

## **GCSE**

# **Chemistry A**

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A323/01: Ideas in Context plus C7 (Foundation Tier)

## 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				

## 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
<b>~~</b>	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
NBOD	no benefit of doubt

R	reject
<b>✓</b>	correct response
35	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 <u>and</u> fourth boxes are required for the mark:

		₹
		<b>₽</b>
<b>*</b>	✓	$\checkmark$
*	*	$\checkmark$
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	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	sugar beet	1	
		(ii)	it can be made/replaced / grown indefinitely	1	allow will not run out OWTTE reject: can be used again / more than once
		(iii)	any two from: burning ethanol produces less carbon dioxide (than petrol) / ora (1) carbon dioxide from petrol is from plants grown long ago (1) carbon dioxide from bioethanol is removed by growing more plants (to produce more bioethanol) / this is returning to the air the carbon dioxide taken in by the plants used to make the bioethanol (1)	2	allow: using = burning allow: bioethanol releases less carbon dioxide lgnore: reference to burning fossil fuels unqualified allow: idea of carbon neutral only if explained
		(iv)	produces less carbon monoxide (1) produces less particulate carbon (1)	2	
	(b)	(i)	32 000 000 x 15 000 / 30 000 (1) = 16 000 000 / 16 million (1)	2	allow: 2 marks for correct answer without working
		(ii)	it would not be possible using wheat grown in the UK not enough wheat could be grown / not enough land	1	ECF from (b)(i) allow import of other crops
	(c)		it is biodegradable (1) it is less toxic (than fossil fuels) (1)	2	
	(d)	(i)	less wheat will be available for bread / there will be competition for use of wheat / demand for wheat will increase / wheat may have to be imported	1	
		(ii)	they may not grow enough wheat for both uses / they need all their wheat for food	1	<b>allow:</b> economic arguments – e.g. competition for land / bread price rises too far.
			Total	13	

C	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	methane + oxygen -> carbon dioxide + water	1	allow; formulae if correct (including balancing)
		(ii)	energy level of reactants is higher than that of products / energy level decreased during the reaction (1); so energy is given out/released / exothermic / heat given out (1)	2	allow: less energy to break reactant bonds than energy given out when product bonds formed
	(b)		taken in / required given out	1	both required
	(c)		(burning) match supplies activation energy (1) (activation) energy is needed to break bonds/start the reaction (1)	2	Do not allow idea that the match is the activation energy
			Total	6	

Q	uestio	n Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)	propanoic acid ; butanol ; sulfuric acid	2	all three correct = 2 marks two correct = 1 mark
	(b)	propanoic acid + butanol Ý butyl propanoate + water	1	either order
	(c)	any two from: flavouring (1) perfume (1) plasticiser (1)	2	
	(d)	fatty acids	1	
		Total	6	

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4	(a)		C ADEFB	3	ADEFB Scores 3 A before D and D before F Scores 2 A before D or D before F scores 1
	(b)	(i)	will measure to 0.1 cm <sup>3</sup> / allow solution to be added dropwise	1	ignore: more accurate
		(ii)	for quality control / to match information on the label / to ensure product is safe / to make sure product works / to avoid damage to the kettle	1	ignore: fair test
		(iii)	indicator (change) colour; to show the end point / to show when all of the acid has been neutralised by the alkali; QWC one mark for correct use of one of the terms end point or neutralised	3	OWTTE
	(c)	(i)	2(.0) g	1	
		(ii)	H = 1 P = 31 O = 16 (1) (3x1) + 31 + (4x16) = 98 / 3 + 31 + 64 = 98 (1)	2	no mark for 98 without working
		(iii)	2.0 x 98 / 120 = 1.63g	1	allow: 1.6 allow: ecf from (i) and (ii)
			Total	12	

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5	(a)	(i)	a bulk chemical is made in larger quantities	1	ORA
		(ii)	(to show that) the reaction is reversible OWTTE	1	allow: to show that it is a (dynamic) equilibrium
	(b)		nitrogen makes the process more sustainable / it is sustainable (1) because the supply of air is not limited / air is renewable (1) hydrogen makes the process less sustainable / it is not sustainable (1) will one day run out / comes from a finite source/crude oil/natural gas (1)	4	do not allow idea that hydrogen comes from water
	(c)		speed up the reaction	1	allow: provides an alternative route / lowers activation energy
	(d)		any two from: tanker vessel must be strong (1); tanker vessel must be leak proof (1); tanker must carry a hazard warning sign (1)	2	
			Total	9	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6 (a)	hydrogen (1) carbon (1) compounds (1)	3	either order
(b)	ethane H H	4	
(c)	alkanes have C-C and C-H bonds (1) bonds (in alkanes) are unreactive/strong (1)	2	
	Total	9	

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