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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Mark schemes have been developed so that the rubrics of each mark scheme reflects the characteristics of the skills within the AO being targeted and the requirements of the command word. So for example the command word 'Explain' requires an identification of a point and then reasoning/justification of the point.

Explain questions can be asked across all AOs. The distinction comes whether the identification is via a judgment made to reach a conclusion, or, making a point through application of knowledge to reason/justify the point made through application of understanding. It is the combination and linkage of the marking points that is needed to gain full marks.

When marking questions with a 'describe' or 'explain' command word, the detailed marking guidance below should be consulted to ensure consistency of marking.

Assessment Objective		Command Word	
Strand	Element	Describe	Explain
AO1*		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description	An explanation that links identification of a point with reasoning/justification(s) as required
AO2		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description, showing application of knowledge and understanding	An explanation that links identification of a point (by applying knowledge) with reasoning/justification (application of understanding)
AO3	1a and 1b	An answer that combines points of interpretation/evaluation to provide a logical description	
AO3	2a and 2b		An explanation that combines identification via a judgment to reach a conclusion via justification/reasoning
AO3	За	An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description of the plan/method/experiment	
AO3	3b		An explanation that combines identifying an improvement of the experimental procedure with a linked justification/reasoning

*there will be situations where an AO1 question will include elements of recall of knowledge directly from the specification (up to a maximum of 15%). These will be identified by an asterisk in the mark scheme.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)	accept for filament bulb		(4) AO3
	battery/cell symbol (1) lamp symbol (1) switch symbol (1) then complete series circuit shown (1)	ignore polarity of battery	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(b)	substitution (1) 0.15 x 40 evaluation (1)		(2) AO2
	6(.0) (V)	award full marks for correct answer without working	

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(c)	1.4 (A)	(1) AO2

Total for Question 1 =7 marks

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2a	object description nail in a current-carrying coil non-magnetic returent-carrying coil permanent magnet plotting compass needle permanent magnet plotting compass needle temporary magnet wooden ruler temporary magnet	three links correct (2) one link correct (1)	(2) AO1

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2 (b) i	circle shown around wire (1)	allow tolerance for translation of 3D to 2D ignore any multiplicity of those circles	(1) AO1

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2 (b) ii	arrow indicating a clockwise		(1)
	direction (for magnetic field line		AO1
	drawn for i) (1)		

Question number	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
2(c)i	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	One mark for each point plotted correctly, to within ± 1 small square	guidance	(2) AO2

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(c)ii	smooth curve drawn fitting the plotted points (1)	judge by eye	(1) AO2

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2ciii	substitution using an attempt at calculation – any subtraction seen (1) e.g. 2(.0) – 1(.0) evaluation (1) (-) 1(.0) (mT)	accept any number that rounds to 1.0 award full marks for correct answer without working	(2) AO3

Question number	Answer	Mark
2 (c) iv	(size of) current	(1) AO1

(Total for Question 2 = 9 marks)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3 (a) i	substitution (1)		(2) AO2
	$(I = \frac{P}{V}) = \frac{1.9 (x \ 10^3)}{230} (1)$		
	evaluation (1)		
	8.3 (A)	8.3 / 8.26 (A)	
		award full marks for correct answer without working	
		award one mark for 8.26 x 10 ⁻³ / 0.0083	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3 (a) ii	choice and substitution (1) $E = I \times V \times t$ $= 7.4 \times 230 \times 120$		(2) AO2
	evaluation (1)		
	200000 (J)	accept 204000 / 204240	
		award full marks for correct answer without working	
		award 1 mark for 3400 / 3404 (J) (using 2 minutes as time)	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3 (b) i	Wire Xearth(1) Wire Ylive (1)	accept 'life'	(2) AO1

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3 (b) ii	Component Zfuse (1)		(1) AO1

