

Mark Scheme for January 2013

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All examiners are instructed that alternative correct answers and unexpected approaches in candidates' scripts must be given marks that fairly reflect the relevant knowledge and skills demonstrated.

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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	or reverse argument

Available in scoris to annotate scripts:

	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
	benefit of doubt
	contradiction
	incorrect response
	error carried forward
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
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	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	no benefit of doubt
	reject
	correct response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	information omitted

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- Accept any clear, unambiguous response (including mis-spellings of scientific terms if they are *phonetically* correct, but always check the guidance column for exclusions).
- 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 and fourth boxes are required for the mark:

*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	<input type="checkbox"/>
Manchester	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paris	<input type="checkbox"/>
Southampton	<input type="checkbox"/>

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	✓	x	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	x		✓		✓	✓		✓	
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.

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	<p>Safe: monitor radioactive emissions (1); keep more radioactive places out of bounds/bury under coral etc. (1); limit time of exposure of divers (to reduce dose) (1) nothing need be done as the background radiation is the same as the rest of the world (1)</p> <p>Sustainable: monitor damage to environment caused by divers (1); limit numbers who have access to diving at any time (1); exclude most sensitive regions from diving (1)</p>	3	<p>any two points ignore any reference to nuclear weapons/testing or power stations</p> <p>any other reasonable sustainable action such as stop people removing coral, destroying animals, fishing etc. QWC mark is awarded if there is (at least) one attempt to address safety and sustainability.</p>
	(b)	(i)	2	<p>reason (1) and explanation (1) allow two reasons for (1) each</p> <p>quoting 'its half-life is 5 days' gets the first mark</p>
		(ii)	2	
		(iii)	2	<p>Reject 30 (years) to 15 to 7.5 bald '60' gets both marks</p>
	(c)	(i)	1	accept any figure ≥ 22 cm and ≤ 23 cm
		(ii)	1	<p>the curve for coral is (consistently) below that for sand. allow 'goes down quicker' ORA</p>
		(iii)	3	<p>Accept addition, subtraction, etc. bald '18' gets all 3 marks</p>
			Total	14

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)	<p><i>any two from:</i> CO is very poisonous (1); time would be less than 15 minutes/ very low (1); not enough time to do anything useful (1); getting close to lethal concentration (1); increased CO level correlates with reduced safe time (1)</p>	2	
	(b)		2	<p>molecules correct (1); and balancing for (2) allow correct formulae instead of blobby diagrams but reject CO² for CO₂ allow numbers to indicate balancing penalise 1 mark if atoms not joined but formulae clear</p>
	(c)	as the number of vehicles/cars with CATs increased the carbon monoxide released decreased	1	
	(d)	not many cars had CATs (at this time) (1); coal changed to oil/gas for houses/power stations whole of this time (1)	2	Mention of use of oil/gas implies replacing coal and also implies the houses/power station context
	(e) (i)	<p><i>Any two from:</i> fewer vehicles/cars on road (1); each bus/train takes more people (1); buses/trains use less fuel / run on electricity(1)</p>	2	
	(ii)	<p><i>Any two from:</i> buses/trains do not pick you up from home/take you to the exact place you want (1) buses/trains do not leave/arrive at the time you want (1) buses/trains are more expensive (1); take longer /are slower(1); are inconvenient/uncomfortable (1)</p>	2	e.g. carry shopping/standing/controlling children/overcrowded

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(f)	Any two from the chance of this happening is very low (1); are confident the appliance is working properly (1); do not want to do it (1); it's very expensive (1); although the consequences are very bad/death (1)	2	allow people are not aware that the consequences are so bad (1); so they are willing to take the chance (1) credit use of CO detectors
Total			13	

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)	not based on scientific method/not proper medicine	1	OWTTE
	(b)	<i>any one from:</i> conventional medicine says it does not work (1); prevents scientifically proved treatment (1); gives false hope to patients (1)	1	OWTTE
	(c) (i)	Ranjit AND Stella	1	
	(ii)	Jane AND Stella	1	
	(d)	<i>any 2 from:</i> idea of contamination (1) toxic molecules still present/error in dilution (1) nothing is completely safe/may cause side effects (1)	2	allergy, or may make illness worse (as causes same symptoms) credit reference to safety
	(e)	10	1	
	(f) (i)	cells/animals healthy volunteers effectiveness/to show that it works/dosage required	2	3 correct = 2 marks, 2 correct = 1 mark e.g. 'normal people' Reject safety or side effects Reject any box containing correct + incorrect answer

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(ii)	neither doctor or patient knows if they are getting the drug (1); to prevent placebo effect/ bias (from doctor) (1)	2	
	(iii)	<i>Any 2 from:</i> To confirm effectiveness (1); results of tests are more reliable (1); show up any problems in a minority of people (1); check for side effects (1)	2	e.g. large numbers give better data
		Total	13	

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