GCSE Mathematics
Higher Tier Unit 2 Number and Algebra
Mark scheme

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## Glossary for Mark Schemes

GCSE examinations are marked in such a way as to award positive achievement wherever possible. Thus, for GCSE Mathematics papers, marks are awarded under various categories.

If a student uses a method which is not explicitly covered by the mark scheme the same principles of marking should be applied. Credit should be given to any valid methods. Examiners should seek advice from their senior examiner if in any doubt.

| M | Method marks are awarded for a correct method which could lead to a correct answer. |
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| A | Accuracy marks are awarded when following on from a correct method. It is not necessary to always see the method. This can be implied. |
| B | Marks awarded independent of method. |
| ft | Follow through marks. Marks awarded for correct working following a mistake in an earlier step. |
| SC | Special case. Marks awarded within the scheme for a common misinterpretation which has some mathematical worth. |
| M dep | A method mark dependent on a previous method mark being awarded. |
| B dep | A mark that can only be awarded if a previous independent mark has been awarded. |
| oe | Or equivalent. Accept answers that are equivalent. eg, accept 0.5 as well as $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| [a,b] | Accept values between $a$ and $b$ inclusive. |
| 3.14... | Accept answers which begin $3.14 \mathrm{eg} 3.14,3.142,3.149$. |
| Use of brackets | It is not necessary to see the bracketed work to award the marks. |

Examiners should consistently apply the following principles

## Diagrams

Diagrams that have working on them should be treated like normal responses. If a diagram has been written on but the correct response is within the answer space, the work within the answer space should be marked. Working on diagrams that contradicts work within the answer space is not to be considered as choice but as working, and is not, therefore, penalised.

## Responses which appear to come from incorrect methods

Whenever there is doubt as to whether a candidate has used an incorrect method to obtain an answer, as a general principle, the benefit of doubt must be given to the candidate. In cases where there is no doubt that the answer has come from incorrect working then the candidate should be penalised.

## Questions which ask candidates to show working

Instructions on marking will be given but usually marks are not awarded to candidates who show no working.

## Questions which do not ask candidates to show working

As a general principle, a correct response is awarded full marks.

## Misread or miscopy

Candidates often copy values from a question incorrectly. If the examiner thinks that the candidate has made a genuine misread, then only the accuracy marks (A or B marks), up to a maximum of 2 marks are penalised. The method marks can still be awarded.

## Further work

Once the correct answer has been seen, further working may be ignored unless it goes on to contradict the correct answer.

## Choice

When a choice of answers and/or methods is given, mark each attempt. If both methods are valid then $M$ marks can be awarded but any incorrect answer or method would result in marks being lost.

## Work not replaced

Erased or crossed out work that is still legible should be marked.

## Work replaced

Erased or crossed out work that has been replaced is not awarded marks.

## Premature approximation

Rounding off too early can lead to inaccuracy in the final answer. This should be penalised by 1 mark unless instructed otherwise.

| Q | Answer | Mark | Comments |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1}$ (a) | 100 | B1 | Accept 1 hour 40 (minutes) |
|  | Additional Guidance |  |  |
|  | 100 seen with answer 1:40 or 1.40 | B1 |  |
|  | $1: 40$ or 1.40 without 100 seen | B0 |  |


| 1(b) | 85 | B1 |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 1(c) | A | B1 |  |


| $\mathbf{2}$ | 16 seen or 32 seen or 27 seen$(2 \times) 16(+) 27$ <br> or $32(+) 27$ | M1 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
|  | 59 | A1 | SC2 43 |


