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Mark Scheme

Information to Examiners

1. General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- the typical answer or answers which are expected
- extra information to help the Examiner make his or her judgement and help to delineate what is acceptable or not worthy of credit or, in discursive answers, to give an overview of the area in which a mark or marks may be awarded
- the Assessment Objectives and specification content that each question is intended to cover.

The extra information is aligned to the appropriate answer in the left-hand part of the mark scheme and should only be applied to that item in the mark scheme.

At the beginning of a part of a question a reminder may be given, for example: where consequential marking needs to be considered in a calculation; or the answer may be on the diagram or at a different place on the script.

In general the right-hand side of the mark scheme is there to provide those extra details which confuse the main part of the mark scheme yet may be helpful in ensuring that marking is straightforward and consistent.

2. Emboldening

2.1 In a list of acceptable answers where more than one mark is available 'any **two** from' is used, with the number of marks emboldened. Each of the following bullet points is a potential mark.

2.2 A bold **and** is used to indicate that both parts of the answer are required to award the mark.

2.3 Alternative answers acceptable for a mark are indicated by the use of **or**. Different terms in the mark scheme are shown by a / ; eg allow smooth / free movement.

2.4 Any wording that is underlined is essential for the marking point to be awarded.

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which students have provided extra responses. The general principle to be followed in such a situation is that 'right + wrong = wrong'.

Each error / contradiction negates each correct response. So, if the number of errors / contradictions equals or exceeds the number of marks available for the question, no marks can be awarded.

However, responses considered to be neutral (indicated as * in example 1) are not penalised.

Example 1: What is the pH of an acidic solution? (1 mark)

Student	Response	Marks awarded
1	green, 5	0
2	red*, 5	1
3	red*, 8	0

Example 2: Name two planets in the solar system. (2 marks)

Student	Response	Marks awarded
1	Neptune, Mars, Moon	1
2	Neptune, Sun, Mars, Moon	0

3.1 Use of chemical symbols / formulae

If a student writes a chemical symbol / formula instead of a required chemical name, full credit can be given if the symbol / formula is correct and if, in the context of the question, such action is appropriate.

3.2 Marking procedure for calculations

Full marks can be given for a correct numerical answer, without any working shown.

However, if the answer is incorrect, mark(s) can be gained by correct substitution / working and this is shown in the 'extra information' column or by each stage of a longer calculation.

3.3 Interpretation of 'it'

Answers using the word 'it' should be given credit only if it is clear that the 'it' refers to the correct subject.

3.4 Errors carried forward

Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Papers should be constructed in such a way that the number of times errors can be carried forward is kept to a minimum. Allowances for errors carried forward are most likely to be restricted to calculation questions and should be shown by the abbreviation e.c.f. in the marking scheme.

3.5 Phonetic spelling

The phonetic spelling of correct scientific terminology should be credited **unless** there is a possible confusion with another technical term.

3.6 Brackets

(…..) are used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

3.2 Ignore / Insufficient / Do not allow

Ignore of insufficient is used when the information given is irrelevant to the question or not enough to gain the marking point. Any further correct amplification could gain the marking point.

Do **not** allow means that this is a wrong answer which, even if the correct answer is given, will still mean that the mark is not awarded.

4. Quality of Communication and levels marking

In Question **2a** students are required to produce extended written material in English, and will be assessed on the quality of their communication as well as the standard of the scientific response.

Students will be required to:
- use good English
- organise information clearly
- use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

The following general criteria should be used to assign marks to a level:

Level 1: basic
- Knowledge of basic information
- Simple understanding
- The answer is poorly organised, with almost no specialist terms and their use demonstrating a general lack of understanding of their meaning, little or no detail
- The spelling, punctuation and grammar are very weak.

Level 2: clear
- Knowledge of accurate information
- Clear understanding
- The answer has some structure and organisation, use of specialist terms has been attempted but not always accurately, some detail is given
- There is reasonable accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar, although there may still be some errors.

Level 3: detailed
- Knowledge of accurate information appropriately contextualised
- Detailed understanding, supported by relevant evidence and examples
- Answer is coherent and in an organised, logical sequence, containing a wide range of appropriate or relevant specialist terms used accurately.
- The answer shows almost faultless spelling, punctuation and grammar

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
1(a)	chemical kinetic sound	correct order only	1 1 1	AO1 P1.2.1a
1(b)	37.5% or 0.375	an answer rounded to 0.38 or 38% scores both marks an answer of 0.375 with a unit gains **1** mark an answer of 0.375% gains **1** mark an answer of 37.5 with or without a unit gains **1** mark allow **1** mark for an answer 3/8 3/8 with a unit scores 0	2	AO2 P1.2.1d
Total			**5**	

