

# **GCSE**

# **Additional Applied Science A**

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A334/02: Agriculture and Food

## Mark Scheme for January 2012

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### **Annotations**

Used in the detailed Mark Scheme:

Annotation	Meaning
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
(1)	separates marking points
not/reject	answers which are not worthy of credit
ignore	statements which are irrelevant - applies to neutral answers
allow/accept	answers that can be accepted
(words)	words which are not essential to gain credit
words	underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ecf	error carried forward
AW/owtte	alternative wording
ORA	or reverse argument

## Available in scoris to annotate scripts

2	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
1112	benefit of doubt
CON	contradiction
×	incorrect response
TOP	error carried forward
0	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
<b>~~</b>	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
NECE	no benefit of doubt

	reject
	correct response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
A	information omitted

### **Subject-specific Marking Instructions**

- a. If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
- b. Crossed out answers should be considered only if no other response has been made. When marking crossed out responses, accept correct answers which are clear and unambiguous.

Eg

For a one mark question, where ticks in boxes 3 and 4 are required for the mark:

Put ticks (✓) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks $(\checkmark)$ in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks $(\checkmark)$ in the two correct boxes.
		*
		ν <del>ε</del> *
<b>*</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>
<b>≱</b>	<b>₹</b>	✓
This would be worth 1 mark.	This would be worth 0 marks.	This would be worth 1 mark.

#### c. The list principle:

If a list of responses greater than the number requested is given, work through the list from the beginning. Award one mark for each correct response, ignore any neutral response, and deduct one mark for any incorrect response, eg one which has an error of science. If the number of incorrect responses is equal to or greater than the number of correct responses, no marks are awarded. A neutral response is correct but irrelevant to the question.

#### d. Marking method for tick boxes:

Always check the additional guidance.

If there is a set of boxes, some of which should be ticked and others left empty, then judge the entire set of boxes.

If there is at least one tick, ignore crosses. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, eg shading or crosses.

Credit should be given for each box correctly ticked. If more boxes are ticked than there are correct answers, then deduct one mark for each additional tick. Candidates cannot score less than zero marks.

Eg If a question requires candidates to identify a city in England, then in the boxes

Edinburgh	
Manchester	
Paris	
Southampton	

the second and fourth boxes should have ticks (or other clear indication of choice) and the first and third should be blank (or have indication of choice crossed out).

Edinburgh			✓			✓	<b>\</b>	✓	<b>\</b>	
Manchester	✓	×	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	×		✓		✓	✓		✓	
Score:	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	NR

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	3200	1	
		(ii)	easy to harvest; easy to spray/ cover/ look after; if one tree fails , not a big problem; more trees; quicker to start producing fruit; better chance of pollination; more money; less damage from wind	1	two answers required for one mark
	(b)		sugar/glucose = alcohol and carbon dioxide	1	ignore reference to pears and yeast
	(c)	(i)	tissue culture	1	accept micro-propagation/ cloning
		(ii)	plant growth stimulant/rooting powder; plant hormone; auxin	1	reject nutrients
2	(a)		0.5; 1/2	1	
	(b)		crop yield does not vary; flowers/produces seeds/ harvest at same time; regularly produces 3kg seed a year	2	any two
	(c)		artificial insemination  processing  selective breeding  surrogate parents	1	if more than one tick no marks

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
	(d)	(i)	A	1	
		(ii)	C/B and C but not B on its own	1	
		(iii)	B and C	1	
	(e)		temperature/heat/warmth Heater and control such as automation; ventilation; fans/ windows and control such as automation eg sensor/ thermostat carbon dioxide; sensor plus burn fossil fuel; water/ moisture sprinkler/ watering and control such as automation, timing controlled; light; lighting/ shading and control such as automation	2	one mark for condition one mark for control (must match)
3	(a)	(i)	grow faster/quicker; grow all year round; are bigger	1	two required for one mark  accept not exposed to disease/ predators in the wild
		(ii)	better flavour/ more eggs/keeps longer/ resistant to pests/ disease/live longer/colour/ reproduce more than once/ eats less food	1	reject bigger
	(b)		give optimum levels of food for best growth protect from predators so no losses ensures supply of salmon to markets all year round less energy used for movement so faster growth	1	accept can control conditions for growth can monitor their progress can control size requires less food

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
	(c)		gene cut out/ taken out; of DNA/ chromosome; by enzymes; inserted into DNA/chromosome of different organism	3	any three
	(d)		proteins (of the introduced gene)/enzymes	1	accept (growth ) hormone
	(e)		explanation of a subsidy/ Government provides money; afford more fish farms/ so more salmon; so cheaper; so more likely to buy; links marketing/ advertising product to increased sales	2	any two
	(f)		yeast; chymosin (in cheese)	2	accept other valid examples
4	(a)	(i)	pathogens	1	
		(ii)	links no/less disease with faster growth/ no deaths/ more money	1	
	(b)	(i)	ovary/brain/pituitary	1	
		(ii)	menstruation/oestrous cycle	1	
		(iii)	controls time of egg release/ bring into mating season/heat	1	allow super-ovulation
		(iv)	control timing of birth/pregnancy; timing of market for sales; booking vet; arrange births at same time	2	any two

Questi	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
(c)	(i)	select animal/bull; get sperm; freeze it; manually insert; into uterus; at correct time	3	any three
	(ii)	can choose parents/ characteristics/ choose timing for birth/more chance of successful fertilisation/ no need to keep bull/ cows not damaged during fertilisation/ avoids sexually transmitted diseases	1	
		Total	36	

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