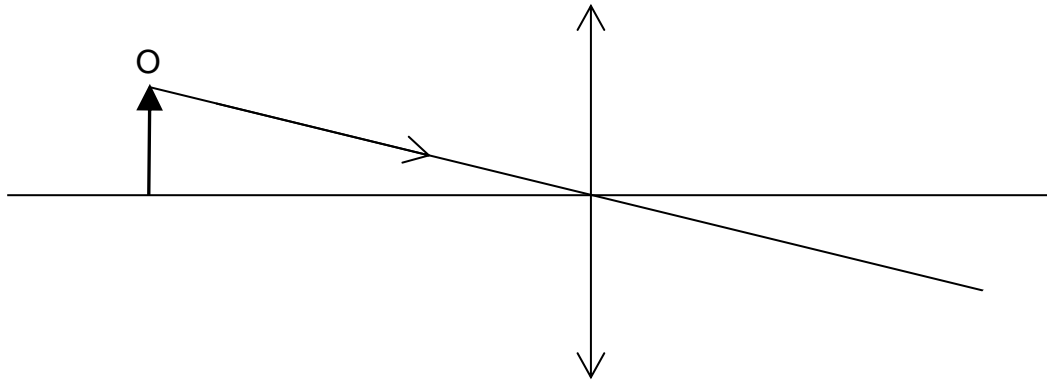
A parallel beam of light rays passing through a convex lens meet at a point called the focus. A parallel beam of light rays passing through a concave lens diverge.

8. The following figures show parallel rays of light incident on a thin diverging and thin converging lens. The points labelled F show the principal focus on each side of the lenses.

Complete the figures to show the rays of light after they pass through the lenses.  
(It can be assumed that refraction occurs at the broken line in the lens)



9. The diagram shows a ray of light from an object O that passes through a converging lens. It is drawn to full scale.



- (a) Define the term focal length.

distance between the optical centre

- (b) By drawing suitable rays, determine the position of the focal length.



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Ans : (b) between 2.0 to 2.1 cm 8~

## B. Handling Information and Solving Problems

<b>FOCUS 1 – Reflection of Light</b>	1.	recall and <b>use</b> the terms for reflection, normal, angle of incidence and angle of reflection
	2.	<b>state</b> that, for reflection, the angle of incidence is equal to the angle of reflection in constructing ray diagrams

### Common Situation 1: Minimum Mirror

10. A plane mirror is hung on a wall. He is 1.5 m tall and his eyes are at 1.4 m from the top of his head.

### B. Handling Information and Solving Problems

To excel in this category, students require sharp critical thinking skills.

This skill is not a natural ability for many and it requires more guidance. As such, Calvin Kong will spend approximately 75 % of teaching time on this category.

### Common Situations

Much of the syllabus require students to be able to ***recall and apply specific concepts to new situations or to solve related problems.***

Through observation of the past year examination papers, it can be approximated that 75 % of the situations are repeated and hence predictable.

It therefore makes sense that students are taught how to apply the concepts in these common situations first before moving on to novel situations.

X is a point on his feet that is vertically below Y.

