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## Physics A

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Annotations available in RM Assessor

| Annotation | Meaning |
| :--- | :--- |
| S | Correct response |
| A | Incorrect response |
| BOD | Omission mark |
| CON | Benefit of doubt given |
| RE | Contradiction |
| SF | Rounding error |
| ECF | Error in number of significant figures |
| L1 | Error carried forward |
| L2 | Level 1 |
| L3 | Level 2 |
| NBOD | Level 3 |
| SEEN | Benefit of doubt not given |
| I | Noted but no credit given |

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

| Annotation | Meaning |
| :---: | :--- |
|  | alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point |
| DO NOT ALLOW | Separates marking points |
| IGNORE | Statements which are irrelevant |
| ALLOW | Answers that can be accepted |
| ( ) | Words which are not essential to gain credit |
| ECF | Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark |
| AW | Alternative wording |
| ORA | Or reverse argument |

## Subject-specific Marking Instructions

## INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.
You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet Instructions for Examiners. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners.

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The breakdown of Assessment Objectives for GCSE (9-1) in Physics:

|  | Assessment Objective |
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| AO1 | Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific techniques and procedures. |
| AO1.1 | Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas. |
| AO1.2 | Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific techniques and procedures. |
| AO2 | Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures. |
| AO2.1 | Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas. |
| AO2.2 | Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures. |
| AO3 | Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate, make judgements and draw conclusions and develop and improve <br> experimental procedures. |
| AO3.1 | Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate. |
| AO3.1a | Analyse information and ideas to interpret. |
| AO3.1b | Analyse information and ideas to evaluate. |
| AO3.2 | Analyse information and ideas to make judgements and draw conclusions. |
| AO3.2a | Analyse information and ideas to make judgements. |
| AO3.2b | Analyse information and ideas to draw conclusions. |
| AO3.3 | Analyse information and ideas to develop and improve experimental procedures. |
| AO3.3b | Analyse information and ideas to develop experimental procedures. |

For answers to Section A if an answer box is blank ALLOW correct indication of answer e.g. circled or underlined.

