

# **GCSE**

# **Additional Science A**

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A152/02: Modules B5, C5, P5 (Higher Tier)

## **Mark Scheme for June 2013**

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### 1. 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			
<u>words</u>	underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark			
ecf	error carried forward			
AW/owtte	credit alternative wording/or words to that effect			
ORA	or reverse argument			

Available in scoris to annotate scripts:

	correct response
×	incorrect response
BOD	benefit of doubt
NBOD	no benefit of doubt
ECF	error carried forward
0 , L1 , L2 , L3	indicate level awarded for a question marked by level of response
Λ	information omitted
CON	contradiction

R	reject
2	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response

2. **ADDITIONAL OBJECTS:** You **must** assess and annotate the additional objects for each script you mark. Where credit is awarded, appropriate annotation must be used. If no credit is to be awarded for the additional object, please use annotation as agreed at the SSU.

#### 3. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- a. Accept any clear, unambiguous response (including mis-spellings of scientific terms if they are *phonetically* correct, but always check the guidance column for exclusions).
- 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 the third <u>and</u> fourth boxes are required for the mark:

		₹
		姥
<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, 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-box questions:

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 and other markings. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, e.g. shading or crosses. Credit should be given according to the instructions given in the guidance column for the question. 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 cities in England:

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

- e. For answers marked by levels of response:
  - i. Read through the whole answer from start to finish
  - ii. **Decide the level** that **best fits** the answer match the quality of the answer to the closest level descriptor
  - iii. To determine the mark within the level, consider the following:

Descriptor	Award mark		
A good match to the level descriptor	The higher mark in the level		
Just matches the level descriptor	The lower mark in the level		

iv. Use the **L1**, **L2**, **L3** annotations in Scoris to show your decision; do not use ticks.

Quality of Written Communication skills assessed in 6-mark extended writing questions include:

- appropriate use of correct scientific terms
- spelling, punctuation and grammar
- developing a structured, persuasive argument
- selecting and using evidence to support an argument
- considering different sides of a debate in a balanced way
- logical sequencing.

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)		reduction	1	accept redox
	(b)		2Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> + 3C → 4Fe + 3CO <sub>2</sub>	2	all formulae correct ( <b>not</b> Fe <sub>2</sub> ) [1] balancing correct formulae [1] <b>look for</b> correct capitalisation and subscripts <b>no ecf</b> for balancing following incorrect formulae
	(0)	/i\	112 (1)	2	accept multiples of correct balancing quantities accept (112/160 =) 0.7 for [1]
	(c)	(i)	g (1)	2	accept (112/160 =) 0.7 for [1] accept gram(s), mg, kg
		(ii)	iron weighs less than ore	1	accept less iron than iron ore
	(d)	(i)	Al is more reactive (1)  then any of the following:  • than C  • than Fe  • so can't be reduced (owtte) (1)	2	carbon less reactive than aluminium worth [2]
		(ii)	electrolysis	1	accept phonetic spelling accept electricity
			Total	9	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Question 2	any three from (George) graphs show there is a link/correlation/pattern; description of correlation between graphs; so trees damaged by (sulfur) fumes  (Maria) there could be another explanation; perhaps not enough data; not enough information (to prove cause); possible causes e.g.  • trees grow better in summer (anyway); • temperature changes during year;	Marks 3	accept all three points from just Maria  not just pollution  accept any plausible cause, up to maximum of [3]
	<ul> <li>wind changes during the year;</li> <li>rain changes during the year;</li> <li>trees less able resist insects/disease in winter</li> </ul>		
	Total	3	

Question		on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3			zinc, carbonate, bromide	2	all three correct [2] any two correct [1] apply list principle to more than three ions treat incorrect symbol with correct word as a contradiction accept Zn, Br and CO <sub>3</sub> , ignore charge superscripts [2]
			Total	2	200pt 2, 2. aa 003, ig. 200 onaligo outorionitio [2]

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	Level 3 (5–6 marks) The candidate identifies both properties and explains them in terms of the structure/bonding of graphite. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level.  Level 2 (3–4 marks) Candidate identifies either of the properties and explains it in terms of the structure/bonding of graphite. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level.  Level 1 (1–2 marks) Candidate either identifies one of the properties or describes the structure/bonding of graphite Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level.  Level 0 (0 marks) Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit.	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A.  Relevant points include  electrical conductivity  • high conductivity/conductor of electricity  • because
	Total	6	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5	(a)		current = $1.2/6.0 = 0.2 \text{ A}$ (1) power = $1.2 \times 0.20 = 0.24 \text{ W}$ (1)	2	ecf on incorrect calculation of current 6 x 1.2 = 7.2 [0] correct answer with no working for [2]
	(b)		doubles quadruples	1	both correct for (1)
			Total	3	

