Transition Metals 1

1	Hip joints can sometimes wear away causing pain and discomfort when moving. The joint can be replaced using a metal structure which is shaped just like a healthy, working joint.
	Diagram 1 shows what the replacement joint looks like in its correct location in the hip.
	Diagram 1 Replacement joint
	Here is is some information about two metals that may be used to make an artificial hip joint.
	Steel is stronger than titanium alloys. 1 g of steel has a mass of 7.85g, and pure titanium has a mass per cm³ that is 56% that of steel.
	The extraction of titanium from titanium ore involves many stages.
	Titanium is a transition element.
1 (a) (i)	Use the information given and your own knowledge to evaluate the use of titanium as a material for making replacement hip joints. [4 marks]
1 (a) (ii)	Copper is a transition metal that is often used to make electrical wiring and pipes for plumbing.
	Explain why copper is a suitable metal for these uses. [3 marks]

End

(Total 7 marks)