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Additional Applied Science A

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A325/01: Scientific Detection (Foundation Tier)

Mark Scheme for January 2012

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

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2	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
IDD	benefit of doubt
H•11	contradiction
×	incorrect response
ECF	error carried forward
0	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
~~	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
PRESS	no benefit of doubt

□ K □	reject
	correct response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
A	information omitted

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- a. If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
- b. 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.

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.	Put ticks (✓) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.
		*
		væ*
₹	\checkmark	✓
₹	*	✓
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, 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.

d. 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	✓	×	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	×		✓		✓	✓		✓	
Score:	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	NR

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	Food Standards Agency / FSA ; Office of Fair Trading / OFT Trading Standards	1	ignore consumer protection agency / environment agency / environmental health / Food Agency
1	(a)	(ii)	FSA - Make sure food is safe; OFT - Make sure price is reasonable / service is reasonable; TS - make sure public get a fair deal	1	ecf and answer must be related to ai and give specific detail e.g. collect data / proficiency testing for UKAS ignore to make sure standards are met.
1	(b)		greater magnification / shows more detail / 3D	1	accept greater resolution ignore more powerful / zoom in / clearer / information / defined / sharper
1	(c)	(i)	30 x 4; 120	2	120 scores 2 marks
1	(c)	(ii)	D; any 2 from (same) shape / texture / pattern / structure / features / detail; sharp bits / jagged; holes	3	ignore same size / looks the same / any reference to colour mark each line independently
2	(a)		place dust and fluid on slide; add cover slip; use needle to lower cover slip	3	technique must work to score each mark ignore reference to air bubbles
2	(b)	(i) (ii)	0.002 any 2 from skin scale / skin / scale; fibre; (dust mite) droppings	2	reject if 2 figures given eg 1 or 0.002 reject dust mites
2	(b)	(iii)	4	1	ignore list
2	(c)		stage (clips); lamp; lens(es) / (objective / eyepiece); knob	2	these four words must be present to score 4 correct = 2 marks 3 correct = 1 mark 2 correct = 0 marks BUT if two different parts listed then incorrect

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	to ensure the test is always carried out in the same way	1	accept correctly drawn lines or other indication accept alternative wording
3	(a)	(ii)	to check that the sample could not have been contaminated	1	accept correctly drawn lines or other indication accept alternative wording
3	(a)	(iii)	to make sure the clinistix is still in good condition	1	accept correctly drawn lines or other indication accept alternative wording
3	(a)	(iv)	to check for colour change indicating the presence of glucose in the urine	1	accept correctly drawn lines or other indication accept alternative wording
3	(b)	(i)	0.3	1	
3	(b)	(ii)	using Universal Indicator / pH paper / pH solution / soil test kit / uristix / Benedicts	1	ignore chromatograms / pH scale / pH probe / litmus
3	(c)		pregnancy testing / protein in urine / temperature colour strip	1	NB we are looking for a use of a test. reject same test as used in bii if bii correct e.g. uristix and protein in urine ignore diabetes
4	(a)		C	1	
4	(b)		D	1	
4	(c)		idea that they have moved different distances	1	accept correct answer re Rf values ignore they are different colours ignore took longer to rise up accept not in line / different place on scale reject solvent moves by different amounts
4	(d)		idea of comparison / match; to identify unknown	2	accept to check whether it contains that substance / to find out what it is
4	(e)		solvent; mobile; stationary; quantitative	2	4 correct = 2 marks 3 correct = 1 mark

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
5 (a)	0.8 0.6 0.4 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 concentration in g/litre	2	plotting mark 1 mark for all plots correct plots must be within half a square of correct position ignore 00 plot line of best fit 1 mark for line of best fit that goes through or within one square of the first and fourth given plots, and within 1 square of origin (must touch bottom left-hand square) reject multiple lines MUST BE STRAIGHT LINE

Q	uestic	n Answer	Mark	Guidance
5	(b)	0.8 0.6 0.4 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 concentration in g/litre	1	accept any point that they have plotted that is furthest away from their line of best fit
5	(c)	0.24	1	ecf if answer is not 0.24 then error carried forward from the candidates line of best fit reject all answers if line of best fit is not drawn
5	(d)	intensity of a colour	1	If more than 1 box ticked then no mark accept any indication of correct result
		Paper Total	36	

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