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| 1 (a) (i) | Horizontal <u>component</u> of L provides the centripetal force (WTTE) Vertical <u>component</u> of L balances the weight (WTTE) | B1 B1 | |
| (a) (| $F = mv^2/r$ correct rearranged into $v = \sqrt{(Fr/m)}$ $v = \sqrt{(1.8 \times 10^6 \times 2000 / 1.2 \times 10^5)} = \mathbf{173 \text{ m s}^{-1}}$ (or 170) | C1 A1 | Allow correct substitution of values into $F = mv^2/r$ for C1 mark |
| (b) | $mv^2/r = GMm/r^2$ $T = 2\pi r/v$ Correct manipulation of equations to give $T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 r^3}{GM}$ | B1 M1 A1 | Do not allow a bare $v^2 = GM/r$ for the first mark – we need to see where this has come from. |
| (c) | Equatorial orbit (WTTE) (QWC mark) Period is 24h/1day/same as Earth OR moves from West to East (WTTE) | B1 B1 | QWC <u>equatorial</u> or <u>equator</u> must be spelled correctly |
| (c) (| Correct rearrangement of $T^2 = (4\pi^2 r^3 / GM)$ to give $r^3 = T^2 GM / 4\pi^2$ correct sub. $r^3 = \{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24} \times (8.64 \times 10^4)^2\} / 4\pi^2 = 7.57 \times 10^{22}$ $r = \mathbf{4.23 \times 10^7 \text{ m}}$ (or 4.2 or 4.3×10^7) | C1 C1 A1 | (1 day = 8.64×10^4 s is given on the data sheet). For those who use $g = GM/r^2$ with $g = 9.81$ award 1 mark for $r = 6.4 \times 10^6$ m. |
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| 2 | (a) | (i) | $g = \frac{v^2}{r} \quad \text{or} \quad v^2 = \frac{GM}{r}$ $v = \sqrt{gr}$ $v = \sqrt{7.7 \times 7.2 \times 10^6}$ $v = 7400 \text{ (m s}^{-1}\text{)}$ | C1 C1 A1 | <p>Correct formula in any form Allow: use of a for g</p> <p>Mark is for substitution (Note Mass of Earth is 6.0×10^{24} kg) Any use of $r = 800$ km is WP scores 0/3</p> <p>Note: Answer to 3 sf is 7450 (m s⁻¹)</p> | |
| | | (ii) | $T = \frac{2\pi r}{v}$ $T = \frac{2\pi \times 7.2 \times 10^6}{7450}$ $= 6100 \text{ (s)}$ | $T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 r^3}{GM}$ $T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 (7.2 \times 10^6)^3}{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6 \times 10^{24}}$ $T = 6100 \text{ (s)}$ | C1 A1 | <p>Allow: possible ecf for v from (a)(i)</p> <p>No ecf for use of $r = 6.4 \times 10^6$ again or use of $r = 800$ km Both score 0/2</p> <p>Note: Answer to 3 sf using $v = 7400$ is 6110 (s) Answer to 3 sf using $v = 7450$ is 6070 (s)</p> |
| | (b) | (i) | <p>Number of orbits = $\frac{24 \times 3600}{6080}$ (= 14.2)</p> <p>≈ 14</p> | B1 | <p>Allow any correct method Allow ora No ecf from a(ii)</p> | |
| | | (ii) | <p>Circumference = $2\pi r$</p> <p>$\frac{\text{equatorial circumference}}{\text{width of photograph}} = \frac{2\pi \times 6400}{3000} = 13.4$</p> <p>(But each orbit crosses the equator twice hence) number of orbits = 6.7</p> <p>This is fewer than 14 orbits so whole of Earth's surface can be photographed (AW)</p> | C1 C1 A1 A0 | <p>Allow:</p> <p>Circumference = $2\pi r$ (C1)</p> <p>length of equator covered per orbit = $2\pi \times 6.4 \times 10^3 / 14$ (C1) (= 2872)</p> <p>(But each orbit crosses the equator twice hence) min width to be photographed = $\frac{1}{2} \times 2872$ = 1400 km (A1)</p> <p>< 3000 km so all of Earth's surface can be photographed in one day (A0)</p> | |

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| | (c) | suitable example: eg weather / spy / surveying / mapping / GPS | B1 | Ignore TV / radio / communications |
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| 3 | (a) | Force is proportional to the product of the masses and inversely proportional to the square of their separation (AW) | B1 | Allow: $F = \frac{GmM}{r^2}$ with all symbols defined. |
| | (b) (i) | $mg = \frac{GmM_J}{r^2}$ $M_J \left(= \frac{g r^2}{G} \right) = \frac{7.5 \times (1.3 \times 10^8)^2}{6.67 \times 10^{-11}}$ $M_J = 1.9 \times 10^{27} \text{ (kg)}$ | C1 C1 A1 | Allow: formula with m cancelled Allow: use of $T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 r^3}{GM_J} \Rightarrow M_J = \frac{4\pi^2 (1.3 \times 10^8)^3}{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times (7.2 \times 60^2)^2}$ Note: mark is for substitution with any subject |
