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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.
- **M dep** A method mark dependent on a previous method mark being awarded.
- 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.
- **B dep** A mark that can only be awarded if a previous independent mark has been awarded.
- ft Follow through marks. Marks awarded following a mistake in an earlier step.
- **SC** Special case. Marks awarded within the scheme for a common misinterpretation which has some mathematical worth.
- **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.
- **[a, b)** Accept values $a \le value < b$
- **3.14...** Accept answers which begin 3.14 eg 3.14, 3.142, 3.1416

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.

Continental notation

Accept a comma used instead of a decimal point (for example, in measurements or currency), provided that it is clear to the examiner that the candidate intended it to be a decimal point.

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments		
	[9.9, 10.1]	B1	ое		
1(a)	Additional Guidance				

	6 + 8 + [9.9, 10.1] or 6 + 8 + their [9.9, 10.1]	M1	oe 60 + 80 + [99, 101] 60 + 80 + their [99, 101]	
1(b)	[23.9, 24.1]	A1ft	[239 mm, 241 mm]	
	Additional Guidance			
	6 × 8 ÷ 2 = 24			M0A0
	If length of hypotenuse seen on diagram follow through for their total			

2(a) B B1	
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2(b)	C and E	B1	
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2(c)	A and D	B1	
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3(a)	C and E	B2	Any order B1 for 1 correct or for 1 correct and 1 incorrect or for 2 correct and 1 incorrect	
	Additional Guidance			

	Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
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3(b)	<i>B</i> , <i>C</i> and <i>E</i>	B2	Any order B1 for 2 correct or for 2 correct and 1 incorrect or for 3 correct and 1 incorrect
	Additional Guidance		

A B1		B1	
3(c)	Ad	ditional Guidance	

4(a)	Sevilla	B1	

4(b)	Barcelona	B1	
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	[4.9, 5.1]	B1	
	their [4.9, 5.1] × 125	M1	
4(c)	[612.5, 637.5]	A1ft	ft B0 M1
	Additional Guidance		

Q Answer Mark Comments

	350	B1		
5(a)	Additional Guidance			

	States or implies 1 kg = 1000 g or 0.6 kg = 600 g	M1			
5(b)	Correct combination for 600 g	A1	oe eg 400 + 200 300 + 300 combination must be in grams		
	Additional Guidance				
	200 + 200 + 200 = 606 is a slip (answer not required as given)				

	1 2		B1 for 1 correct or for 1 correct and 1 incorrect
6(a)	$\frac{1}{8}$ and $\frac{2}{16}$	B2	or for 2 correct and 1 incorrect
			SC1 for $\frac{1}{7}$ and $\frac{2}{14}$ or $\frac{7}{8}$ and $\frac{14}{16}$

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments		
6(b)	8 squares shaded seen or implied or 8 squares unshaded seen or implied or $\frac{16}{32}$ or $\frac{8}{16}$ or $\frac{4}{8}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$	M1	oe		
	50 (%)	A1			
	Additional Guidance				
	$\frac{12}{24}$ = 50 (%) or $\frac{6}{12}$ = 50 (%) is from in	correct wo	rking	M0A0	

	4 × 45.5(0) or 182	M1		
	their 182 ÷ 26	M1dep		
7(a)	7	A1		
	Ad	ditional G	Buidance	
	26 × 7 = 182 (embedded answer)			M1M1A0

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments		
	A correctly evaluated trial adding the prices of 5 tins	M1			
	3 (5-litre tins)and2 (10-litre tins)	A1			
	Additional Guidance				
7(b)	Note:				
	5 × 26 = 130 4 × 26 + 45.5 or 104 + 45.5 = 149	25			
	$3 \times 26 + 2 \times 45.5$ or $78 + 91 = 169$ (swer)			
	2 × 26 + 3 × 45.5 or 52 + 136.5 = 188				
	26 + 4 × 45.5 or 26 + 182 = 208				
	5 × 45.5 = 227.5				

8(a)	(1, 1)	В2	B1 for <i>x</i> -coordinate 1 or <i>y</i> -coordinate 1 or $AC = 6$ or $\frac{1}{2}AC = 3$
	Ad	ditional G	Guidance
	Check diagram for working		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
			B1 for <i>x</i> -coordinate 4
	(4, -7)		or <i>y</i> -coordinate -7 or <i>BD</i> = 16
8(b)			or $\frac{1}{2}BD = 8$
	Ad	ditional G	Buidance
	Check diagram for working		

