## GCSE

## Mathematics A

## Mark Scheme for January 2012

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Annotations used in the detailed Mark Scheme.

| Annotation | Meaning |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\checkmark$ | Correct |
| $x$ | Incorrect |
| BOD | Benefit of doubt |
| FT | Follow through |
| ISW | Ignore subsequent working (after correct answer obtained), provided method has been completed |
| M0 | Method mark awarded 0 |
| M1 | Method mark awarded 1 |
| M2 | Method mark awarded 2 |
| A1 | Accuracy mark awarded 1 |
| B1 | Independent mark awarded 1 |
| B2 | Independent mark awarded 2 |
| MR | Misread |
| SC | Special case |
| ^ | Omission sign |

These should be used whenever appropriate during your marking.

The $\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}$ etc annotations must be used on your standardisation scripts for responses that are not awarded either 0 or full marks.
It is vital that you annotate these scripts to show how the marks have been awarded.
It is not mandatory to use annotations for any other marking, though you may wish to use them in some circumstances.

## Subject-Specific Marking Instructions

1. $\mathbf{M}$ marks are for using a correct method and are not lost for purely numerical errors.

A marks are for an accurate answer and depend on preceding $\mathbf{M}$ (method) marks. Therefore M0 A1 cannot be awarded.
B marks are independent of $\mathbf{M}$ (method) marks and are awarded for a correct final answer or a correct intermediate stage.
SC marks are for special cases that are worthy of some credit.
2. Unless the answer and marks columns of the mark scheme specify $\mathbf{M}$ and $\mathbf{A}$ marks etc, or the mark scheme is 'banded', then if the correct answer is clearly given and is not from wrong working full marks should be awarded.

Do not award the marks if the answer was obtained from an incorrect method, ie incorrect working is seen and the correct answer clearly follows from it.
3. Where follow through (FT) is indicated in the mark scheme, marks can be awarded where the candidate's work follows correctly from a previous answer whether or not it was correct.

Figures or expressions that are being followed through are sometimes encompassed by single quotation marks after the word their for clarity, eg FT $180 \times$ (their ' 37 ' +16 ), or FT $300-\sqrt{ }\left(\right.$ their ' $\left.5^{2}+7^{2 \prime}\right)$. Answers to part questions which are being followed through are indicated by eg FT $3 \times$ their (a).

For questions with FT available you must ensure that you refer back to the relevant previous answer. You may find it easier to mark these questions candidate by candidate rather than question by question.
4. Where dependent (dep) marks are indicated in the mark scheme, you must check that the candidate has met all the criteria specified for the mark to be awarded.
5. The following abbreviations are commonly found in GCSE Mathematics mark schemes.

- figs 237, for example, means any answer with only these digits. You should ignore leading or trailing zeros and any decimal point eg 237000, 2.37, 2.370, 0.00237 would be acceptable but 23070 or 2374 would not.
- isw means ignore subsequent working (after correct answer obtained).
- nfww means not from wrong working.
- oe means or equivalent.
- rot means rounded or truncated.
- $\quad$ seen means that you should award the mark if that number/expression is seen anywhere in the answer space, including the answer line, even if it is not in the method leading to the final answer.
- soi means seen or implied.

6. Make no deductions for wrong work after an acceptable answer unless the mark scheme says otherwise, indicated for example by the instruction 'mark final answer'.