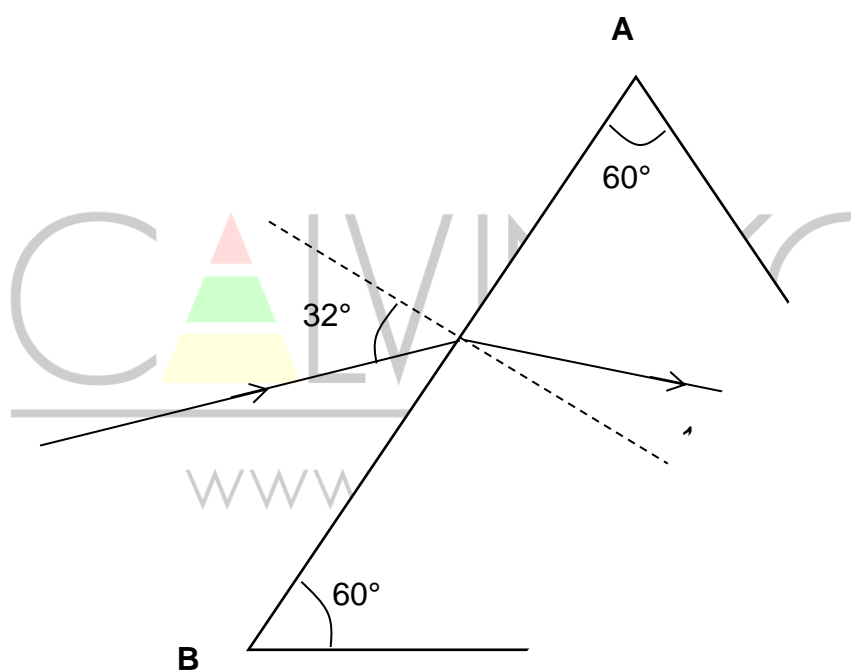
(a) On Fig. 6.1,

- Indicated the incident ray.
- draw the reflected ray and label the angle of reflection.

(b) Calculate the minimum height of the mirror.

<b>FOCUS 2 – Refraction of Light</b>	3.	recall and <b>use</b> the terms for refraction, including normal, angle of incidence and angle of refraction
	4.	recall and <b>apply</b> the relationship $\sin i / \sin r = \text{constant}$ to new situations to solve related problems
	5.	<b>define</b> refractive index of a medium in terms of the ratio of speed of light in vacuum and in the medium
	6.	<b>explain</b> the terms critical angle and total internal reflection
	7.	identify the main ideas in total internal reflection and <b>apply</b> them of optical fibres in telecommunication and state the advantages

11. A beam of light enters a glass prism from air. The refractive index of glass is not drawn to scale.



(a) Calculate the angle of refraction.



- (b) On Fig. 7.1, draw the path of the light ray immediately after it reaches side **AC**. Label any relevant angles and show the calculations you have made to obtain your answer.

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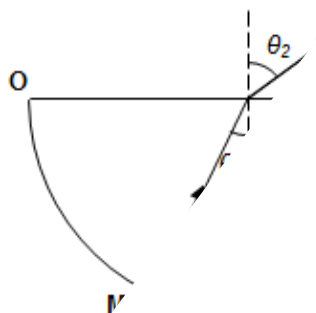
Final answers at the end of each question allows students for a quick check on their work.

Ans : (a)  $19.3^\circ$

### Common Situation 2: The Semi-circular Glass Prism

12. — A student investigates the refraction of light when it passes from glass to air. Fig. 4.1 shows the arrangement of the apparatus.

A ray-box is used to direct a ray of light towards the flat face of the semi-circular glass prism. The ray of light is adjusted until it passes through the centre of the flat face. The angle  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  are measured. Fig. 4.1.



- (a) The student observed that at **M**, the ray of light does not refract as it travels from air to glass. Explain why the light does not refract at **M**.

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- (b) Calculate the

- (i) refractive index of the glass and

refractive index = ..

- (ii) the speed of light in the glass in the speed of light in air is 3.0



- (c) The critical angle for light at the glass-air boundary at the boundary changes as the student in

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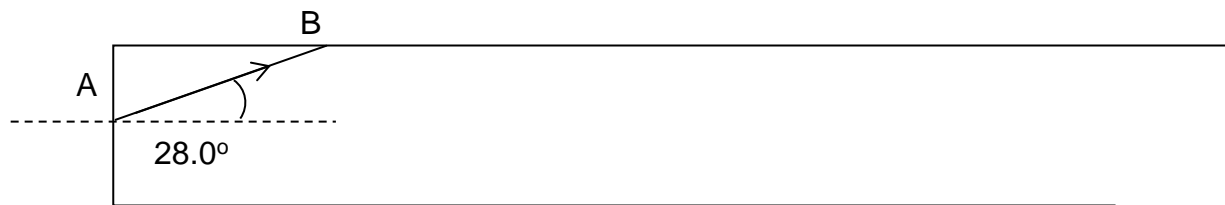
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Ans: (b)

### Common Situation 3: The Optic Fibre

13. An optic fibre transmits data using light signals. Inside the fibre, light undergoes total internal reflection. The following diagram shows a light ray AB incident on the glass-air boundary of glass optic fibre of critical angle  $48.0^\circ$ .



- (a) Given that the speed of light in air is  $3.0 \times 10^8$  m/s, calculate the speed of light in the glass.

- (b) Consider a ray of light entering the fibre at A. Calculate the angle of incidence at A that will ensure total internal reflection of the ray.

- (c) Continue the ray from (b) to show it undergoing total internal reflection.