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|  | Alternative method 2 Price | ries u | g unit price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $2.52 \div 4$ or 0.63 <br> and <br> $2.75 \div 5$ or 0.55 | M1 | oe |
|  | $40 \times$ their 0.63 or $25.2(0)$ <br> or $40 \times$ their 0.55 or 22 | M1 | oe |
| $\begin{gathered} 3 \\ \text { (cont) } \end{gathered}$ | their $25.2 \div 3 \times 2$ or $16.8(0)$ or $\frac{3}{4} \times 40 \times$ their 0.55 or $30 \times$ their 0.55 or $\frac{3}{4} \times$ their 22 or $16.5(0)$ | M1 | oe |
|  | 16.8(0) and 16.5(0) | A1 | oe |
|  | (Offer) B | Q1ft | Strand (iii) <br> ft for correct decision based on their values, with one correct value and first two method marks |
|  |  | tiona | uidance |
|  | Allow any correct working in |  |  |
|  | Allow consistent working in p | and A |  |
|  | 16.8(0) or 16.5(0) is minimum |  |  |


| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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| $\begin{gathered} 3 \\ \text { (cont) } \end{gathered}$ | Alternative method 3 Price per battery |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $252 \div 4 \text { or } 63$ <br> and $275 \div 5 \text { or } 55$ | M1 | oe |
|  | their $63 \div 3 \times 2$ or 42 | M1 | oe |
|  | $\frac{3}{4} \times \text { their } 55 \text { or } 41(.25)$ | M1 | oe |
|  | 42 and 41(.25) | A1 | oe |
|  | (Offer) B | Q1ft | Strand (iii) <br> ft for correct decision based on their values, with one correct value and first two method marks |
|  | Additional Guidance |  |  |
|  | Allow any correct working in pounds up to M3 |  |  |
|  | Allow consistent working in pounds for M3 and A1Q1ft |  |  |
|  | 42 or $41(.25)$ is minimum M0M1M1 |  |  |


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| 5(b) | $8 x-6 x$ or $2 x$ | M1 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $12+7$ or 19 | M1 |  |  |
|  | $x>9.5$ | A1ft | oe <br> ft correct inequality for with M1M0 or M0M1 aw error <br> SC2 9.5 in final answer | nd their 19 d only one |
|  | Additional Guidance |  |  |  |
|  | Final answer must have correct inequality |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 x>19 \\ & x>9.5 \end{aligned}$ <br> final answer 9.5 or $x=9.5$ |  |  | M1M1A0 |
|  | $2 x=19$ |  |  | M1M1A0 |


| 6(a) | $2(x) 66$ or $3(x) 44$ or $2(x) 6(x) 11$ or $3(x) 4(x) 11$ or $12(x) 11$ or $2(x) 2(x) 33$ or $2(x) 3(x) 22$ | M1 | Any order <br> Allow on p division. <br> Condone 2 | ted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 11 \\ & \text { or } 2^{2} \times 3 \times 11 \end{aligned}$ | A1 | Any order |  |
|  | Additional Guidance |  |  |  |
|  | 2, 2, 3, 11 | M1A0 |  |  |


| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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| 6(b) | Alternative method 1 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $2(x) 5(x) 11=110$ | M1 |  |
|  | 22 | A1 | SC1 11 |
|  | Alternative method 2 |  |  |
|  | List of factors of 110 and 132 up to 22 with 2 errors or omissions $\text { (1), 2, 5, 10, 11, } 22(55,110)$ <br> and $\begin{aligned} & \text { (1), 2, 3, 4, 6, 11, 12, } 22 \\ & (33,44,66,132) \end{aligned}$ | M1 |  |
|  | 22 | A1 | SC1 11 |
|  | A | iona | uidance |
|  | $(1,55,110)$ and (1, 33, 44, 66, 132) ar | t om | ions |


| 7 | 32 | B2 | B1 4 or 16 or 0.5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| $\mathbf{8}$ | $7: 5$ | B2 | B1 Any ratio equivalent to $7: 5$ <br> or $5: 7$ <br> or any ratio correctly simplified |
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| 9(a) | $2 n+19$ | B 1 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


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| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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## Alternative method 1

| $4 x-6 y=48$ <br> and <br> $18 x+6 y=-15$ | $6 x-9 y=72$ <br> $($ and <br> $6 x+2 y=-5)$ | M1 | oe <br> Equating coefficients |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $22 x=33$ <br> or $x=1.5$ | $-11 y=77$ <br> or $y=-7$ | M1 dep | oe <br> Elimination of one variable |
| $x=1.5$ and $y=-7$ | A1 | Oe <br> SC1 for $x=1.5$ and $y=-7$ without <br> working or using trial and improvement |  |