<table>
<tr><th>Question</th><th>Answers</th><th>Extra information</th><th>Mark</th><th>AO / Spec. Ref.</th><th>ID</th></tr>
<tr><td>2 (a)</td><td colspan="2">Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response. Examiners should also refer to the information on page 4 and apply a ‘best-fit’ approach to the marking.</td><td>6</td><td>AO2
AO3
P1.2
HSW</td><td>E</td></tr>
<tr><td>0 marks</td><td>Level 1 (1-2 marks)</td><td>Level 2 (3-4 marks)</td><td colspan="3">Level 3 (5-6 marks)</td></tr>
<tr><td>No relevant information</td><td>There is a relevant statement about an energy saving method</td><td>There is at least one clear comparison of energy saving methods and their cost effectiveness with an appropriate calculation</td><td colspan="3">There is a comparison of energy saving methods and their cost effectiveness with appropriate calculations. Comparison to include further detail.</td></tr>
<tr><td colspan="3">examples of physics points made in the response
examples of relevant statements
• energy efficient boiler saves the most (energy / money) per year
• loft insulation costs the least to install
• double-glazing costs the most to install
examples of statements that include cost effectiveness
• loft insulation is the most cost effective in the long term
• double-glazing is the least cost effective
• loft insulation has the shortest payback time
• double-glazing has the longest payback time
• payback time calculated for any method
examples of further detail
• for cost effectiveness install in the following order: loft, cavity wall, boiler, double-glazing
• for reducing energy use install in the following order: boiler, loft, cavity wall, double glazing
• don’t install double-glazing for insulation purposes
• double-glazing won’t pay for itself in your lifetime
• justified choice of best / worst method</td><td colspan="3">extra information
payback times:
energy efficient boiler: 6.25 years
loft insulation: 2 years
double glazing: 100 years
cavity wall insulation: 2.86 years</td></tr>
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Question 2 continued . . .

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
2(b)(i)	how effective a material is as an insulator	accept 'heat' for energy accept how effective a material is at keeping energy in accept the lower the U-value the better the insulator accept the lower the U-value the lower the rate of energy transfer	1	AO1 P1.1.4a
2(b)(ii)	(the U-value) decreases		1	AO1 P1.1.4b
Total			**8**	

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
3(a)(i)	0.5 °C		1	AO3 P1.1
3(a)(ii)	data is continuous **or** both variables are continuous **or** independent variable is continuous **or** time is continuous	accept results / measurements for data accept data is not categoric one variable is continuous is insufficient air temperature is continuous is insufficient	1	AO3 P1.1
3(b)(i)	20.5 (°C)		1	AO2 P1.1
3(b)(ii)	60 (minutes)	accept 1 hour	1	AO2 P1.1
3(c)(i)	so a comparison can be made **or** outside temperature is a control variable	accept: (outside) temperature would affect energy required (to maintain temperature of the house) **or** (outside) temperature would affect internal temperature (of the house) **or** heat loss will be faster on a cold day outside temperature will affect the results is insufficient fair test is insufficient	1	AO3 P1.1

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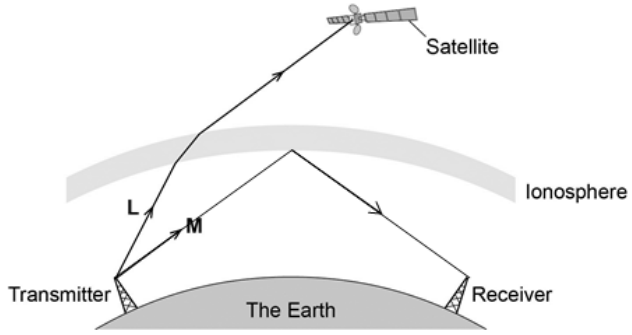
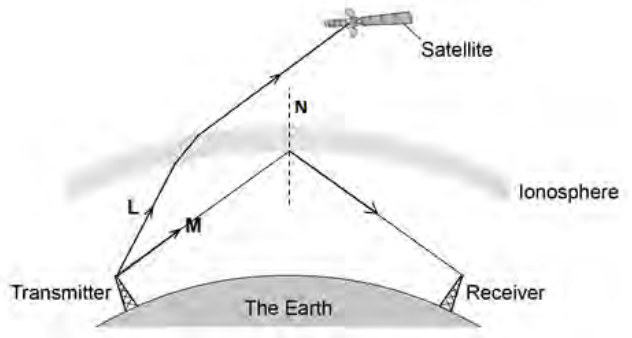
Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
3(c)(ii)	the cost is equal to the number of kWh x the cost per kWh calculation 0.8 / 8.0 = 0.1 or 10%	accept (heating) bill depends on (number of) kWh used accept energy for kWh allow 7.2 / 8.0 = 0.9 or 90%	1 1	AO3 AO2 P1.1
3(c)(iii)	heating is on for more / less time (than anticipated) because some days it is cooler / warmer (than anticipated)	 accept other sensible suggestions an answer giving two sensible situations gains **2** marks possible examples: • some houses have different amounts of insulation • there are different styles of house temperature (inside / outside) is always changing is insufficient	1 1	AO3 P1.1
Total			**9**	

