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MARK SCHEME

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**Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptions for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

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| GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:<br>Marks must be awarded in line with:<br><br>• the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question<br>• the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question<br>• the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts. |
| GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:<br>Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions). |
| GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:<br>Marks must be awarded **positively**:<br><br>• marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate<br>• marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do<br>• marks are not deducted for errors<br>• marks are not deducted for omissions<br>• answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous. |
| GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:<br>Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors. |
| GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:<br>Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen). |
| GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:<br>Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind. |

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1. Unless a particular method has been specified in the question, full marks may be awarded for any correct method. However, if a calculation is required then no marks will be awarded for a scale drawing.

2. Unless specified in the question, non-integer answers may be given as fractions, decimals or in standard form. Ignore superfluous zeros, provided that the degree of accuracy is not affected.

3. Allow alternative conventions for notation if used consistently throughout the paper, e.g. commas being used as decimal points.

4. Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, e.g. wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored (isw).

5. Where a candidate has misread a number or sign in the question and used that value consistently throughout, provided that number does not alter the difficulty or the method required, award all marks earned and deduct just 1 A or B mark for the misread.

6. Recovery within working is allowed, e.g. a notation error in the working where the following line of working makes the candidate's intent clear.

**Annotations guidance for centres**

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The annotations listed below were available to examiners marking this component in this series.

**Annotations**

| Annotation | Meaning |
|---|---|
| ⌃ | More information required |
| A0 | Accuracy mark awarded zero |
| A1 | Accuracy mark awarded one |
| B0 | Independent accuracy mark awarded zero |
| B1 | Independent accuracy mark awarded one |
| B2 | Independent accuracy mark awarded two |
| BOD | Benefit of the doubt |
| BP | Blank Page |
| ✘ | Incorrect |
| Dep | Used to indicate DM0 or DM1 |

| Annotation | Meaning |
| --- | --- |
| DM1 | Dependent on the previous M1 mark(s) |
| FT | Follow through |
| ∿ | Indicate working that is right or wrong |
| Highlighter | Highlight a key point in the working |
| ISW | Ignore subsequent work |
| J | Judgement |
| JU | Judgement |
| M0 | Method mark awarded zero |
| M1 | Method mark awarded one |
| M2 | Method mark awarded two |
| MR | Misread |
| O | Omission or Other solution |
| Off-page comment | Allows comments to be entered at the bottom of the RM marking window and then displayed when the associated question item is navigated to. |
| On-page comment | Allows comments to be entered in speech bubbles on the candidate response. |
| PE | Judgment made by the PE |
| Pre | Premature approximation |
| SC | Special case |
| SEEN | Indicates that work/page has been seen |

| Annotation | Meaning |
|---|---|
| SF | Error in number of significant figures |
| ✔ | Correct |
| TE | Transcription error |
| XP | Correct answer from incorrect working |

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## Mark Scheme Notes

The following notes are intended to aid interpretation of mark schemes in general, but individual mark schemes may include marks awarded for specific reasons outside the scope of these notes.

**Types of mark**

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|---|---|---|
| **M** | | Method mark, awarded for a valid method applied to the problem. Method marks are not lost for numerical errors, algebraic slips or errors in units. However, it is not usually sufficient for a candidate just to indicate an intention of using some method or just to quote a formula; the formula or idea must be applied to the specific problem in hand, e.g. by substituting the relevant quantities into the formula. Correct application of a formula without the formula being quoted obviously earns the M mark and in some cases an M mark can be implied from a correct answer. |
| **A** | | Accuracy mark, awarded for a correct answer or intermediate step correctly obtained. Accuracy marks cannot be given unless the associated method mark is earned (or implied). |
| **B** | | Mark for a correct result or statement independent of method marks. |
| **DM** or **DB** | | When a part of a question has two or more 'method' steps, the M marks are generally independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly, when there are several B marks allocated. The notation DM or DB is used to indicate that a particular M or B mark is dependent on an earlier M or B (asterisked) mark in the scheme. When two or more steps are run together by the candidate, the earlier marks are implied and full credit is given. |
| **FT** | | Implies that the A or B mark indicated is allowed for work correctly following on from previously incorrect results. Otherwise, A or B marks are given for correct work only. |

