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General Studies

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

Unit F732: The Scientific Domain

Mark Scheme for June 2013

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Annotations

Meaning
Benefits
Disadvantages
0 marks for A04
1 mark for A04
2 marks for A04
Incorrect
Development
Example/reference
Evaluation
Justify
Key Point
Not answered question
Problems/Priority
Correct point

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

Assessment Objectives

There are four assessment objectives:

AO1 Demonstrate Knowledge and Understanding applied to a range of issues, using skills from different disciplines:

- showing an understanding of the subject being examined by including accurate factual information
- including information from a range of sources, from different subject areas
- displaying confidence and clarity in the presentation of facts.

AO2 Analysis and Evaluation by marshalling evidence and drawing conclusions; select, interpret, evaluate and integrate information, data concepts and opinions:

- developing and supporting ideas with additional information that enhances and clarifies their meaning
- introducing examples that are selected to support the knowledge being presented
- discussing the validity of ideas through analysis and evaluation.

AO3 Understanding Knowledge by demonstrating an understanding of different types of knowledge, appreciating their strengths and limitations:

- extending the range of knowledge beyond that which is commonly accepted
- considering alternative, and perhaps, less popular, attractive or plausible viewpoints and offering a different perspective
- including personal experience that might support or refute the knowledge and ideas that are being presented.

AO4 Communication in a clear and accurate way while being concise, logical and relevant:

- writing with fluency and accuracy taking account for the technical rules of language
- producing a response that engages the reader and transmits its meaning without ambiguity
- using a range of relevant language and terminology that is appropriate to the topic.

Note that in Section A of this paper, marks for communication are allocated and awarded separately. The following table should be used in the allocation of marks. Further information is included with individual questions:

Where there are **two marks** for Communication, use the following descriptors:

2 marks	A clear response that communicates ideas succinctly and without technical errors.
1 mark	A response that shows a basic understanding but may contain some ambiguity and technical errors.
0 marks	This is awarded for no response for when the answer is totally incorrect.

Assessment Objectives balance	9		
AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4
16	8		6

Section A

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 (a)	The response should focus on the way in which the sample is selected not the experiment. Two sampling techniques from the following: • random sampling – students are allocated numbers then a table of random numbers or the random number features on calculator/computer programme can be used to choose the sample • stratified sample – takes into account the proportion of numbers of students in each year/group so that , for example, if there are 40% males and 60% females then the sample should reflect this • systematic sampling – eg take every 10th student from the alphabetical list • volunteer sampling – responses taken from adverts so that it can reach a wide variety of people • opportunity sample – saves time as you can ask whoever you come across in college.	6	Annotation: Each mark should be annotated with a √ up to a max of 4 marks. Award 1 mark if the point made is undeveloped or very brief, for example 'Choose the students at random' Award 2 marks if the point is developed for example 'Give the students numbers then choose the students at random by using a table of random numbers or the random key on a calculator' A candidate may offer a sampling method, for example 'systematic sampling' but may suggest different methods within the use of it. For example – for 1 mark, a brief comment 'Every 10th student should be chosen' then this might be followed by 'Within that group use a table of random numbers or the random key on the calculator to decide which number the student should choose to start this process' for the developed point and 2 marks.

Question	Answer	Marks		Guidance
	It is possible for a candidate to gain marks even though they might not have named the type of sampling. However, their answer must be clear. Candidates who only give the name of the sampling method may be awarded 1 marks for each method (up to			marks: 04 must not exceed the mark for content. g creditworthy in a response then AO4 must be
	a maximum of 2 mark)		A2 (2 marks) A1 (1 mark)	A clear response that communicates ideas succinctly and without technical errors. A response that shows a basic understanding but may contain some ambiguity and technical errors.
			AO (0 marks)	This is awarded for no response or when the answer is totally incorrect.
(b) (i)	34°C If the answer is incorrect and the following correct working out is shown, award 1 mark 98 – 30	2	marks. An answer of 34	ald be annotated with a √ up to a max of 2 √34°C is acceptable for 2 marks. Sincorrect but there is evidence of correct ard 1 mark.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(ii)	36.7°C For example if the answer is incorrect but correct substitution is shown: °C = 5/9(98 – 32) 1 mark If the answer has not been rounded off to 1 dp – ie 36.6(6666) 2 marks.	3	 Annotation: Each mark should be annotated with a √ up to a max of 3 marks. An answer of 36.7 is acceptable for 3 marks. If the answer is incorrect but there is correct substitution then allocate 1 mark.
(iii)	 Two points from the following: scientific work should have accurate measurements in case of safety problems with a reaction/experiment weighing/measuring apparatus is calibrated to a particular degree of accuracy so conversions must be precise a student should have accurate forecasting methods for work relating to practical examination work estimations used in investigations could lead to more inaccurate results more efficient to use a formula, if one is known, this may then mean that anomalies are avoided in science very small differences in calculations may have a much larger effect on the overall result. 	6	Examiners are reminded to be aware not to double credit repeated points. Annotation: Each mark should be annotated with a √ up to a max of 4 marks. Award 1 mark if the point made is undeveloped or very brief, for example 'measurements in scientific experiments should be accurate'. Award 2 marks if the point is developed for example 'measurements in scientific work should be accurate because of safety problems with the reaction in an experiment'. Awarding AO4 marks: The mark for AO4 must not exceed the mark for content. If there is nothing creditworthy in a response then AO4 must be AO (0 marks).

