



# PHYSICS

## BOOKS - ZEN PHYSICS (KANNADA ENGLISH)

### SOURCES OF ENERGY

**Questions Section In Text Question**

1. What is a good source of energy?



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2. What is a good fuel?



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3. If you could use any sources of energy for heating your food, which one would you use and why?



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Why or why not?





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**12.** Hydrogen has been used as a rocket fuel. Would you consider it a cleaner fuel than CNG? Why or why not?



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## Questions Section Textual Exercise

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D. a windy day

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B. Gobar gas

C. Nuclear energy

D. Coal

**Answer:**



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**3.** Most of the sources of energy we are represent stored solar energy. Which of the following is not ultimately derived from the sun's energy

A. Geothermal energy

B. wind energy

C. Nuclear energy

D. biomass

**Answer:**



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**Zen Additional Questions Section Multiple  
Choice Questions**

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D. None of these

**Answer: A::C::D**



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- D. solar power plant.

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Hydrogen

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cake

C. Cowdung cakes, Petrol, Coal , LPG ,  
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Hydrogen

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B. Solar energy

C. Fossil fuels

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## Zen Additional Questions Section Very Short Answer Ivsai Type Questions

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6. Name the three forms in which energy from an ocean is made available for use. What are OTEC power plants?



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2. What is the importance of hydropower plants in India ?



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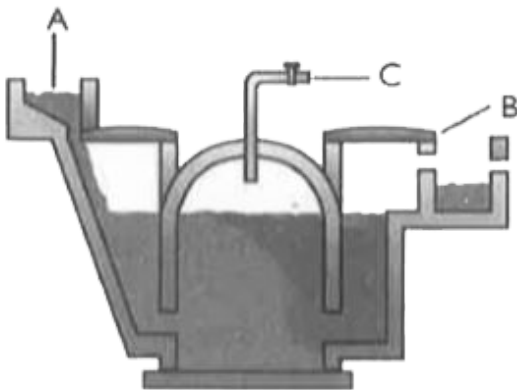
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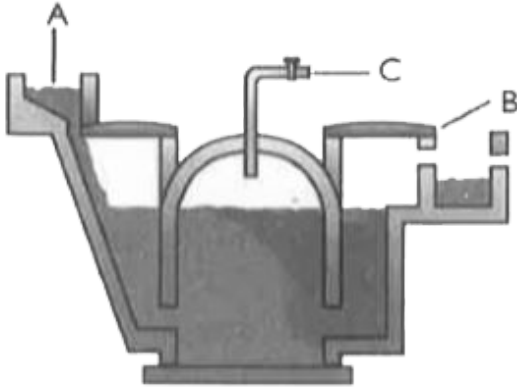
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