- (d) Write down the angle of reflection at the point of reflection.

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## Common Situation 4: The Diamond

14. Fig. 11.1 shows two incident rays of light on the top facets of a diamond and a glass respectively. Diamond has a refractive index of 2.4 and glass has a refractive index of 1.5.

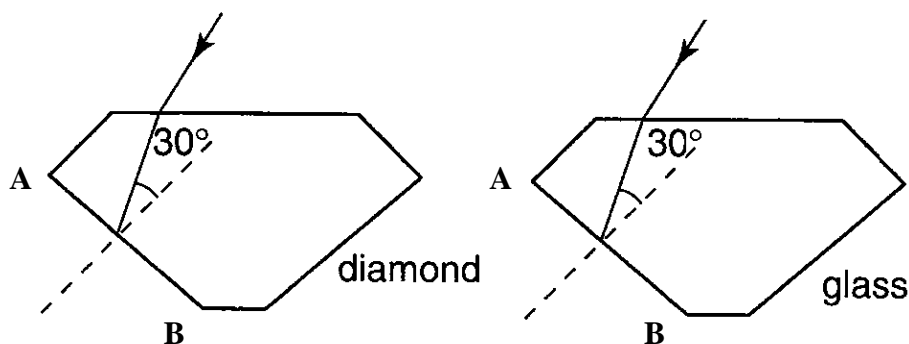


Fig. 11.1

- (a) Explain why the rays of light change direction as they enter the



- (b) Determine the critical angle for diamond.

- (c) Given that the critical angle for diamond is  $24.4^\circ$  and glass shown in Fig. 11.1 (not required)

- (d) Explain which material has a higher refractive index.

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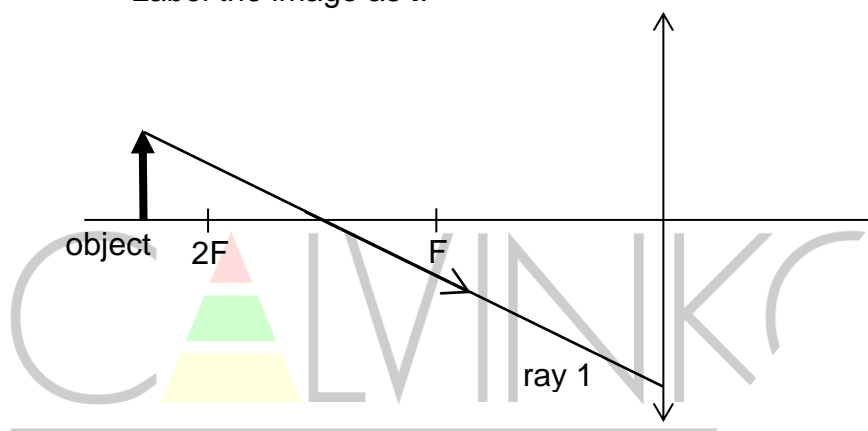
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<b>FOCUS 3 – Refraction by Thin Lenses</b>	8.	<b>describe</b> the action of a thin lens (both converging and diverging) on a beam of light
	9.	<b>define</b> the term focal length for a converging lens
	10.	<b>draw</b> ray diagrams to illustrate the formation of real and virtual images by a thin converging lens

15.  $F$  is the principal focus of a single converging lens.

- (a) In the diagram below, locate the position of the object's image by drawing ray 1. Label the image as  $I$ .



- (b) Continue the path of ray 1.
- (c) The object-distance is decreased and image distance.

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## Further Practice

16. Fig. 4.1 shows the path of a ray of blue light as it passes through a right-angled glass prism.

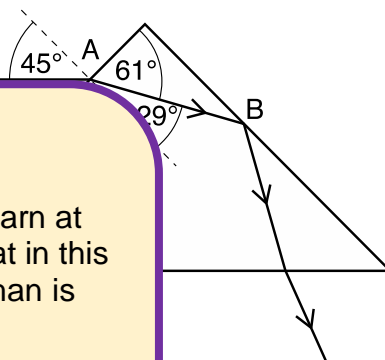


Fig. 4.1

### Students Learn at Different Pace

Calvin Kong recognises that all students learn at different paces. That is why he ensures that in this Consolidation Worksheet, he gives more than is needed.

The collection of questions here allows students who were able to complete the earlier sections quickly, to accomplish even more. It can also be used as practice questions for students who needs it later. eg. before a Class Test.

