**Q1.** Ishah spins a fair 5-sided spinner. She then throws a fair coin.





(a) List all the possible outcomes she could get. The first one has been done for you.

(1, head)	 	

Ishah spins the spinner once and throws the coin once.

(b) Work out the probability that she will get a 1 and a head.

(1) (Total 3 marks)

(2)

**Q2.** Glen writes down one letter from the word CAT.

Then he writes down one number from 1, 2, 3 and 4.



List **all** the possible combinations Glen could write down.

.....

Edexcel Maths GCSE - Sample Space Diagrams (F)

(Total 2 marks)

**Q3.** Ishmael has four white cards and three grey cards.



Ishmael takes at random one white card and one grey card.

(a) Show all the possible outcomes he could get.

Ishmael takes at random one white card and one grey card.

(b) Work out the probability that he will get a C and a 3.

.....

(1) (Total 3 marks)

(2)

**Q4.** There are three beads in a bag. One bead is blue, one bead is yellow and one bead is green.



Zoe takes a bead at random from the bag.

(a) On the probability scale, mark with the letter *B* the probability that she takes a blue bead.

0	1	1
	2	

(1)

Zoe now throws a coin. One possible outcome for the bead and the coin is (green, heads).

(b) List all the possible outcomes for the bead and the coin. One has already been done for you.

(green, heads)

.....

(2) (Total 3 marks)



Each spinner is to be spun once.

Total score = Blue spinner score + Red spinner score

(a) List the different ways that the total score can be 8.

.....

(2)

Ali and Shazia play a game.

In each round of the game, Ali spins the Blue spinner once and Shazia spins the Red spinner once.

Ali wins when the Blue spinner score is greater than the Red spinner score.

(b) Work out the probability that Ali will win the first round.

.....

(4) (Total 6 marks)

## M1.

	Working	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(a)	(1,H), (2,H), (3,H), (4,H), (5,H), (1,T), (2,T), (3,T), (4,T), (5,T)		2	<b>B2</b> for listing 10 outcomes with no extras ( <b>B1</b> for listing 4 additional outcomes, ignore repeats or extras)
(b)		1 10	1	<b>B1</b> ft for <sup>10</sup> o.e. or 1/their total Accept decimals or percentages
				Total for Question: 3 marks

M2.

Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
C1, C2, C3, C4 A1, A2, A3, A4 T1, T2, T3, T4	2	B2 for all 12 correct pairs (in any order, eg C1 or 1C) with no incorrect combinations. ( <b>B1</b> for at least 8 different correct pairs, ignoring any extra incorrect combinations) Note: Ignore any repeats
		Total for Question: 2 marks

M3.
-----

	Working	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(a)		(A,1), (A,2), (A,3), (B,1), (B,2), (B,3), (C,1), (C,2), (C,3), (D,1), (D,2), (D,3)	2	<b>B2</b> for listing all 12 outcomes (B1 for listing 6 outcomes, ignore repeats)

(b)	<u>1</u> 12	1	
		Page	8

## M4.

	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(a)		1	<b>B1</b> for <i>B</i> marked on line 0.25 ≤ <i>B</i> < 0.5
(b)	(g, t), (y, h), (y, t) (b, h), (b, t)	2	<b>B2</b> for 5 correct pairs (order within brackets need not be consistent, ignore pairs repeated) and no incorrect pairs ( <b>B1</b> for 2 or more correct pairs, ignore any incorrect pairs)
			Total for Question: 3 marks

## M5.

	Working	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(a)		(2, 6)(4, 4) (6, 2)	2	<b>M1</b> lists as ordered pairs or in a table with at least 2 entries
				A1 all 3 correct entries
(b)		6	4 <b>M1</b> lists the sample space (at least 4 pairs)	
		16		A1 fully correct
				M1 identifies cases where Ali wins
				A1 cao

Total for Question: 6 marks

**E1.** There was a variety of responses to listing all the outcomes from spinning the spinner and throwing a coin. A large number of candidates had no idea (around 18%) and many others did not realise that there were two options for the coin, namely Heads and Tails.

Many only took note of the Heads on the coin and so only added 4 more possible outcomes. Others were so used to working with dice that they added the extra (6, Head), (6, Tail). Several candidates wrote the outcomes as if they were just from spinners e.g. (1, 1) (2, 1).

Around 60% of the candidates were able to list the 10 outcomes correctly and over 28% were able to score all 3 marks. The most common error in part (b), very frequently seen, was to see an answer of 2/7 or 1/7 obtained by attempting to add the fractions 1/5 and 1/2. It was also quite common to see both the fractions 1/5 and 1/2 on the answer line separated by a comma. Others wrote 1/9 as they failed to include the given (1, head).

## ##

This question was usually well done and the required 12 pairings (often repeated in reverse order) was seen more than not. However a significant number of candidates then offered extra incorrect combinations which then prevented the award of full credit.

A significant number of candidates wrote, C,1,2,3,4 and A,1,2,3,4, etc. perhaps thinking that this was an acceptable shorthand notation for the 12 possible combinations.

Weaker candidates thought CAT1.CAT2 etc. were the combinations required the word followed by the number.

**E4.** In part (a) it was rather surprising that only half of the candidates could mark the probability correctly on the scale. Part (b) was generally answered well. Many candidates knew what was expected and weaker candidates were often able to gain one mark by identifying two correct pairs. Some used red as a colour and some did didn't appear to know that tails is on the opposite side of a coin to heads.