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Unit Physics 3

Mark Scheme

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Marking Guidance for Examiners

GCSE Science Papers

1. General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- the typical answer or answers which are expected
- extra information to help the Examiner make his or her judgement and help to delineate what is acceptable or not worthy of credit or, in discursive answers, to give an overview of the area in which a mark or marks may be awarded.

The extra information is aligned to the appropriate answer in the left-hand part of the mark scheme and should only be applied to that item in the mark scheme.

At the beginning of a part of a question a reminder may be given, for example:

where consequential marking needs to be considered in a calculation;

or the answer may be on the diagram or at a different place on the script.

In general the right hand side of the mark scheme is there to provide those extra details which confuse the main part of the mark scheme yet may be helpful in ensuring that marking is straightforward and consistent.

2. Emboldening

2.1 In a list of acceptable answers where more than one mark is available 'any **two** from' is used, with the number of marks emboldened. Each of the following lines is a potential mark.

2.2 A bold **and** is used to indicate that both parts of the answer are required to award the mark.

2.3 Alternative answers acceptable for a mark are indicated by the use of **or**. (Different terms in the mark scheme are shown by a / ; eg allow smooth / free movement.)

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which candidates have provided extra responses. The general principle to be followed in such a situation is that 'right + wrong = wrong'.

Each error/contradiction negates each correct response. So, if the number of error/contradictions equals or exceeds the number of marks available for the question, no marks can be awarded.

However, responses considered to be neutral (indicated as * in example 1) are not penalised.

Example 1: What is the pH of an acidic solution? (1 mark)

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	4,8	0
2	green, 5	0
3	red*, 5	1
4	red*, 8	0

Example 2: Name two planets in the solar system. (2 marks)

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	Pluto, Mars, Moon	1
2	Pluto, Sun, Mars, Moon	0

3.2 Use of chemical symbols / formulae

If a candidate writes a chemical symbol / formula instead of a required chemical name, full credit can be given if the symbol / formula is correct and if, in the context of the question, such action is appropriate.

3.3 Marking procedure for calculations

Full marks can be given for a correct numerical answer, as shown in the column 'answers', without any working shown.

However if the answer is incorrect, mark(s) can be gained by correct substitution / working and this is shown in the 'extra information' column;

3.4 Interpretation of 'it'

Answers using the word 'it' should be given credit only if it is clear that the 'it' refers to the correct subject.

3.5 Errors carried forward

Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Papers should be constructed in such a way that the number of times errors can be carried forward are kept to a minimum. Allowances for errors carried forward are most likely to be restricted to calculation questions and should be shown by the abbreviation e.c.f. in the marking scheme.

3.6 Phonetic spelling

The phonetic spelling of correct scientific terminology should be credited **unless** there is a possible confusion with another technical term.

3.7 Brackets

(.....) are used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

3.8 Unexpected Correct Answers not in the Mark Scheme

The Examiner should use the ? area in the CMI+ software to forward such answers to a Senior Examiner.

PHY3F**Question 1**

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(a)(i)	moment		1
1(a)(ii)	rotation		1
1(a)(iii)	the girl moves nearer to point P		1
1(b)(i)	X drawn in the centre of the space enclosed by the tyre	judge by eye	1
1(b)(ii)	below		1
Total			5

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Question 2

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(a)(i)	B		1
2(a)(ii)	microphone		1
2(b)(i)	frequency		1
2(b)(ii)	amplitude		1
2(c)	electromagnet	do not accept just 'magnet' accept solenoid accept coil	1
2(d)(i)	(sound will) get less / get quieter / stop / go silent	accept faint buzzing noise	1
2(d)(ii)	either sound cannot travel through a vacuum or no particles / molecules to vibrate	accept sound requires a medium accept fewer particles to transfer the sound accept only the vibration of the wires / parts (will transfer the sound)	1
Total			7

PHY3F**Question 3**

question	answers	extra information	mark
3(a)	increases		1
3(b)(i)	B		1
3(b)(ii)	tension in the wire		1
3(b)(iii)	C		1
Total			4

PHY3F**Question 4**

question	answers	extra information	mark
4(a)(i)	iron		1
4(a)(ii)	step-down (transformer)		1
4(b)	any one from: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• after the power station• after the generator• before the power lines• before the pylons		1
4(c)	each correct (1) current coil field core ends	in its correct place	5
Total			8

PHY3F**Question 5**

question	answers	extra information	mark
5(a)(i)	convex	accept 'diverging' do not accept convexed	1
5(a)(ii)	(principal) focus	accept 'focal (point)'	1
5(a)(iii)	reflection	accept angle of reflection	1
5(b)(i)	concave	accept 'converging' do not accept concaved	1
5(b)(ii)	(×) 1.5 / (×) 1½	either 30 ÷ 20 (1) or 3 ÷ 2 (1) or 15 ÷ 10 (1) ignore any units	2
Total			6

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Question 6

question	answers	extra information	mark
6(a)(i)	time (for a planet) to orbit / go round <u>the Sun</u>	accept 'planet's year' accept time to rotate the <u>Sun</u> just 'year' is insufficient do not accept Earth year / time for Earth to orbit the <u>Sun</u> do not accept time for a planet to revolve any reference to distance negates the answer	1
6(a)(ii)	either information from the internet is not always reliable / accurate or data is (more) reliable (if it has been checked)	accept to check it is correct / accurate / valid	1
6(a)(iii)	the greater the distance (from the Sun) the greater the (planet's) period	accept positive correlation accept if one increases then the other increases accept as distance increases it's longer do not accept they are (directly) proportional do not accept quicker period	1
6(a)(iv)	there is no relationship	accept 'none' / 'it is random' / 'no pattern'	1

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6(b)	(Sun's / star's) gravity		1
6(c)	(the) Milky Way	accept 'milky way'	1
6(d)	billions		1
Total			7

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Question 7

question	answers	extra information	mark
7(a)(i)	20 (Hz) to 20 000 (Hz) / 20 <u>k</u> Hz	or reversed order	1
7(a)(ii)	ultrasound / ultrasonic	do not accept sonic	1
7(b)	<p><u>examples</u></p> <p>discriminates against (young) people who are not being a nuisance</p> <p>discriminates against young people</p> <p>(just) moves the group to another meeting place</p> <p>discourages young people from shopping</p> <p>distresses babies</p> <p>it's morally / ethically wrong</p>	<p>allow any reasonable response</p> <p>'it bothers young people' is insufficient</p> <p>ignore reference to animals</p> <p>ignore damages hearing</p>	1
7(c)	(mechanical) <u>vibration</u>	accept <u>vibrations</u> in the air / particles	1
7(d)(i)	<p>the sound intensity gets (much) less the greater the distance from (the source of) the sound</p> <p>correct comparison from the graph eg sound is 100 (w/m^2) at 1 (m) but only 20 (w/m^2) at 2.5 (m)</p>	<p>allow the <u>closer</u> you are to the machine the more likely it is to damage your hearing</p> <p>accept the graph falls steeply (at first) and then more gently</p>	1 1

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question	answers	extra information	mark
7(d)(ii)	any two from: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• (so) data can be compared• anomalous results can be checked / removed / identified• more than one set of data• intensity / loudness fluctuates	increases reliability is insufficient improves accuracy is insufficient fair test is insufficient	2
Total			8