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MARK SCHEME NOTES

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Types of mark

- M Method marks, awarded for a valid method applied to the problem.
- A Accuracy mark, awarded for a correct answer or intermediate step correctly obtained. For accuracy marks to be given, the associated Method mark must be earned or implied.
- B Mark for a correct result or statement independent of Method marks.

When a part of a question has two or more ‘method’ steps, the M marks are in principle independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly where there are several B marks allocated. The notation ‘**dep**’ is used to indicate that a particular M or B mark is dependent on an earlier mark in the scheme.

Abbreviations

awrt	answers which round to
cao	correct answer only
dep	dependent
FT	follow through after error
isw	ignore subsequent working
nfww	not from wrong working
oe	or equivalent
rot	rounded or truncated
SC	Special Case
soi	seen or implied

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
1(a)	$\begin{array}{ccc} & 9 & \\ 4 & & 5 \end{array}$	1	
1(b)	3 is added two times oe or 1 is added to 3 and not 2 oe	1	
2(a)	$\begin{array}{cccc} & & 20 & \\ & 8 & & 12 \\ 3 & & 5 & & 7 \end{array}$	2	B1 for 3 5 7 or for top three numbers correct following one error
2(b)	A correct number wall with total > <i>their</i> 20	2	B1 for a number wall with (2 and 4) or (3 and 4) in middle of bottom row
2(c)	$\begin{array}{ccc} 14 & & 17 \\ & & 7 \\ -3 & & 3 \end{array}$	3	B1 for each row
3(a)	$\begin{array}{ccc} & a + 2b + c & \\ a + b & & b + c \end{array}$	2	B1 for each row
3(b)	-2	1	C opportunity
4(a)	$\begin{array}{ccc} & a + 3b + 3c + d & \\ a + 2b + c & & b + 2c + d \\ & b + c & c + d \end{array}$	2	B1 for 3 cells correct, may be unsimplified
4(b)	<i>their</i> $(a + 3b + 3c + d) = 34$ oe	M1	C opportunity
	4.25 or $\frac{34}{8}$ is not an integer oe	M1	
4(c)	$\begin{array}{ccccc} 3 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ \text{or} & & & & \\ 4 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 7 \end{array}$	2	B1 for $c = 1$ and $d = 2$ or $c = 2$ and $d = 1$ C opportunity
5(a)	Row gives the coefficients of a, b, c and d 3	2	B1 for each
5(b)	$[1]a + 4b + 6c + 4d + [1]e$ oe	1	
5(c)	$[1] \times 3 + 4 \times 5 + 6 \times 1 + 4 \times 2 + [1] \times 6 [= 43]$ or $[1] \times 4 + 4 \times 4 + 6 \times 2 + 4 \times 1 + [1] \times 7 [= 43]$	1	FT <i>their</i> correct 5(b) only
5(d)	32272	1	C opportunity

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Communication: seen in one of the following questions		1	
3(b)	<i>their</i> $(a + 2b + c) = 7$		
4(b)	$8x = 34$ or $x + 3x + 3x + x = 34$ or $34 \div 8$		
4(c)	Completing all empty bricks with 23, 20, 11, 8, 3, 8 or showing working with equations		
5(d)	Relevant working $1 + 4 + 6 + 4 + 1$ or 16×2017 or completing the number wall		