

GCSE MARKING SCHEME

SCIENCE B

SUMMER 2014

INTRODUCTION

The marking schemes which follow were those used by WJEC for the Summer 2014 examination in GCSE SCIENCE B. They were finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conferences were held shortly after the papers were 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 conferences was to ensure that the marking schemes were 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' conferences, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about these marking schemes.

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UNIT 1 FOUNDATION TIER (4781/01)

	Quest	ion	Marking detail							
1	(a)	(i)	Natural selection			1				
		(ii)	Genes			1				
		(iii)	Well suited to the enviro	onment		1				
	(b)	(i)	The variety / range (of li (1)	The variety / range (of life) (1) in the world / habitat / ecosystem 1)						
		(ii)	resources / more favour	Richer in tropics / rainforest / equator (1) because of greater resources / more favourable living conditions (1) (accept converse). The second point can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the conclusion						
2			1 mark for each correct Correct words (bold text the table below.		nent are shown in	6				
			Intensive farming method	Reason for use	Disadvantage					
			Herbicide spray	plants	biodiversity					
			Fertiliser spray	nutrients	rivers					
			'Battery' farming	output	indoors					
3	(a)		Sunlight			1				
	(b)	(i)	The shrimps (intake me	rcury) as they feed /	eat algae.	1				
		(ii)	As bigger animals eat some bioaccumulation / the country to toxic levels. (1) The some coherently and correctly	oncentration level of second point can be	mercury increases / awarded for	2				
4		(i)	Gamma rays	9	-	2				
			Microwaves			1				
		(ii)	From visible to radio waves graphs are identical / maximum wavelength of radio waves the same / at longer UV wavelength, the graphs are similar / they both go down to 10 cm / both have a maximum in the visible region.							
		(iii)		No X-rays in the theoretical graph / 'kink' (in UV region) / starts at a longer wavelength (1)						
		(iv)	Longest wavelength = 1	0 cm		1				
		(v)	Subs (1) answer = 3 000	0000 000Hz (1)		2				

(Questi	on	Marking detail						
5	(a)		Labels down: crater – volcano – All correct (2); 1 correct (1)	ice cap	2				
	(b)	(i)	Lava / molten rock / magma		1				
		(ii)	Must be a molten core / hot / liqu	id core	1				
		(iii)	Volcano formed at their bounda over each other	ries / where they meet / moving	1				
	(c)	(i)	Craters caused by meteors / aste	Craters caused by meteors / asteroids					
		(ii)	More meteors got through atmosphere / don't burn up						
	(d)	(i)	Temperatures must be low	Temperatures must be low					
		(ii)	Global warming (1) because carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas / carbon dioxide traps heat (1) The second point can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the conclusion.						
6	(a)		Because new trees are planted /	more trees are grown (1) to	2				
			replace those cut down (1) The second point can be awarde	d for coherently and correctly					
	(b)	(i)	Carbon dioxide / CO ₂		1				
		(ii)	Carbon dioxide / CO ₂		1				
		(iii)		ourning are balanced by carbon	1				
	(c)	(i)	intake by photosynthesis 400 MW		1				
		(ii)	subs 400/500 [1] (allow ecf from	bi) ans = 80%	2				
7			1 mark for each correct answer (l	bold text)	4				
			Action	Is it reduce, reuse or recycle?					
			Place glass bottles in bottle bank	recycle					
			Make compost from left over fruit and vegetable peelings	recycle					
			Buy food with less packaging	reduce					
			Buy 'bags for life'	re-use					
			Don't buy more than you need	reduce					

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8 (a) (i)	C-B-A All correct 2; 1 correct 1	2
(ii)	 Indicative content: The loft saves 1200 J/s and double-glazing saves 800 J/s. The cavity wall insulation saves 1000 J/s The loft insulation is also the cheapest to install. Therefore installing loft insulation would save the householder most money and the payback time would be shortest. However, double-glazing saves least energy and costs significantly more than other methods so the payback time would be the longest. 	6
	5-6 marks 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.	
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	0 marks The candidate does not make any attempt or give a relevant answer worthy of credit.	