- A or B marks are given for correct work only (not for results obtained from incorrect working) unless follow through is allowed (see abbreviation FT above).
- For a numerical answer, allow the A or B mark if the answer is correct to 3 significant figures or would be correct to 3 significant figures if rounded (1 decimal place for angles in degrees).
- The total number of marks available for each question is shown at the bottom of the Marks column.
- Wrong or missing units in an answer should not result in loss of marks unless the guidance indicates otherwise.
- Square brackets [ ] around text or numbers show extra information not needed for the mark to be awarded.

**Abbreviations**

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| AEF/OE | Any Equivalent Form (of answer is equally acceptable) / Or Equivalent |
| AG | Answer Given on the question paper (so extra checking is needed to ensure that the detailed working leading to the result is valid) |
| CAO | Correct Answer Only (emphasising that no 'follow through' from a previous error is allowed) |
| CWO | Correct Working Only |
| ISW | Ignore Subsequent Working |
| SOI | Seen Or Implied |
| SC | Special Case (detailing the mark to be given for a specific wrong solution, or a case where some standard marking practice is to be varied in the light of a particular circumstance) |
| WWW | Without Wrong Working |
| AWRT | Answer Which Rounds To |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1(a) | $4960 - 40k = 836$<br>or<br>$\dfrac{4960}{40} - k = \dfrac{836}{40}$ | B1 | Also accept $124 - k = 20.9$ or $40k = 4124$ OE. |
|  | $k = 103.1$ | B1 |  |
|  |  | 2 |  |
| 1(b) | **Method 1** |  |  |
|  | $[sd^2 =] \dfrac{25410.8}{40} - \left(\dfrac{836}{40}\right)^2$ | M1 |  |
|  | $[sd^2 = 198.46,\ ]$<br>$sd = 14.1$ | A1 | 14.08758…to at least 3SF.<br>If **M** not awarded **SCB1** for correct answer WWW. |
|  | **Method 2** |  |  |
|  | $[sd^2 =] \dfrac{622978.4}{40} - 124^2$ | M1 | 622978.4 comes from expansion of<br>$\sum(x - k)^2 = 25410.8$ substituting in relevant values. |
|  | $[sd^2 = 198.46,\ ]$<br>$sd = 14.1$ | A1 | 14.08758…to at least 3SF.<br>If **M** not awarded **SCB1** for correct answer WWW. |
|  |  | 2 |  |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2(a) | **Method 1** | | |
| | $1-\left(0.55\right)^3$ | **M1** | Might also be seen as $1 - {}^3C_0(0.55)^3[(0.45)^0]$. |
| | $= 0.834, \dfrac{6669}{8000}$ | **A1** | AWRT. |
| | **Method 2** | | |
| | ${}^3C_1 (0.45)(0.55)^2 + {}^3C_2 (0.45)^2(0.55) + (0.45)^3[0.55]^0$ | **M1** | |
| | $= 0.834, \dfrac{6669}{8000}$ | **A1** | AWRT. |
| | | **2** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2(b) | **Method 1** | | |
| | $[P(8, 9, 10) =]\ ^{10}C_8\, 0.55^8\, 0.45^2 +\ ^{10}C_9\, 0.55^9\, 0.45^1 + 0.55^{10}$ | **M1** | One term of the form $^{10}C_x\, (p)^x\,(1-p)^{10-x}$, $0 < p < 1, x \neq 0$ or 10. |
| | $[= 0.0763026 + 0.0207241 + 0.00253295]$ | **A1** | Correct un-simplified expression. |
| | $= 0.0996$ | **B1** | $0.09955 < p \leq 0.0996$. |
| | **Method 2** | | |
| | $[1 - P(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7)]$ | **M1** | One term of the form $^{10}C_x\, (p)^x\,(1-p)^{10-x}$, $0 < p < 1, x \neq 0$ or 10. |
| | $1 - (0.45^{10} +\ ^{10}C_1\, 0.55\, 0.45^9 + \ldots +\ ^{10}C_7\, 0.55^7\, 0.45^3)$ | **A1** | Correct un-simplified expression.<br>Condone omission of up to 5 of the 6 middle terms.<br>Condone omission of last bracket only. If both brackets omitted in un-simplified expression, allow recovery for final stated calculation of $1 - 0.90044\ldots$ or better. |
| | $= 0.0996$ | **B1** | $0.09955 < p \leqslant 0.0996$. |
