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MARK SCHEME

Information to Examiners

1. General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- the typical answer or answers which are expected
- extra information to help the Examiner make his or her judgement and help to delineate what is acceptable or not worthy of credit or, in discursive answers, to give an overview of the area in which a mark or marks may be awarded.

The extra information is aligned to the appropriate answer in the left-hand part of the mark scheme and should only be applied to that item in the mark scheme.

At the beginning of a part of a question a reminder may be given, for example: where consequential marking needs to be considered in a calculation; or the answer may be on the diagram or at a different place on the script.

In general the right hand side of the mark scheme is there to provide those extra details which confuse the main part of the mark scheme yet may be helpful in ensuring that marking is straightforward and consistent.

2. Emboldening

- **2.1** In a list of acceptable answers where more than one mark is available 'any **two** from' is used, with the number of marks emboldened. Each of the following lines is a potential mark.
- **2.2** A bold **and** is used to indicate that both parts of the answer are required to award the mark.
- **2.3** Alternative answers acceptable for a mark are indicated by the use of **or**. (Different terms in the mark scheme are shown by a /; eg allow smooth / free movement.)

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which candidates have provided extra responses. The general principle to be followed in such a situation is that 'right + wrong = wrong'.

Each error/contradiction negates each correct response. So, if the number of error/contradictions equals or exceeds the number of marks available for the question, no marks can be awarded.

However, responses considered to be neutral (indicated as * in example 1) are not penalised.

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	4,8	0
2	green, 5	0
3	red*, 5	1
4	red*, 8	0

Example 1: What is the pH of an acidic solution? (1 mark)

Example 2: Name two planets in the solar system. (2 marks)

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	Pluto, Mars, Moon	1
2	Pluto, Sun, Mars,	0
	Moon	

3.2 Use of chemical symbols / formulae

If a candidate writes a chemical symbol / formula instead of a required chemical name, full credit can be given if the symbol / formula is correct and if, in the context of the question, such action is appropriate.

3.3 Marking procedure for calculations

Full marks can be given for a correct numerical answer, as shown in the column 'answers', without any working shown.

However if the answer is incorrect, mark(s) can be gained by correct substitution / working and this is shown in the 'extra information' column;

3.4 Interpretation of 'it'

Answers using the word 'it' should be given credit only if it is clear that the 'it' refers to the correct subject.

3.5 Errors carried forward

Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Papers should be constructed in such a way that the number of times errors can be carried forward are kept to a minimum. Allowances for errors carried forward are most likely to be restricted to calculation questions and should be shown by the abbreviation e.c.f. in the marking scheme.

3.6 Phonetic spelling

The phonetic spelling of correct scientific terminology should be credited **unless** there is a possible confusion with another technical term.

3.7 Brackets

(....) are used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(a)	less dense than air		1
1(b)(i)	water	accept hydrogen oxide	1
		do not accept hydrogen dioxide / hydro oxide	
1(b)(ii)	unreactive		1
1(c)	atoms		1
1(d)	electron(s)		1
	nucleus		1
Total			6

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(a)(i)	conducts electricity		1
2(a)(ii)	<u>mix</u> ture (of metals)	(it = alloy)	1
2(b)	any two from:	ignore pollution without qualification	2
	• noise		
	• dust	allow dirt	
	traffic		
	• eyesore		
Total			4

question	answers	extra information	mark
3(a)	crust	ignore Earth's	1
	core	ignore inner and/or outer	1
3(b)	bar chart		1
	all heights are correct	accept correctly plotted points	1
	all labels are correct for nitrogen, oxygen and other / argon		1
3(c)(i)	decomposed		1
3(c)(ii)	global warming		1
Total			7

question	answers	extra information	mark
4(a)(i)	carbon	accept in either order	1
	hydrogen		1
		ignore number eg 2 carbons	
		4 hydrogens	
4(a)(ii)	(a carbon carbon) double (bond)		1
4(b)	poly(ethene)		1
4(c)	any two from:	ignore pollution / cost / global warming / harms environment / recycling	2
	made from crude oil		
	non–renewable resources	accept resources are running out	
	• litter	accept go to landfill	
	not biodegradable		
	use energy to make		
	• when burned or biodegraded carbon dioxide is released		
	 encourage customers to reuse bags / use their own bags 	accept reduces carbon emissions / footprint	
Total			6

question	answers	extra information	mark
5(a)(i)	crushed / pressed		1
	filtered	allow sieve	1
5(a)(ii)	tap opened		1
	or		
	allow water through		
	tap closed before oil runs through	accept to leave oil (in the funnel) accept collect oil in a different beaker	1
5(b)(i)	3 / three		1
5(b)(ii)	one colour is unsafe / two colours are safe	ignore no or do not know or yes need to check the one colour that is different	1
5(b)(iii)	make (more) profit / money	accept sell (more) crisps or (more) people will want to buy their crisps	1
Total			7

Question 6

question	answers	extra information	mark
6(a)(i)	low percentage / very little of metal (in the ore)	accept <u>only</u> 0.5% metal in the ore or over 99% waste in the ore or nearly 100% waste in the ore ignore reference to percentage of metal in the Earth's crust or	1
		energy used or pollution	
6(a)(ii)	any one from	(it = iron)	1
	 iron uses less energy / fuel for extraction 	ignore electrolysis / uses electricity / reactivity	
	iron has more uses		
	more demand for iron	ignore high abundance in the Earth's crust / high percentage of metal in ore	
	 iron is stronger 	ignore harder	
	cheaper / costs less		
	easier to extract		
6(b)(i)	has <u>melt</u> ing point lower than 950°C	(it = aluminium) allow has a low <u>melt</u> ing point ignore boiling point	1
6(b)(ii)	electrode(s) made of carbon		1
	oxygen reacts with electrode(s) / carbon	accept C + O_2 (\rightarrow CO ₂)	1
		NB oxygen reacts with the carbon electrode(s) = 2 marks	

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Question 6 contd

question	answers	extra information	mark
6(b)(iii)	any two from:		2
	 saves resources / non renewable 	accept aluminium / ore will run out or conserves aluminium	
	landfill problem	accept aluminium does not corrode	
	 saves energy / fuel / electricity 		
	 less carbon dioxide / carbon emissions or reduces carbon factorint 	ignore global warming	
	footprintless quarrying / mining	ignore consequences of quarrying / mining	
		ignore pollution / harms environment / costs / easy to recycle	
Total			7

question	answers	extra information	mark
7(a)	crude oil / it is evaporated / vaporised	ignore heated	1
	vapours / gases / fractions <u>cool</u> and condense	accept named fraction(s)	1
	(different) vapours / gases / fractions (condense) at different temperatures	accept (different) vapours / gases / fractions have different boiling points max 2 marks for description of laboratory method or mention of cracking	1
7(b)(i)	any one from:		1
	 range of boiling points 		
	range of carbon atoms		
7(b)(ii)	greater the number (of carbon atoms) the higher the boiling point	do not accept molecules / particles	1
7(c)(i)	burning / combustion	allow oxidation / redox	1
7(c)(ii)	 any two from: cracking / (thermal) decomposition heat / vaporise catalyst / aluminium oxide 	reaction with hydrogen gains max of 1 mark only allow porous pot ignore names of other catalysts	2
Total			8