	Quest	ion	Answer	Marks		Guidance
					A2 (2 marks) A1 (1 mark) A0 (0 marks)	A clear response that communicates ideas succinctly and without technical errors. A response that shows a basic understanding but may contain some ambiguity and technical errors. This is awarded for no response or when the answer is totally incorrect.
2	(a)		 Two developed points from: all the numbers added go in sequence throughout the equation/equations, for example, 9+10+11+12= 13+14+15 the first number in each equation is a square number eg 4= 2x2, 9= 3x3, 16 = 4 x 4 all the numbers on the RHS are divisible by 3, for example 3,15,42,90 there is always one more number added on the LHS, for example 4+5+6(3 numbers on LHS) and 7+8 (two numbers on RHS) The reference to the pattern is worth 1 mark and example of the pattern is worth the second mark. 	4	marks. Award 1 mark if for example 'the rumber is a squa Award 2 marks in numbers go up in	the point made is undeveloped or very brief , numbers go up/ in sequence' or 'the first are number'. If the point is developed for example 'the a sequence from one line to another, eg 1, 2, 3, number in each equation is a square number

C	uest	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(b)	(i)	To cell 3 there are 3 ways.	4	Annotation:
			To cell 4 there are 5 ways.		Each mark should be annotated with a $\sqrt{\ }$ up to max of 4 marks.
			To cell 5 there are 8 ways.(12345, 1235, 1245, 1345,		All correct answers - allocate 4 marks.
			135, 2345, 245, 235		Cell 3 – allocate 1 mark.
					Cell 4 – allocate 1 mark.
					Cell 5 – allocate 2 marks.
					Only check the diagram if in the answer space the candidate has directed you to look at it, for example by using an arrow/asterisk.
					If the answer for cell 5 is incorrect but the candidate has shown 6 or more correct ways to cell 5 - award 1 mark for the working out.

Question		Answer		Marks		Guidance
(ii)	The expected prediction and the following example gained:			5	3 marks + 2 AO Annotation:	4 marks
	noticed that ther 5, 8 ways to eac	e is a number se h of the cells 1, 2			marks.	lld be annotated with a √ up to a max of 3
	sequence I get t For example 2 +	o adjacent number i he next number i 3 = 5 and 5 + 3 13' is because I a	n the sequence. = 8. So my		Explanation -2	ays to Cell 6 – allocate 1 mark. marks
	3 marks + A2 =	5 marks				if the point made is undeveloped or very brief , orked out it from the diagram'
	numbers 1, 2, 3,				it out from the di	if the point is developed for example 'I worked agram and I can see that 2 adjacent numbers the next number eg 1 + 2= 3, 2 + 3 = 5, 3 + 5
					Awarding AO4	marks:
					The mark for AC	04 must not exceed the mark for content.
	However, some candicorrect answer using texplain what they have	he diagram but t	ney must still		If there is nothing AO (0 marks).	g creditworthy in a response then AO4 must be
	to 'predict'	·			A2 (2 marks)	A clear response that communicates ideas succinctly and without technical errors.
	Answer	Mark	AO4		A1 (1 mark)	A response that shows a basic
	13 only	1	1			understanding but may contain some
	13 + simple point/development	2	1			ambiguity and technical errors.
	13 + developed point	3	2		AO (0 marks)	This is awarded for no response or when the answer is totally incorrect.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	Wrong answer but some method/prediction 1 + A1		
	Eg an increasing a pattern identified from answer to bi 2,4, 8 they state 16 as their prediction and explain it doubles each time. Credit given 1 +A1 as a pattern has been identified (2 marks).		
	No credit given where the answer is incorrect and there is no increasing pattern identified eg answer to bi 3, 5, 5 and they state their prediction is 5 because the other two are 5. No credit given 0 marks + A0 (0 marks).		
Assessmen	t Objectives balance		
AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4
8	10	6	6