| | (ii) | $\frac{g_M}{g_A} = \frac{r_A^2}{r_M^2}$ $\frac{g_M}{7.5} = \frac{(1.3 \times 10^8)^2}{(2.4 \times 10^{10})^2}$ $g_M = 2.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (N kg}^{-1}\text{)}$ | C1 A1 | Allow: use of $g = \frac{GM_J}{r^2}$ with possible ecf for M_J from (b)(i) $g_M = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11}) \times (1.9 \times 10^{27})}{(2.4 \times 10^{10})^2}$ Note: mark is for substitution $g_M = 2.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (N kg}^{-1}\text{)}$ |
| | (iii) | $T^2 \propto r^3$ OR $T^2/r^3 = \text{constant} (= 4\pi^2/GM_J)$ $\frac{T_M^2}{7.2^2} = \frac{(2.4 \times 10^{10})^3}{(1.3 \times 10^8)^3}$ $T_M = 1.8 \times 10^4 \text{ (hours)}$ | C1 C1 A1 | Allow: possible ecf for M_J from b(i) Allow: use of other correct formulae Note: mark is for substitution Note using times in seconds gives $T_M = 6.49 \times 10^7 \text{ (s)}$ scores 2 marks |
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| 4 | (a) | (geostationary or synchronous  The term geostationary or synchronous to be included and spelled correctly to gain the B1 mark | B1 | Must use tick or cross on Scoris to show if the mark is awarded |
| | | (ii) So that they stay: above the same point (at all times) at same point in the sky | B1 | Allow: travel at same (angular) speed / period and same direction as the Earth |
| | | (iii) <u>Dish</u> can be fixed to point in one (specific) direction/ <u>Dish</u> does not have to track the satellite (across the sky) | B1 | Allow: Receiver / aerial for dish |
| | | (iv) Select from data sheet $T^2 = (4\pi^2/GM)r^3$ $r^3 = T^2 (GM/4\pi^2)$ $r^3 = (8.64 \times 10^4)^2 (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24} / 4\pi^2)$ any subject (= 7.56×10^{22}) $r = 4.2 \times 10^7$ (m) $r \approx 4 \times 10^7$ (m) | C1 C1 A1 A0 | Allow: Full credit if candidate assumes $r = 4 \times 10^7$ and shows T is approx 1 day. 1 day = 8.64×10^4 s $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$ Mark for radius can only be awarded if suitable working is shown |
| | (b) | (i) The cube of the planets distance (from the Sun) divided by the square of the (orbital) period is the same (for all planets) (WTTE) | B1 | Allow: radius for distance., Allow: $T^2 \propto r^3$ or $r^3 / T^2 = \text{constant}$ provided T and r are <u>identified</u> |
| | | (ii) $\text{ratio}^3 = \left(\frac{27.3}{1}\right)^2$ $\text{ratio} = (27.3)^{2/3}$ $\text{ratio} = 9.1$ | C1 A1 | Allow: 1 mark for correct value of distance of Moon from Earth's centre 3.8×10^8 (m) Note: Full credit for 4×10^7 (m) used from (a)(iv) |
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| 5(a)(i) | resultant OR net OR overall force acts (on object) perpendicular to the velocity OR towards the centre of the circle | B1 | Ignore any reference to "centripetal force" |
| (a)(ii) | velocity OR direction is always changing acceleration is in direction of force OR is towards the centre/perp. to velocity | B1 B1 | Allow a (resultant) force is acting (hence there is an acceleration)) |
| (b) | centripetal force OR $mv^2/r = GMm/r^2$ OR $v^2/r = GM/r^2$ $v^2 = GM/r \Rightarrow r = GM/v^2$ $r = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6 \times 10^{24} / 3700^2$ $r = \mathbf{2.92 \times 10^7 \text{ m}}$ | C1 C1 C1 A1 | |
| (c)(i) | Any mass ejected in the same direction as the satellite (WTTE) | B1 | Idea of rocket motor pushing against direction of motion of satellite. |
| (c)(ii) | $v^2r = \text{constant}$ OR $v^2 = GM/r$ OR $v = \sqrt{\{(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6 \times 10^{24}) / 2 \times 10^7\}}$ new $v = \sqrt{(3700^2 \times 2.94/2)} = \mathbf{4500 \text{ m s}^{-1}}$ (4473) | C1 A1 | |
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