7 As a general principle, if two or more methods are offered, mark only the method that leads to the answer on the answer line. If two (or more) answers are offered, mark the poorer (poorest).
8. When the data of a question is consistently misread in such a way as not to alter the nature or difficulty of the question, please follow the candidate's work and allow follow through for $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$ marks. Deduct 1 mark from any $\mathbf{A}$ or $\mathbf{B}$ marks earned and record this by using the MR annotation. M marks are not deducted for misreads.
9. Unless the question asks for an answer to a specific degree of accuracy, always mark at the greatest number of significant figures even if this is rounded or truncated on the answer line. For example, an answer in the mark scheme is 15.75 , which is seen in the working. The candidate then rounds or truncates this to $15.8,15$ or 16 on the answer line. Allow full marks for the 15.75.
10. If the correct answer is seen in the body of working
i. and the answer given in the answer space is a clear transcription error allow full marks unless the mark scheme says 'mark final answer'. Place the annotation $\checkmark$ next to the correct answer.
ii. but the answer space is blank, allow full marks. Place the annotation $\checkmark$ next to the correct answer.
iii. but a completely different answer is seen in the answer space, then accuracy marks for the answer are lost. Method marks could still be awarded. Use the M0, M1, M2 annotations as appropriate and place the annotation $\times$ next to the wrong answer.
11. Ranges of answers given in the mark scheme are always inclusive.
12. For methods not provided for in the mark scheme give as far as possible equivalent marks for equivalent work. If in doubt, consult your Team Leader.
13. Anything in the mark scheme which is in square brackets [...] is not required for the mark to be earned, but if present it must be correct.

| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | Part Marks and Guidance |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | (a) |  | $75 \%$ $\frac{10}{100} \text { or } \frac{1}{10} \text { oe }$ | $1$ $1$ |  | Ignore faulty cancellation after correct answer seen |
|  | (b) | (i) | (9) $\times 8$ (=) $7(2)$ | 1 |  |  |
|  |  | (ii) | $\begin{aligned} & (7) \mathbf{2}(\div) 9(=)(8) \\ & 72(\div) 8(=) 9 \end{aligned}$ | $1$ $1$ |  |  |
| 2 | (a) |  | (£)3.85(p) | 3 | M2 for (20 - their 16.15) oe <br> Or <br> M1 for 20 - (3.4[0] or 12.75) or better and M1 for their 16.6[0] - 12.75 or their $7.25-3.4[0]$ <br> Or <br> M1 for $3.4+12.75$ or 16.15 seen | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May be } 20-(3.4+12.75) \\ & 16.6[0] \text { or } 7.25 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | (b) | (i) | (£)1.20(p) | 2 | M1 for $2.8 \times 4$ or $2.8-2.5$ or 11.2 or 30 or 0.30 seen <br> or their 11.2-10 soi <br> or their $30[\mathrm{p}] \times 4$ soi | Marks implied by eg their 11.2 is 12 and answer 2 eg their 30 is 40 and answer 1.60 |
|  |  | (ii) | 8 [flowers] <br> or $8[.75] \%$ <br> Correct statement comparing their 8 or $8.75 \%$ and 7 or $10 \%$ | $2$ $1 \text { dep }$ | M1 for $80 \div 10$ oe or $7 \div 80 \times 100$ <br> Dependent on M1 |  |