| Question |  | Answer |  | Marks | AO <br> element |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | C $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.1 |  |  |
| 2 |  | A $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.1 |  |  |
| 3 |  | D $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.2 |  |  |
| 4 |  | B $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.1 |  |  |
| 5 |  | D $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.1 |  |  |
| 6 |  | B $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.1 |  |  |
| 7 |  | A $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.1 |  |  |
| 8 |  | D $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.2 |  |  |
| 9 |  | C $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.2 |  |  |
| 10 |  | B $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.1 |  |  |
| 11 |  | A $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.2 |  |  |
| 12 |  | D $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.1 |  |  |
| 13 |  | B $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.1 |  |  |
| 14 |  | A $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.1 |  |  |
| 15 |  | C $\checkmark$ | 1 | 2.1 |  |  |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | $\underset{\text { AO }}{\text { AO }}$ | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16 | (a) | (i) | variable resistor $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.2 | ALLOW rheostat IGNORE potentiometer |
|  |  | (ii) | Control / change / vary / increase / decrease / AW the resistance / current in the circuit $\checkmark$ | 1 | 1.2 | DO NOT ALLOW merely "changes the voltage or changes p.d.' <br> BUT ALLOW: changes the potential difference or voltage across (component) $\mathbf{X}$ |
|  | (b) | (i) | (filament) bulb / lamp $\checkmark$ | 1 | 3.2a |  |
|  |  | (ii) | gradient / slope (of graph) changes (as potential difference / voltage changes) <br> idea of increasing resistance (with more p.d.) / ORA $\checkmark$ <br> idea of increasing temperature / AW | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.1 a \\ & 1.2 \\ & 2.2 \end{aligned}$ | ALLOW 'graph / line / slope levels off' / non-linear <br> Resistance increases with greater temperature |
|  | (c) | (i) | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer $=\mathbf{4}(\mathrm{V})$ award $\mathbf{2}$ marks $\begin{aligned} & 0.25 \times 16 \mathrm{~V} \\ & 4(\mathrm{~V}) \vee \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & 2.1 \\ & 2.1 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  |  | (ii) | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = $\mathbf{1}(\mathrm{W})$ award 3 marks $\begin{aligned} & P=I V \checkmark \\ & P=0.25 \times 4 \checkmark \\ & P=1(W) \checkmark \end{aligned}$ <br> OR $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{P}=I^{2} \mathrm{R} \checkmark \\ & \mathrm{P}=0.25^{2} \times 16 \\ & \mathrm{P}=1(\mathrm{~W}) \checkmark \end{aligned}$ | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & 1.2 \\ & 2.1 \\ & 2.1 \\ & \\ & \\ & 1.2 \\ & 2.1 \\ & 2.1 \end{aligned}$ | ALLOW e.c.f. from part ci |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | AO element | Guidance |
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| 17 | (a) | (i) | Any three from: <br> place the compass onto the card or near to the wire (and turn on the current) <br> plot / observe the direction of the compass / needle repeat idea of tip-to-tail / plotting onto the card repeat at different distances from the centre | 3 | $3 \times 1.2$ |  |
|  |  | (ii) | one or more circles around wire $\checkmark$ clockwise arrow(s) | 2 | $2 \times 2.2$ | DO NOT ALLOW a spiral <br> BUT ALLOW if clockwise direction shown by an arrow on the spiral |
|  | (b) |  | always points to North / South <br> OR <br> Points to (magnetic) North / South <br> line up with the magnetic field lines of the Earth <br> OR <br> Compass needle shows (an angle of) dip $\checkmark$ <br> Dip (angle) changes (from equator) | 2 | $2 \times 1.1$ | ALLOW Points North / South wherever you are $\checkmark \checkmark$ |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | AO | Guidance |
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| 18 | (a) |  | Rod attracts water <br> - Opposite charges attract <br> - water has both + and - charges / idea of polarisation / AW $\checkmark$ | 3 | $3 \times 1.2$ | IGNORE positive electrons / movement of protons / ions for this answer. <br> ALLOW Water bends or moves towards rod <br> OR for candidates that have misinterpreted the diagram as repulsion of water then ALLOW <br> Rod repels water / water bends or moves away from rod $\checkmark$ <br> - Like charges repel <br> - water has both + and - charges / idea of polarisation / AW $\checkmark$ |
|  | (b) | (i) | potential difference closed or complete circuit $\checkmark$ | 2 | $2 \times 1.1$ | IGNORE ions / charge ALLOW voltage <br> ALLOW higher level answers eg. must have delocalised electrons / electrons that are free to move |
|  |  | (ii) | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWERON ANSWER LINE If answer = 1500 (C) award 4 marks $\begin{aligned} & Q=I t \checkmark \\ & t=5 \times 60=300(\mathrm{~s}) \\ & Q=5 \times 300 \checkmark \\ & Q=1500(C) \checkmark \end{aligned}$ | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & 1.1 \\ & 2.1 \\ & 2.1 \\ & 2.1 \end{aligned}$ |  |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks |  | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 19 | (a) | (i) | as the length of the wire increases the resistance increases / proportional relationship / ORA <br> BUT idea of directly proportional | 2 | $2 \times 3.2 \mathrm{~b}$ | IGNORE positive correlation <br> Numerical answers must USE values rather than merely quoting values Eg. (approximately) doubling the length, doubles the resistance / ORA $\checkmark \checkmark$ <br> Eg. Increases by 7 to $8 \Omega$ per $25 \mathrm{~cm} / 0.3 \Omega$ (allow 0.28 to 0.32 ) per $\mathrm{cm} \checkmark \checkmark$ |
|  |  | (ii) | mean for 25 cm (is recorded to 3 decimal places) and it should be recorded to one decimal place <br> mean for 50 cm is incorrect and it should be $16.2 \Omega$ | 2 | 2×3.3a | Error and a solution required for each marking point. <br> ALLOW answer in terms of sig. figs: Eg. mean for 25 cm is recorded to 4 sig. figs. - it should be recorded to 2 sig. figs. |
|  |  | (iii) | 75 cm attempt 3 or 18.7 (is an anomaly) <br> it has not been included in the mean | 2 | $2 \times 3.2 \mathrm{a}$ |  |
|  |  | (iv) | straight line through the origin scores <br> straight line / linear relationship / proportional and not through origin scores | 2 | $2 \times 3.1 \mathrm{a}$ | ALLOW answers shown on a diagram <br> ALLOW directly proportional $\checkmark \checkmark$ DO NOT ALLOW a curved line through origin <br> IGNORE positive correlation (in written comments) |


