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Additional Applied Science A

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A336/01: Materials and Performance (Foundation Tier)

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

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2	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
1100	benefit of doubt
[H•11]	contradiction
×	incorrect response
ECF	error carried forward
0	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
~~	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
PARKE	no benefit of doubt

□K□	reject
	correct response
2	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.

E.g.

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

Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.
		*
<u></u> ≱	<u> </u>	<u>√</u>
*	₹	<u> </u>
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, e.g. 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, e.g. 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.

E.g. 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 <u>should be blank</u> (or have indication of choice crossed out).

Edinburgh			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Manchester	✓	×	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	×		✓		✓	✓		✓	
Score:	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	NR

	Quest	ion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)		flexible it bends easily it does not bend easily stiff it does not shatter tough it shatters	3	4 correct lines = 3 marks 3 correct lines = 2 marks 1 or 2 correct lines = 1 mark
	(b)		15/25; 0.6	1	0.6 worth 2
2	(a)		Forces acting in compression on a metalmake it shorter. make it shortermake it longer. Forces acting in tension on a metaltwist it round.	2	
	(b)		break by stretching ✓	1	

(Quest	tion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
	(c)		method for holding sample firmly; method for applying force that can be measured; take note of the breaking force	1 1 1	eg clamp the wire at one end stated or in diagram eg weights/masses or Newton meter reject 'pulling the wire' but 'clamp the wire at one end and pull it (until it snaps)' is first mark only for bridges/cantilevers give 1 max for adding measurable force
3	(a)		self cleaning; infra red; toughened	2	all correct = 2 marks 1 or 2 correct = 1 mark
	(b)		object optical property magnifying glass opaque diffuser light shade reflective mirror translucent brick wall transparent	3	4 correct lines gets 3 marks 3 correct lines get 2 mark 1 or 2 correct lines get 1 mark (adjust at standardisation)
	(c)	(i)	refraction	1	
		(ii)		1	both required

	Quest	tion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
		(iii)		1	both required
4	(a)		less likely to be hurt/burnt by touching hot (plastic) kettle; (because) plastic is an insulator/poor conductor of heat; OR more likely to be hurt/burnt by touching hot metal kettle; (because) metal is a (good) conductor of heat		allow use of 'insulator' rather than conductor if sentence is appropriateallow eg heats up easily/too hot to touch ignore electrical conduction
	(b)	(i)	electrical conductor electrical insulator flexible rigid transparent opaque	2	
		(ii)	electrical conductor electrical insulator flexible rigid transparent opaque	2	

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(Quest	tion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
5	(a)		smooth curve through (all) points	1	must start at origin not a straight line
	(b)	(i)	(temporary) loss of hearing	1	allow answers referring to environmental impact allow damage to hearing/ears/sound loss reject pain/hurts
		(ii)	causes pain/hurts	1	allow permanent deafness must be comparatively worse than b(i)
		(iii)	ringing in the ears/ hearing sound that isn't there/ hearing a whistling noise/buzzing	1	
	(c)		material; absorb/reflect as appropriate for material	1	for example, acoustic ceiling tiles/carpets/curtains/sponge/polystyrene/a cavity wall reject 'foam' reject open door/window reject traps sound
6	(a)		В	1	
	(b)	(i)	three times	1	
		(ii)	С	1	
	(c)		increases time (for collision); force decreases	1	decreases rate of change of momentum worth 2
			Total	36	

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