Que	estion		Marking detail	Mark
(b)	(i)	l.	The larger the air gaps the lower the (rate of) energy loss.	1
		II.	(After 20mm), not much increase in saving	1
	(ii)		Reading from graph of 50 (W/m²) (1) 50 x 24 (1) = 1 200 W (correct answer only - 1 200 W (2))	2
(c)	(i)	I.	Foam insulation	1
		II.	Largest R value	1
	(ii)		Total R value = 6	1
(d)	(i)		Scale (at least half y axis) (1) plots (2) suitable best fit line (1)	4
	(ii)		Value from their graph (e.g. 148 +/-2) (1)	1
(e)			Convert 2000 W to 2 KW (1) units used = 2 x 24 = 48 (1) cost = 48 (allow ecf) x 14 = 672 (1) matching unit (1) (either 672p or £6.72). (NOT £6.72p)	4

UNIT 1 - HIGHER TIER (4781/02)

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1 (a) (i)	C-B-A All correct 2; correct 1	2
(ii)	 Indicative content: The loft insulation saves 1200 J/s and double-glazing saves 800 J/s. The cavity wall insulation saves 1000 J/s. The loft insulation is also the cheapest to install. Therefore installing loft installation would save the householder most money and the payback time would be shortest. However, double-glazing saves least energy and costs significantly more than the other methods so the payback time would be the longest. 	6
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Que	estion		Marking detail	Mark
(b)	(i)	III.	The larger the air gaps the lower the (rate of) energy loss.	1
		IV.	(After 20mm), not much increase in saving	1
	(ii)		Reading from graph of 50 (W/m²) (1) 50 x 24 (1) = 1 200 W (correct answer only - 1 200 W (2))	2
(c)	(i)	III.	Foam insulation	1
		IV.	Largest R value	1
	(ii)		Total R value = 6	1
(d)	(i)		Scale (at least half y axis) (1) plots (2) suitable best fit line (1)	4
	(ii)		Value from their graph (e.g. 148 +/-2) (1)	1
(e)			Convert 2000 W to 2 KW (1) units used = 2 x 24 = 48 (1) cost = 48 (allow ecf) x 14 = 672 (1) matching unit (1) (either 672p or £6.72). (NOT £6.72p)	4

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2 (a)	 Indicative content: Organisms that are best adapted to their environment are those that are most likely to survive. The better-adapted organisms will reproduce at a greater rate than the less well-adapted organisms. Organisms with the most favourable genetic adaptions outcompete other organisms in a population. Natural selection is dependent on the existence of mutations in the genes. Natural selection taking place over the course of many generations can change the characteristics of the original population of organisms. 	6
	5-6 marks The candidate constructs an articulate, integrated account correctly linking relevant points such as those in the indicative content, which allows 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.	
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	marks The candidate does not make any attempt or give a relevant answer worthy of credit.	
(b) (i)	The variety / range of life (1) in the world / habitat / ecosystem / area (1)	2
(ii)	Richer in tropics / rain forest / equator (1) because of greater resources / more favourable living conditions (1) (accept converse).	2
	The second point can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the conclusion.	

Que	estion	Marking detail				
3		6 x	1 marks			6
			Intensive farming method	Action	Disadvantages	
			Fertiliser spray	Add nutrients to the soil	Eutrophication / causes dense plant growth in rivers	
			Pesticide spray	Remove animals that feed on the crop	Reduces biodiversity/poison helpful organisms.	
			'Battery' farming	Increased product	Lower quality product/ethical concerns / keep animals indoors	
4 ((i) Craters caused by meteors (1) large numbers of craters / meteors got through atmosphere / lack of erosion (1) so atmosphere must be 'thin' (1) The third mark can be awarded for coherently and correctly					3
((ii)	Mus	cano to be formed a	(1) (possible) tecto at their boundaries (e to earth for 1 marl	1)	3
((iii)	Temperatures must be low (1) so no 'global' warming (1) so lack of greenhouse gases / low concentrations (1) The third mark can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the three points.				
5 ((i)	Min	ing / Industry (Not:	from ships)		1
((ii)	The shrimps take in mercury as they feed. (1) Concentration is low (1) As bigger animals eat many smaller animals / bioaccumulation / the concentration level of mercury increases to toxic levels. (1) The third point can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the conclusion.				3

