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Mark Scheme

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Key To Mark Scheme And Abbreviations Used In Marking

M	mark is for method
m or dM	mark is dependent on one or more M marks and is for method
A	mark is dependent on M or m marks and is for accuracy
B	mark is independent of M or m marks and is for method and accuracy
E	mark is for explanation

√or ft or F	follow through from previous incorrect result	MC	mis-copy
CAO	correct answer only	MR	mis-read
CSO	correct solution only	RA	required accuracy
AWFW	anything which falls within	FW	further work
AWRT	anything which rounds to	ISW	ignore subsequent work
ACF	any correct form	FIW	from incorrect work
AG	answer given	BOD	given benefit of doubt
SC	special case	WR	work replaced by candidate
OE	or equivalent	FB	formulae book
A2,1	2 or 1 (or 0) accuracy marks	NOS	not on scheme
–*x* EE	deduct *x* marks for each error	G	graph
NMS	no method shown	c	candidate
PI	possibly implied	sf	significant figure(s)
SCA	substantially correct approach	dp	decimal place(s)

No Method Shown

Where the question specifically requires a particular method to be used, we must usually see evidence of use of this method for any marks to be awarded. However, there are situations in some units where part marks would be appropriate, particularly when similar techniques are involved. Your Principal Examiner will alert you to these and details will be provided on the mark scheme.

Where the answer can be reasonably obtained without showing working and it is very unlikely that the correct answer can be obtained by using an incorrect method, we must award **full marks**. However, the obvious penalty to candidates showing no working is that incorrect answers, however close, earn **no marks**.

Where a question asks the candidate to state or write down a result, no method need be shown for full marks.

Where the permitted calculator has functions which reasonably allow the solution of the question directly, the correct answer without working earns **full marks**, unless it is given to less than the degree of accuracy accepted in the mark scheme, when it gains **no marks**.

Otherwise we require evidence of a correct method for any marks to be awarded.

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
1(a)	$\bar{x} = 161.167$ $s = 9.6003$	B1		161.167 (161 to 161.2) and 9.6003 (9.595 to 9.605)
	95% confidence interval for mean			
	$161.167 \pm 2.571 \times 9.6003/\sqrt{6}$	B1		5df
	161.167 ± 10.077	B1√		2.571 or 2.57
	$151.09 \sim 171.24$	M1		use of their sd/√6
		m1		method for confidence interval - allow incorrect t
		A1	6	151.09 (151 to 151.2) and 171.24 (171 to 171.3) or 161.167 (161 to 161.2) and 10.077 (10.05 to 10.1)
(b)	Confidence interval provides evidence that mean weight of bananas exceeds 150g but some bananas will weigh less than 150g.	E1		evidence mean exceeds 150g
		E1	2	some weigh less than 150g
	Total		**8**	
2(a)	H_0: $p = 0.25$	B1		one correct hypothesis - generous
	H_1: $p > 0.25$	B1		both correct - ungenerous but accept p as implying population
	B(14,0.25)			
	P(9 or more) = 1 – 0.9978 = 0.0022	B1		use of B(14,0.25)
	< 0.01	M1		Attempt to calculate P(9 or more) -generous, allow P(more than 9), use of normal approx, wrong tail etc
	Reject H_0 evidence that more than 25% willing to pay an increased rent.	A1		0.0022 (0.0021 to 0.0023)
		A1√		conclusion, their figures - disallow normal approx, wrong tail
		A1	7	correct conclusion in context - requires previous M1A1A1√
	s.c. critical region 8 or more (nearest to 1%) or 9 or more (strictly less than 1%)			M1 attempt to find critical region - generous, allow normal approx, wrong tail etc A1 allow 8 or more or 9 or more

SS04 (cont)

Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
2(b)(i)	$p = 65/124 = 0.52419$ 90% confidence interval $0.52419 \pm 1.6449\sqrt{\left(\frac{0.52419 \times 0.47581}{124}\right)}$ 0.52419 ± 0.07377 $0.450 \sim 0.498$	B1 B1 M1 m1 A1		0.524 (0.524 to 0.525) or 65/124 1.6449 (1.64 to 1.65) method for sd - their p correct method - allow arithmetic mistakes and incorrect z 0.450 (0.45 to 0.451)and 0.598 (0.597 to 0.599) or 0.524 (0.524 to 0.5245) and 0.0738 (0.0737 to 0.074)
(ii)	$p = 11/124 = 0.08871$ 90% confidence interval $0.08871 \pm 1.6449\sqrt{\frac{0.08871 \times 0.91129}{124}}$ 0.08871 ± 0.04200 $0.047 \sim 0.131$	B1 M1 A1	8	0.0887 (0.088 to 0.089) or 11/124 method - allow arithmetic mistakes and incorrect z 0.047 (0.046 to 0.047) and 0.131 (0.13 to 0.131) or 0.0887 (0.088 to 0.089) and 0.042 (0.0415 to 0.0425)
(c)	Evidence that more than 25% would say yes when increase is unspecified. Confirmed in (b)(i) when a small(10%) increase is suggested but much less than 25% in (b)(ii) when a large(40%) increase is suggested.	E1√ E1√ E1	3	more than 25% for unspecified increase confirmed for small increase but less for large increase
	Total		**18**	
3(a)	$\bar{x} = 59.575$ $s = 4.5380$ H_0: $\mu = 60$ H_1: $\mu \neq 60$ $t = (59.575 - 60)/(4.538/\sqrt{8})$ $= -0.265$ cv $t_7 \pm 1.895$ Accept $\mu = 60$ No significant evidence to suppose the mean temperature at which sprinklers are activated is not 60°C	B1 B1 B1 M1 m1 A1 B1 B1√ A1√	9	59.575 (59.5 to 59.6) and 4.538 (4.53 to 4.55) one hypothesis - generous both hypotheses - ungenerous use of their sd/√8 method - ignore sign -0.265 (-0.26 to -0.27) 7df their df conclusion