Alternative method 2

| $x=\frac{24+3 y}{2}$ or $y=\frac{2 x-24}{3}$ | M1 | oe <br> Rearranging |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $22 x=33$ <br> or $x=1.5$ | $-11 y=77$ <br> or $y=-7$ | M1 dep | oe |
| Elimination of one variable |  |  |  |
| $x=1.5$ and $y=-7$ | A1 | oe <br> SC1 for $x=1.5$ and $y=-7$ without <br> working or using trial and improvement |  |


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| 12 | $3 y=15 x-3$ and $y=5 x-3$ | B2 | B1 $3 y=15 x-3$ and $y=5 x-3$ and one <br> incorrect <br> or <br> $3 y=15 x-3$ or $y=5 x-3$ and none or <br> one incorrect |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| 13 | $y=3 x-2$ | B3 | oe eg $\frac{y}{3}=x-\frac{2}{3}$ <br> B2 $y=-3 x-2$ <br> or $\quad 3 x-2$ <br> or $y=3 x+c$ <br> or gradient $=\frac{6}{2}$ or 3 <br> and intercept $=-2$ <br> B1 $y=m x-2$ <br> or $y=-3 x+c$ <br> or $\quad-3 x-2$ <br> or $\quad 3 x+c$ <br> or gradient $=\frac{6}{2}$ or 3 <br> or intercept $=-2$ |
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|  | Additional Guidance |  |  |
|  | Gradient is implied by correct division |  |  |


| Q | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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## Alternative method 1

| Correct order and all three correct <br> values $\sqrt{20}, \sqrt{24}$ and $\sqrt{28}$ | B2 three correct values $\sqrt{24}, \sqrt{28}$ and <br> $\sqrt{20}$ <br> or $\sqrt{20}$ and $\sqrt{24}$ <br> or $\sqrt{20}$ and $\sqrt{28}$ <br> or $\sqrt{24}$ and $\sqrt{28}$ <br> B1 $\sqrt{20}$ or $\sqrt{24}$ or $\sqrt{28}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | B2 three correct values $2 \sqrt{6}, 2 \sqrt{7}$ and <br> $2 \sqrt{5}$ <br> Alternative method 2 |
| Correct order and all three correct $2 \sqrt{5}$ and $2 \sqrt{6}$ <br> values $2 \sqrt{5}, 2 \sqrt{6}$ and $2 \sqrt{7}$ | B3 $2 \sqrt{5}$ and $2 \sqrt{7}$ |  |

## Alternative method 3

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\begin{array}{|l|l|l|}\hline & & \begin{array}{l}\text { B2 three correct values } 24,28 \text { and } 20 \\
\text { or } 20 \text { and } 24 \\
\text { Correct order and all three correct } 20 \text { and } 28 \\
\text { values } 20,24 \text { and } 28\end{array}
$$ <br>
B3 24 and 28 <br>
or 20 or \frac{100}{5} or 24 or 4 \times 3 \times 2 <br>

or 12 \times 2 or 8 \times 3 or 4 \times 6 or 28\end{array}\right]\)| Additional Guidance |
| :--- | :--- |
| Correct order is $\frac{10}{\sqrt{5}}, 2 \sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{\frac{56}{2}}$ |


| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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| $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $20,24,28$ using Alt 3 | B2 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  | B1 values using Alt 3 can be seen inside square root | B1 |
|  | $\sqrt{\frac{100}{5}}$ or $\sqrt{4 \times 3 \times 2}$ or $\sqrt{12 \times 2}$ or $\sqrt{8 \times 3}$ or $\sqrt{4 \times 6}$ |  |


| 15(a) | $(a x+p)(b x+q)$ | where $a b=3$ and $p q= \pm 10$ <br> or $a q+b p=-13$ |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
|  | $(3 x+2)(x-5)$ | A 1 |  |


| 15(b) | $3 x(x-5)$ | M1 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\frac{3 x}{3 x+2}$ | A1ft | ft their answer to part (a) correctly simplified from common linear factors |  |
|  | Additional Guidance |  |  |  |
|  | Do not allow further incorrect work eg $\frac{3 x}{3 x+2}$ incorrectly simplified to $\frac{1}{2}$ |  |  | M1A0 |

