Science Test A

Mark Scheme

2003

1.	(a)	Award ONE mark for:	1
		• 6;	
		• six.	
	(b)	Award ONE mark for:	1
		• (eleven) children said they eat vegetables once a week;	
		• once a week.	
	(c)	Award ONE mark for:	1
	(d)	Award ONE mark for identifying the two best facts:	1
		To stay healthy you should:	
		• eat different kinds of food.	
		• exercise often	

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2. Award **ONE** mark for any **two** of the following: 1 (a) • helmet; chin pad; knee pads; • elbow pads; • wrist guards/gloves/pads. Allow: • shin pads. Do not give credit for an insufficient response: • safety equipment [given]. Award **ONE** mark for: 1 (b) backwards |√ (c) (i) Award **ONE** mark for an indication that Louis travels further (forwards) 1 on the second push: • Louis travels further (on the second push than the first push). Do not give credit for an insufficient response: • Louis travels faster [given]; • Louis went further than Jane. (ii) Award **ONE** mark for an indication that Jane travels further (backwards): 1 • Jane travels further (on the second push). Do not give credit for an insufficient

response:

Jane travels faster [given]; Jane went further than Louis.

(d) Award **ONE** mark for:

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• weight.

Allow:

• gravity.

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3.	(a)	TWO marks for all five living things correctly identified:	2
		tree 🔽	
		starling fly	
		rabbit daisy	
		or	
		If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for correctly identifying any four living things.	1
	(b)	Award TWO marks for all three organisms in the correct order and arrows marked in the correct direction:	2
		 cabbage → snail → thrush; 	
		• thrush ← snail ← cabbage.	
		Allow:	
		 cabbage → snail → bird. 	
		If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for all three organisms in the correct order, but arrows missing or inconsistent:	1
		• cabbage ← snail ← thrush;	
		• thrush \rightarrow snail \rightarrow cabbage;	
		• cabbage plant – snail – thrush;	
		• thrush snail cabbage.	
		OR	
		 correct arrows in a biologically correct food chain. 	
		Allow:	
		• bird snail cabbage.	
		Do not give credit for an insufficient	
		description of the producer: plant;	
		• vegetable.	
	(c)	Award ONE mark for:	1
		 produce new material for growth. 	
	(d)	Award ONE mark for:	1
		• less light. ✓	[6]
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4.	(a)	Award ONE mark for:	1
		an observation. ✓	

- how much water is soaked up by each paper towel?
- how much water does each paper towel hold?
- how much water was absorbed in each paper towel?

- which towel soaked up most water?
- what type of paper soaks up most water?
- the amount of water soaked up by each paper towel.

Allow:

statements which are not framed as questions:

• the amount of water different kinds of paper towels hold.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response:

• which paper towel is best?

Do not give credit for questions which identify an incorrect independent variable or dependent variable:

- which size of towel soaks up most water?
- which towel will not tear?

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that gives a conclusion:

• thicker paper towels hold more water.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that suggests that causal factors are being investigated:

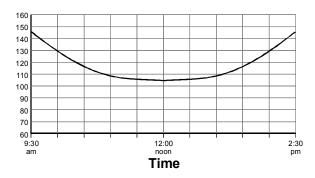
• why do different paper towels soak up different amounts of water?

(c)	Award ONE mark for a reco	gnition of the independent variable as the paper towel:	1		
	• the (type of) paper towel.				
	Allow:				
	• towel;				
	• paper;				
	• tissue;				
	• material.				
		 Do not give credit for an insufficient response that indicates an investigation of a factor not mentioned in the table: strength of towels; thickness of towels; softness of towels. Do not give credit for an insufficient response that gives the dependent variable: how much water was soaked up. 		[2]	
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(a)	Award ONE mark for:		1		
	• the Sun;				
	• sunlight.				
	Allow:				
	daylight.				
		 Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science describing the use of artificial light sources [they would not produce a dark shadow on a sunny day]: spotlights. Do not give credit for an insufficient response: the sky [this is the location of the source, not the source itself]. 			
(b)	Award ONE mark for:	source stategy.	1		
	• opaque. 🗸				
(c)	Award ONE mark for an indication that the shadow became shorter:				
	• the shadow kept getting s	horter;			
	• it got shorter.				
	Allow:				
	• it was less long at lunchti	me;			
	• it was longer at first.				