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
(b)(i)	Sprinklers set off unnecessarily causing mess and damage.	E2(1)		E2 for reason in context E1 reason unconvincing or not in context
(ii)	Sprinklers set off too late to prevent fire damage	E2(1)		
(iii)	Large standard deviation means temperature at which sprinklers set off is variable and so unpredictable	E2(1)		
(iv)	Testing is time consuming and expensive - may require sprinklers to be set off unnecessarily.	E2(1)	8	
	Total		**17**	
4(a)	H_0: $\mu = 8$ H_1: $\mu > 8$ Poisson mean 8	B1		both hypotheses - accept μ or λ as implying population - generous
	P(16 or more) = 1 – 0.9918 = 0.0082 < 0.05	M1		attempt to calculate P(16 or more) - generous
	Reject H_0; conclude there is significant evidence that the mean number of such emails received exceeds 8 per week	M1 A1 A1√		method for P(16 or more) disallow normal approx 0.0082 (0.008 to 0.0082) conclusion - needs both M1s
	s.c. cr ≥ 13 nearest to 5% ≥ 14 strictly less than 5%	A1	6	A1 in context - needs previous A1√
(b)	H_0: $\mu = 8$ H_1: $\mu < 8$	B1		both hypotheses - accept $\mu = 48$ etc
	6 weeks → Poisson mean 48	B1		Poisson mean 8×6
	approximate by Normal, mean 48 standard deviation √48 = 6.9282	M1 A1		attempted use of normal approx - generous mean 48, sd √48
	$z = (38.5 – 48)/\sqrt{48} = – 1.37$ critical value – 1.6449	M1		method for z - ignore sign and continuity correction
	Accept H_0; conclude no significant evidence that mean is less than 8 per week.	A1		– 1.37 (– 1.365 to – 1.375) or – 1.44 (– 1.44 to – 1.45) if c.c. not used.
	s.c. exact Poisson P(38 or fewer) = 0.0814 (0.081 to 0.0815) p - value using normal 0.085	B1 A1√ A1	9	1.6449 (1.64 to 1.65) -ignore sign conclusion - must be compared with lower tail of z in context - needs previous A1√

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
4(c)	Evidence that mean number of emails before changes was greater than 8 per week. Some evidence - but not significant - that number is now less than 8 per week. Conclude changes have lead to a reduction in emails of complaint.	E1√ E1	 2	E1√ > 8 before change E1 not greater than 8 now E1 some evidence but not significant less than 8 now E1 reduction maximum 2 if not in context maximum 1
	Total		**17**	
5(a)	$z = (250 - 206)/28 = 1.5714$ Probability > 250 = 0.0580	M1 m1 A1	 3	method for z - ignore sign correct method 0.0580 (0.058 to 0.0583)
(b)(i)	normal mean 412 standard deviation $\sqrt{28^2 + 28^2} = 39.598$	B1 B1		412 cao method for sd
(ii)	$z = (300 - 412)/39.598 = -2.828$ Probability profit insufficient $= 1 - 0.99765 = 0.00235$	M1 m1 A1	 5	normal (may be implied) and method for z - ignore sign correct method 0.00235 (0.0023 to 0.0024)
(c)(i)	normal mean 412 standard deviation $2 \times 28 = 56$	B1 B1		412 cao 56 cao
(ii)	$z = (300 - 412)/56 = -2$ Probability insufficient = $1 - 0.97725$ $= 0.02275$	M1 m1 A1	 5	normal (may be implied) and method for z - ignore sign correct method 0.02275 (0.0227 to 0.023)
(d)	Probability in (c) much larger than in (b) but still small. Probably OK just to hold one bring-and-buy sale. Assumption of independence in part (a) may be doubtful	E1 E1	 2	Any two points - maximum one if not in context.
	Total		**15**	
	TOTAL		**75**	