| Question |  | Answer | Marks | $\begin{gathered} \text { AO } \\ \text { element } \end{gathered}$ | Guidance |
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| (b) | (i) | Any two from: <br> (extra resistance due to ) connecting leads too long / too thin $\checkmark$ <br> (extra) resistance of the croc clips / connections <br> croc clip is not at $0 \mathrm{~cm} /$ the end of the ruler / length of resistance wire longer than intended / AW <br> Heating effect of wires | 2 | $2 \times 3.1 \mathrm{~b}$ | DO NOT ALLOW idea of less resistance <br> Eg. Crocodile clips rusted / poor conductor / bad or loose connections <br> IGNORE crocodile clips in wrong place unless qualified correctly. <br> Eg. croc clips too far apart <br> ALLOW Parallax error on meter (if it is analogue) / meter not calibrated (so resistance higher) |
|  | (ii) | Any one from: <br> make the connecting wires as short as possible <br> keep croc clips clean / solder connections $\checkmark$ <br> place croc clip exactly at the end of the ruler / at $0 \mathrm{~cm} /$ AW $\checkmark$ | 1 | 3.3b | Solution needs to be consistent with an error identified in part i. OR a new specified error <br> ALLOW: use thicker connecting wires <br> ALLOW let wire(s) cool between readings / Securely fix croc clip / calibrate meter / avoid parallax error |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | AO | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20 | (a) | (i) | All three points correctly plotted <br> OR <br> two points correctly plotted | 2 | $2 \times 2.2$ | Points should be + / -1/2 square or less (by eye) |
|  |  | (ii) | straight line up to $0.04,8$ <br> and <br> curved line consistent with points plotted past this point $\checkmark$ | 1 | 3.1a | ALLOW ecf from part ai for misplotted points <br> ALLOW straight part of graph drawn without ruler. <br> DO NOT ALLOW dot-to-dot for curve <br> Single line should be thin (less than $1 / 2$ square thick) and continuous to gain the mark. |
|  |  | (iii) | Initially the extension increases steadily / linearly / uniformly / (directly) proportionally / elastically / AW $\checkmark$ (then the) wire reaches its elastic limit <br> the extension increases plastically / by more for each (2N) weight added (past this point) / AW | 3 | $\begin{gathered} 3.1 \mathrm{a} \\ 1.2 \\ 3.1 \mathrm{a} \end{gathered}$ | ALLOW gradient is steady up to 8 N ALLOW initially obeys Hooke's law <br> IGNORE limit of proportionality (as this is an AO3 answer for an AO1 question) <br> ALLOW Hooke's law not obeyed after 8 N |
|  | (b) |  | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = $200(\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{m})$ award 3 marks $k=F \div x v$ <br> $\mathrm{k}=6 \div 0.03 \checkmark$ (or equivalent correct expression from 0 to 6N) $\mathrm{k}=200(\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{m})$ | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & 1.2 \\ & 2.1 \\ & 2.1 \end{aligned}$ | IGNORE F=kx <br> Substitution into correctly rearranged formula |


| Question |  | Answer | Marks | AO <br> element | Guidance |
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| (c) | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE <br> If answer $=0.16(J)$ award 2 marks | $\mathbf{2}$ |  | ALLOW ecf from part b |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{E}=0.16(\mathrm{~J}) \checkmark$ | 1.2 | ALLOW area under graph method: $0.5 \times 8 \times 0.04 \checkmark$ <br> BUT area under graph method used to calculate <br> 0.16 scores $\checkmark \checkmark$ |  |  |  |


|  | estion | Answer | Marks | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{AO} \\ \text { element } \end{gathered}$ | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & (*) \end{aligned}$ | (a) | Please refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. <br> Level 3 (5-6 marks) <br> A detailed explanation of experimental procedure AND <br> detailed discussion about accuracy <br> There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. <br> Level 2 (3-4 marks) <br> EITHER <br> a detailed explanation of the experimental procedure OR <br> detailed discussion about accuracy <br> OR <br> a brief explanation of the experimental procedure and <br> simple discussion about accuracy <br> There is a line of reasoning presented with some <br> structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. <br> Level 1 (1-2 marks) <br> Brief explanation of the experimental procedure OR <br> simple comment about accuracy <br> There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. 0 marks <br> No response or no response worthy of credit. | 6 | $\begin{gathered} \hline 2 \times 2.2 \\ 2 \times 3.3 \mathrm{a} \\ 2 \times 1.2 \end{gathered}$ | AO1.2 and AO2.2 Applies knowledge and understanding of how to use the equipment to find specific latent heat of water. For example: <br> - Measure the initial mass / weight of beaker <br> - Turn on the heater <br> - Start timing <br> - Use the voltmeter, ammeter and stopclock to calculate the energy supplied ( $\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{V} / \mathrm{t}$ ) <br> - Turn off the heater <br> - Stop timing <br> - Use a balance to measure the mass of the beaker and melted ice <br> - Subtract the original mass of the beaker to find the mass / weight of the melted ice / calculate mass / weight of melted ice <br> - Calculate specific latent heat by dividing energy by mass <br> AO3.3a Analyses information and ideas to develop experimental procedures and consider accuracy of the experiment. For example: <br> - Make sure that the heater is always covered with ice <br> - Insulate / put lid on the funnel to reduce heat losses <br> - Make sure that the mass of water produced is sufficiently large - run the experiment for long enough <br> - Repeat the experiment to minimise (random) errors |


