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Unit A151/02: Modules B4, C4, P4

Mark Scheme for June 2012

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Annotations

Used in the detailed Mark Scheme

Annotation	Meaning				
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point				
(1)	separates marking points				
not/reject	answers which are not worthy of credit				
ignore	statements which are irrelevant - applies to neutral answers				
allow/accept	w/accept answers that can be accepted				
(words)	words which are not essential to gain credit				
<u>words</u>	underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark				
ecf	error carried forward				
AW/owtte	credit alternative wording / or words to that effect				
ORA	or reverse argument				

Available in Scoris to annotate scripts.

?	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
BOD	benefit of doubt
CON	contradiction
×	incorrect response
ECF	error carried forward
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
NBOD	no benefit of doubt

R	reject
	correct response
L1 , L2 , L3	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
^	information omitted

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- a. If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
- b. Crossed out answers should be considered only if no other response has been made. When marking crossed out responses, accept correct answers which are clear and unambiguous.

Eg

For a one mark question, where ticks in boxes 3 and 4 are required for the mark:

Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.
		*
		**
*	\checkmark	\checkmark
₹	₹	\checkmark
This would be worth 1 mark.	This would be worth 0 marks.	This would be worth 1 mark.

c. The list principle:

If a list of responses greater than the number requested is given, work through the list from the beginning. Award one mark for each correct response, ignore any neutral response, and deduct one mark for any incorrect response, eg one which has an error of science. If the number of incorrect responses is equal to or greater than the number of correct responses, no marks are awarded. A neutral response is correct but irrelevant to the question.

d. Marking method for tick boxes:

Always check the additional guidance.

If there is a set of boxes, some of which should be ticked and others left empty, then judge the entire set of boxes.

If there is at least one tick, ignore crosses. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, eg shading or crosses.

Credit should be given for each box correctly ticked. If more boxes are ticked than there are correct answers, then deduct one mark for each additional tick. Candidates cannot score less than zero marks.

Eg If a question requires candidates to identify a city in England, then in the boxes

Edinburgh	
Manchester	
Paris	
Southampton	

the second and fourth boxes should have ticks (or other clear indication of choice) and the first and third should be blank (or have indication of choice crossed out).

Edinburgh			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Manchester	✓	×	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	×		✓		✓	✓		✓	
Score:	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	NR

- e. For answers marked by levels of response:
 - i. Read through the whole answer from start to finish
 - ii. **Decide the level** that **best fits** the answer match the quality of the answer to the closest level descriptor
 - iii. To determine the mark within the level, consider the following:

Descriptor	Award mark
A good match to the level descriptor	The higher mark in the level
Just matches the level descriptor	The lower mark in the level

iv. Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris to show your decision; do not use ticks.

Quality of Written Communication skills assessed in 6-mark extended writing questions include:

- appropriate use of correct scientific terms
- spelling, punctuation and grammar
- developing a structured, persuasive argument
- selecting and using evidence to support an argument
- considering different sides of a debate in a balanced way
- logical sequencing.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 (a) [Level 3] Names most structures to their for Quality of written conformation of the science at the structures to correct function for Quality of written conformation of the science at the structure at the	tures correctly and links some unctions in photosynthesis. Immunication does not impede ne science at this level. (5 – 6 marks) tures correctly and links some functions. Immunication partly impedes e science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) Immunication partly oR gives a rone structure. Immunication impedes communication	Marks 6	This question is targeted at grades up to C Functions in photosynthesis • nucleus (A) has genetic code for enzymes/proteins • cell membrane (B) is where water/CO₂/oxygen passes in/out of cell • cytoplasm (C) contains substances (involved in photosynthesis) / the site where enzymes or proteins are made • chloroplasts (D) (contain chlorophyll which) absorbs light General functions • Nucleus or part A controls cell/contains DNA/chromosomes/genetic material • Cell membrane or part B lets substances in/out / allows diffusion • Cytoplasm or part C contains (dissolved) substances / where (cell) reactions take place • Chloroplasts or part D contain chlorophyll / are where photosynthesis happens Allow carbon dioxide and water are needed (by the cell) for photosynthesis as a general function. Correct Names: • A = nucleus • B = cell membrane • C = cytoplasm • D = chloroplast When looking for correct names, do not allow cell wall for cell membrane or chlorophyll for chloroplast, however allow correct function (from lists above).

