Question 31 (6 marks)

(a) A student collected a 250 mL sample of water from a local dam for analysis. The data collected are shown in the table.

Mass of filter paper	0.23 g
Mass of filter paper and solid	0.47 g
Mass of evaporating basin	43.53 g
Mass of basin and solid remaining	44.67 g

(i) The water was filtered and the filtrate evaporated to dryness.

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Calculate the percentage of the total dissolved solids in the dam sample.

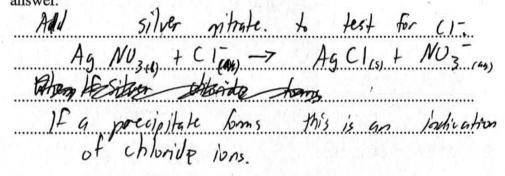
mass of solid =
$$0.24g$$

mass of remains solid = $1.14g$

$$\frac{0.24}{1.14} \times 100 = 21\% TDS.$$

(ii) It is suspected that the water in the dam has a high concentration of chloride ions.

Describe a chemical test that could be carried out on the water sample to determine the presence of chloride ions. Include an equation in your



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(b)	Name an ion other than chloride that commonly pollutes waterways, and ide	1
	its source and the effect of its presence on water quality.	

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