| Question | Answer | Marks | AO element | Guidance |
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| (b) | ```FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer \(=380000(\mathrm{~J})\) award 3 marks SLH \(=\mathrm{E} \div \mathrm{m}\) \(=95000 \div 0.25\) \(=380000(\mathrm{~J} / \mathrm{kg})\)``` | 3 | 1.2 <br> 2.1 <br> 2.1 | Rearranging equation $95 \div 250$ or 0.38 scores $\checkmark$ (evidence of rearranged formula) $\begin{array}{\|l} 95000 \div 250=380 \text { scores } \\ \text { Or } 95 \div 0.25=380 \checkmark \checkmark \\ \text { Or } 380 \checkmark \checkmark \end{array}$ |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | $\underset{\text { AO }}{\text { AOMent }}$ | Guidance |
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| 22 | (a) |  | momentum <br> kinetic energy or KE | 2 | $2 \times 1.1$ | IGNORE mass conserved <br> If more than two answers mark the first two answers (unless one of them is mass). <br> Eg 'KE, mass, momentum $\checkmark \checkmark$ <br> Eg. PE, KE, momentum |
|  | (b) | (i) | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINES If answers $=8.4(\mathrm{kgm} / \mathrm{s})$ and $6.75 / 6.8(\mathrm{kgm} / \mathrm{s})$ award 3 marks <br> $2 \times 4.2$ <br> $2.5 \times 2.7$ <br> A: 8.4 (kgm/s) <br> B: $6.75 / 6.8$ ( $\mathrm{kgm} / \mathrm{s}$ ) | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & 1.2 \\ & 2.2 \\ & 2.2 \end{aligned}$ | 8.4 and 6.7 scores $\checkmark \checkmark$ (incorrect rounding of one of the values) |
|  |  | (ii) | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = $3.4(\mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$ award 3 marks $(8.4+6.75) \div 4.5$ <br> 3.37 / 3.366666667 (m) <br> 3.4 (rounding to 2 sf ) | 3 | $\begin{gathered} 2.2 \\ 2.2 \\ 1.2 \end{gathered}$ | ECF for momentum values eg. $(A+B) \div 4.5$ <br> Wrong answer but evidence of correct rounding Eg. 6.75 to $6.8 \checkmark$ |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | AO element | Guidance |
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| 23 | (a) | (i) | initial speed is zero and <br> - either acceleration due to gravity $=10$ <br> - $\quad$ or $g=10 \checkmark$ <br> use $\mathrm{a}=(\mathrm{v}-\mathrm{u}) \div \mathrm{t}$ to find the final speed $/ \mathrm{v} \checkmark$ use $v^{2}-u^{2}=2$ as to find $s \checkmark$ | 3 | $3 \times 1.1$ | IGNORE the idea of echoes and speed of sound <br> ALLOW answers using g = 9.8 or 9.81 <br> ALLOW $\mathrm{v}=\mathrm{u}+\mathrm{at}$ <br> ALLOW credit for higher level answers: Eg. three marks for answer in terms of $s=u t+1 / 2 a t^{2}$ |
|  |  | (ii) | FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 22 (m/s) award 2 marks <br> $10=v(-0) / 2.2$ OR uses idea that stone gains $10 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ each second $V=22(\mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$ | 2 | $2 \times 2.1$ | ALLOW 21.56 or 21.58 or 21.6 (if $\mathrm{g}=9.8$ or 9.81 ) |


| Quest | Answer | Marks | $\begin{gathered} \text { AO } \\ \text { element } \end{gathered}$ | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (b) | only 2 arrows drawn or directions of the two forces described - one upwards and one downwards <br> Correctly names weight and air resistance / drag <br> downward arrow longer than upward arrow / forces are unbalanced / resultant / net / overall force downwards $\checkmark$ <br> so object accelerates / gets faster / increases velocity or speed $\checkmark$ | 4 | 2.1 <br> 1.1 <br> 2.1 <br> 1.1 | Award marks for answer points given in diagrams or prose. <br> ALLOW force of gravity or mg or gravitational pull for weight <br> BUT DO NOT ALLOW merely 'gravity' IGNORE upthrust for this marking point only <br> Drag / air resistance (3 marks) <br> Weight or force of gravity |

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