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Qι	Question		Expected Answers		Additional Guidance
1	а		A (1)	[3]	any order
			C (1)		
			E (1)		
	b		B (1)	[1]	
			Total	[4]	

Qu	esti	ion	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
2	а		distance increases speed increases distance decrease speed increases inversely related. Galaxies are moving. distance increases speed decreases		
	b		Gravity is acting Space is expanding. ✓ (1) Hubble discovered too many galaxies	[1]	
	C		Life must exist on other planets Galaxies are made up of stars. The universe is orbiting our galaxy Stars have a life cycle. The universe started with a 'big bang'. ✓ (1	[1]	
	d		14 thousand million (1)	[1]	
			Total	[5]	

Qι	esti	ion	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
3	а		fossils (1) rock types (1)	[2]	
	b		The theory linked Mountains formed could not be replicated The evidence v (1) (1) (1)	[2]	
	С	i		[2]	one mark for identifying rows of mountains as a boundary and one mark for identifying earthquakes as a boundary list principle applies if extra lines drawn
		ii		[1]	any one arrow in the correct direction perpendicular to boundary or horizontal by eye list principle applies

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Qι	est	ion	Expected Answers		Marks	Additional Guidance
4	а		Microwaves heat by Microwaves are ionising The screen on a Mobile phones produce Microwaves are blocked The higher the intensity	✓ (1) ✓ (1) ✓ (1) ✓ (1)	[3]	
	b		skin from getting hotreflect or absorbtransmitskin from getting cold.	(1)	[1]	
			Total		[4]	

Qι	ıesti	ion	Expected Answers		Marks	Additional Guidance		
5	а			green- house effect	holes in the ozone layer	both	[3]	allow ticks in both greenhouse and ozone layer for 'electromagnetic radiation' mark
			skin cancers electromagnetic radiation	(✓)	✓(✓)	✓		
			reversible chemical changes in the atmosphere		✓			
	b		photosynthesis (1)				[2]	either order allow phonetic spellings
			respiration/respiring (1)				not breathing/ventilation
				Total			[5]	

Qι	estion	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
6		an example of a correlation given – the example must be related to (em) radiation exposure or global warming for this mark (1) the example does not have a causal link (1) correlation explained – e.g. There is a relationship/link between two variables, (But there is not necessarily a causal link between the	[4]	if more than one example given apply list principle we are looking for an explanation of the meaning of 'correlation' not a description of their chosen correlation
		variables) (1) cause explained – e.g. one variable depends upon another, one variable always follows the other (1) Total	[4]	again we are looking for the meaning of 'cause'
7	а	sensible comparison consistent with choice on efficiency; (1) sensible comparison consistent with choice on cost; (1) sensible comment consistent with choice on environmental factors (1)	[3]	marks may only be awarded for points based on information from the table e.g. coal most efficient (1) relatively cheap (1) and does not produce radioactive waste (1) a sensible comment may be explaining why a feature is less important than another e.g. wind is not the most efficient, but is still quite efficient
	b	idea that it is produced/made from another energy source (1)	[1]	allow named energy sources or 'primary source'

[4]

Total

Qι	uestion	Expected Answers		Additional Guidance
8	а	produces ions / ionising radiation (1)	[2]	ignore 'ionise cells' and heating effects arguments
		which disrupt chemical reactions / damages DNA (1)		accept causes mutation
	b	(damaged) cells killing themselves (1)	[1]	
	С	government officials (1)	[1]	
		Total	[4]	

9	а	i	3 (1)	[1]	
		ii	4.46 billion years (1)	[1]	must include units accept 4.5 billion for 4.46 billion
					accept 4 460 000 000 years
					accept 4.46 x 10 ⁹ years
					ecf
					if ¼ for part ai 53.52 billion years for one mark
					if 7/8 for part ai 15.29 billion years for one mark
					if 7 for part ai 1.91 billion years for one mark
					if 8 for part ai 1.67 billion years for one mark
	b		protons – 90 (1)	[3]	
			neutrons – 144 (1)		
			electrons – 0/none (1)		
			Total	[5]	

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