Refractive index of the prism is 1.5.

Refractive index of the air is 1.0.

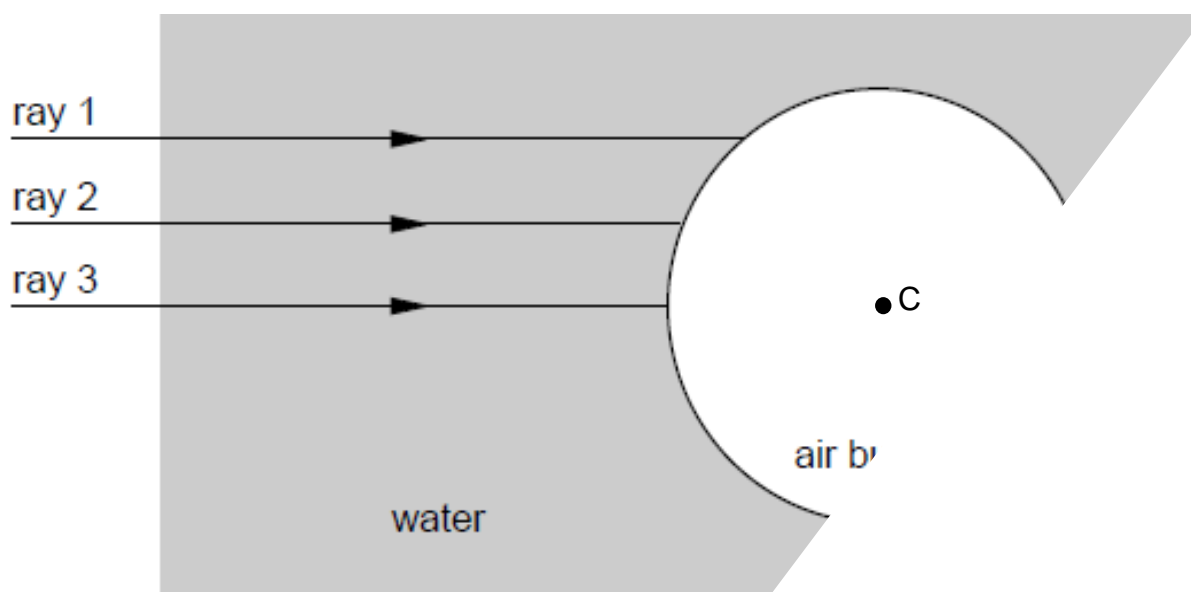
- (b) Explain why the ray does not emerge from the prism at point B.

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- (c) Fig. 4.2 shows a second, horizontal ray of blue light entering the prism at point A. On Fig. 4.2, continue the path of the ray as it passes through the prism.

17. **Fig. 11.1** shows a full-scale diagram of a spherical air bubble in water. C is the centre of the sphere. The rays of light are incident on the air bubble.



**Fig. 11.1**

The angle of incidence of ray 1 on the air bubble is  $i$ .

Ray 3 is perpendicular to the surface of the bubble.

(a) By making appropriate measurements

(b) Complete **Fig. 11.1** to show

(c) Calculate the refractive

18. The ray diagram in Fig. 7.1 shows an object O with its midpoint X indicated. One ray from point X is incident upon the converging lens.