| | | **3** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 3(a) | $\left[ P(X = 8) = \left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^7 = \right] 0.0465,\ \dfrac{78125}{1679616}$ | **B1** | |
| | | **1** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 3(b) | **Method 1** | | |
| | $[P(X < 9) =] \ 1 - \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{8}$ | M1 | $1 - \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{d}$, $d = 8, 9$. |
| | $= 0.767$ | A1 | AWRT. |
| | **Method 2** | | |
| | $[P(X < 9) =]$ $\dfrac{1}{6} + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{2}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{3}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{4}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{5}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) +$ $\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{6}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{7}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)$ | M1 | $\dfrac{1}{6} + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{2}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{3}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{4}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{5}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) +$ $\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{6}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{7}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)\left[ + \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^{8}\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)\right]$ |
| | $= 0.767$ | A1 | AWRT. |
| | | **2** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 3(c) | **Method 1** | | |
| | 2 throws $\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)^2$ $\qquad\qquad$ $\dfrac{1}{36}$ | **B1** | Two identified scenarios correct, accept un-simplified calculations. |
| | 3 throws: $\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)^2\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)\times {}^2C_1$ $\qquad$ $\dfrac{10}{216}$  4 throws: $\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)^2\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^2\times {}^3C_1$ $\qquad$ $\dfrac{75}{1296}$  5 throws: $\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)^2\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^3\times {}^4C_1$ $\qquad$ $\dfrac{500}{7776}$ | **M1** | Four correctly identified scenarios added (here they may be identified by correct un-simplified calculations). Condone ${}^2C_1 = 2$ etc. |
| | $0.196,\ \dfrac{763}{3888}$ | **A1** | $0.196 \leqslant p < 0.1963$  **SCB1** for correct answer if **M** mark not awarded |
| | **Method 2** | | |
| | No threes in 5 throws $\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^5$ $\qquad\qquad$ $\dfrac{3125}{7776}$ | **B1** | $1 - 1$ identified scenario correct, accept un-simplified calculations. |
| | One three in 5 throws $\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^4\times {}^5C_1$ $\quad$ $\dfrac{3125}{7776}$  $1 - \left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^5 - \left\{\left(\dfrac{1}{6}\right)\left(\dfrac{5}{6}\right)^4\times {}^5C_1\right\}$ | **M1** | $1 - 2$ correctly identified scenarios (here they may be identified by correct un-simplified calculations). Condone ${}^5C_1 = 5$. |
| | $0.196,\ \dfrac{763}{3888}$ | **A1** | $0.196 \leqslant p < 0.1963$.  **SCB1** for correct answer if **M** mark not awarded. |
| | | **3** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4(a) | Accept 43 or 44 | **B1** | |
| | | **1** | |
| 4(b) |   Median = 4.8 | **B1** | Plotted on box. |
| | LQ = 3.7 or 3.8, UQ = 6.5 or 6.6 | **B1** | Plotted on box. |