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Question 3	 This question involves recognition of the need for new energy sources understanding of the problems. Indicative content: Disadvantages wind and solar power systems are considered as visual pollution solar energy may not always be viable because of 	Marks 30	Guidance Annotation: Use -, √, DEV, EG, NAQ, REP or green circle (key point) as appropriate Insert the level awarded in the item comments box at the end of the essay together with your observations on the essay to support your mark. Levels of response: Level 5 (25–30 marks) • essays at this level will include four well developed disadvantages (AO1 and AO2). • there will be a clear understanding of renewable
	 our weather systems and climate change drilling for geothermal energy may require more area and may release dangerous gases biomass crops can be grown but they take up valuable land for other crops and release CO₂ wave and tidal energy is not available in some parts of the UK 		 energy sources and essays will include developed material including examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions. communication (AO4) will be very clear, well structured and written with facility.

 all of these resources need investment from industry/government/taxes, eg solar panels and wind turbines are expensive to set up. Credit any other valid point related to renewable energy Level 4 (19–24 marks) these essays may include four disadvantages. Three of the four will be developed and will be supported with analysis and evidence (AO1 and AO2). there will be understanding of renewable energy 	Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
including examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4)essays will be clear and well structured. Level 3 (13–18 marks) these essays may include partial coverage or explanation of up to four disadvantages two of the four are likely to be developed to some extent(AO1 and AO2) there will be understanding of renewable energy sources and answers will include some examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) in these essays will be clear be contain some errors of spelling punctuation and grammar and a modest structure. Level 2 (7–12 marks) These essays will offer some disadvantages in brief outline form with only fragments of supporting evidence or analysis (AO1 and AO2) there will be very limited evidence of examples,		industry/government/taxes, eg solar panels and wind turbines are expensive to set up. Credit any other valid point related to renewable energy		 these essays may include four disadvantages. Three of the four will be developed and will be supported with analysis and evidence (AO1 and AO2). there will be understanding of renewable energy sources and answers will include developed material including examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4)essays will be clear and well structured. Level 3 (13–18 marks) these essays may include partial coverage or explanation of up to four disadvantages two of the four are likely to be developed to some extent(AO1 and AO2) there will be understanding of renewable energy sources and answers will include some examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) in these essays will be clear but contain some errors of spelling punctuation and grammar and a modest structure. Level 2 (7–12 marks) These essays will offer some disadvantages in brief or outline form with only fragments of supporting evidence or analysis (AO1 and AO2)
there will be very limited evidence of examples,				 there will be very limited evidence of examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4)will be insecure and command spelling, punctuation and grammar as well as structure

Question Answer		Marks	Guidance
			 Level 1 (0–6 marks) These essays will describe disadvantages in fragmentary terms and this will be supported with very limited evidence (AO1 and AO2). there will be very limited evidence of examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) will be unclear with poor sentence structure and errors of grammar and spelling.

This question involves:

Question Ar	nswer Mark	Guidance
Drug and alcohol problem drugs and alcohol can cancer so funding mig funding could be used of alcohol and drug prour younger generatio funding might be alloc remedies to drug and Mental health problems problems may be related environment of work, win the present econome more education on the at risk more people suffer from problems. In relation to their other choic candidates will provide general environment of work at risk age of people affected whether it is a self-inflicted.	cause different types of ht help research for cures on education of the dangers oblems, to help the future of n ated to the use of alternative alcohol related problems. ted to the physical or social which might affect more people nic climate e early signs might help those of an anxiety related food tee it is expected that eral comments regarding: I dicted problem lution of health problem versus ected	 Level 3 (13–18 marks) these essays may include partial coverage or explanation of up to two or three reasons for one having priority over the other (AO1 and AO2) there will be some understanding of health issues including examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) will be clear but contain some errors of spelling punctuation and grammar and a modest structure. Level 2 (7–12 marks) these essays will include a selection of two problem areas with a limited case in brief or outline form, with only fragments of supporting evidence or analysis (AO1 and AO2) leading to more imbalance there will be very limited evidence of examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) will be insecure and command of spelling, punctuation and grammar as well as structure will be limited and inaccurate. Level 1 (0–6 marks) these essays will include an uncertain selection of two problem areas with a very limited case for one having priority over the other (AO1 and AO2) answers will include very limited fragments of material or examples, personal experience or discussion of definitions communication(AO4) will be unclear with poor sentence structure and errors of grammar and spelling.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5	This question involves: recognition of a development in space exploration explanation of benefits with relation to earth and space in the future the need to assess the food available. Indicative content: Candidates may consider about four benefits Benefits: we need to consider our types of future food production and use of land increased knowledge may allow cultivation of crops in areas on earth which have climate problems new strains of crops might be generated for the future population might allow the scientists to spend longer in space if they grow their own supply of food future food supply for areas struck by natural disasters. Candidates should consider both space and earth for L4/L5 but there may be an imbalance in the number of points	30	Annotation: Use √, +, DEV, EG, NAQ, REP or green circle (key point) as appropriate Insert the level awarded in the item comments box at the end of the essay together with your observations on the essay to support your mark. Levels of response: Level 5 (25–30 marks) • these answers will include a very good range of benefits (AO1 and AO2) • there will be clear understanding of the need for more food in the future. Answers will include developed material including examples, or discussion of definitions • communication (AO4) will be very clear and well structured and written with facility. Level 4 (19–24 marks) • these answers will include a good range of benefits. Most of the points will be developed and will be supported with analysis and evidence (AO1 and AO2) • there will be an understanding of the need for more food in the future. Answers will include developed material including examples, or discussion of definitions • communication (AO4) will be clear and well structured.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
			 Level 3 (13–18 marks) these essays may include partial coverage or explanation of a range of benefits only a few of the points will be developed (AO1 and AO2) there will be some understanding of the need for more food in the future and answers will include some examples, or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) will be clear but contain some errors of spelling punctuation and grammar and a modest structure Level 2 (7–12 marks) these essays will offer benefits in brief or outline form with only fragments of supporting evidence or analysis (AO1 and AO2) there will be limited examples or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) will be insecure and command of spelling, punctuation and grammar as well as structure will be limited and inaccurate. Level 1 (0–6 marks) these essays will describe benefits in fragmentary terms and this will be supported with very limited evidence (AO1 and AO2) of examples, or discussion of definitions communication (AO4) will be unclear with poor sentence structure and errors of grammar and spelling.

