

GCSE (9–1)

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Combined Science

(Chemistry) A (Gateway Science)

J250/09: Paper 9 (Higher Tier)

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Mark Scheme for June 2019

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Annotations available in RM Assessor

Annotation	Meaning
✓	Correct response
×	Incorrect response
<u> </u>	Omission mark
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
RE	Rounding error
SF	Error in number of significant figures
ECF	Error carried forward
L1	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
I	Ignore

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

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

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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 Combined Science A:

	Assessment Objective
A01	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 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.
AO3.3a	Analyse information and ideas to develop experimental procedures.
AO3.3b	Analyse information and ideas to improve experimental procedures.

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

Q	uestic	on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
1			C√	1	1.1	
2			A√	1	1.1	
3			A✓	1	1.1	
4			D √	1	1.2	
5			C√	1	1.1	
6			C √	1	1.1	
7			C√	1	2.1	
8			B√	1	2.2	
9			D√	1	2.1	
10			A√	1	2.2	

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Q	Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
11	(a)		Reaction Y ✓	2	3.2b	
			Any one from: Temperature has dropped ✓ Energy / heat has been taken in / gained ✓ Temperature change is negative ✓		2.1	ALLOW Final temp is lower than starting temp IGNORE any reference to exothermic reactions
	(b)		Image: products of the products of the products of the products of the progress of the progress of the progress of the progress of the products of the product	4	2.1	DO NOT ALLOW activation energy or energy change with a double headed arrow DO NOT ALLOW activation energy arrow pointing downwards

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Quest	ion	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
(c)		(Polystyrene cup) leads to less heat loss / ORA ✓ More accurate results / ORA ✓	2	2.2	ALLOW Polystyrene keeps heat in ALLOW Polystyrene cup is an insulator / does not conduct IGNORE Any references to precision
(d)	(i)	Gain of oxygen / loss of electrons ✓	1	1.1	
(d)	(ii)	Image: style="text-align: center;">Image: style="text-align: center;"/>Image: style: style="text-align: center;"/>Image: sty	3	1.1	ALLOW e / e ⁻ as an electron without a label. All other symbols such as a negative sign must be labelled.

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Question	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
12*	Please refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this	6	3 x 3.2a	AO3.2a Analyses the information to make
	mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question		3 x 3.3b	judgements on chromatography method and
				R _f calculation
	Level 3 (5–6 marks)			Indicative science content that would not
	Detailed description and explanation of mistakes that			provide suitable data.
	would mean the experiment would not give suitable data.			If line drawn in pen:
	Suggestions made to improve experiment including the			Pen/ink will run/dissolve/mix into solvent
	correct processing of data.			Pen/ink will mix with spots/stop spots from
	There is a wall developed line of reasoning which is			being seen
	clear and logically structured. The information presented			If solvent is at the same level:
	is relevant and substantiated			Spots will run/smuage/dissolve/mix with
				Solveni
	Level 2 (3–4 marks)			• Spots won't move up the paper
	Description and explanation of some of the mistakes that			If incorrect R_f equation is used.
	would mean the experiment would not give suitable data.			• $R_{\rm f}$ value will be > 1 / $R_{\rm f}$ value should be < 1
	Suggestions made to improve experiment. This may			Other indicative science content points
	include the correct processing of data.			If line is not near the bottom:
				There may not be enough distance for spots to
	There is a line of reasoning presented with some			move and be able to calculate Rf values
	structure. The information presented is relevant and			accurately
	supported by some evidence.			If beaker isn't covered:
				Solvent will evaporate
	Level 1 (1–2 marks)			If spots are too large:
	Limited description of the mistakes of the experiment.			Separation won't be clear
	I his may include limited explanation or suggestion(s) of			
	improvements or the correct processing of data.			AO3.3b Analyse information to suggest
	There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of			Improvements to chromatography method
	reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant			Line on plate should be drawn with pencil
				• Solvent should be under the pencil line instead
	0 marks			of at the same level
	No response or no response worthy of credit			R _f calculation is distance moved by solute
				divided by distance moved by solvent / R _f
				values should be $X = 0.82$, $Y=0.68$ and $Z=0.54$