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3 (c)		rearrangement and substitution in either order	(3) AO2
	substitution (1) (I _p) x 230 = 19 x 2.37	allow numerical values written above equation	
	rearrangement (1) $(lp) = (19.0 \times 2.37) \div 230$	input voltage = (output voltage × output current) ÷ input voltage	
	evaluation (1)		
	input current = 0.196 (A)	award full marks for any answer that rounds to 0.2(00) (A)	
		award 1 mark for 5.1(07) (substitution with upside down rearrangement)	
		award full marks for correct answer without working	

(Total for Question 3 = 10 marks)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(a)i	substitution (1)		(2) AO2
	$(\varDelta GPE) = 72 \times 10 \times 7.0$	do not penalise any power of ten error (p.o.t.e.) at this stage do not accept an answer without value for g (10) being used)	
	evaluation (1) 5040 (J)	award full marks for correct answer	
		without working	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4aii	an explanation to include		(2) AO3
	(potential / kinetic) energy is transferred / dissipated (1)	accept lost / deceases accept friction / air resistance acts	
	to surroundings / water / air / slide (1)	accept to thermal (store)	

number		guidance	Mark
4b	Explanation linking two from: choice of distance (1) 6.3 m		(2) AO3
	(calculations of work done need) the distance moved in the direction of the force (1) (friction acts) along the slope /	accept pushed up the slope	

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number 4 (c)	substitution (1)		(2)
4 (0)			(3)
	$KE = \frac{1}{2} \times 58 \left(\times 10^{-3} \right) \times 28^2$	do not penalise p.o.t.e. at this stage	AO2
	conversion (1) uses 58×10^{-3} or 0.058		
	evaluation (1)		
	23 (J)	award full marks for any answer that rounds to 23 (e.g. 22.736) (J)	
		award max two marks for any answer that rounds to 2.3 to any other power of 10	
		consolation mark for not squaring 28 (8.1(2) to any p.o.t.) (maximum 1 mark)	

(Total for Question 4 = 9 marks)

Question number	Answer	Mark
5(a)	D variable resistor Options A, B and C are all wrong identifications with both the circuit components shown	(1) AO1

Question number	Answer	Mark
5(b)	C ammeter in series with component, voltmeter in parallel Only option C is correct for both the ammeter and the voltmeter	(1) AO1

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5c(i)	A description including		(2) AO3
	as the potential difference (voltage) increases so does the current (1)	positive correlation	
	idea of gradient of graph decreasing as V increases (1)	at a decreasing rate non-linear not directly proportional	

Question number	Answer			Additional guidance	Mark
5(c)(ii)	Award one ma the table	ark for ead	ch row of		(2) AO2
		voltage V	current in mA		
	point P	1(.00)	20	ignore any units added in the	
	point Q	3.4 ±0.1	43 ±1	boxes	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(c)(iii)			(2)
	substitution (1)		
	$(R=) - \frac{4.5}{2}$		AO2
	$51(\times 10^{-3})$	0.088(2) or 8.8(2) or	
		0.88(2) or 0.09	
		seen scores 1 mark	
	evaluation (1) 88.(2) (Ω)		
		0.088(2) kΩ	
		or 0.09 k Ω scores 2	
		marks	
		award full marks for correct answer without working	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(c)(iv)	an explanation linking any three of:		(3) AO1
	identification of resistance increasing (1)		
	heating (of the filament) (1)	temperature increases	
	because of more collisions (1)		
	of electrons (with ions / atoms / other electrons) (1)		