Q	uesti	on	Marking detail	Mark	
6	(i)		Any three from: from visible to radio waves graphs are identical maximum wavelength of radio waves the same at longest U-V wavelength the graphs are similar no X-rays in the theoretical graph they both go down to 10 cm both have a maximum in the visible region.	3	
	(ii)		Longest wavelength = 10 cm converted to 0.1m (1) subs / manipulate (1) Answer = 3 x 10 ⁹ / 300000000000000000000000000000000000	3	
7	7 (a) (i)		They will never run out (1) because new trees are planted to replace those cut down (1) The second point can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the conclusion.	2	
		(ii)	Carbon emissions caused by <u>burning</u> [1] are balanced by carbon intake by <u>photosynthesis</u> [1] (CO ₂ given out = same as taken in (1) only) The second point can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the conclusion.	2	
	(b)	(i)	500 x 0.8 answer = 400 MW Substitution (1) manipulation (1) answer (1)	3	
		(ii)	180 MW [1] (allow ecf from bi, their answer - 220)	1	
		(iii)	If water is piped over large distances it will cool too much	1	
	(c)		Demand fluctuates / if demand increases / if a power station breaks down [1] other power stations can be brought on line to avoid power cuts [1] The second point can be awarded for coherently and correctly linking the conclusion.	2	

UNIT 2 - FOUNDATION TIER (4782/01)

(Quest	ion			Marking detail			Mark	
1.	(a)		S, Me	etal				2	
	(b)		Any gı	roup 1 metal – Li/l	Na etc (Not: li, na)			1	
	(c)	(i)	X is a	metal Y is a non-	metal			1	
		(ii)	(Not:) Y non-	X metal high melting point/high density/electrical conductor (1) (Not: X mp =1538) Y non-metal low melting point/low density/non-conductor electricity/ poor heat conductor (1)					
2.	(a)	(i)	Sugar	s, saturates				2	
		(ii)	5g x 4	$g \times 4 (1) = 20g (1)$					
	(b)	(i)	Any tv	vo of: less calorie	s, sugar, fat, satur	rates		2	
		(ii)	2 x 15	0 = 300 kcal				1	
		(iii)	300/15	300/15 (1) = 20 minutes (1) (Allow ecf)					
3.	(a)	(i)	46 or 2	23 pairs				1	
		(ii)	Nucle	us				1	
		(iii)	DNA c	or gene/allele				1	
	(b)	(i)					1	1	
					В	b			
				В	ВВ	Bb			
				b Bb bb					
		(ii)	bb	bb					
		(iii)	25%					1	
	(c)	(i)	IVF/ a	doption/genetic so	creen of gametes/	embryo		1	

(Ques	tion		Ma	arking detail		Mark			
4.	(a)		(i) addictive (ii (iv) oxygen) high blood p	ressure (iii) lungs		4			
	(b)	(i)	120				1			
		(ii)	13 x 120(1) =	1560(1) (Allo	w ecf from b(i))		2			
	(c)		ban sponsorsh	nip, warning r ngers of smo	public places, ban adve nessages on packaging king, raising age to buy o	, tax ,	2			
5.	(a)		Magnesium ch	nloride/ hydro	gen		2			
	(b)	(i)	points correct	complete all points correctly (half square tolerance) (2) two oints correct (1) oin points with line correctly (1)						
		(ii)	54 cm ³				1			
		(iii)	Repeat the ex	xpt.			1			
		(iv)	pH gets closed		gets closer to neutral (1)	since the				
			Two marks ca connected	n be awarded	d if points are correctly a	nd coherently	2			
		(v)	Volume = 72 d All Mg/substra		increase (1) reaction stops (1)		2			
	(c)				/ mass of iron pieces/ an a. (Not: same amount of		2			
6.	(a)		1 mark each c	correct answe	r		3			
			Raw material	Chemical name	Purpose					
			limestone	calcium carbonate	Removes impurities which forms the waste called slag					
			hot air	oxygen	Allows the coke to burn					
			coke	carbon	Burns to produce carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide (1)					
			haematite	haematite Iron oxide (1) The ore that contains iron (1)						
	(b) £8 (1) £163 (allow ecf from table) (1)									
	(c)		More reactive	than iron (1)	would not be reduced by	carbon (1).	2			