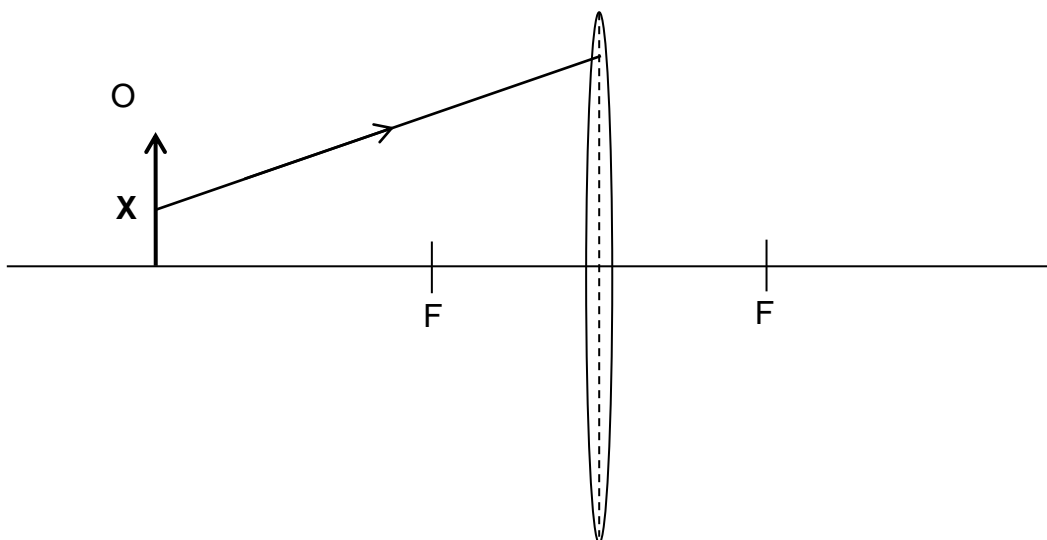


Fig. 7.1

(a) On Fig. 7.1, draw light rays to locate accurately the

(b) Complete the path of the light ray from point X.

(c) Describe the characteristics of the image

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(d) The lens is replaced to determine following change made to the

(i) a lens with a larger

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(ii) a lens of

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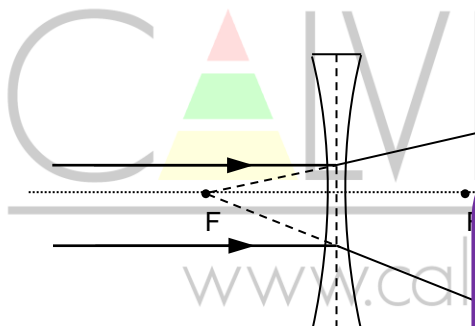
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## ANSWERS

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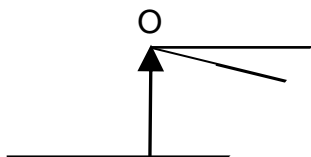
### Full Answers

Students who require more than the short answers given at the end of each questions, can refer to the full, detailed answers provided at the end of this worksheet.

These answers carefully prepared by Calvin Kong, adhere closely to the National Examination Marking standards. They must also include essential steps to make it easy for students to understand the entire process.

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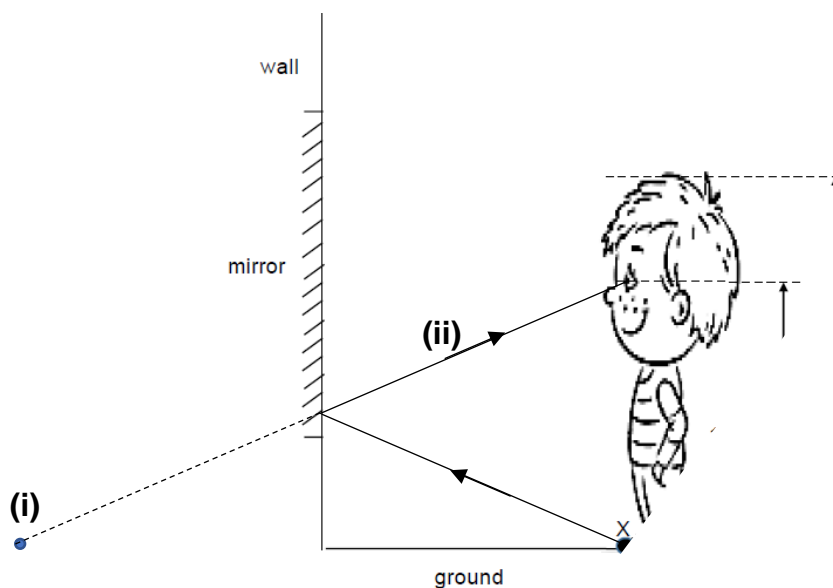


(b) Mr

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(b)

$$\text{Minimum length} = \frac{138}{2} + \frac{150 - 138}{2} = 75 \text{ cm}$$

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(a)

$$1.6 = \frac{\sin 32^\circ}{\sin x}$$

$$x = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin 32^\circ}{1.6} \right) = 19.3^\circ$$

(b)

Determine the critical angle using

Angle of incidence at surface

Since the angle of incidence

internal reflection will occur

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(a) The ray is travelling along the normal, where the angle of incidence is zero.

