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Question Number	Answer	Mark
1a	C – Bronze	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1b	A - Thermosetting	2
	D - Elastomer	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1c	 Award one mark for any of the following up to a maximum of two marks. Particulate structure (1) Laminar structure (1) Contains fibre reinforcement (1) Fibre alignment (1) Bonded with adhesive (1) Contains more than one material (1) Accept any other appropriate response. 	2

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1d	 Award one mark for any of the following: Opacity (1) Opaque (1) Translucence (1) Transparency (1) 	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2a	Award one mark for each of the following up to a maximum of two marks.	2
	Engineering product Sector	
	Electrical	
	Nuclear	
	Communications	
	Automotive	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2b	C - Melting point	2
	E - Thermal conductivity	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2c	 Award one mark for any of the following up to a maximum of two marks. Castings will only need minimal secondary machining (1) Complex shapes can be supplied (1) Wide range of sizes of casting are possible (1) Castings can be supplied in a range of quantities (1) Castings have consistent properties (1) A variety of metals can be supplied in cast form (1) identical products can be repeatedly manufactured (1) allows the manufacturing process to be automated (1) relatively low cost per unit (1) 	2

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2d	 Award one mark for any of the following: Extraction (1) Processing (1) Transportation/Distribution (1) Use/reuse (1) Recycling (1) Disposal (1) Accept any other appropriate response. 	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
За	A – Plating	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3b	 Award one mark for any of the following, up to a maximum of two marks. corrosion resistance (1) solvent resistance (1) resistance to environmental degradation (1) 	2
	 wear resistance (1) Accept any other reasonable response. 	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4a	 Award one mark for any of the following: Marine (1) Marine engineering (1) Marine sector (1) Ship building (1) 	1



Question Number	Answer	Mark
4c	 Award one mark for any of the following, up to a maximum of two marks. Prevents moisture making contact with the surface of the metal (1) Reduces the chances of corrosion (1) Improves hardness/wear resistance of the boat (1) Reduces effects of temperature changes (1) Improves appearance of the boat (1) Improves visibility of the boat (1) Stops/slows the growth of marine life (1) 	2
	Accept any other reasonable response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
5a	 Award one mark for any reason, up to a maximum of two marks. Reduces the overall weight/mass of the mast (1) Tubes can resist deformation when loaded/structurally stiff (1) Tubes are available in long lengths (1) Tubes can be formed into desired shapes by bending (1) Cables can be routed through pipes/tubes (1) Polymer pipes/tubes can be supplied in a range of colours (1) Accept any other appropriate response. 	2

Question Number	Answer	Mark
5(b)	Award one mark for a disadvantage and one additional mark for the appropriate expansion to a maximum two marks, up to a maximum of four marks.	4
	 Composite struts could be damaged by impacts (1) as they only have significant strength along their length/brittle (1) Composite materials are difficult to repair (1) meaning parts may need to be replaced in full (1) Composite materials are difficult to join to other types of material (1) therefore complex connections may be necessary (1) Composite materials are more expensive than alternatives (1) therefore may not be economical to use (1) Composite materials are more flexible (1) which can be worrying for passengers (1) Accept any other appropriate response. Do not accept expensive unless justified. 	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
6a	 Award one mark for any of the following: Extrusion (1) Extruded profile (1) Extruded section (1) 	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
6b	 Award one mark for advantage and one additional mark for the appropriate expansion, up to a maximum of two marks. Polymers do not require additional finishes to be added (1) saving time in production (1) Polymers are able to be formed into complex mouldings (1) allowing for more aerodynamic car bodies to be produced (1) Polymer materials are lightweight/lower mass compared to metals (1) allowing improved fuel consumption/improved acceleration (1) Manufacturing costs are lower than for metallic materials during assembly (1) as less parts are required in production (1) There are many different types of polymers and each have different characteristics /properties (1) making them suitable for different parts of the car (1) can be processed in a wide range of colours (1) to promote sponsoring company (1) 	2
	Accept any other appropriate reason with expansion.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
6c	 Award one mark for an advantage and one additional mark for the appropriate expansion to a maximum of two marks, up to a maximum of four marks. The suspension settings are able to be changed easily (1) as the viscosity of the liquid can be changed (1) Suspensions adapt without driver input (1) as settings are changed based on weight/mass/sensor readings (1) Suspensions adapt very quickly to conditions (1) as electo-rheostatic fluids act almost instantly (1) Suspension has fewer moving parts (1) therefore could have a longer service life (1) Suspension can be adjusted manually (1) to suit driver preferences/give a smoother ride (1) 	4