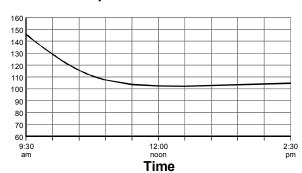
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(d) Award **ONE** mark for a graph with a minimum point of no lower than 95cm, occurring between noon and 1pm. Following the minimum point, the graph should go upwards to a maximum point of no more than 160cm and no less than 105cm.

Minimum at noon



Minimum at 1pm



Do not give credit for an insufficient response where the line remains level or gets lower at any time after 1pm.

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6. (a) Award **ONE** mark for:

• 0 [in correct cell in table].

Allow:

a correct response outside the table or in the wrong place in the table.

- (b) Award **ONE** mark for identifying both the independent variable [the temperature] and one of the dependent variables [the (number of) seeds germinating **or** the time taken (to start) to grow]:
 - how many seeds germinated at (different) temperatures?
 - how many seeds (started to) grow at (different) temperatures?
 - how long it takes lettuce seeds to (start to) grow/germinate at different temperatures?

Allow:

- how does temperature affect germination?
- how many seeds came up at each temperature?
- what is the best temperature for seeds to grow?

statements which are not framed as questions:

- the number of seeds germinating at each temperatures;
- the time taken for seeds to (start to) grow at different temperatures;
- the number of seeds that (start to) grow at different temperatures.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response giving a conclusion:

• more seeds grew at higher temperatures.

Do not give credit for questions identifying an incorrect independent variable or dependent variable:

• which seeds grow at different temperatures?

(c	:)	Award u	p to	TWO	marks	for	all	four	correct
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	True	False	Can't tell
The quickest germination was 25°C.	\checkmark		
At 25°C all the seeds germinated by Day 6.			✓
5°C is too cold for the seeds to germinate.		\checkmark	
The best temperature for seeds to germinate was 15°C.		\checkmark	

or

If you are unable to award two marks, award **ONE** mark for **two** or **three** correct.

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- (d) Award **ONE** mark for **both** parts correct:
 - agree with Faiza 🗹

AND

a response which shows an awareness that only one kind of seed has been tested or that all temperatures were not tested:

- they did not test different kinds of seed;
- they only tested one kind of seed;
- they only used lettuce seeds;
- they didn't test all other temperatures.

Allow:

- some seeds may need more heat to germinate;
- 25°C might be the best temperature for lettuce seeds;
- they might not have allowed sufficient time;
- you do not know what would happen if you left it longer.

if neither box is ticked but the creditworthy explanation indicates that the pupils believe Faiza is correct, the mark may be awarded.

Do not give credit where a box other than 'agree with Faiza' is ticked.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response:

• more information.

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- 7. (a) Award **ONE** mark for an explanation that the slope of the graph for cup B is steeper and/or the line for cup B is lower (than cup A):
 - the graph for cup B goes down more quickly;
 - the graph for cup B drops more steeply in the first 40 minutes;
 - after 40 minutes, cup B is at a lower temperature than cup A;
 - cup B's temperature went down more quickly.

Allow:

- cup B goes down more than cup A;
- after 40 minutes, cup B is at 39(±1)°C and cup A is at 45(±1)°C;
- it/its line is lower.

Allow:

• cup B reached room temperature first.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that restates that cup B cooled more quickly:

- *cup B cooled the quickest;*
- cup A is hotter.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that only describes the temperature in one cup:

• cup B is at 39°C.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that is ambiguous as to which cup is being described:

- one line goes down faster than the other.
- (b) Award **ONE** mark for:

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• 25°C.

Allow:

a response within the range of 23–27°C inclusive.