Questio	n	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(b)	(i)	any two from: links <u>increased</u> photosynthesis to <u>increased</u> mass; (1) links <u>increased</u> photosynthesis to <u>increased</u> growth; (1)	2	ignore plants with a higher mass photosynthesise faster
		(photosynthesis) makes glucose / glucose needed for growth; (1)		allow reference to production of sugar / starch / cellulose / protein / chlorophyll in place of glucose
	(ii)	lines must stay together until at least half way to first x	1	line follows first slope then levels off at higher level must do both things for the mark
	(iii)	temperature (1)	2	ignore 'heat' allow water (1) needed for photosynthesis (1)
		affects enzyme activity / enzymes denatured (at high temperatures); (1)		ignore enzymes destroyed / killed accept enzymes damaged
		Total	11	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	0.2 (litres)	1	allow 200ml / cm ³ if unit is clearly expressed
		(ii)	150 (minutes) (2) if answer is incorrect look at working working: 30/0.2 OR 30/answer to 2ai (1)	2	allow ecf from 2ai: correct value calculated from 30/candidate's answer to 2ai for both marks
	(b)		(time less than expected because): any two from: needs more energy; (1) muscles need (more) oxygen; (1) aerobic respiration needs oxygen; (1) more/faster respiration; (1) oxygen/air supply will not last as long / oxygen/air is used up faster / more oxygen/air needed; (1)	2	ignore swimming harder / working harder 'more aerobic respiration needs more oxygen' (2) for MP3 and MP4 ignore 'she can stay under water less time' ignore references to anaerobic respiration
			Total	5	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3 (a)	ignore 'yes' or 'no', look for reasons: any 3 from: optimum pH for enzyme Y is 7.5 (1) pH in stomach is below pH range for enzyme / too low / too acidic; (1) idea of shape of active site changes / bonds in active site break; (1) (substrate) molecules do not fit (in the active site); (1) enzyme-substrate complex cannot form; (1)	3	allow values between 7 and 8; allow 'enzyme denatured' if it is clear that this happens either at low pH or in the stomach allow idea that pill / enzyme could be digested/damaged in the stomach / enzyme should be protected with a coating to prevent digestion/denaturation in stomach ignore 'destroyed' / 'killed' ignore 'active site changes' alone ignore bonds in enzyme break
(b)	The work has not been peer reviewed.	1	
	Tot	al 4	

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4	1	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(a)	88-145	1	
	(b)	One mark; Solid (at room temperature) / needs to be melted / needs to be a liquid / needs to be kept hot; (1) Plus any two from: idea of sodium being (very) reactive; (1) sodium reacts with water; (1)	3	accept sodium needs to be heated ignore pipes will melt / get damaged / pipes react
	(0)	hydrogen produced; (1) consequence of hydrogen gas eg explosions; (1)	4	ignore 'it explodes', must be idea that hydrogen explodes
	(c)	Lose electron / lose electrons/ lose e / lose e Total	5	

Q	Question		Answer			Marks	Guidance
5	(a)		2Na + Cl ₂ = 2NaCl			2	formulae = 1,
							formulae must be correct for balancing mark to score balancing = 1
							do not allow sodium represented as NA or NA or NA, or clear capital L in chlorine (CL)
	(b)					2	all rows correct = 2
				true	false		5 or 4 rows correct = 1
			the ions move freely	✓			
			the ions turn into atoms		✓		
			hydrogen gas is produced		✓		
			the solution conducts electricity	✓			
			the ions separate	✓			
			float on the surface and react		✓		
	(c)		any three from:			3	
			see <u>line</u> s;				accept 'frequencies' or 'wavelengths' for 'lines'
			each element gives unique lines/colours/s	spectra	/pattern;		
			sodium can be identified by lines in the sa known sodium compounds;	ame pla	ace as		
			(salt crystals would give) extra lines to she elements;	ow mor	·e		
			(to identify elements) compare results with elements;	h know	n		accept 'known compounds'

Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
(d)	ato	umber in an m of sodium	2	
	electron proton	11 (1)		
	neutron	12 (1) Total	9	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	Level 3 Explains the specific decisions about A and B and Te and I. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level. (5 – 6 marks) Level 2 Makes statements about both A and B and Te and I OR gives a statement and explanation for EITHER A and B or Te and I. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) Level 1 Describes some properties of elements in the table or ideas about general decisions OR makes a statement about EITHER A and B OR Te and I. Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks) Level 0 Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit. (0 marks)	6	Indicative scientific points may include: Properties of elements in the table elements are arranged in groups with similar properties elements show trends in properties can predict properties of (new) elements Mdv put all elements in order of RAM some elements did not 'fit' put some elements in different places to make them fit knew that not all elements had been discovered left gaps for undiscovered elements reversed some elements Mdv did not know about proton numbers / atomic structure Specific decisions about A and B, Te and I Statements: A and B are gaps reversed positions of Te and I (by their RAM) Explanations: because A and B are undiscovered Mendeleev predicted properties for A and B A and B are Ga and Ge new elements fitted properties he had predicted so that Te and I 'fit' so that properties of Te / I are similar to their group Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Total	6	

C	Question		Answer		Guidance
7	(a)	(i)	speed = 0.510 m/s; (1)	2	speed: accept 0.51
			average = 0.505 m/s (1)		average: accept 0.5047 / 0.5046 r / 0.5046 (i.e. 6 recurring, shown by r or dot over number 6) do not accept 0.504 / 0.51 / answers with more than 4 decimal places
		(ii)	EITHER (Jim is wrong / speed must change as it falls because) increasing height increases speed; OR (Jim is right cases fall at a steady speed OR difficult to tell because) averages are inside each others ranges / data ranges overlap owtte;	1	answer should indicate whether or not Jim is correct accept values or (average) speeds are close together idea do not accept times are similar
	(b)		any two from: draughts / air currents; (1) air temperature / pressure; (1) how the case is released; (1) shape of cake case might change; (1) idea difficult for Jim to measure (short) times accurately; (1) owtte cake case does not travel straight down idea; (1)	2	ignore height of release / differences in cake case (the same cake case is used) ignore air resistance ignore stop watch is not accurate
			Total	5	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
8	Clevel 3 Discusses energy transfer in terms of KE at steady speed. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level. (5 – 6 marks)	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A* Forces acting (check diagram for labels) gravity/weight causes parachute to fall gravity/weight acts downwards / causes downward motion but air resistance / friction / drag slows descent air resistance / friction acts upwards (on parachute) large surface area of parachute increases air resistance ignore upthrust During the fall Balanced forces: forces are balanced or equal and opposite at steady speed Loss of GPE: Ben has GPE GPE is lost (during the fall) lost GPE should be converted to KE / KE should increase accept GPE is converted to KE ignore GPE = KE Energy transfer in terms of KE at steady speed but KE does not increase / KE is constant energy is conserved (loss of GPE = gain in KE) parachute prevents KE from increasing but work done on parachute transfers lost GPE to heat instead of KE ignore references to momentum and acceleration Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
9 (a)	6 000 (2 marks) 12 000 (1 mark)	2	
(b) (i)	force name A mass weight friction reaction force	2	correct pattern for [2] one mistake for [1]
(c)	B - C = A B - 4C = 0 $A + B + C = 0$	1	
	Total	6	

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
10	(a)			1	
	(b)		smaller impact force; (1) time taken to stop the ball increases / increases time for ball's momentum to change / increases time force acts / increases time for ball to slow down; (1)	2	
			Total	3	

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