APPENDIX 1

Generic Mark Scheme for Questions with 30 marks

Level 5

AO1	•	select, use and integrate a very good range of relevant knowledge	
	•	show a good understanding of the concepts involved	
AO2	•	interpret and analyse issues and problems well and evaluates them appropriately	
	•	use evidence to develop complex reasoned arguments and draw sound conclusions on the evidence	
AO3	•	demonstrate very good awareness of the differences between types of knowledge	25–30
	•	have a very good appreciation of the strengths and limitations of the different types of knowledge	
AO4	•	communicate complex ideas clearly and accurately, using specialist vocabulary where appropriate, in a concise, logical and relevant way	
	•	use a wide range of the rules of grammar, punctuation and spelling with accuracy and facility.	

Level 4

AO1	•	select, use and integrate a good range of relevant knowledge	
	•	show an understanding of the concepts involved	
AO2	•	interpret and analyse issues and problems well and evaluates them competently	
	•	use evidence to develop reasoned arguments and draw sound conclusions on the evidence	
AO3	•	demonstrate good awareness of the differences between types of knowledge	19–24
	•	have a good appreciation of the strengths and limitations of the different types of knowledge	
AO4	•	communicate ideas clearly and accurately, using specialist vocabulary where appropriate, in a concise, logical and relevant way	
	•	use a range of the rules of grammar, punctuation and spelling with accuracy and facility.	

Level 3

AO1	•	select, use and integrate a range of relevant knowledge	
	•	show an adequate understanding of the concepts involved	
AO2	•	undertake some interpretation and analysis of issues and problems and make a superficial evaluation	
	•	use evidence to develop arguments and draw conclusions	13–18
AO3	•	demonstrate awareness of the differences between types of knowledge	13-16
	•	have an appreciation of the strengths and limitations of the different types of knowledge	
AO4	•	communicate clearly, using some specialist vocabulary with facility	
	•	use some of the rules of grammar, punctuation and spelling with facility.	

Level 2

AO1	•	select, use and integrate a limited range of relevant knowledge	
	•	show a modest understanding of the concepts involved	
AO2	•	demonstrate limited interpretation and analysis of issues and problems with limited evaluation	
	•	use evidence to develop limited arguments and draw limited conclusions	7–12
AO3	•	demonstrate limited awareness of the differences between types of knowledge	7-12
	•	have a restricted appreciation of the strengths and limitations of the different types of knowledge	
AO4	•	communicate ideas with limited clarity, using some specialist vocabulary	
	•	use some rules of grammar, punctuation and spelling.	

Level 1

AO1	select, use and integrate some knowledge which may not be accurate	
	show a restricted understanding of the concepts involved	
AO2	demonstrate poor interpretation and analysis of issues, problems and evaluation	
	recognise arguments and conclusions	0–6
AO3	demonstrate very limited awareness of the differences between types of knowledge	0–6
	 have a very restricted appreciation of the strengths and limitations of the different types of knowledge 	
AO4	communicate with little clarity using occasional specialist terms	
	use poor grammar and punctuation, and inaccurate spelling.	

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