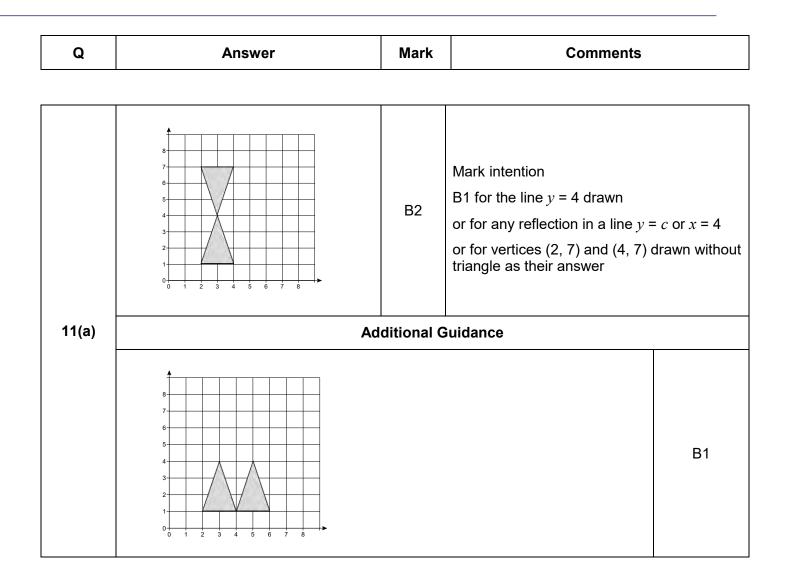
	6 × 25 × 10 or 1500	M1	
	their 1500 ÷ 30	M1dep	Fully correct method
9	50	A1	Do not ignore fw
	Additional Guidance		

	Two correct points plotted eg (10, 12) and (20, 24)	M1	oe eg (5, 6) and (10, 12) Ignore incorrect points ± ½ square tolerance
10(a)	Straight ruled line through their correct points	A1	± ½ square tolerance
	Additional Guidance		
	If line goes through (0, 0) this can be accepted as a correct point		

	Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
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10(b)	15	B1	
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10(c)	12 ÷ 10 or 1.2 or 10 ÷ 12 or 0.83(…) or 480 (square yards)	M1	Scale factor 1.2 seen or implied or 10 to 400 is area factor 40 se implied	
	25 × 480 or 25 × 400 × 1.2 or 25 × 400 ÷ 0.83()	M1dep	oe eg 25 × 40 × 12	
	12 000	A1	Accept [12 000, 12 050] SC1 for 10 000	
	Additional Guidance			
	25 × 480			M1M1



11(b) Fully correct enlargement SF = 3 Any position or orientation Mark intention B1 for enlargement scale factor 2, 4 or 5 on the grid or at least 2 correct sides or at least 2 correct points not joined	Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	11(b)			Mark intention B1 for enlargement scale factor 2, 4 or 5 on the grid or at least 2 correct sides or 4 correct points not joined

12(a)	a and b	B1	
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12(b)	<i>b</i> and <i>c</i>	B1	
12(c)	a and c	B1	

Q Answer	Mark Comments	
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	Alternative method 1					
	A pair of intersecting arcs of radii 4 cm	M1				
	A pair of intersecting arcs of radii 8 cm	M1				
	Fully correct kite drawn with all arcs shown	A1	SC1 for a complete kite within tolerance			
	Alternative method 2 (perpendicular bisector)					
13	Two pairs of intersecting arcs of equal radii greater than 3 cm	M1				
	Perpendicular bisector constructed	M1dep				
	Fully correct kite drawn with at least one arc of radius 4 cm and one arc of radius 8 cm	A1	SC1 for a complete kite within tolerance			
	Additional Guidance					
	Kite may be drawn inverted					

	52 + 75 + 59 or 186 or 360 - 52 - 75 - 59	M1	oe x + 52 + 75 + 59 = 360	
	174	A1		
14(a)	Additional Guidance			
	52 + 75 + 59 may be embedded within an incorrect calculation			
	360 – 52 + 75 + 59 = 174 (recovered)			M1A1
	360 – 52 + 75 + 59 (= 442)			M0A0

Q	Answer	Comments						
	AED = 100 or $E = 100or ADE = 40 or D = 40or DAE = 40 or A = 40$	B1	May be on diagram in the correct place					
	(<i>BAD</i> =) 180 – 117 or 63 seen or implied	M1	oe May be on diagram in the correct place					
14(b)	103	A1						
14(b)	Additional Guidance							
	Beware of contradictions between diagr	orking shown						
	BAD shown as 63 on diagram in correct	M1						
	180 – 117 with nothing marked on diagr	o contradiction M1						
	180 – 117 = 63, 63 only marked at <i>C</i> on	MO						
	Condone assumption for symmetry of tr	360 – 2 × 117) ÷ 2 M1						

Q	Answer		Mark	Comments	
	Alternative method 1				
15 Alt 1 of 2	$\frac{15}{100} \times 49.8(0)$ or 7.47	49.8(0) ÷ 5 or 9.96	M1	oe 0.85 seen	
	49.8(0) – their 7.47 or 42.33	15/100 × their 9.96 or 1.49(4)	M1dep	oe 49.8(0) × 0.85 or 42.33	
	their 42.33 ÷ 5 or their 9.96 – their 1.49		M1dep		
	or 8.466 or 8.46 or 8.47 8.466 or 8.46 or 8.47 and 5 litres		Q1ft	Strand (iii) ft only for M1M1M0	

