



Certificate in Use of Mathematics

Use of Mathematics Core

43503F

Foundation Level

Specimen Mark Scheme

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Key to mark scheme and abbreviations used in marking

M	mark is for method		
m or dM	mark is dependent on one or more M marks and is for method		
A	mark is dependent on M or m marks and is for accuracy		
B	mark is independent of M or m marks and is for method and accuracy		
E	mark is for explanation		
✓or ft or F	follow through from previous incorrect result	MC	mis-copy
CAO	correct answer only	MR	mis-read
CSO	correct solution only	RA	required accuracy
AWFW	anything which falls within	FW	further work
AWRT	anything which rounds to	ISW	ignore subsequent work
ACF	any correct form	FIW	from incorrect work
AG	answer given	BOD	given benefit of doubt
SC	special case	WR	work replaced by candidate
OE	or equivalent	FB	formulae book
A2,1	2 or 1 (or 0) accuracy marks	NOS	not on scheme
-x EE	deduct x marks for each error	G	graph
NMS	no method shown	c	candidate
PI	possibly implied	sf	significant figure(s)
SCA	substantially correct approach	dp	decimal place(s)

No Method Shown

Where the question specifically requires a particular method to be used, we must usually see evidence of use of this method for any marks to be awarded. However, there are situations in some units where part marks would be appropriate, particularly when similar techniques are involved. Your Principal Examiner will alert you to these and details will be provided on the mark scheme.

Where the answer can be reasonably obtained without showing working and it is very unlikely that the correct answer can be obtained by using an incorrect method, we must award **full marks**. However, the obvious penalty to candidates showing no working is that incorrect answers, however close, earn **no marks**.

Where a question asks the candidate to state or write down a result, no method need be shown for full marks.

Where the permitted calculator has functions which reasonably allow the solution of the question directly, the correct answer without working earns **full marks**, unless it is given to less than the degree of accuracy accepted in the mark scheme, when it gains **no marks**.

Otherwise we require evidence of a correct method for any marks to be awarded.

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Answers and Marking Scheme – Specimen

Question 1

(a)(i)	Suitable scale Plotting points	B1 B2	B1 for 4 correct
(ii)	The points lie on a straight line (passing through the origin)	E1	
(iii)	Line of best fit 44.8	B1 B1	Accept 44.5 – 45.0
(b)(i)	Area is 25.6×19.2 = 491.52 or 492 square inches	M1 A1	
(ii)	Area is 28×15.7 = 439.6 or 439 square inches	M1 A1	
(iii)	Decrease is 41.9	B1	Ft one correct
(c)	Angle for ‘small’ is $\frac{10}{40} \times 360$ = 90° Other angles are 54° , 27° , 189° Construction of pie chart; accuracy, labels	M1 A1 A1 B1	Any angle
	TOTAL	15	

Question 2

(a)(i)	25 (or 26, 27, 28) August, 4 September	B1	
(ii)	£74.70	B1	
(b)	Time taken is 1900 - 1620 = 2hours 40 minutes	M1 A1	
(c)	Flight is TP 0343	B1	
(d)	Tax paid is $\frac{51.9}{100} \times £140.30$ = £72.82	M1 A1	SC1 £72.81
(e)	Reduction is $\frac{1}{6} \times £200.40$ = £33.40	M1 A1	
	Amount charged is £167	A1	
	TOTAL	10	

Question 3

(a)(i)	Number of points scored is $6\frac{1}{2}$	B1	
(ii)	Percentage is $\frac{6\frac{1}{2}}{10} = 65\%$	B1	ft
(b)(i)	Difference is 10 grades Score should be $50 + 10 = 60$	E1	
(ii)	W W W L L W W D D L	B1 B1	
(c)(i)	New grade is $120 \times 0.8 + 43$ $= 139$	B1	
(ii)	$131 = \text{old grade} \times 0.8 + 43$	M1	
(d)(i)	Old grade $\times 0.8 = 88$ Old grade was 110 $0.2 \times x = 43$ $x = 215$	A1 M1 A1	
(ii)	The grade of a person whose new grade is the same as the new grade	E1	
	TOTAL	11	

Question 4

(a)(i)	Circumference is $2 \times \pi \times 83.5$	M1	
	$= 525 \text{ m}$	A1	
(b)(i)	2.25 cm	B1	
(ii)	$2.25 \text{ cm} \times 4000$	M1	
	$= 90 \text{ m}$	A1	
(iii)	13.5 cm	B1	
(iv)	$13.5 \text{ cm} \times 4000$		
	$= 540 \text{ m}$	B1	
(v)	Area = $\frac{1}{2} \times 90 \times 540$	M1A1	
	$= 24\,300 \text{ m}^2$	A1B1	B1 for units
(ii)	There was a hill before	E2	
(c)	$250\,000 \div 500$		
	$= 500 \text{ m}^3$	B1	
	TOTAL	14	
	TOTAL MARKS FOR PAPER	50	