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MARK SCHEME

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Generic Marking Principles

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

Science-Specific Marking Principles

- 1 Examiners should consider the context and scientific use of any keywords when awarding marks. Although keywords may be present, marks should not be awarded if the keywords are used incorrectly.
- 2 The examiner should not choose between contradictory statements given in the same question part, and credit should not be awarded for any correct statement that is contradicted within the same question part. Wrong science that is irrelevant to the question should be ignored.
- 3 Although spellings do not have to be correct, spellings of syllabus terms must allow for clear and unambiguous separation from other syllabus terms with which they may be confused (e.g. ethane / ethene, glucagon / glycogen, refraction / reflection).
- 4 The error carried forward (ecf) principle should be applied, where appropriate. If an incorrect answer is subsequently used in a scientifically correct way, the candidate should be awarded these subsequent marking points. Further guidance will be included in the mark scheme where necessary and any exceptions to this general principle will be noted.
- 5 'List rule' guidance
For questions that require *n* responses (e.g. State **two** reasons ...):
 - The response should be read as continuous prose, even when numbered answer spaces are provided.
 - Any response marked *ignore* in the mark scheme should not count towards *n*.
 - Incorrect responses should not be awarded credit but will still count towards *n*.
 - Read the entire response to check for any responses that contradict those that would otherwise be credited. Credit should **not** be awarded for any responses that are contradicted within the rest of the response. Where two responses contradict one another, this should be treated as a single incorrect response.
 - Non-contradictory responses after the first *n* responses may be ignored even if they include incorrect science.

6 Calculation specific guidance

Correct answers to calculations should be given full credit even if there is no working or incorrect working, **unless** the question states 'show your working'.

For questions in which the number of significant figures required is not stated, credit should be awarded for correct answers when rounded by the examiner to the number of significant figures given in the mark scheme. This may not apply to measured values.

For answers given in standard form (e.g. $a \times 10^n$) in which the convention of restricting the value of the coefficient (a) to a value between 1 and 10 is not followed, credit may still be awarded if the answer can be converted to the answer given in the mark scheme.

Unless a separate mark is given for a unit, a missing or incorrect unit will normally mean that the final calculation mark is not awarded. Exceptions to this general principle will be noted in the mark scheme.

7 Guidance for chemical equations

Multiples / fractions of coefficients used in chemical equations are acceptable unless stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

State symbols given in an equation should be ignored unless asked for in the question or stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

Examples of how to apply the list ruleState **three** reasons.... [3]

A	1	Correct	✓	2
	2	Correct	✓	
	3	Wrong	✗	

B (4 responses)	1	Correct, Correct	✓, ✓	3
	2	Correct	✓	
	3	Wrong	ignore	

C (4 responses)	1	Correct	✓	2
	2	Correct, Wrong	✓, ✗	
	3	Correct	ignore	

D (4 responses)	1	Correct	✓	2
	2	Correct, CON (of 2.)	✗, (discount 2)	
	3	Correct	✓	

E (4 responses)	1	Correct	✓	3
	2	Correct	✓	
	3	Correct, Wrong	✓	

F (4 responses)	1	Correct	✓	2
	2	Correct	✓	
	3	Correct CON (of 3.)	✗ (discount 3)	

G (5 responses)	1	Correct	✓	3
	2	Correct	✓	
	3	Correct Correct CON (of 4.)	✓ ignore ignore	

H (4 responses)	1	Correct	✓	2
	2	Correct	✗	
	3	CON (of 2.) Correct	(discount 2) ✓	

I (4 responses)	1	Correct	✓	2
	2	Correct	✗	
	3	Correct CON (of 2.)	✓ (discount 2)	

NOTES ABOUT MARK SCHEME SYMBOLS & OTHER MATTERS

M marks are method marks upon which further marks depend. For an M mark to be scored, the point to which it refers **must** be seen in a candidate's answer. If a candidate fails to score a particular M mark, then none of the dependent marks can be scored.

B marks are independent marks, which do not depend on other marks. For a B mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen specifically in the candidate's answers.

A marks In general A marks are awarded for final answers to numerical questions. If a final numerical answer, eligible for A marks, is correct, with the correct unit and an acceptable number of significant figures, all the marks for that question are normally awarded. It is very occasionally possible to arrive at a correct answer by an entirely wrong approach. In these rare circumstances, do not award the A marks, but award C marks on their merits. However, correct numerical answers with no working shown gain all the marks available.

C marks are compensatory marks in general applicable to numerical questions. These can be scored even if the point to which they refer are not written down by the candidate, **provided subsequent working gives evidence that they must have known it**. For example, if an equation carries a C mark and the candidate does not write down the actual equation but does correct substitution or working which shows that they knew the equation, then the C mark is scored. A C mark is not awarded if a candidate makes two points which contradict each other. Points which are wrong but irrelevant are ignored.

Brackets () around words or units in the mark scheme are intended to indicate wording used to clarify the mark scheme, but the marks do not depend on seeing the words or units in brackets e.g. 10 (J) means that the mark is scored for 10, regardless of the unit given.

Underlining indicates that this must be seen in the answer offered, or something very similar.

