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C marks C marks are compensatory marks in general applicable to numerical questions. These can be scored even if the point to which they refer are not written down by the candidate, provided subsequent working gives evidence that they must have known it. For example, if an equation carries a C mark and the candidate does not write down the actual equation but does correct substitution or working which shows he knew the equation, then the C mark is scored. A C mark is not awarded if a candidate makes two points which contradict each other. Points which are wrong but irrelevant are ignored.

A marks A marks are accuracy or answer marks which either depend on an M mark, or which are one of the ways which allow a C mark to be scored. A marks are commonly awarded for final answers to numerical questions. If a final numerical answer, eligible for A marks, is correct, with the correct unit and an acceptable number of significant figures, all the marks for that question are normally awarded. It is very occasionally possible to arrive at a correct answer by an entirely wrong approach. In these rare circumstances, do not award the A marks, but award C marks on their merits. An A mark following an M mark is a dependent mark.

Brackets ( ) Brackets around words or units in the mark scheme are intended to indicate wording used to clarify the mark scheme, but the marks do not depend on seeing the words or units in brackets, e.g. 10 (J) means that the mark is scored for 10, regardless of the unit given.

Underlining Underlining indicates that this must be seen in the answer offered, or something very similar.

OR / or This indicates alternative answers, any one of which is satisfactory for scoring the marks.

e.e.o.o. This means “each error or omission”.

o.w.t.t.e. This means “or words to that effect”.

Ignore This indicates that something which is not correct or irrelevant is to be disregarded and does not cause a right plus wrong penalty.

Spelling Be generous about spelling and use of English. If an answer can be understood to mean what we want, give credit. However, do not allow ambiguities, e.g. spelling which suggests confusion between reflection / refraction / diffraction or thermistor / transistor / transformer.

Not / NOT This indicates that an incorrect answer is not to be disregarded, but cancels another otherwise correct alternative offered by the candidate, i.e. right plus wrong penalty applies.
meaning "error carried forward" is mainly applicable to numerical questions, but may in particular circumstances be applied in non-numerical questions. This indicates that if a candidate has made an earlier mistake and has carried an incorrect value forward to subsequent stages of working, marks indicated by ecf may be awarded, provided the subsequent working is correct, bearing in mind the earlier mistake. This prevents a candidate from being penalised more than once for a particular mistake, but only applies to marks annotated ecf.

Sig. figs. Answers are normally acceptable to any number of significant figures \(\geq 2\). Any exceptions to this general rule will be specified in the mark scheme. Rounding errors in the second or third significant figure will be penalised.

Arithmetic errors Deduct one mark if the only error in arriving at a final answer is clearly an arithmetic one. Regard a power-of-ten error as an arithmetic error.

Transcription errors Deduct one mark if the only error in arriving at a final answer is because previously calculated data has clearly been misread but used correctly.

Fractions Allow fractions only where specified in the mark scheme.

Units Deduct one mark for an incorrect or missing unit, but only if the answer would otherwise have gained all the marks available for that answer. Maximum one unit penalty per question.
1. (a) (i) (gradient =) 10 (m/s²)  
   (ii) any linking of gradient to acceleration of freefall OR gravitational field strength

   (b) gradient decreases

   (c) speed/velocity stays constant OR terminal velocity/speed  
   no resultant force OR forces cancel/balance

   (d) initially gradient steeper  
   graph lower in second half of BC  
   horizontal final section and lower than CD

   [Total: 8]

2. (a) (i) 180 N
   (ii) (P =) F/A OR 180÷(0.30 × 0.04)
        15 000 Pa

   (b) (i) arrow (labelled W) from/to correct centre of mass
   (ii) 1. force × (perpendicular) distance OR 40 × 0.60 OR 180 × 0.15 in 2.
        24 N m
   2. 27 N m  
      e.c.f. from (a)(i)

   (iii) slab topples/rotates (about point D) OR corner C lifts from ground
   OR falls over

      moment of force at B becomes bigger than moment of weight / W
      OR anticlockwise moment becomes bigger than clockwise moment
      OR weight/centre of mass outside base

   [Total: 9]

3. (a) (i) (g.p.e.) = mgh OR 0.15 × 10 × 1.8
   2.7 J ignore minus sign

   (ii) (k.e. OR 2.7 =) Œmv² OR Œ × 0.15v²
   (v² =) 36
   6.0 m/s

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(b) (i) initial temperature (of metal) OR final temperature (of metal) OR temperature change (of metal) B1

(ii) thermal energy transferred to something specific e.g. air/tube/stopper/thermometer/surroundings/environment OR small spheres lost before/after weighing OR not all the spheres fall the same distance B1

