

# **GCE**

## Geology

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

Unit F791: Global Tectonics

## **Mark Scheme for June 2013**

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### **Annotations**

Annotation	Meaning
?	Unclear
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
×	Incorrect response
ECF	Error carried forward
I	Ignore
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
PD	Poor diagram
R	Reject
SEEN	Noted, but no credit given
<b>✓</b>	Correct response
^	Omission mark
MB	Maximum (marks available for) Response
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

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Annotation	Meaning
_	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ECF	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)		convergent OR destructive OR oceanic - oceanic crust	1	DO NOT ALLOW subduction zone or oceanic – continental crust
	(b)	(i)	energy released <b>OR</b> magnitude	1	DO NOT ALLOW power OR strength OR amplitude
		(ii)	(amount of) damage <b>OR</b> earthquake <u>intensity</u>	1	DO NOT ALLOW effects
		(iii)	Isoseismal (lines) OR isoseismals	1	spelling needs to be completely correct
	(c)	(i)	the earthquake was at shallow depth below the sea <b>OR</b> the earthquake was just below the sea floor <b>OR</b> the earthquake epicentre / focus was under the sea <b>OR</b> (the earthquake) <u>displaced</u> the sea floor <b>OR</b> (the earthquake) caused the sea floor to move	1	the first point must put the event below the sea OR ocean crust OR underwater OR large body of water ALLOW fault movement of the sea floor DO NOT ALLOW plate movement
			(the sea bed movement) displaced a huge volume of water <b>OR</b> sudden movement sets up a large wave	1	answers must have a term meaning large scale
		(ii)	many people may die impacting on families; people migrate OR are evacuated OR affected by food/water shortages OR people may be affected by disease; (fear of) increased cancer risk due to nuclear fallout; homes OR schools OR buildings OR roads destroyed; many people injured;  economic loss of power supply OR damage to power lines OR damage to power plants OR damage to pipes; increase gas prices; businesses collapse; agricultural land damaged by salt water OR agricultural yields reduced by salt; homes OR schools OR buildings OR roads destroyed; rebuilding costs;	1	ALLOW any reasonable answer.  buildings destroyed can be in either section but only allow once  DO NOT ALLOW infrastructure

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(d	) (i)	the ground vibrates/shakes and so behaves like a liquid <b>OR</b> the ground vibrates/shakes and so loses strength <b>OR</b> ground vibrates/shakes and so lose of shear strength <b>OR</b> ground vibrates/shakes and so the particles of unconsolidated sediment separate and are surrounded by water <b>OR</b> ground vibrates/shakes and so pore pressure rises <b>OR</b> the ground vibrates and water rises up through it.	1	must link ground vibrating or shaking with the effect	
	(ii)	structures sink <b>OR</b> tilt <b>OR</b> break apart <b>OR</b> collapse <b>OR</b> slide <b>OR</b> foundations fail <b>OR</b> unstable <b>OR</b> foundations are undermined <b>OR</b> foundations crack due to differential movement	1	ALLOW subsidence	
		Total	10		

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	where hot material meets the surface	1	must be at the surface
		(ii)	3D images of heat flow;	any 1	not just at plate boundaries
			seismic waves change velocity when they travel through material of a different temperature <b>OR</b> different density <b>OR</b> different rigidity <b>OR</b> different incompressibility <b>OR</b> different compressibility;		ALLOW seismic waves change with density plus example
			reveals areas of high heat flow compared to cooler;		allow higher as a comparison term
		(iii)	DIRECTION OF PLANE  MANTLE PLUME		if the diagram is not a cross-section max mark is 1
			3 correct labels = 1 4 correct labels =2	2	up to 2 marks for the diagram and labels
			volcanic activity creates an island <b>OR</b> rising magma creates an island; plate moves over the hotspot <b>OR</b> mantle plume; the mantle plume is stationary; older island sinks <b>OR</b> eroded <b>OR</b> volcano is extinct;	1	1 mark for 2 out of the 4 statements correct

C	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(b)	(i)	volcanic activity brings up material from a great depth <b>OR</b> the mantle; by ripping/picking up rocks from the sides of the pipe <b>OR</b> the mantle <b>OR</b> 2500 m; contains diamonds which formed under high pressure; material brought up from the mantle is silicate rock <b>OR</b> peridotite <b>OR</b> mafic rich rock <b>OR</b> ultramafic rock <b>OR</b> same composition as stony meteorites;	2	any two points ALLOW eruptions
		(ii)	(mantle) xenolith	1	if xenolith not given then check under b (i) if used in the correct context
			Total	8	