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
13	(a)	(i)	Protons and neutrons ✓ 13 (protons) 14 (neutrons) ✓	2	1.1 2.1	 MP1 is for mention of protons and neutrons DO NOT ALLOW any reference to electrons in the nucleus. IGNORE mention of electrons in shells MP2 depends on MP1 MP2 is for correct amounts of both sub atomic particle
		(ii)	Positive / + /+13 ✓	1	1.1	DO NOT ALLOW any number other than 13
		(iii)	Electrons ✓	1	1.1	
	(b)		 (Student is not correct) – No mark Isotopes have same number of protons / isotopes are atoms of the same element ✓ (Same element /same number of protons) with a different number of neutrons ✓ 	2	2.1	 ALLOW max score of 1 mark if the 'yes' box is ticked or neither box has been ticked. ALLOW P has a different number of protons (to Al) IGNORE any reference to electrons
	(c)	(i)	$P_2O_5 \checkmark$	1	2.2	
		(ii)	 Aluminium oxide has ionic bonding AND phosphorous pentoxide has covalent bonding ✓ Ionic substances have high boiling points / simple covalent / covalent molecules have low boiling points ✓ 	2	3.2b 2.1	ALLOW 1 mark for identification of one correct bonding type linked to the correct explanation of boiling point.
	(d)	(i)	Moles of Mg 0.729/24.3 = 0.03 ✓	1	2.2	

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
	(ii)	FIRST CHECK ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 108 award 3 marks	3		ALLOW ECF from (d)(i)
		Moles of M 2 × 0.03 = 0.06 ✓		2.2	
		Relative atomic mass of M 6.476/0.06 = 107.93 ✓		2.2	ALLOW ECF from incorrect moles M
		= 108 (3 SF) ✓		1.2	ECF if processing of data has given an incorrect value but expressed as 3SF
	(iii)	Silver ✓	1	1.2	ALLOW ECF from (d)(ii) ALLOW ECF for metal in periodic table closest to calculated relative atomic mass of M DO NOT ALLOW a non-metal element

Question		on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
14	(a)	(i)	Hydrogen / H⁺ ✓ Sodium / Na⁺ ✓	2	1.1	ALLOW answers in either order
		(ii)	Hydrogen / H₂ (gas) is formed ✓ Because hydrogen (ions) / H⁺ are less reactive than sodium (ions) / Na⁺ / ORA ✓	2	1.1	DO NOT ALLOW H is formed ALLOW lower in reactivity series
	(b)		Mg ²⁺ + 2e ⁻ → Mg Formulae ✓ Balancing ✓	2	2.1	ALLOW any correct multiple DO NOT ALLOW and / & instead of '+' balancing mark is dependent on the correct formulae but ALLOW 1 mark for a balanced equation with a minor error in subscripts / formulae eg Mg2+, Mg ⁰ or MG ALLOW Mg ²⁺ \rightarrow Mg - 2e ⁻

Question		on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
15	(a)		Type: covalent ✓ Number: 4 ✓	2	1.1	Mark independently
	(b)	(i)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 1.44 x 10^{23} award 4 marks Atomic weight = $(6x12) + (1x12)$ = $84q \checkmark$	4	3 x 2.2	ALLOW correct answer to 3 sig figs from moles of hex-1-ene (0.24 / 0.238 / 0.2381) [0.238 gives 1.43 x 10 ²³ ; 0.2381 gives 1.43 x 10 ²³)
			Moles of hex-1-exe = 20 ÷ 84 = 0.24 / 0.238 / 0.2381 ✓			ALLOW ECF from incorrect atomic weight
			Number of molecules = $0.24 \times (6.02 \times 10^{23})$ = $1.4448 \times 10^{23} \checkmark$			ALLOW ECF from incorrect number of moles
			= 1.44 x 10 ²³ (3sf) ✓		1.2	ECF if processing of data has given an incorrect value but expressed as 3SF
		(ii)	Not enough oxygen / oxygen was a limiting reactant ✓	1	3.2b	ALLOW idea that incomplete combustion occurred

Question		on	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
16	(a)		25(cm ³) ✓	1	3.1a	
	(b)		 (As more acid is added) pH decreases ✓ Gradual change at the start / sharp (change) in pH when 25cm³ acid added half way through / gradual change at the end AW ✓ 	2	3.1a	IGNORE mixture / solution becomes more acidic or less alkaline.
	(c)		H ⁺ / hydrogen ion (concentration) increases ✓ (So) pH decreases ✓	2	1.1	Statement must be comparative. MP2 dependent on MP1

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