Q	An	swer	Mark	Comments
15 Alt 2 of 2	Alternative meth	nod 2		
	$\frac{15}{100} \times 49.8(0)$ or 7.47	49.8(0) ÷ 5 or 9.96	M1	oe 8.75 × 5 or 43.75 or 1 ÷ 8.75 or 0.114 or 0.11
	49.8(0) – their 7.47 or 42.33	$\frac{15}{100}$ × their 9.96 or 1.49(4)	M1dep	oe
	49.8(0) – their 7.47 or 42.33 and 43.75	8.75 + their 1.49(4) or 10.24(4)	M1dep	1 ÷ 8.75 or 0.114 or 0.11 and 5 ÷ their 42.33 or 0.118 or 0.12
	42.33 and 43.75 and 5 litres	9.96 and 10.24(4) and 5 litres	Q1ft	0.114 and 0.118 and 5 litres or 0.11 and 0.12 and 5 litres Strand (iii) ft only for M1M1M0
	Additional Guidance			
	Allow £49.80 or £42.33 or large can or second can or B for Q mark			
	Do not accept £50	for £49.80 unless red	covered	

Q	Answer Mark Comments		Comments	
	95 ÷ 38 or 2.5(0)	M1	oe	
	7 + their 2.5(0) or 9.5(0) or 2 hours 30 minutes seen	M1dep	p oe Allow 2.30 or 2:30	
16	9.30 (am) or 0930	A1	oe	
	Additional Guidance			
	Answer 9 hours 30 minutes	M1	1M1A0	
	9.30 pm or 2130	M1	1M1A0	

17(a) $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ and $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$, ² B2	B1 for 1 correct or 1 correct and 1 incorrect or 2 correct and 1 incorrect
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Q	Answer	Mark	Comments	
17(b)	22 ² and 8 ² seen or 484 and 64 or 420	M1	ое	
	$\sqrt{22^2 - 8^2}$ or $\sqrt{484 - 64}$ or $\sqrt{420}$ or $2\sqrt{105}$	M1dep		
	20.4(9)	A1		
	20.5	B1ft	ft any 2 dp or better SC2 for final answer of 23.4 only from incorrect use of Pythagoras' theorem	
	Additional Guidance			
	20.5 on its own			4 marks
	Trigonometry method could gain marks: M1 for gaining an equation in terms of y , M1dep for full method that would lead to an answer of 20.4(9)			

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	Alternative method 1		
	4x + 10 + 6x - 15 + 60 = 180 or $4x + 10 + 6x - 15 = 120$	M1	oe
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое
	4 × their 12.5 + 10 or 6 × their 12.5 – 15	M1dep	Dependent on M1
18 Alt	60	A1	
1 of 4	4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60	Q1	Strand (ii) Accept 60, 60, 60 with 12.5 seen
	or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	Alternative method 2		
	6x - 15 = 4x + 10 or $2x = 25$	M1	ое
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое
	4 × their 12.5 + 10 or 6 × their 12.5 – 15	M1dep	Dependent on M1
18 Alt	60	A1	
2 of 4	4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60	Q1	Strand (ii) Accept 60, 60, 60 with 12.5 seen
	or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	Alternative method 3		
	6x - 15 = 60 or $4x + 10 = 60$	M1	oe
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое
	6 × their 12.5 – 15 or 4 × their 12.5 + 10	M1dep	Dependent on M1
18 Alt	60	A1	
3 of 4	4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60	Q1	Strand (ii) Accept 60, 60, 60 with 12.5 seen
	or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments	
	Alternative method 4			
	6x - 15 = 60	M1	ое	
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое	
	4x + 10 = 60	M1	Dependent on M1	
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое	
18 Alt 4 of 4	Valid statement or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		Strand (ii)	
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60 or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60	Q1	eg Since both <i>x</i> values are 12.5 then all angles are 60 Accept 60, 60, 60 with both A marks awarded	
	and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60 Additional Guidance			

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments	
	diameter = 10 (cm) seen or implied or width of rectangle = 10 (cm) seen or implied	B1	May be on diagram	
	radius = 5 (cm) seen or implied	B1dep	May be on diagram	
19	10 × 10 or 100 or 20 × 10 or 200	M1	oe	
	$\pi \times 5^2$ or 25π or [78.5, 78.6] or 79 or $2 \times \pi \times 5^2$ or 50π or [157, 157.2] or 158	M1	oe	
	100 – their 25π or [21.4, 21.5] or 200 – 2 × their 25π	M1dep	oe Dependent on M1 M1	
	[42.8, 43] or $200 - 50\pi$ or $50(4 - \pi)$ or 42	A1	oe	
	Additional Guidance			
	$200 - 50\pi = 150\pi$ does not score final A mark			5 marks
	20 × 10 or 200 implies			B1M1
	$2 \times \pi \times 5$ implies			B1B1
	$\pi d = 10\pi$ implies			B1
	10π on its own			B0