| Question |  | Answer | Marks | Part Marks and Guidance |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | (a) | Reflex | 1 |  |  |
|  | (b) | 142 | 2 | M1 for 180-38 |  |
| 4 | (a) | 9 | 1 |  | Ignore cm or $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ etc |
|  | (b) | 64 | 1 |  | Ignore cm or $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ etc |
|  | (c) | 15 | 1 |  | Ignore cm or $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ etc |
|  | (d) | $h^{2}$ | 1 | Allow $h \times h$ | Ignore cm or $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ etc |
|  | (e) | 1000 | 1 | Allow $10^{3}$ if 1000 seen | Ignore cm or $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ etc |
| 5 | (a) | 1935-1949 | 1 |  |  |
|  | (b) | Rising <br> Not steady or some falls <br> Any correct figure correctly used | $1$ <br> 1 $1$ | Describes upward trend <br> Any correct mention of "up and down" eg starts at 13.5[...], ends at 14.4 (or 1995), decline from 1940 <br> Accept starts at 13.5 to 13.6 etc. | Must use or clearly imply RISE Allow "positive correlation" to imply rise <br> Read to nearest given value on scale <br> Do not reward start or finish dates unless linked to a temperature Must be correct range from two adjacent points on scale |
| 6 | (a) | C <br> a | 1 <br> 1 | Or $p=f g$ <br> Or $t=2 h+1$ |  |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (b) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Their subject, } t=\begin{array}{l} \text { [total] number of sweets } \\ \\ \text { [in the bag] } \end{array} \\ & h=[\text { the] number [of sweets] each person } \\ & \quad \text { [has] } \end{aligned}$ | $1 \mathrm{FT}$ $1$ | Must say number or amount of... <br> Number or amount | Not "sweets" Ignore reference to +1 <br> Not $2 h$ <br> There is no follow through for $h$ from a wrong Situation 2 in 6(a) |
| 7 | (a) | (i) | Regular hexagon with vertices within circles of overlay <br> 3 diagonals only (indicating 6 tiles. Ignore extra lines of symmetry) | $1$ <br> 1 | Mark intention. If more than one hexagon, mark the worst, complete, hexagon <br> If 0 then SC1 for any intended regular hexagon | Vertices within or on circles of overlay Ignore shading in this part |
|  |  | (ii) | Any correct shading giving 2 lines of symmetry | 2FT | Follow through their drawing from (i) Condone poor shading, mark intention <br> B1 Any other reflection symmetry shading | Even if not a hexagon or more than one hexagons. <br> If multiple hexagons, or other, and the portion of the drawing that the candidate intends is not clear, mark symmetry for the whole drawing. Ignore side extensions to a single hexagon, as may be used to find angles in (iii) <br> Do not accept rotational symmetry or sole hexagon completely shaded |
|  |  | (iii) | 720 | 2 | Mark final answer first M1 for $60 \times 12$ or 120 seen | Candidates may achieve 720 in working but give final answer 120. This scores M1 |


| Question |  | Answer | Marks | Part Marks and Guidance |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
|  | (b) | (i) | Any quadrilateral with 8 equilateral <br> triangles clearly indicated | 2 | Mark intention and condone wrong size <br> triangles <br> Tiles may be cut to form a rectangle <br> B1 for any quadrilateral drawn | If multiple drawings shown and the <br> chosen answer is not clear, mark <br> the worst |
|  |  | (ii) | Correct name | 1FT | Follow through their quadrilateral <br> Condone parallelogram for rhombus | If multiple drawings award mark for <br> a correct name for a quadrilateral <br> that has been drawn |



| Question |  | Answer | Marks | Guidance |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9 | (a) | 0.1 | 1 | Accept description of dot over first 1 or $r$ following 1 | Condone $0 .(1 \ldots) 1^{r}$ and $0.11 \ldots .11$ or two dots used over different 1s |
|  | (b) | 0.83 | 3 | M1 for attempted $6 \longdiv { 5 . 0 }$ A1 for 0.83[33...] <br> A1 for 0.8[3...]3 | At least as far as [0.]8 after writing 5 $\div 6$ |
|  | (c) | $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{1}{5}$ or $\frac{1}{8}$ | 1 | Any correct fraction between $\frac{1}{9}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ | Ignore any decimals |
| 10 | (a) | 3 points correctly plotted | 2 | B1 for 1 point correctly plotted | Set "fit to height" Centre of the points should lie within or just touching the circles on the overlay - if in doubt give bod |
|  | (b) | Line of best fit drawn | 1 | Straight line wholly within or touching tramlines and extending to both verticals of overlay | May cross tramlines beyond given verticals; purple anchored on (2, 10000) |
|  | (c) | Positive | 1 | Ignore other adjectives eg weak | Not a description of higher engine size, higher price |
|  | (d) | Any value in range $15500-21000$ | 1 | Condone a 3dp decimal eg 18.000 | Not 18.0(0) |
|  | (e) | Point furthest above their line of best fit | 1FT | Correct (2, 29 945) or FT their line of best fit |  |



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