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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.

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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.
- 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).
- 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 <u>'List rule' guidance</u>

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.

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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.

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	contains genetic material ;	1
1(a)(ii)	has a flagellum / presence of enzymes ;	1
1(a)(iii)	testes;	1
1(b)(i)	guard cell ;	1
1(b)(ii)	chloroplast / cell wall ;	1
1(c)(i)	(15 + 12 + 14) ÷ 3; (=) 14 (bubbles);	2
1(c)(ii)	as light intensity increases or distance decreases the rate increases ORA ; the idea that the rate levels off (closer than 20 cm) ;	2
1(d)	any two from: absorbs light (energy); (transfers) light to chemical energy; for the synthesis of carbohydrates;	2

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)(i)	(two) electrons are shared;	1
2(a)(ii)	difference: oxygen has four electrons between atoms / hydrogen has two OR oxygen has a double bond / hydrogen has a single bond; explanation: each atom shares electrons to, gain a full outer shell / become stable / oxygen atoms need two electrons to fill outer shell but hydrogen needs only one OWTTE;	2
2(b)(i)	gas: carbon dioxide ; explanation: two elements, bonded / joined ;	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)(ii)	in lamps / lightbulbs / lights ;	1
2(b)(iii)	they are) unreactive / inert ; because) full (outer) shell of electrons / has a stable electron arrangement / outer shell contains 8 electrons ;	
2(b)(iv)	percentages do not add up to 100 ;	1

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)(i)	KE = $\frac{1}{2} mv^2 / \frac{1}{2} \times 3100 \times 12 \times 12$; (=) 223 200 / 223 000 (J);	2
3(a)(ii)	any three from: friction / resistance (force); balanced force needed (for constant speed); energy required for work done against friction; the idea that energy (chemical, kinetic) is, transferred / lost as thermal energy (heat); energy input from gasoline turned into mechanical work by engine;	3
3(b)(i)	reflection;	1
3(b)(ii)	harbour wall arrow shown reflected from wall (example above); at approximately the correct angle as seen by eye;	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	meat;	1
4(a)(ii)	9.4 / 9.5(%) ;;;	3
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4(a)(iii)	higher in protein than, the other vegetable based proteins / beans / lentils OWTTE ;	1
4(b)(i)	any two from: both types break down, food / protein; the idea that mechanical digestion results in smaller pieces (of food) AND idea that chemical digestion results in smaller molecules; chemical digestion involves enzymes / mechanical digestion does not use enzymes; chemical digestion produces soluble molecules / mechanical digestion may not result in soluble molecules;	2
4(b)(ii)	(provides an acidic pH) for enzymes / for enzymes to work ;	1

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)	CO_2 AND H_2O given as products ; balanced equation $3CO_2 + 4H_2O$;	2
5(b)(i)	(in both reactions) energy is given out; energy change is negative / energy of the products is lower than energy of the reactants OWTTE;	2
5(b)(ii)	propane has a higher activation energy ; propane gives out more energy / gives a more exothermic reaction ;	2
5(c)	toxic / poisonous ;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)(i)	boiling point raised ; boiling point of pure water is 100 °C ;	2
6(a)(ii)	more work / energy needed (to separate the particles) ;	1
6(b)(i)	425 (dm³) ;	1
6(b)(ii)	(density =) $m \div V / 1150 \div 425$; = 2.71 (kg/dm ³);	2
6(b)(iii)	11500 (N);	1
6(b)(iv)	$(P =) F \div A / 11500 \div 1.1$; = $1.05 \times 10^4 / 10455$; N/m² OR Pa (pascals);	3

Question	Answer	Marks
7(a)(i)	muscle / elastic tissue ;	1
7(a)(ii)	any two from: oxygenated blood is kept separate from deoxygenated blood; blood pressure to body is higher; blood pressure to lungs is lower;	2
7(a)(iii)	reference to contraction ; (contraction of) muscles in ventricle (wall) ;	2
7(b)(i)	as the number of cigarettes smoked increases so do the number of deaths ;	1
7(b)(ii)	any two from: the goblet cells, secrete / produce (sticky) mucus; the mucus traps, particles / microbes / dust; cilia move (to remove) the mucus (containing particles);	2

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Question				An	swer	Marks
8(a)(i)	element	formula	state	colour		3
- ()()	bromine	Br ₂	liquid	red		
	chlorine	Cl_2	gas	green		
	iodine	I ₂	solid	grey		
	,,,					
	chlorine:					
	(state) gas ;					
	(colour) green	•				
	(ooloal) gloon	,				
	iodine:					
(state) solid ; (diatomic means) only two atoms :						
8(a)(ii)	(diatomic means) only two atoms ;					2
	(atoms) joined	l / combined /	bonded togethe	r, (in a molecule) ;		
8(b)	they have 7 el	y have 7 electrons in the outer shell;				1
8(c)	order of reacti	ivitv:				2
0(0)	chlorine,	vity.				
	bromine,					
	iodine ;					
	iodine ,					
	explanation: a more reactive element can displace a less reactive element / a more reactive element can react with a salt of					
	a less reactive					
8(d)(i)	ionic;					1
8(d)(ii)	attraction (bet	ween ions) is	s very strong :			1

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Question	Answer	Marks
9(a)(i)	voltmeter symbol in correct place; ammeter symbol in correct place; OR ammeter and voltmeter symbols correct; both meters in correct place;	2
9(a)(ii)	$3 \times 5.5 / 16.5 / 3 \times 11$; $2 \times 5.5 / 11.0 / 2 \times 16.5$; resistance of new wire = $6 \times 5.5 / 33$ (Ω);	3
9(b)(i)	2 (A); correct application of Ohm's Law, e.g. half the resistance means double the current / $V \div 5 = 2 \times V \div 10$ or equivalent ideas;	2
9(b)(ii)	$R = R_1 \times R_2 \div (R_1 + R_2) = 50 \div 15$ OR equivalent; $= 3.3 (\Omega)$;	2

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