## Alternative method 1

| $\left(2^{2}\right)^{4}$ or $\left(2^{3}\right)^{4}$ or $2^{12}$ | M1 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{12} \div 2^{8}$ or $2^{4}$ or $2^{8} \times 2^{4}=2^{12}$ | M1 | oe |
| 4 | A1 |  |

Alternative method 2

| 256 or 4096 | M1 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| $4096 \div 256=16$ and $2^{4}=16$ | M1 |  |
| 4 | A1 |  |


| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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## Alternative method 1

| $x y=3 x+5$ | M1 | oe |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $x y-3 x=5$ <br> or $x(y-3)=5$ | M1dep | oe |
| $x=\frac{5}{y-3}$ or $x=\frac{-5}{3-y}$ | A1 | SC2 $\frac{5}{y-3}$ or $\frac{-5}{3-y}$ |

Alternative method 2

| $y=3+\frac{5}{x}$ | M1 | oe |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & y-3=\frac{5}{x} \\ & \text { or } \frac{x}{5}=\frac{1}{y-3} \end{aligned}$ | M1dep | oe |
| $x=\frac{5}{y-3} \quad \text { or } \quad x=\frac{-5}{3-y}$ | A1 | $\operatorname{SC} 2 \frac{5}{y-3} \text { or } \frac{-5}{3-y}$ |
| Additional Guidance |  |  |
| Condone multiplication signs $x \times y$ or use of bracket $x(y)$ |  |  |


| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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| $18(b)$ | 2 | B1 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| $\frac{1}{125^{\frac{2}{3}}}$ or $5^{-2}$ or $(\sqrt[3]{125})^{-2}$ <br> or $\sqrt[3]{125}=5$ | M1 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{125^{2}}}$ or $\frac{1}{(\sqrt[3]{125})^{2}}$ or $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{125})^{2}} \begin{array}{l}\text { or } \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{1}{125}\right)^{2}} \text { or } 125^{\frac{2}{3}}=25 \\ \text { or } \frac{1}{5^{2}} \text { or }\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{2} \text { or } 25^{-1} \text { or } 0.2^{2}\end{array}\right.$ | M1dep |  |
| $\frac{1}{25}$ | A1 | oe 0.04 |


| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Answer | Mark | Comments |
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## Alternative method 1

| $4 x^{2}+6 x y+6 x y+9 y^{2}$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| or $4 x^{2}-6 x y-6 x y+9 y^{2}$ | M1 | Four terms, three correct with a term in $x^{2}$ <br> and a term in $y^{2}$ <br> or $4 x^{2} \pm 12 x y+a y^{2}$ with $a \neq 0$ <br> or $b x^{2} \pm 12 x y+9 y^{2}$ with $b \neq 0$ |
| $4 x^{2}+12 x y+9 y^{2}-\left(4 x^{2}-12 x y+9 y^{2}\right)$ <br> or $4 x^{2}+12 x y+9 y^{2}-4 x^{2}+12 x y-9 y^{2}$ | M1dep | oe <br> allow one error, which may be missing <br> brackets |
| $24 x y=360$ | M1 | oe |
| $x y=15$ (and 15 is a multiple of 5 ) | A1 |  |

## Alternative method 2

| $(2 x+3 y+2 x-3 y)(2 x+3 y-(2 x-3 y))$ <br> or <br> $(2 x+3 y+2 x-3 y)(2 x+3 y-2 x+3 y)$ | M1 | allow one error, which may be missing <br> brackets |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| their $4 x \times$ their $6 y$ | M1dep | Correct simplification of both of their <br> brackets and intention to multiply |
| $24 x y=360$ | M1 | oe |
| $x y=15$ (and 15 is a multiple of 5) | A1 |  |
| Additional Guidance |  |  |
| Missing brackets in Alt 1 for second method mark may be recovered for M3 or M3A1 |  |  |