C	Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	(a)	either	2	accept turn round diode [1] because one-way conductor [1]
		adjust setting of variable resistor (1); to change (total) resistance of the circuit (1); or		ignore references to thermistor
		add/remove cells (in series to the battery) (1); increase/decrease the voltage/current of the circuit (1); or replace battery with different battery/power pack (1); to change voltage of circuit (1)		accept volts/potential difference/p.d. for voltage
		or add extra (fixed) resistors (in series with the diode) (1); to increase the (total) resistance/decrease the current of the circuit (1);		accept ohms for resistance
		or remove the variable resistor (1); to reduce (total) resistance/increases current of circuit (1) or add a switch (in series with diode) (1) to stop/switch off the current (1)		ignore rearrangement of components
	(b)	resistance at 0.12 A (0.60 V) is 5.0 (ohms) (1) resistance at 0.45 A (0.90 V) is 2.0 (ohms) (1) so resistance decreases with increasing p.d./current (1)	3	accept 5 anywhere accept 2 anywhere ecf from incorrectly calculated values accept ohms/R for resistance accept voltage for p.d. accept correct substitution but incorrect answer twice for [1]

C	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	(c)	(i)	Fiona	1	
		(ii)	Gary	1	
			Total	7	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7	Level 3 (5–6 marks) Identifies magnet, coil and core. Explains alternating nature of current in terms of changing magnetism in core from rotating magnet. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level.  Level 2 (3–4 marks) Identifies magnet and coil (of wire). Explains current in terms of changing magnetism from rotating magnet. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level.  Level 1(1–2 marks) Identifies magnet or coil. States that current caused by motion of magnet. Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level.  Level 0 (0 marks) Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit.	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A*.  Indicative science points may include: current due to p.d induced in coil by field lines cutting coil/change of magnetic field/change of magnetism/change of pole next to coil caused by rotation of magnet  current in one direction when:  N pole swaps for S magnetic field/magnetism increases field direction increases to the left current in other direction when: S pole swaps for N magnetic field/magnetism decreases field direction increases to the right  Identification: either labels or in discussion  (electro)magnet (iron) core  Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Total	6	

Q	uestic	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
8			electrons negative an insulator the same	2	completely correct for (2) one or two mistakes for (1)
			Total	2	

	Quest	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
9			magnet provides a steady field (1) commutator makes the current switch(1)	2	
			Total	2	

C	uesti	ion					An	swer						Marks	Guidance
10	(a)		Т	Т	G	С	Т	Α	Α	G	i C	;		1	T goes with A and vice versa G goes with C and vice versa any mistake [0]
	(b)		The s							for a	actin			2	
	(c)	(i)	200											1	
		(ii)	Dr Baker wants to study a fatal condition (1) Dr Smith wants to study a condition that affects most people (1)				2	ignore common							
												-	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
11	Level 3 (5–6 marks)  Describes a cutting method which would work. Either justifies use of cuttings or not use of seeds. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level.  Level 2 (3–4 marks)  Describes a practical cutting method with a significant error or omission. Either justifies use of cuttings or not use of seeds. Could be just a description of a cutting method which would work. Quality of written communication partially impedes communication of the science at this level.  Level 1 (1–2 marks)  Either brief description of cutting method or justifies use of cuttings or justifies not use of seeds. Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level.  Level 0 (0 marks)  Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit.	6	This question is targeted at grades up to C  Relevant points may include:  method
	Total	6	

Q	Question		Answer		Marks	Guidance
12	(a)	(i)	0.02 read from graph (1) 0.02 x 200 =4 (1)		2	correct answer with no working for [2] no ecf for incorrect reading from graph
		(ii)	1.2 mm		1	accept correct answer without units
	(b)		Chromosomes are:		1	need both points to earn mark  accept chromosomes shared between new cells in mitosis for separated in mitosis
	(c)		More auxin moves to the shaded side of the shoot.  The side of the shoot with most auxin grows more.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	2	
				Total	6	

Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance	
13	Adult stem cells can become specialised	<b>✓</b>	2	1 mark for each correct tick	
	Adult stem cells are unspecialised.	✓			
		Total	2		

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