Q	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	labelled arrow in the valley in the centre of the diagram	1	must be clearly in lowest area or a vertical line drawn in the centre of the rift where there is a bracket it must not go beyond the two highest points must have a label
		(ii)	rises directly above the axial rift of the MOR  heat  † flow  -  sea level	1	peak of heat flow must be within the two highest points of the cross-section can have all of heat flow above background but must peak in the centre
		(iii)	high over the rift because of rising magma <b>OR</b> volcanic activity <b>OR</b> hot rising convection currents	1	
		(iv)	transform fault drawn at 90° to MOR and displacing MOR arrows to show plates diverging at 90° to the MOR <b>OR</b> (half) arrows to show relative movement along the transform faults <b>OR</b> magnetic stripes drawn and labelled which allow relative movement to be seen; earthquakes marked and labelled along a fault;	1	can just draw 1 transform fault but must be labelled as fault must have fault and MOR/rift labelled  DO NOT ALLOW a cross-section diagram ALLOW a block diagram where the top can be marked up to 2 marks must displace the MOR If neither MOR or transform fault labelled then max 1 if diagram looks correct and arrows are correct

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(v)	measure the changing distance between two points <b>OR</b> accurate measurements can be made across oceans to compare width over time <b>OR</b> measure changing position of a point over time	1	allow alternative wording <b>ALLOW</b> discussion of high heat flow seen at MOR (by thermal imaging cameras) by satellites
(b)	distance/time $\frac{100 \times 1000 \times 4500}{150000000} = \frac{45}{15} = 3.0 \text{cm/year}$	2	mark for correct method using distance/time     for correct answer  ALLOW two marks for an accurate calculation of spreading – 1.5cm/year – on either side of MOR.
(c)	away from plate margins <b>OR</b> it is in the middle of a plate <b>OR</b> no fault activity <b>OR</b> no tectonic activity	1	ALLOW little activity DO NOT ALLOW because it is aseismic
(d)	ophiolites OR drilling/boreholes into the oceanic crust	1	ALLOW 1 mark for drilling into the ocean crust to a depth of 7 – 12km as alternative ALLOW core samples as alternative to borehole
	layers of sediment, basalt/pillow lava, dolerite/dykes, gabbro, peridotite.	1	need at least 3 of the layers in correct order for ophiolite and drilling (could be a labelled diagram)  max 1 for dredging rocks from the ocean AND
	Total	11	sediment/ooze <b>OR</b> basalt

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4	(a)	(i)	synform <b>OR</b> syncline	1	need word spelled correctly
		(ii)	youngest = C oldest = B	1	need both correct to gain the mark
	(b)	(i)	D = antiform <b>OR</b> anticline E = overfold F = recumbent fold <b>OR</b> isocline <b>OR</b> isoclinal	1 1 1	ALLOW symmetrical anticline for D
		(ii)	structure F <b>OR</b> recumbent fold	1	ecf from b (i) if name of fold type given instead of letter F
		(iii)	axial planes inverted limb	1	need both fold axial planes to be correct for 1 mark
	(c)		fault dip  downthrown side  fault dip	2	1 mark for each feature drawn in correct position and labelled  ALLOW downthrow mark where no beds are drawn only if land surface and movement arrows shown can be either of the two possible fault dip positions, the label can be "angle of dip" or a specific value if a reverse drawn fault then max 1 if both labels are correct

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	(d)	(i)	scratch marks <b>OR</b> grooves <b>OR</b> ridges <b>OR</b> striations;  marks which feel smooth in the direction of movement and rough opposite <b>OR</b> mineralisation on one fault surface showing grooves <b>OR</b> polished;  parallel;	1	no marks if linked to glaciers  2 descriptive points are needed for 1 mark
		(ii)	form as the two sides of the fault plane grind past each other; scratch marks <b>OR</b> grooves <b>OR</b> ridges <b>OR</b> striations form parallel to the direction of movement; steps form at 90° to movement; projections from the fault surface cause scratch marks <b>OR</b> grooves <b>OR</b> ridges <b>OR</b> striations; friction between two sides of the fault polishes the surface;	1	answers must include movement between fault surfaces  DO NOT ALLOW plate movement instead of fault movement
	(e)	(i)	diagram of fractured rock between two fault planes  any 2 labels from: fault (plane); (angular) fragments; breccia; matrix <b>OR</b> cement; arrows showing movement	1	drawing must show a fault zone (2 straight lines enclosing the breccia) fragments must be mainly angular or sub-angular