Question	Marking detail	Mark
7. (a)	Candidates must give argued response. The claim made by Welsh government is valid because use has dropped (1) since the graph shows the number of bags used as gone down from 5 to 1 million/significantly (1) but already dropping before the charge was introduced. (1) OR The claim made by Welsh government is not valid because use dropped before charges were introduced (1) Since October use has only dropped by (about) half a million (1) which is about 30% (1) The points must be coherently as correctly connected for three marks.	3
(b)	Indicative content Iess resources/oil used improved sustainability saves money effect on - world's oceans / marine life effect on land fill/ toxic gases released by burning Marking Bands 5-6 marks 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.	6QWC
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UNIT 2 - HIGHER TIER (4782/02)

Question		tion	Marking detail	Mark
1.	(a)		Magnesium chloride, hydrogen	2
	(b)	(i)	Complete all points (2) two points correct (1) (half square tolerance) join points with line correctly (1)	3
		(ii)	54 cm ³	1
		(iii)	Repeat the expt.	1
		(iv)	pH gets closer to 7 / rises/ gets closer to neutral (1) since the acid is used up/ neutralised (1) Two marks can be awarded if points are correctly and coherently corrected.	2
		(v)	72cm ³ (1) reaction is complete/all the substrates used up (named e.g. Mg or acid) reaction stops (1)	2
	(c)		Any two of: Temperature / conc of HCl / size of iron pieces/ any other suitable. (Not: same amount of acid/iron	2
2.	(a)		Iron oxide / burns to produce CO ₂ and CO / the ore that contains iron.	3
	(b)		105.88 80 165.10 (allow ecf)	3
	(c)		Aluminium higher in the reactivity series (more reactive) and therefore cannot be reduced by carbon. Two marks can be awarded if points are correctly corrected.	2

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3. (a)	Candidates must give argued response. The claim made by Welsh government is valid because use has dropped (1) since the graph shows the number of bags used as gone down from 5 to 1 million/significantly (1) but already dropping before the charge was introduced. (1) OR The claim made by Welsh government is not valid because use dropped before charges were introduced (1) Since October use has only dropped by (about) half a million (1) which is about 30% (1)	3
(b)	Indicative content Less resources/oil used improved sustainability Saves money effect on - world's oceans / marine life effect on land fill/ toxic gases released by burning Marking bands 5-6 marks 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	6QWC
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4.	(a)		Any three of: multiple images, 3D images, images of soft tissue, non-invasive, image formed from different angles	3
	(b)	(i)	(1)	3
			Any suitable letters accepted	
		(ii)	50%	1
	(c)		Father passes on gene for Huntington (1) so could use sperm from donor/or consider adoption/genetic screening (1). Two points need to be correctly and coherently corrected.	2
5	(a)		100*(172000-73000)/172000 (1) = 57.57% (57.6%) (Accept: 55:5%) (1)	2
	(b)	(i)	Pupils have told the truth	1
		(ii)	Chemically test the pupils (test for raised CO levels in breath)/ blood test	1
	(c)		Any three from: • shows smoking in boys and girls has dropped from 2001 (1) • continues to drop since 2007 (1) • drop in numbers greater in girls since 2007 than boys (1) • fall in smoking was bigger before ban (1) • difficult to say if ban has made difference since figures already falling (1)	3

Quest	ion	Marking detail	Mark
6 (a)		Indicative content radio-isotope added to drug (ETDA) injected into patient iodine absorbed by thyroid gland patient positioned under the gamma camera gamma camera detects gamma radiation computer forms an image	6QWC
		Marking bands	
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(b)	(i)	Time taken for ½ (1) the radioactive particles/ mass of radioactive isotope/count rate/activity/nuclei to decay (1)	2
	(ii)	5 half-lives (1) 1/32 or 0.03125 (1)	2
	(iii)	Half-life long enough for formation of an image (1) but not too long to do any harm (1) or (other isotopes half-life too short or too long) Two points need to be correct and coherently corrected.	2
	(iv)	Repeated exposure to ionising radiation, from camera (1) can damage DNA/cause cancer (1) Two points need to be correct and coherently corrected.	2

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