(bi) 
$$n = \frac{\sin 57^\circ}{\sin 30^\circ} = 1.68$$

(bii) 
$$1.677 = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{v}$$
  

$$v = 1.79 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

(c) When  $\theta_1$  is increased from  $30^\circ$  to just before  $37^\circ$ , the angle of refraction almost  $90^\circ$ .

When  $\theta_1 = 37^\circ$ , the angle of refraction  $\theta_2 = 90^\circ$ .

When  $\theta_1$  is increased from  $37^\circ$  to just before  $50^\circ$ , the angle of reflection takes the same value as  $\theta_1$ .

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(a) 
$$\sin c = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow n = \frac{1}{\sin c}$$
  

$$\frac{1}{\sin c} = \frac{c}{v} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin 48^\circ} = \frac{3.0 \times 10^8}{v}$$
  

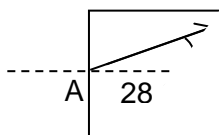
$$v = (3.0 \times 10^8) (\sin 48^\circ) = 2.23 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

(b) Need angle of incidence B to be  $48^\circ$   
 $\Rightarrow$  need angle of refraction at A

$$n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin 48^\circ} = \frac{\sin i}{\sin 42^\circ}$$

$$\text{Then } i = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin 42^\circ}{\sin 48^\circ} \right)$$

(c)



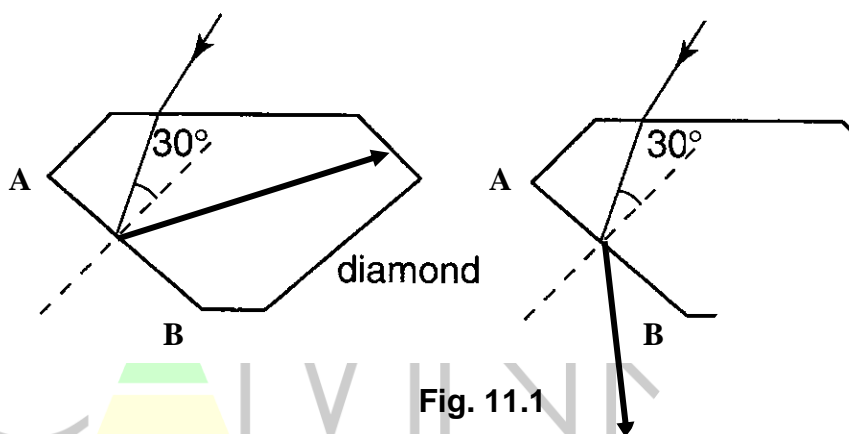
(d) Able to

- (a) As light travel from air to the medium, it slows down. The sudden change in speed causes the bending of light.

(b)  $\sin c = \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{2.4}$

$$c = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{2.4} \right) = 24.6^\circ$$

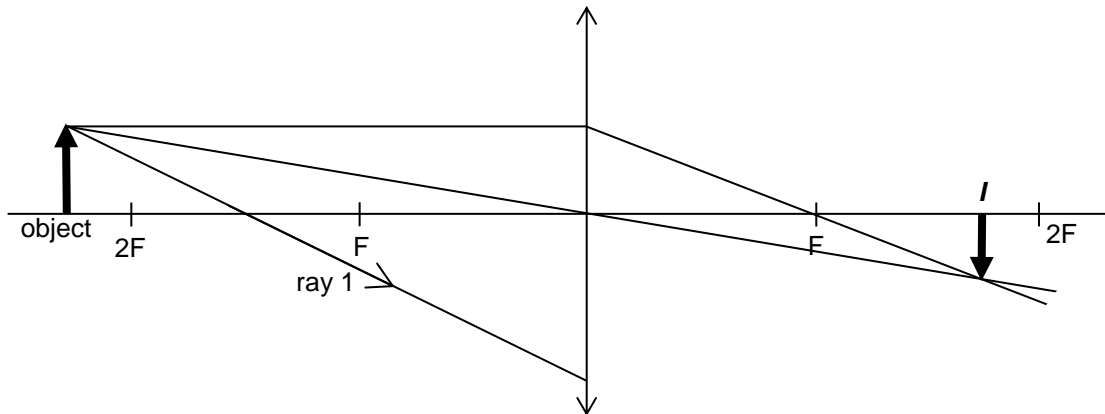
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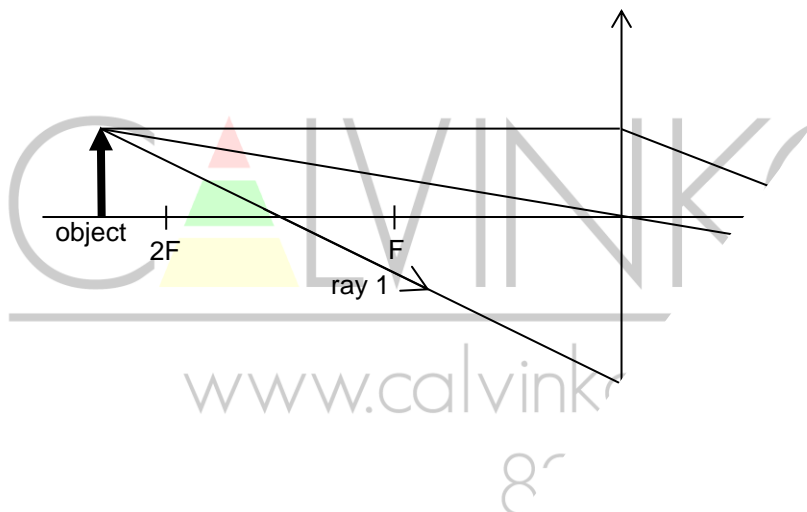
- (d) Diamond has a very high refractive index.  
A large proportion of light will have an angle greater than the critical angle and undergo total internal reflection.