(c) Award **ONE** mark for:

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• thermal insulator <

- (d) Award **ONE** mark for a response that increases the amount of insulation and reduces the heat leaving her drink:
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- put a lid on it;
- wrap it in another insulating material/use a mug warmer;
- put the drink in a thicker/more insulating cup;
- put the cup inside another cup;
- wrap it in foil;
- hold the cup in her hands;
- put the drink in a flask.

• put it in a warm place.

Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science:

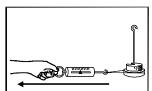
• put the drink in a metal cup [metal is a good conductor].

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that indicates re-heating the drink:

- put it on the cooker/in the oven;
- re-heat it in the microwave; [these do not describe how to minimise heat loss].

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8. (a) Award **ONE** mark for an arrow in the direction of pull anywhere in the box:



Allow:

- an arrow towards the left at an angle of 45° above or below the horizontal.
- (b) Award **TWO** marks for a general comparison describing the relationship between the **number of masses** and the **size of the force** required to pull them:

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- the more masses there are, the greater the force needed to pull them;
- the fewer masses there are, the smaller the force needed to pull them.

Allow:

- for every mass added, the force increases by 0.15 N;
- the greater the weight, the bigger the force needed to pull them.

or

Award **ONE** mark for two specific comparisons describing the relationship:

• lots of masses need a big force and one mass needs a small force.

Award ONE mark for a single comparison of the variables:

- more force is needed when there are lots of masses;
- less force is needed when there is one mass.

Award **ONE** mark for a response indicating that the force increases for every mass added, but the amount of increase is incorrect:

• for every mass added, the force increases by 15 N.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that changes a variable:

• the more masses there are, the bigger the forcemeter.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that replaces frictional force with weight:

- the more the mass, the greater the weight (force).
- (c) Award **ONE** mark for an indication that his results are recorded in reverse order **or** a response that identifies the incorrect relationship in the table:
 - his results are the wrong way round;
 - his results show that the more masses he added, the easier it was to pull;
 - he put that the least mass needs the biggest force to pull it.

Allow:

- they are in the wrong order;
- it is backwards.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response:

- his results:
- his results do not match his notes;
- they are all in the wrong place;
- the first and last readings need to be swapped.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that replaces frictional force with weight:

• his table shows that the higher the number of masses, the more it weighs.

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- (d) Award **ONE** mark for an indication that he should check his method and/or repeat his test:
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- do his test again (to check his results);
- repeat his test;
- make sure he is doing his test correctly;
- review his plan.

Do not give credit for an insufficient response that relates to checking his results:

- check his test results [repetition of stem];
- keep going over it again and again;
- double check it; [it is ambiguous whether these refer to repeating the test or checking the results again].

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9. (a) Award **TWO** marks for **all three** ticks correctly placed:

Material	Solid	Liquid	Gas
Citric acid powder	✓		
Bicarbonate of soda powder	✓		
Water		√	

If you are unable to award two marks, award **ONE** mark for **any two** ticks correctly placed.

- (b) Award **TWO** marks for a response that describes the following events in the context of the experiment in the given order:
 - 1) the water evaporates;
 - 2) the citric acid remains in the container/dish:
 - evaporate the water and the citric acid will stay in the container;
 - put the water and citric acid mixture somewhere warm. The water will turn to vapour and the citric acid will remain.

Allow:

• they heat the mixture. The citric acid powder is left behind.

or

If you are unable to award two marks, award **ONE** mark for a response that describes one event:

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- evaporate the water from the container;
- the citric acid forms crystals once the water is gone.

a response that indicates they move the container to a warmer place (to increase the rate of evaporation):

- move the container/mixture to a warmer place;
- put the bowl on the radiator.

Do not credit the first marking point for a response that includes incorrect science indicating the citric acid may evaporate with the water:

• evaporate the solution.

Do not credit the first marking point for an insufficient response that is unclear or ambiguous as to what is evaporating:

• evaporate it.

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