

Free-Standing Mathematics Qualifications

Making Sense of Data 6983/2

Mark Scheme

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Key to mark scheme and abbreviations used in marking

М	mark is for method						
m or dM	mark is dependent on one or more M marks and is for method						
А	mark is dependent on M or m marks and is for accuracy						
В	mark is independent of M or m r	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	\mathbf{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	ŌE	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)				

Application of Mark Scheme

mark as in scheme
zero marks unless specified otherwise
mark both/all fully and award the mean mark rounded down
award credit for the complete solution only
do not mark unless it has not been replaced
award method and accuracy marks as appropriate

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Question 1

(a)	£116	B 1	Accept BMW
(b)	£59	B1	Accept Seat
(c)	£57	B1 ft	
(d)	Arranged in order	M1	
	Between £82 and £83	B1	Not £83
	Median is £82.50	A1	Penalise 82.5 once
			in paper
(e)	Mean is (100 + 83 + 116 + 76 + 72 + 59	M1	
	+65+82+112+100) / 10		
	$=\frac{865}{1000}$	B1	(865)
	10		
	=£86.50	A1	
(f)	£100	B 1	
(g)	A few large values affect the mean but not	B1	
	the median		
	TOTAL	11	

Question 2

Angle for 'landline' is $\frac{88}{225} \times 360$	M1	Any angle
= 140.8°	A1	Accept 141 or 140
Other angles are 99°, 85°, 35°	A1	99 or 100; 84 or 85; 35 or 36 (last one could be rounded
		for 360°)
Construction of pie chart; accuracy, labels	B1	Allow $\pm 2^{\circ}$
TOTAL	4	

Question 3

Label axes and bars	B 1	
Accurate heights	B1	
Suitable scale and correct 5 stories	B1	
TOTAL	3	

Question 4

(a)	$\frac{5}{100}$	B 1	
	$=$ $\frac{1}{20}$	B 1	
(b)	$\frac{9}{100} \times 1200$	M1	Or 120–12
	= 108	A1	
	TOTAL	4	

Question 5

5 parts	B 1	
Girls: $\frac{4}{5} \times 40$	M1	
= 32	A1	SC2 8 or 8 and 32
TOTAL	3	

Question 6

	А	В	С	D	Е
1	Product	UK price	Country in which item was cheapest	Cheapest price	Saving on the UK price if bought at the cheapest price
2	Designer jeans	£49.99	France	£30.58	£19.41
3	Perfume (50 ml)	£39.50	USA	£18.83	£20.67
4	Milk (2 litres)	£1.08	France	72p	36p
5	Digital camera	£280	USA	£245	£35
6	Designer sunglasses	£130	France	£76.60	£53.40
7	Electric toothbrush	£16.99	UK	£16.99	0

(a)	Column C	B 1	
	Column D	B1	Allow 1 error in D2,
			D3 or D7
	Column E	B2	B1 for 4 correct
(b)	Percentage = $\frac{35}{280} \times 100$	M1	
	= 12.5%	A1	87.5% SC1
	TOTAL	6	

Question 7

(a)	Percentage is $\frac{12}{40} \times 100$	B1	
	= 30%	B1	30 people; first B1
			only
(b)	Completion of tally	B2	B1 for 2 correct
(c)	Total frequency is 43	B1	
(d)	No; not random population on train	B1	
(e)	Use of symbols	B1	
	Correct number of symbols	B1	
	Key and label	B1	Not 1 symbol for 1 person
	TOTAL	9	
	GRAND TOTAL	40	