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## Mark Schemes for the Units

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## Guidance for Examiners

1 Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
2 Make no deductions for wrong work after an acceptable answer unless the mark scheme says otherwise.
3 Each separate marking point is indicated by (1) at the end of that marking point.
4 Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme:

| l | $=$ alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point |
| :--- | :--- |
| (1) | $=$ separates marking points |
| not | $=$ answers which are not worthy of credit |
| reject | $=$ answers which are not worthy of credit |
| ignore | $=$ statements which are irrelevant |
| allow | $=$ answers that can be accepted |
| ( ) | $=$ words which are not essential to gain credit |
|  | $=$ underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark |
| ecf | $=$ error carried forward |
| AW / owtte | $=$ alternative wording |
| ora | $=$ or reverse argument |

E.g. mark scheme shows 'work done in lifting / (change in) gravitational potential energy'
work done = 0 marks
work done lifting = 1 mark
change in potential energy $=0$ marks
gravitational potential energy $=1$ mark

5 Annotations: the following annotations are available on SCORIS.
$\checkmark \quad=$ correct response
$x \quad=$ incorrect response
bod $=$ benefit of the doubt
nbod $=$ benefit of the doubt not given
ECF = error carried forward
^ = information omitted
I = ignore
$\mathrm{R}=$ reject

6 If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
7 The list principle: if a list of responses greater than the number requested is given, you 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, i.e. 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.

8 Marking method for tick boxes:
If there is a set of boxes, some of which should be ticked and others left empty, then you need to judge the entire set of boxes.
E.g. If a question requires candidates to identify a city in England, then in the boxes

| 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). For a two-mark question, the rationale would be:

All boxes are indicated scores 0 marks.
All boxes blank scores 0 marks.
All four boxes correct scores 2 marks.
Three boxes correct scores 1 mark.
Two boxes correct scores 1 mark.

| Edinburgh |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Manchester | $\checkmark$ | $\times$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Paris |  |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Southampton | $\checkmark$ | $\times$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Score: | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | NR |

## A331/01 Modules P1, P2, P3 Foundation Tier



| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | a |  | nuclear fuel <br> fossil fuel <br> produces little or no <br> waste <br> produces radioactive <br> waste <br> produces carbon <br> dioxide | 2 | 3 links correct 2 marks. <br> 2 or 1 links correct 1 mark. <br> Accept any correct matching of boxes as links. |
|  | b |  | ```secondary (1) long (1) wind (1) low (1)``` | 4 | Any clear correct choice of words in correct order is accepted. Accept phonetically correct spelling of words. |
|  |  |  | Total | 6 |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers |  |  | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | a | a packet of energy (1) |  |  | 1 | Any clear correct choice is allowed. |
|  | b | ultraviolet X-rays gamma rays |  |  | 2 | 3 or 2 correctly identified 2marks. <br> 1 correctly identified 1 mark. <br> -1 mark for each mark in first 4 boxes. Minimum mark $=0$. |
|  | c | it can warm them up | $\checkmark$ | (1) | 1 |  |
|  |  | Total |  |  | 4 |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers |  |  |  | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | a |  | microwaves (1) |  |  |  | 1 | Any clear correct choice is allowed. |
|  | b |  | increases the risk of ear cancer |  |  | (1) | 1 |  |
|  | C | i | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Tom (1) } \\ & \text { Roger (1) } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 2 | Answers in either order allowed. |
|  |  | ii | $\begin{aligned} & \text { David (1) } \\ & \text { Roger (1) } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 2 | Answers in either order allowed. |
|  |  | iii | benefit outweighs the risk | $\checkmark$ | (1) |  | 1 |  |
|  |  |  | Total |  |  |  | 7 |  |






## A331/02 Modules P1, P2, P3 Higher Tier




| Question |  |  | Expected Answers |  |  | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | a | i | 14 mSv (1) |  |  | 1 | Accept any clear indication of correct choice. |
|  |  | ii | 0.06 \% (1) |  |  | 1 | Accept any clear indication of correct choice. |
|  | b | i | risk is reduced to a reasonable level | $\checkmark$ | (1) | 1 | No extra ticks allowed. |
|  |  | ii | 20 (1) |  |  | 1 | Accept any clear indication of correct choice. |
|  |  |  | risk would still be very low owners continually measure dose | $\checkmark$ <br>  <br>  <br> $\checkmark$ | (1) <br> (1) | 2 | 2 marks for both second box and fourth box correct and no other ticks. 1 mark for second box or fourth box correct and at least three blanks. (Note: if three boxes ticked including the two correct boxes 1 mark scored). <br> Accept any clear indication of correct choice |
|  |  |  | Total |  |  | 6 |  |




| Question |  | Expected Answers |  |  |  |  |  | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 | a | D before C (1) <br> C before B (1) <br> $B$ before $E(1)$ |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |
|  | b | chain (1) |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | Accept phonetic spelling. |
|  | C | need outweighs the risks new employment opportunities <br> greenhouse gasses |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | The third box must be blank for any marks. <br> 2 marks for all three correct <br> 1 mark for any two of first, second or fourth box. |
|  |  | Total |  |  |  |  |  | 6 |  |