(iii) higher temperature increase OR calculate mean of (100) readings M1 small measurements less accurate owtte A1

[Total: 9]

4 (a) \( pV = \text{constant} \ OR \ p_1 V_1 = p_2 V_2 \ OR \ p_1 V_1 / V_2 \) or \( 1.0 \times 10^5 \times 100 \div 40 \)  C1
\( 2.5 \times 10^5 \) Pa A1

(b) (i) (the particles move) randomly B1

(the particles move) slowly OR through small distances OR disappear OR zigzag OR directions change OR erratic OR straight lines between collisions B1

(ii) air molecules/particles collide with smoke particles (at high speed) B1
fast(er) air molecules OR move randomly OR many collisions B1

(c) diagram showing:
molecules touching each other B1
molecules positioned in an ordered structure B1

[Total: 8]

5 (a) \( (n =) \sin i / \sin r \) OR \( \sin 62 / \sin 36 \) C1
\( 1.5(02) \) C1
\( \nu_g = c / n \) OR \( 3.0 \times 10^8 / 1.5 \) C1
\( 2.0 / 2.00 / 1.997 \times 10^8 \) m/s A1

(b) (infra-red/ light) encoded OR (sent as) pulses OR multiplexing OR many messages OR signal OR information OR data OR internet B1
(optical fibre transmits) light/infra-red (pulse) B1
total internal reflection/TIR (prevents escape) B1

[Total: 7]

6 (a) mark (i) and (ii) together:
mention of free electrons B1
(current is) flow/movement of free electrons B1
insulators contain no free electrons / metals contain many free electrons B1
(b) (i) chemical (energy) to electrical (energy)  
(IGNORE heat)  
B1

(ii) (energy =) \(V\times I\times t\)  
OR \(120 \times 96 \times 10\) (OR \(60 \times 10 \times 60\))  
OR \(11520 \times 10\) (OR \(60 \times 10 \times 60\))  
6.9 \(\times 10^6\) J  
C1

(iii) \(96 \times 120\) OR \(1.2/1.15(2) \times 10^4\) OR \(12000/11500/11520\)  
1.0 \(\times 10^4\) W  
C1

[Total: 8]

7 (a) 1500 m/s underlined/indicated  
B1

(b) compression: closer together AND rarefaction: further apart  
B1

compression: particles/molecules/wavefronts closer together/low pressure  
AND rarefaction: particles/molecules/wavefronts further apart/high pressure  
B1

(c) (i) \((t =) d/v\) used OR \(t = 2d/v\) OR \(12/1500\) OR \(0.008\) (s)  
\((t =) 2d/v\) used OR \(24/1500\)  
0.016 s  
C1

(ii) amplitude: decrease  
pitch: no change  
B1

[Total: 8]

8 (a) 6.0 V  
B1

(b) (i) coulomb (IGNORE C)  
B1

(ii) \((Q =) I\times t\)  
OR \(0.25 \times 12 \times 60\) OR \(0.25 \times 720\) OR \(0.25 \times 12\) OR \(3.0\) OR \(0.25 \times 60\) OR \(15\) \(180\) (C)  
C1

(iii) \((R =) V/I\) or 6.0/0.25 or 24.0 e.c.f. from (a)  
OR \((\text{OR} =) IR\) OR \(0.25 \times 16\) OR 4.0 e.c.f. from (a)  
C1

8.0 \(\Omega\)  
A1

(c) \(R \propto l\) OR \(8.0\) OR \(16/2\)  
\(R_1 R_2/(R_1 + R_2)\) OR \(1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2\) OR \(64/16\) OR \(1/R = 1/8 + 1/8\)  
4.0 \(\Omega\)  
C1

[Total: 9]
9 (a) (i) (magnetic field) lines closer together / denser / more lines B1

(ii) (magnetic field (lines) direction reversed B1

(b) (i) ammeter needle deflects / reading on ammeter B1
(magnetic) field cuts coil OR changing (magnetic) field B1
(electromagnetic) induction B1

(ii) deflection / reading on ammeter smaller OR lasts longer B1
slower rate of cutting field lines OR slower rate of change of field B1

[Total: 7]

10 (a) any one specific source of background radiation B1
   e.g. rocks, ground, building materials, radon, radiation from space, Sun,
   cosmic rays, nuclear waste

(b) (i) electromagnetic radiation OR photons B1
(very) high frequency OR (very) short wavelength or high energy B1

(ii) (count rate) decreases B1
(count rate decreases but) not completely absorbed (by lead)
   OR only some γ-rays detected B1

(c) (i) no deflection (last / fifth box ticked) B1

(ii) (γ-rays) are uncharged / neutral (IGNORE not affected by magnetic fields) B1

[Total: 7]