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(a)



(b)



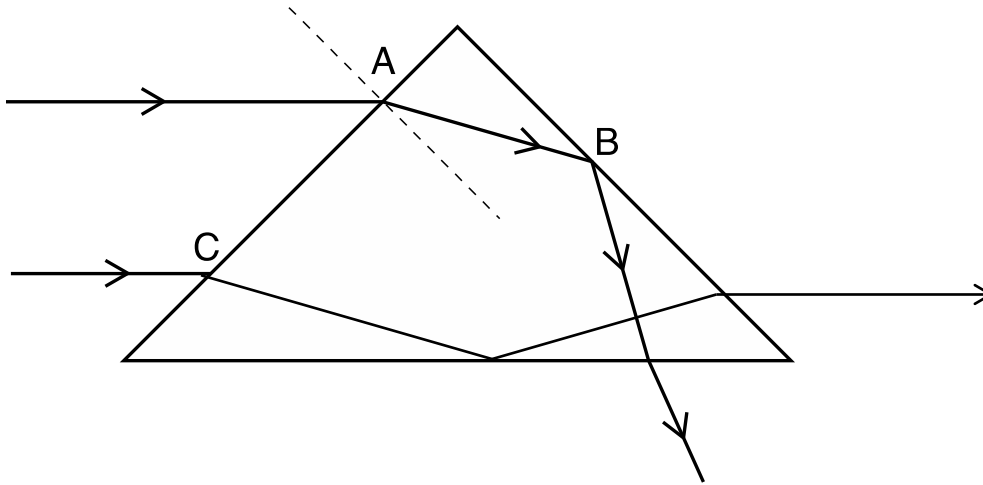
(c) Image becomes magnified  
and at a distance greater than twice

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(a) 
$$n = \frac{\sin i}{\sin r} = \frac{\sin 45^\circ}{\sin 30^\circ}$$

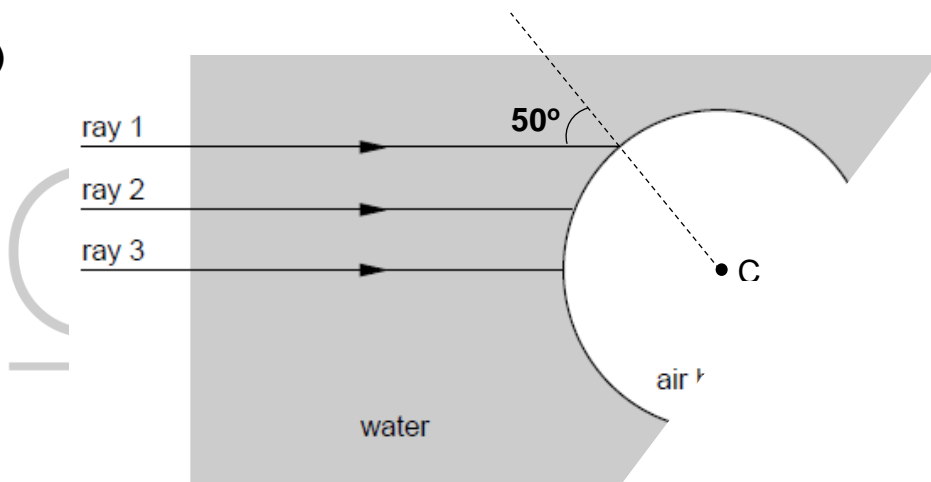
(b) The light ray is  
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Total internal

