

# **Physics A**

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit **A332/01**: Unit 2 – Modules P4, P5, P6 (Foundation Tier)

## **Mark Scheme for January 2011**

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## Guidance for Examiners

Additional Guidance within any mark scheme takes precedence over the following guidance.
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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. Accept any clear, unambiguous response which is correct, eg mis-spellings if phonetically correct (but check additional guidance).
4. Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed mark scheme:

/ = 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  
words = underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark  
ecf = error carried forward  
AW/owtte = alternative wording  
ORA = or reverse argument

*eg mark scheme shows 'work done in lifting/(change in) gravitational potential energy' (1)*

*"work done" = 0 marks*

*"work done lifting" = 1 mark*

*"change in potential energy" = 0 marks*

*"gravitational potential energy" = 1 mark*

5. If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
6. 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.

The example below illustrates how to apply this principle to an objective question.

*eg for a one mark question, where ticks in boxes 3 and 4 are required for the mark*

Put ticks (✓) in the two correct boxes.

✓
<del>ABC</del>

*This would be worth zero marks.*

Put ticks (✓) in the two correct boxes.

<del>ABC</del>
<del>ABC</del>

*This would be worth one mark.*

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<del>ABC</del>
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✓
✓

*This would be worth one mark.*

7. 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, eg 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:

Always check the additional guidance.

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. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, eg shading or crosses.

Credit should be given for each box correctly ticked. 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.

*eg 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).*

Edinburgh			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Manchester	✓	x	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	x		✓		✓	✓		✓	
<b>Score:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>NR</b>

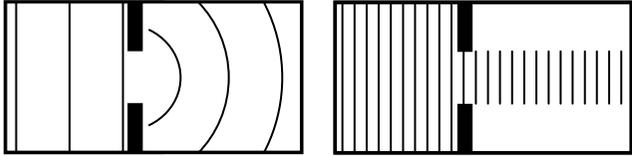
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1	a	i	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td></td> <td colspan="3"><b>gravitational potential energy</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td><b>stays the same</b></td> <td><b>increases</b></td> <td><b>decrease</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>... waiting ...</td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>... moving ...</td> <td></td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>... stopped ...</td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>... falling ...</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>✓</td> </tr> </table>		<b>gravitational potential energy</b>				<b>stays the same</b>	<b>increases</b>	<b>decrease</b>	... waiting ...	✓			... moving ...		✓		... stopped ...	✓			... falling ...			✓	[2]	Three correct for 2 marks. Two or one correct for one mark.
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	b	800 kJ (1)	[1]																										
	c	i	The same as the change ... (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	[1]																									
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	b	A (1)	[1]																										
	c	D (1)	[1]																										
			<b>Total</b>	[3]																									

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3	a	Measure the mass (of the dummy) (1) Measure the velocity of the dummy/car (before the crash) (1) Multiply the mass by the velocity (1)	[3]	Allow weight and speed.  Accept measurements and calculations based on (change in) momentum = force x time					
	b	i							
		increase (1) decrease (1)	[2]						
		ii							
		seat belts (1)	[1]						
		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>							
<b>Total</b>			<b>[6]</b>						
4	a	iron (1)	[1]						
	b	i							
		230V (1)	[1]						
		ii							
		alternating current (1)	[1]						
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5	a	<p><u>light</u> (1)                      resistance changes (1)                      link LDR change to more current/buzzer comes on (1)                      (Resistance) goes down with more light (or vice versa) (1)</p>	[max 3]													
	b	20Ω (1)	[1]													
	c	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 70%;"></th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">true</th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">false</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>The buzzer and LDR are in parallel.</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>The total resistance of the circuit ...</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>The battery pushes charge ...</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		true	false	The buzzer and LDR are in parallel.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The total resistance of the circuit ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The battery pushes charge ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	[2]	All three correct = 2 marks Any two correct = 1 mark
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<b>Total</b>			[7]													

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6	a	transverse (1)	[1]	
	b	frequency wavelength	[1]	<b>Both</b> words required for the mark.
	c	speed (1)	[1]	
	d	i	[1]	<b>Both</b> answers are required for the mark. <b>Allow</b> diagrams correctly labelled 'reflection' and 'refraction'.
		ii	[2]	<b>Ignore</b> amplitude.  <b>Accept</b> colour.  <b>Allow</b> 2 marks for detail of dispersion eg speed changes (1) are different for different frequencies/colours (1)
		<b>Total</b>	<b>[6]</b>	

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7	a	<table border="0"> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>true</b></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>false</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Analogue and digital signals ...</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>To carry a signal, waves ...</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>A signal becomes stronger ...</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Only digital signals can be ...</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table>		<b>true</b>	<b>false</b>	Analogue and digital signals ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	To carry a signal, waves ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A signal becomes stronger ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Only digital signals can be ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>[2]</b>	All correct = 2 marks Three or two correct = 1 mark
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8	 <p data-bbox="315 451 719 483"><u>diffraction/diffract/diffracted</u> (1)</p> <p data-bbox="315 520 1151 584">diffraction shown on at least one diagram/curved wavefronts on RHS of at least one diagram (1)</p> <p data-bbox="315 624 1120 655">wavelength not changing when waves travel through gaps (1)</p> <p data-bbox="315 692 1137 788">more diffraction on left diagram (right hand diagram must show little or no diffraction)/relating the size of the wavelength to the size of the gap (1)</p> <p data-bbox="315 825 1128 888">diffraction only happens when the wavelength matches (about the same as) the size of the gap (1)</p>	4 max	<p data-bbox="1294 419 1850 451">Must use any of these words for this mark.</p> <p data-bbox="1294 587 1480 619">Judge by eye.</p>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>[4]</b>	

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