

GCSE

Environmental and Land-Based Science

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit B493/01: Management of the Natural Environment (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	ignore statements which are irrelevant - applies to neutral answers			
allow/accept	Ilow/accept answers that can be accepted			
(words)	words which are not essential to gain credit			
<u>words</u>	vords underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark			
ecf	ecf error carried forward			
AW/owtte	tte credit alternative wording / or words to that effect			
ORA	or reverse argument	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
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:

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₹	✓	\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 <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.

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Qı	Question CBT Q No		Answer			Marks	Guidance
1			A air			1	
2			Wood louse	oond soil woodland		1	
3			B do not eat when working E wash hands after completing work				
4			acid rain			1	
5			nitrate			1	
6			2 – add barium sulfate 4 – add universal indicator			1	both correct answers required for one mark
7			nitrates			1	
8						2	
				sandy soil	clay soil		
			drainage	good	poor		each line correct one mark
			water holding	poor	good		
9			flat muscular foot; slime on foot; eyes / antennae; rasping tongue; air hole and 'lung'; well camouflaged			1	

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10				compete with vegetables for light; water; nutrients / harbour pests; diseases	2	
11				does not stop light	1	
12				free ranging / outside / no pen	1	
13				hedgerow management / providing wild bird cover / creating buffer strips / permanent grassland / ditch management / skylark plots / stonewall protection and maintenance / organic farming	2	
14	(a)			heating and lighting	1	two answers needed
	(b)			turn heaters off when optimum temperature is reached / turn lights on and off to maintain optimum growth / open and close vents to maintain optimum temperature	1	
15				definition: Same crop grown each year; no variety effects: removal of same / specific nutrients; build up of pests / diseases; need for use of more fertiliser / pesticide	3	
16	(a)			chaffinch and coal tit	1	both answers needed – any order
	(b)			jackdaw	1	
	(c)			woodpigeon	1	

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Qı	Question		CBT Q No	Answer		Guidance		
17	(a)			a) 55	1	accept 54 to 56		
	(b)			b) 11 miles	1			
18				53.3% [80 divided by 150 multiplied by 100]	1			
19				work done faster; more work done; less labour needed; access to more land available OWTTE	3			
20				to retain examples of historical architecture; to provide habitats for protected species / bats; useful for later development	2			
21				three of: ever increasing demand as word population grows / technology advances / mechanisation increases depletion of traditional resources; coal; oil; gas public / government demand for less polluting energy generation / cheap energy	3			
				Total	36			

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