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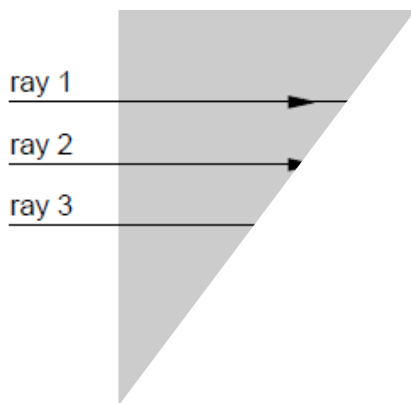


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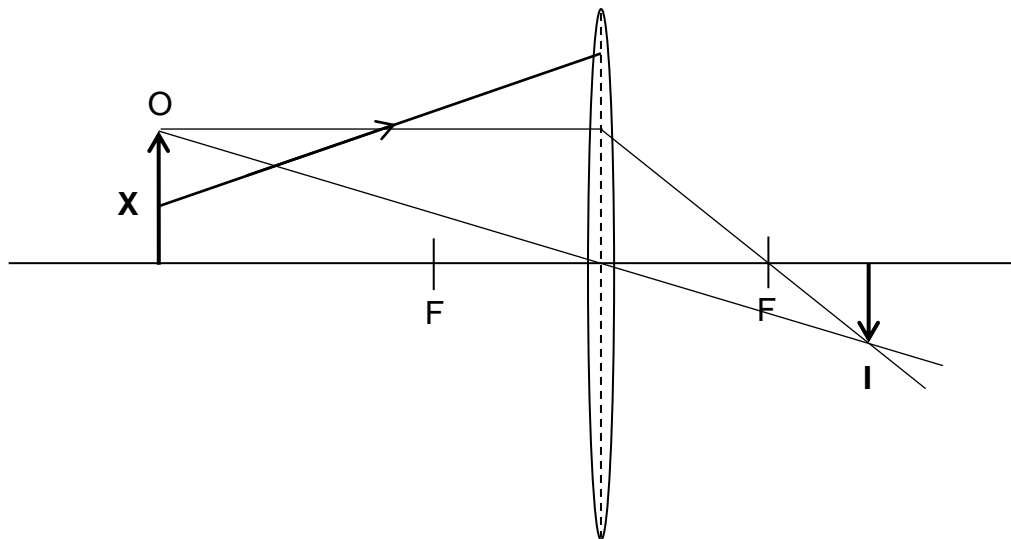


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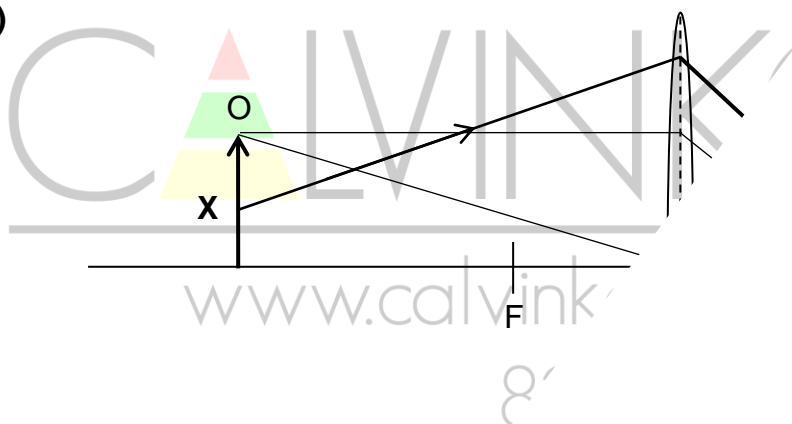
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(a)



(b)



(c) Inverted, real, diminished

(di) Image will be brighter as more light

(dii) Image brighter as the

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**The End**

It is recommended that you continue to look at **Consolidation Worksheet Parts 2**.