Question Number	Answer	Mark
7a	 Award one mark for a reason and one additional mark for the appropriate expansion, up to a maximum of two marks. Stainless steel is corrosion resistant (1) therefore can withstand being exposed to moisture (1) Able to resist high/low temperatures (1) therefore suitable for use in all environments/has a high or low melting point (1) Stainless steel has good toughness properties (1) meaning the engine parts will not deform easily (1) Stainless steel is resistant to wear (1) allowing thin sheets or forms to be produced (1) Stainless steel is resistant to wear (1) allowing for a long service life (1) 	2

Question Number	Answer	Mark
7(b)(i)	 Award one mark for an advantage and one additional mark for the appropriate expansion, up to a maximum of two marks: Wing spars are less likely to be damaged (1) since aramid fibres have good impact resistance (1) Wing spars will not be affected by changes in air temperature (1) as aramid fibres are thermally stable (1) Wing spars can be lightweight/low mass (1) improving range/fuel efficiency (1) Aramid fibres have good solvent/chemical resistance properties (1) increasing the life of the wing spars (1) Aramid fibres are non-conductive/insulators (1) reducing the risk of fire/explosion (1) Accept any other reasonable response. 	2

7(b)(ii) Award one mark for an advantage and one 4 additional mark for the appropriate expansion to a	
 additional mark for the appropriate expansion to a maximum of two marks, up to a maximum of four marks. Annealing increases the workability of the duralumin (1) so wing spars can be made with complex profiles (1) Annealing reduces the chances of the material forming cracks (1) which in turn reduces the chance of failure (1) Annealed duralumin has good machining properties (1) so parts can be manufactured as a single piece (1) Annealed duralumin can be produced to an exact toughness (1) therefore wing spars will be less likely to suffer damage in flight (1) Accept any other reasonable response. 	4

Question	Indicative content	Mark
Number		
8	General considerations	8
	<u>Advantages</u>	
	 As an assembly parts can be separated for reuse 	
	Consoles would need to be dismantled to remove any	
	reusable components/parts	
	 Use of reclaimed components reduces the need to source new component 	
	 Casings for components are often universal and can be reused 	
	 Allows the company to reduce its carbon footprint 	
	 Reused components are readily available as 	
	consumers upgrade consoles	
	Company profile could be enhanced as it is seen as being green	
	Could save the company money	
	 Components tried and tested 	
	Disadvantages	
	 Consoles would need to be dismantied to remove any reusable components/parts 	
	 Electronic components may need to be reformatted 	
	Electronic components functionality may be outdated	
	 Electrical products often contain hazardous materials/metals 	
	 May not be economic to reuse some components 	
	 Might be easier to recycle polymer and metal parts than reuse them 	
	 Reused components might not be 100% reliable and could cause the console to fail 	
	 Joining methods used previously might prevent reuse of components/materials 	
	 Some manufacturing methods could make it difficult to reuse materials 	
	 Components/materials may be difficult to separate 	
	Components may not be suitable for new consoles	
	Model answer	
	The company would need to consider if the materials	
	and components that it needs for the new consoles are	
	available in the quantity it needs them. If they are, then	
	they do not go to waste and have to be disposed of	
	Some components in consoles will contain dangerous	
	materials, so reusing improves the environmental	
	impact of the product. The reused components might	
	not, however, be of a high enough quality for the new	

product, therefore any cost savings would be wasted. It	
is also the case that older components might be of a	
lower standard or need to be refurbished before use,	
which adds to the amount of work that is needed. This	
might not be cost effective. If the company decided to	
reuse components and materials, the selection would	
need to be careful and make sure that they are all	
suitable for use.	

Level	Descriptor	Marks
0	No rewardable material	0 marks
1	A few key points identified, or one point described in some detail. The answer is likely to be in the form of a list. Only one viewpoint considered. Points made will be superficial/generic and not applied/directly linked to the situation in the question. Limited understanding of the reuse of components in a games console.	1-3 marks
2	Some points identified, or a few key points described. Consideration of more than one viewpoint but there will be more emphasis on one of them. The answer is unbalanced. Most points made will be relevant to the situation in the question, but the link will not always be clear. A good understanding of the reuse of components in a games console.	4-6 marks
3	Range of points described, or a few key points explained in depth. All sides of the case are considered and the answer is well-balanced, giving weight to all viewpoints. The majority of points made will be relevant and there will be a clear link to the situation in the question. A developed understanding of the reuse of components in a games console.	7-8 marks







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