## A332/01 Modules P4, P5, P6 Foundation Tier

| Question |  | Expected Answers |  |  | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | a |  | part of the graph | (1) <br> (1) <br> (1) <br> (1) | 4 |  |
|  |  | standing still | C |  |  |  |
|  |  | walking | D |  |  |  |
|  |  | buying the newspaper | C |  |  |  |
|  |  | negative velocity | D |  |  |  |
|  | b | 120 (1) |  |  | 1 |  |
|  |  | Total |  |  | 5 |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | distance (1) <br> potential (1) <br> kinetic (1) <br> weight (1) | 4 | Accept phonetic spelling |  |
|  | Total | $\mathbf{4}$ |  |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ | $\mathbf{i}$ | F (1) Rationale |  |
|  | $\mathbf{a}$ | $\mathbf{i i}$ | $\mathrm{B}(1)$ <br> L (1) | 1 |
|  | $\mathbf{b}$ |  | B (1) | 2 |
|  |  | Total | Either order |  |
|  |  | 1 |  |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | power supply = A (1) <br> switch = B (1) <br> lamp = E (1) <br> variable resistor = F (1) | 4 | allow symbols if drawn correctly |  |
|  | Total | 4 |  |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ | a negative charge (1) | 1 | Clear identification of phrase (from list) |
|  | b | a continuous loop (1) | 1 | Clear identification of phrase (from list) |
|  | c | a flow of charge (1) | 1 | Clear identification of phrase (from list) |
|  | d | a repulsive force (1) | 1 | Clear identification of phrase (from list) |
|  |  | Total | $\mathbf{4}$ |  |


| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ | $\mathrm{R}(1)$ | 1 |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{b}$ |  | voltage (1) | 1 |  |
|  |  | Total | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | a |  |  | 3 | Mark lines from left hand box <br> 1 mark for each correct line If two or more lines from left hand box, no mark |
|  | b |  | induction (1) | 1 |  |
|  |  |  | Total | 4 |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8 | a | i | B (1) | 1 |  |
|  |  | ii | D (1) | 1 |  |
|  | b |  | Z (1) | 1 |  |
|  | C |  |  | 2 | one mark name to wave one mark wave to description |
|  |  |  | Total | 5 |  |



| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale <br> $\mathbf{1 1}$ a |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |

## A332/02 Modules P4, P5, P6 Higher Tier




| Question |  | Expected Answers |  |  | Marks | Rationale | Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | a | true or false <br> $F($ alse $)$ <br> T (rue) <br> F (alse) <br> T (rue) |  |  | 2 | 4 correct (2) <br> 2 or 3 correct (1) <br> Accept ticks for 'true' and crosses for 'false'. | 2 |
|  | b | mass of a single exhaust particle <br> number of exhaust particles velocity of exhaust particle |  | (1) <br> (1) <br> (1) | 3 | Mark each tick independently up to three ticks. If more than three ticks, $\mathbf{- 1}$ mark for each additional tick in the wrong place. | 3 |
|  |  | Total |  |  | 5 |  |  |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale | Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | a |  |  | 3 | Mark lines from left hand boxes <br> 1 mark for each correct line <br> If two or more lines from a left hand box, no mark. | 3 |
|  | b |  | induction (1) | 1 | Any clear indication of correct answer is allowed. | 1 |
|  |  |  | Total | 4 |  |  |




| Question |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ | B (1) | 1 |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{b}$ | A (1) | 1 |  |  |
|  | c | E (1) | 1 |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{d}$ | B (1) | 1 |  |  |
|  | e | C (1) | 1 |  |  |
|  |  | Total | 1 |  | 1 |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Rationale | Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8 | a |  | (gamma radiation) <br> X-ray <br> ultraviolet <br> visible light <br> infrared <br> microwave <br> radio waves | 3 | x-ray above UV (or ultraviolet) UV (or ultraviolet) above visible light Visible light above IR (or Infrared) IR (or Infrared) above microwave Microwave above radio waves <br> Phonetically correct spelling allowed. Allow first letter used in place of names. Allow $\mu$ in place of 'micro'. Allow 'light' or 'visible' for 'visible light' <br> All correct (3) <br> 3 or 4 correct (2) <br> 1 or 2 correct (1) | 3 |
|  | b |  | gamma (1) | 1 | Accept cosmic rays. Phonetically correct spelling allowed. | 1 |
|  |  |  | Total | 4 |  |  |




## Grade Thresholds

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Unit Threshold Marks

| Unit |  | Maximum <br> Mark | A* $^{*}$ | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | U |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A331/01 | Raw | 42 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 29 | 24 | 19 | 15 | 11 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 34 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 30 | 25 | 20 | 15 | 10 | 0 |
| A331/02 | Raw | 42 | 36 | 32 | 27 | 23 | 17 | 14 | N/A | N/A | 0 |
|  | UMS | 50 | 45 | 40 | 35 | 30 | 25 | 23 | N/A | N/A | 0 |
| A332/01 | Raw | 42 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 27 | 24 | 21 | 18 | 15 | 0 |
|  | UMS | 34 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 30 | 25 | 20 | 15 | 10 | 0 |
| A332/02 | Raw | 42 | 35 | 29 | 23 | 18 | 13 | 10 | N/A | N/A | 0 |
|  | UMS | 50 | 45 | 40 | 35 | 30 | 25 | 23 | N/A | 0 |  |

## Specification Aggregation Results

Overall threshold marks in UMS (ie after conversion of raw marks to uniform marks)

|  | Maximum Mark | A* | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | U |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J635 | 300 | 270 | 240 | 210 | 180 | 150 | 120 | 90 | 60 | 0 |

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