Question 5 = 11 marks

Question	Answer	Additional	Mark
6(a)	descriptions to include any two of	guidance	(2) AO1
	 particles / atoms in solid close(r) together (1) 	reverse argument	
		difference asked for, so must compare for subsequent marking points	
	 particles / atoms in solid (vibrate) in fixed positions but particles in liquid move (freely) (1) 		
	 particles in a solid in regular arrangement but particles in liquid are randomly arranged (1) 		
	 particles in a liquid have more (kinetic) energy (than in a solid) (1) 		
		allow answers in terms of forces between particles	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(b)	volume substitution (1) $1.5 \times 1.0 \times 0.2(0) (= 0.3)$		(3) AO2
	substitution in equation (1) mass = $2100 \times (0.3(0))$	ecf from calculated value of volume for this mark only	
	evaluation (1) = 630 (kg)	award 2 marks for 6.3 x any other power of 10	
		5670 gains 1 mark from use of 1.5+1.0+0.2=2.7	
		award full marks for correct answer without working	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(c)	statements to include any two from		(2) AO1
	use cladding / (extra) insulation (1)		
	use double thicknesses of the concrete (1)	create cavity	
	use silver / reflective / white (paint) (1)		
	plant trees around (wind break) (1)		
	use double glazed windows (1)		
	(properly) close window(s)/door	draft exclusion	

Question	Indicative content	Mark
6 (d) *	Answers will be credited according to candidate's deployment of knowledge and understanding of the material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the generic mark scheme. The indicative content below is not prescriptive and candidates are not required to include all the material which is indicated as relevant. Additional content	(6) AO1
	included in the response must be scientific and relevant.	
	AO1 (strand 2) (6 marks)	
	 Indicative content measure the length and width of a strip with the ruler / a metre rule measure the thickness of the strip with a more accurate device e.g. digital callipers OR place 5 (say) of the same strip on top of each other and measure their thickness with the ruler then ÷5 to calculate a single thickness [plus air gap] measure the mass of a strip with an electronic balance measure the mass of (say) 5 strips then ÷5 to calculate the mass of one of them calculate the volume (= I x w x t) in m³ and the mass in kg use displacement can/measuring cylinder to find the volume mass / volume to get density check if it's near one of the teacher's two values of density given if it's close / not so far off it's safe to assume that strip is of the identified material repeat for the other strip other repeat measurements 	

AO targeting: AO1.2

Level	Mark	Descriptor	
	0	No rewardable material.	
Level 1	1-2	 Demonstrates elements of physics understanding, some of which is inaccurate. Understanding of scientific, enquiry, techniques and procedures lacks detail. (AO1) 	
		 Presents a description which is not logically ordered and with significant gaps. (AO1) 	
Level 2	3-4	• Demonstrates physics understanding, which is mostly relevant but may include some inaccuracies. Understanding of scientific ideas, enquiry, techniques and procedures is not fully detailed and/or developed. (AO1)	
		• Presents a description of the procedure that has a structure which is mostly clear, coherent and logical with minor steps missing. (AO1)	
Level 3	5-6	 Demonstrates accurate and relevant physics understanding throughout. Understanding of the scientific ideas, enquiry, techniques and procedures is detailed and fully developed. (AO1) 	
		• Presents a description that has a well-developed structure which is clear, coherent and logical. (AO1)	

Summary for guidance				
Level	Mark	Additional Guidance	General additional guidance – the decision within levels	
			e.g At each level, as well as content, the scientific coherency of what is stated will help place the answer at the top, or the bottom, of that level.	
	0	No rewardable material.		
Level 1	1-2	Additional guidance	Possible candidate responses	
		Partially complete description of a suitable procedure with at least two measurements	measure the length measure the width of a strip measure the mass/weight of a strip	
		OR one measurement and another procedural point	e.g. repeat measurements	
Level 2	3-4	Additional guidance	Possible candidate responses	
		Mostly complete description of a suitable procedure with at least	As above with measure the thickness of the strip	
		three measurements and	calculate the volume (= $ x w x t$)	
		processing the results.	immerse in liquid to get volume	
Level 3	5-6	Additional guidance	Possible candidate responses	
		Detailed description of a suitable procedure with all necessary measurements and a clear description of processing the results.	As above with extra detail e.g. measure the mass of (say) 5 strips then ÷5 to calculate the mass of one of them detail of obtaining volume by immersion use density =mass /volume	
			check if density value obtained is near one of the teacher's two values	

Question 6 = 13 marks