OR / or indicates alternative answers, any one of which is satisfactory for scoring the marks.

o.w.t.t.e. means 'or words to that effect'.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	(measurement) time (instrument used) stopwatch	B1
	(measurement) distance (instrument used) metre rule(r)	B1
1(b)(i)	12.5 (cm/s)	A2
	any indication on graph or in working of vertical line from 2.0 s	(C1)
1(b)(ii)	50 (cm)	A3
	$\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 25$	(C2)
	(distance =) area under graph OR (distance =) speed \times time	(C1)
1(b)(iii)	accelerating (for 4 seconds)	B1
	(then) constant / steady speed (for 6 seconds)	B1

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	0.11 (mm)	A3
	(average thickness =) $29 \div 270$	(C2)
	(average thickness =) total thickness \div number of sheets	(C1)
2(b)	(1300 g =) 1.3 kg	(B1)
	(weight =) 13(.0) N	A3
	(weight =) mass \times g OR mass \times 10	(C1)

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)(i)	4000 (N)	A2
	(resultant force =) force to R – force to L OR 12000 – 8000	(C1)
	(to the) left or forwards	B1
3(a)(ii)	air resistance	B1
3(a)(iii)	constant/steady speed	B1
3(b)	1200 (Ncm)	A3
	(moment of force =) 60×20	(C2)
	(moment of force =) force \times (perpendicular) distance of force from pivot	(C1)

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	(X is a) turbine	B1
	(Y is a) generator	B1
4(a)(ii)	any two from: chemical energy (in coal) to thermal/internal energy (in boiler) thermal/internal energy (of steam/water) to kinetic energy (of steam) kinetic energy of steam to kinetic energy of turbine/generator kinetic energy (of generator) to electrical energy	B2
4(b)	200000 (V)	A3
	$V_s / 25000 = 4800/600$ OR $V_s = (4800/600) \times 25000$ OR $V_s = 25000 \times 8$ OR $4800/600 = ? / 25000$	(C2)
	$V_s/V_p = N_s/N_p$ in any form	(C1)

Question	Answer	Marks
4(c)	any two from: reduces current (in cables) less energy or power wasted or less heating or more efficient enables use of thinner cables (so) lower cost for cable and supporting pylons transmit (electricity over) longer distances (without drop in p.d.)	B2

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)(i)	(shiny surfaces) are <u>good</u> reflectors OR <u>poor</u> absorbers/emitters	B1
	so less thermal energy lost by radiation	B1
5(a)(ii)	less (heat lost by) convection	B1
	less (heat lost by) conduction	B1
5(b)	more energetic particles	B1
	particles escape (from the surface (attraction))	B1
	so average energy of particles remaining (in liquid) decreases	B1
5(c)(i)	Brownian (motion)	B1
5(c)(ii)	any two from: (fast moving liquid) molecules bombard/collide with (small) particle collisions produce (resultant) force (in random directions)	B2

Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)(i)	(1st box) microwaves	B1
	(2nd box) infrared	B1
6(a)(ii)	X-rays OR gamma rays	B1
6(b)	horizontal line drawn between 2 peaks OR any 2 adjacent similar points on the wave	B1
6(c)	microwaves	B1
	X-rays	B1
6(d)	longitudinal (vibrations) are parallel to the direction of propagation	B1
	transverse (vibrations) are perpendicular/at right angles to the direction of propagation	B1

Question	Answer	Marks
7(a)(i)	29(°)	B1
7(a)(ii)	normal (line)	B1
7(b)(i)	ray through centre continues in straight line	B1
	(ray through F) drawn parallel to principal axis	B1
7(b)(ii)	arrow drawn from principal axis to where rays cross	B1

Question	Answer	Marks
8(a)(i)	plastic strip AND glass lens	B1
8(a)(ii)	iron bar	B1

Question	Answer	Marks
8(b)	end of magnet X labelled S (pole) AND end of magnet Y nearest magnet X labelled N (pole) AND other end is S (pole)	B1
8(c)(i)	spheres drawn closer together	B1
8(c)(ii)	spheres drawn further apart	M1
	both strings at an angle to vertical	A1

Question	Answer	Marks
9(a)	correct symbol for battery	B1
	correct symbol for switch	B1
	correct symbol for lamp	B1
	all 3 components connected in series	B1
9(b)(i)	0.26 (A)	B1
9(b)(ii)	5.4 (Ω)	A3
	$1.4 \div 0.26$	(C2)
	$V = IR$ or $(R =) V/I$	(C1)

Question	Answer	Marks
10(a)	circles drawn	B1
	concentric (by eye) with wire	B1
	arrow drawn clockwise on/near field (line)	B1
10(b)(i)	any two from: increase current (in wire) increase strength of magnets or magnetic field move poles closer together	B2
10(b)(ii)	reverse the (direction of the) current (in the wire)	B1
	reverse the magnetic field	B1

Question	Answer	Marks
11(a)	${}_{95}^{241}\text{Am}$	B1
		B1
11(b)	430 (years)	A2
	(decrease in activity from) 16 000 (counts/min) to 8000 (counts/min)	(C1)