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
4(a)(i)	microwave		1	AO1 P1.5.1k
4(a)(ii)	refraction		1	AO1 P1.5.1g
4(b)(i)	wave M continues as a straight line to the ionosphere and shown reflected correctly reflected wave shown as a straight line reaching the top of the receiver  	accept reflection at or within the ionosphere if more than 2 rays shown 1 mark maximum ignore arrows	1 1	AO2 P1.5.2b
4(b)(ii)	normal drawn at point where their **M** meets the ionosphere  		1	AO1 P1.5.2a

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Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
4(c)	any **two** from: • transverse • same speed (through air) • can be reflected • can be refracted • can be diffracted • can be absorbed • transfer energy • can travel through a vacuum • can be polarised • show interference	accept speed of light **or** 3×10^8 m/s an answer travel at the same speed though a vacuum scores **2** marks travel in straight lines is insufficient	2	AO1 P1.5.1a,bc, d,g
Total			**7**	

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
5(a)(i)	infrared (radiation)	accept IR (radiation)	1	AO1 P1.1.1b
5(a)(ii)	(heated) water turns to steam	ignore reference to fossil fuels do **not** accept water evaporates to steam	1	AO1 P1.4.1a
	steam turns a turbine		1	
	turbine turns a generator	accept turbine connected to a generator	1	
5(b)(i)	(so the molten salts) can store large amounts of energy	accept there is a small temperature change for a large energy transfer accept heat for energy	1	AO2 P1.1.4d
5(b)(ii)	16 (hours)	an answer that rounds to 16 gains **2** marks eg 15.71 allow **1** mark for a correct substitution ie 2 200 000 = 140 000 x t	3	AO2 AO1 P1.3.1c
5(b)(iii)	the number of daylight hours varies	less sunlight is insufficient	1	AO2 AO3 P1.4
	the (mean) power (received from the Sun per square metre) varies	accept an answer in terms of maximum possible electrical output only possible during Summer for **1** mark	1	

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Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
5(c)(i)	non-renewable power stations have higher Capacity Factors than renewable power stations		1	AO1 AO3 P1.4
	fuel (for non-renewable power stations) is always available	reference to non-renewable power stations operating all the time is insufficient non-renewable energy sources are reliable is insufficient	1	
	(most) renewable energy sources are unpredictable / unreliable	accept (most) renewable energy sources depend on the weather	1	
5(c)(ii)	the (proportion of) time that solar storage power stations can generate electricity is greater (than for other renewable energy sources)		1	AO1 P1.4
Total			**14**	

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO/Spec ref.
6(a)	Doppler (effect)		1	AO1 P1.5.4a
6(b)	(reflected microwaves) wavelength decreased (reflected microwaves) frequency increased (reflected microwaves) have same speed		1 1 1	AO1 P1.5.4a P1.5.1d
Total			**4**	

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
7(a)	4200	allow **2** marks for correct substitution ie 6930 = 0.330 x c x 5.0 answers of 1050 **or** 840 **or** correctly calculated answer from correct substitution of incorrect temperature change **or** identification of temperature change ie 5 ˚C gain **1** mark	3	AO2 AO1 P1.1.4d
	J/kg˚C	accept J/kg K	1	
7(b)	(in a metal) free electrons	to gain full credit the answer must be in terms of free electrons	1	AO1 P1.1.3a
	gain kinetic energy	accept move faster	1	
	(free electrons) transfer energy to other electrons / ions / atoms	do **not** accept particles	1	
	by collision		1	
		allow a maximum of **2** marks for answers in terms of atoms / ions / particles • gaining kinetic energy or vibrating faster / more • transferring energy by collisions		
7(c)	(air) particles spread out		1	AO1 P1.1.3a
	(which causes the) air to become less dense / expand	do **not** accept particles become less dense	1	
	(so the) warm air rises	do **not** accept heat rises particles rise is insufficient	1	
7(d)	large surface area	ignore references to type of metal or external conditions	1	AO1 P1.1.3c
	black / dark (colour)		1	
Total			**13**	