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## GCSE MARKING SCHEME

JANUARY 2016

SCIENCE B<br>UNIT 1 - FOUNDATION TIER<br>4781/01

## INTRODUCTION

This marking scheme was used by WJEC for the 2016 examination. It was finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conference was held shortly after the paper was taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conference was to ensure that the marking scheme was interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conference, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about this marking scheme.

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## Section A

| Question | Marking point | Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 (a) (i) | willow / white spruce | 1 |
| (ii) | snowshoe hare / insects | 1 |
| (iii) | insects | 1 |
| (b) (i) | Any three of: <br> disease <br> competition for nutrients with willow <br> competition for light <br> number of consumers/insects/snowshoe hares <br> Accept deforestation | 3 |
| (ii) | sunlight (accept Sun) | 1 |
| (c) | 1 mark for each correct response | 3 |
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| Question | Marking point | Marks |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| (b) (i) | N Ireland | 1 |
|  | (ii) | Wales / N Ireland |
| (iii) | Wales | 1 |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | (a) | gas and dust cloud (1) <br> pulled in by gravity (1) <br> spirals into a disc (1) <br> the Sun forms at the centre (due to gravity pull) (1) <br> other dust particles stuck together (to make rocks which collided) to <br> make planets (1) |
| (b) (i) | Suny four points <br> Sunet, asteroid (belt), Saturn <br> (ii) | 4 |
| (iii) | Oort |  |
| moons | 4 |  |

## Section B

| Question | Marking point |  |  |  | Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 (a) | Reduction from 29 to 3 (1) = 26 (GW) (1) or$31-5(1)=26(\mathrm{GW})(1)$ |  |  |  | 2 |
| (b) (i) | I. Area $=(60000 / 15)=4000\left(\mathrm{~km}^{2}\right)(1)$ <br> II. Energy content $=(60000 \times 20)=1200000$ (units) $(1)$ |  |  |  | 2 |
| (ii) | Any two points <br> The points must be correctly and coherently connected to be awarded two marks |  |  |  | 2 |
| (c) | 1 mark for each correct point |  |  |  | 3 |
|  | Steady wind speed (m/s) | Zero power output | Maximum power output | Between zero and maximum power output |  |
|  | 27.2 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |  |
|  | 19.6 |  | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  | 12.2 |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  |
| (d) | smaller, larger power output, more reliable, less of an eyesore |  |  |  | 3 |


| Question | Marking point | Marks |
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| (7) | Indicative content <br> - power output one nuclear power station is equivalent to 900 wind turbines <br> - nuclear power stations last 3 times longer / in the lifetime of one nuclear power station equivalent 2700 wind turbines. <br> - cost wind turbines more than double the cost of a nuclear power station / nuclear option cheaper per unit produced <br> - wind power is less reliable <br> - radioactive waste more detrimental to the environment since it has to be stored safely for long periods of time / danger of leakage into the ecosystem. <br> Marking bands <br> 5-6 marks. <br> The candidate constructs an articulate, integrated account correctly linking relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, which shows sequential reasoning. The answer fully addresses the question with no irrelevant inclusions or significant omissions. The candidate uses appropriate scientific terminology and accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 3-4 marks <br> The candidate constructs an account correctly linking some relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, showing some reasoning. The answer addresses the question with some omissions. The candidate uses mainly appropriate scientific terminology and some accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 1-2 marks <br> The candidate makes some relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, showing limited reasoning. The answer addresses the question with significant omissions. <br> The candidate uses limited scientific terminology and inaccuracies in spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 0 marks <br> The candidate does not make any attempt or give a relevant answer worthy of credit. | 6 |
| (8) (i) | $200 / 1000(1) \times 100=20(1)$ | 2 |
| (ii) | Current $=200 / 230$ (1) $=0.87 / 0.9$ (A) (1) | 2 |
| (iii) |  | 2 |

