

GCSE

Additional Science A

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A215/01: Modules B4, C4, P4

Mark Scheme for January 2013

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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
<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:

?	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity				
BOD	benefit of doubt				
CON	contradiction				
×	incorrect response				
ECF	error carried forward				
	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				
NBOD	no benefit of doubt				

R	reject
✓	correct response
₹ <u>2</u>	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
Λ	information omitted

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 and fourth boxes are required for the mark:

		*
		₽
<i>\$</i> *	✓	\checkmark
*	₹	✓
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 should be blank (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.

C	Questio	n Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	He will sweat less (1) He will start to shiver (1)	2	1 mark for each correct choice more than 2 choices, each extra choice loses 1 mark
	(b)	core body temperature is below 35°C (1)	1	
	(c)	confusion (1) drowsiness (1) slurred speech (1)	3	1 mark for each choice allow any clear indication of correct choice more than 3 choices, then each extra choice loses 1 mark
		Total	6	

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Q	uestic	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)		C; B; A	2	all correct = 2 marks 2 or 1 correct = 1 mark
	(b)		partially permeable	1	
	(c)		osmosis	1	
	(d)		Sugar has moved into the potato. Water has moved into the potato. ✓ Sugar has moved out of the potato.	1	
			Total	5	

Q	uestic	n Answer	Marks	Guidance
3		 any three from: the other chemical/starch is the wrong shape/has to be the right shape; to fit together; mention of active site; mention of lock and key model 	3	accept enzyme needs to be the right shape
		Total	3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	any four from: discusses colour [of light] links colour to element identity implies that [colour] has a pattern/can be broken down into components gives the correct colour for at least one of the elements gives the correct colour for a second element	4	the expected answers are what we will accept as a level EFG response also give credit for any of the more advanced ideas below spectrum lines idea that pattern is characteristic
	Total	4	

Q	uestic	n	Answe	r	Marks	Guidance
5	(a)	sym N C	a a ⁺	2.8.0 2.8.1 2.8.7 2.8.8	2	including the given line 4 lines correct = 2 marks 3 or 2 lines correct = 1 mark
	(b)	the parti	cles stay as ions	(1)	1	
		move ra	ndomly through the s	olution (1)	1	
	(c)	they should	oproximately the sam be grouped together les may only touch n		1	there must be at least four more circles; any extra circles must be correct credit any correct pattern of four circles, including chains ignore small gaps between circles accept variation in circle size so long as it doesn't look intentional
				Total	5	

C	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	(a)		Symbol Li Na K	1	the 'L' in Li must be a capital, the i must be lower case, so look for the dot the 'K' must be a capital, not just a large lower case letter (k), so look for absence of loop
	(b)	(i)	Sodium floats, melts, moves rapidly, bursts into flames floats, remains solid, moves slowly floats, melts, moves rapidly, fizzes floats, melts, moves rapidly, melts, me	2	all three elements joined correctly = 2 marks two or one elements joined correctly = 1 mark
		(ii)	sodium hydroxide and hydrogen ✓ (1)	1	
	(c)		NaC1 (1)	1	do not penalise poor element symbols look for N, a, C and I in correct order (upper or lower case) with no numbers as superscripts or subscripts accept Na + Cl = Na Cl
	(d)		francium (1)	1	accept Fr as symbol for francium accept 'the bottom one'
			Total	6	

Q	uestion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7	(a)	1 x 50 x 9 ²	1	
	(b)	any three from: GPE decreases; because height (above ground) decreases; KE increases; as GPE is converted to KE/energy is conserved;	3	credit "change in GPE not equal to change in KE because some energy is transferred as heat"
		Total	4	

Question		on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
8	(a)		B (1)	1	if answer line left blank, check for indication on diagram
	(b)		speeds up at start of journey/slows down at end of journey/stops at some point in journey (1) speed would be below 90 kph for part of journey so must be above at other times (to keep average at 90 kph) (1)	2	look for any sensible reason why the speed at some point is below 90 kph (1) look for idea of higher than average speed at some point to compensate for lower speed at other times (1)
	(c)		Alice (1)	1	
	(d)		+20 m (1)	1	
			Total	5	

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C	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
9	(a)		weight	1	
	(b)		his kinetic energy is lost through heating	1	
	(c)	(i)	reaction	1	
		(ii)	The upward force is the same as the downward force	1	
			Total	4	

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