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(ii)	fault movement <b>OR</b> forms due to pressure between fault planes <b>OR</b> between competent rocks <b>OR</b> between irregular fault surfaces.  rocks fractured <b>OR</b> broken <b>OR</b> fragmented <b>OR</b> brecciated <b>OR</b> rock fragments rotated <b>OR</b> form angular fragments <b>OR</b> fragments joined together by matrix <b>OR</b> fragments joined together by minerals;	1	needs 2 points
	Total	14	

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5	(a)	(i)	fragment of rock <u>from space</u> that has fallen to Earth <b>OR</b> a solid piece of debris <u>from</u> outer <u>space</u> now on Earth <b>OR</b> rocks that fall to Earth <u>from space</u> <b>OR</b> a stony / metallic mass that has fallen to the Earth's surface <u>from space</u> ;	1	AW ALLOW from asteroid belt OR elsewhere in the solar system OR extra-terrestrial
		(ii)	craters; shocked quartz <b>OR</b> spherules <b>OR</b> tektites; fractured <b>OR</b> brecciated rock <b>OR</b> rim of rock thrown up around the crater edge <b>OR</b> ejected material; tilted rock strata <b>OR</b> inverted strata; iridium (anomaly) <b>OR</b> rare earth metals; (stony or metallic) meteorite fragments;	3	any three points
	(b)	(i)	outer layer of the Earth <b>OR</b> crust and uppermost/top part of the mantle <b>OR</b> crust and uppermost/top part of upper mantle; above the asthenosphere; high geothermal gradient <b>OR</b> 10 – 15°C/km; solid <b>OR</b> rigid <b>OR</b> brittle; made of igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks; low temperature <b>OR</b> cold; forms tectonic plates; P and S waves gradually speed up with depth; thickness average 100 km +/- 10 km; density 2.7 to 3.3 g/cm <sup>3</sup> ;	2	any two points DO NOT ALLOW crust and the upper mantle

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(ii)	flows <b>OR</b> rheid <b>OR</b> plastic; (5%) partially molten; part of the upper mantle; low geothermal gradient <b>OR</b> 1 – 2P°C/km; below the lithosphere; made of peridotite; > 1200 °C; P and S waves slow down <b>OR</b> low velocity layer <b>OR</b> less rigid; depth 75 – 250 km; density >3.3 g/cm³;	2	any two points ALLOW moves slowly
(iii)	flowing / ductile / rheid / plastic asthenosphere causes plates to move <b>OR</b> allows movement of convection currents	1	DO NOT ALLOW ridge push OR slab pull
	Total	9	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	Processes  partial melting of oceanic crust (1) description of subduction (1) rising magma OR diapirs linked to batholiths OR volcanoes (1) folding OR faulting linked to compression OR shortening (1) (regional/contact) metamorphism (1) orogenesis (1) slab pull OR sinking convection currents (1)		subduction mark can be given for an annotated diagram max 5 marks for processes
	Features  deep sea trench OR ocean trench (1) Benioff zone or description (1) negative gravity anomalies over trench OR positive over volcanic mountains (1) low heat flow over trench OR high over volcanoes (1) ophiolites (or description) (1)  reverse OR thrust faults OR nappe (1) named folds form (1) fold mountains (1) paired metamorphic belts OR metamorphic zones OR two named metamorphic rocks (1) explosive OR intermediate volcanoes OR andesitic volcanoes OR silicic volcanoes OR rhyolitic OR stratovolcanoes OR composite volcano (1) batholiths with detail (1) accretionary prism OR wedge (or description) (1)		The feature must be described for one mark. If only listed, then two listed points required for one mark  DO NOT ALLOW just fold  Detail: granite, gabbro, diorite, slow cooling, plutonic max 5 marks for features.
	Total	8	

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