| | Correct end points for whiskers and whiskers drawn | **B1** | Correct end points of whiskers (2 and 12). Whiskers not through box, not drawn at corners of box. Accept end points of whiskers as dots or without vertical line. |
| | Linear scale and labelled Time in minutes | **B1** | OE. Linear scale from 2 to 12, at least 3 equally spaces values marked using at least half of the grid. Label to include time and minutes. |
| | | **4** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 5(a) | <br><br>Probabilities for Bag $A$ selection R,B,G $(\dfrac{6}{12}, \dfrac{5}{12}, \dfrac{1}{12})$<br><br>Probabilities for Bag $B$ selection: $\dfrac{6}{9}, \dfrac{3}{9}, [0]$    $\dfrac{5}{9}, \dfrac{4}{9}, [0]$    $\dfrac{5}{9}, \dfrac{3}{9}, \dfrac{1}{9}$ | **B1** | Correct structure and probabilities for Bag A branches which must be the first set of branches, including labels R, B, G. |
| | | **B1** | Correct structure and probabilities for one Bag B branch, including labels R, B, [G].<br>Condone inclusion of branches with 0 probability. |
| | | **B1** | Correct structure and probabilities for remaining Bag B branches, including labels R, B, [G].<br>Condone inclusion of branches with 0 probability.<br><br>Additional branches without a probability of zero lose this mark. |
| | | **3** | |
| 5(b) | $[P(RR) + P(BB) + P(GG) =]\ \dfrac{6}{12} \times \dfrac{6}{9} + \dfrac{5}{12} \times \dfrac{4}{9} + \dfrac{1}{12} \times \dfrac{1}{9}$ | **M1** | Correct or **FT** tree diagram probabilities with all 3 (R, B and G) branches.<br>Note: working may be by tree diagram. |
| | $= \dfrac{57}{108}, \dfrac{19}{36}$ | **A1** | Accept 0.5278, 0.528. |
| | | **2** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 5(c) | $P(A \text{ blue} \mid B \text{ blue}) = \dfrac{\dfrac{5}{12} \times \dfrac{4}{9}}{\dfrac{6}{12} \times \dfrac{3}{9} + \dfrac{5}{12} \times \dfrac{4}{9} + \dfrac{1}{12} \times \dfrac{3}{9}}$ | M1 | $\dfrac{5}{12} \times \dfrac{4}{9}$ or $\dfrac{20}{108}$ or $\dfrac{5}{27}$ or *their* P(BB) from **Q5(b)** seen as a numerator of a single fraction. <br> **FT** tree diagram with values from only 2 bags. |
| | | B1 FT | $\dfrac{6}{12} \times \dfrac{3}{9} + \dfrac{5}{12} \times \dfrac{4}{9} + \dfrac{1}{12} \times \dfrac{3}{9}$ seen as the denominator of a single fraction. <br> $\dfrac{5}{27}$ or *their* P(BB) may be seen from Q5b in place of $\dfrac{5}{12} \times \dfrac{4}{9}$ <br> **FT** tree diagram with values from only 2 bags. |
| | $= \dfrac{20}{41}$ | A1 | Accept 0.488, 0.4878. <br> **SCB1** if either **M** or **B** mark not scored $\dfrac{20}{41}$ or 0.4878. |
| | | 3 | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6(a) | $[P(X < 2.65) =] \ P\left(Z < \dfrac{2.65 - 2.50}{0.12}\right) [ = P(Z < 1.25)]$ | M1 | Substituting 2.65, 2.50 and 0.12 into the ±standardisation formula allow $\sigma^2$ or $\sqrt{\sigma}$. Condone continuity correction ±0.005. |
| | $= 0.894$ | A1 | $0.894 \leqslant p \leqslant 0.8944$. |
| | | 2 | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6(b) | $P(Z > \dfrac{2.50+1.65\times0.12-2.50}{0.12}) = P(Z > 1.65)$ | **M1** | Seeing $2.50 + 1.65 \times 0.12$ or $2.698$ and $2.50$ and $0.12$ substituted into the $\pm$standardisation formula with a direct attempt to find the probability area.<br>Accept numerator of $1.65 \times 0.12$.<br>Accept Z linked to $1.65$ with a direct attempt to find the probability area.<br>Do not allow $\sigma^2$ or $\sqrt{\sigma}$. No continuity correction. |
|  | $= 1 - 0.9505 = 0.0495$ | **A1** | AWRT. |
|  | Expected number $= 0.0495 \times 160 = 7.92$, so 7 or 8 | **B1 FT** | Strict **FT** *their* at least 4-DP calculated probability, seen anywhere (not a $z$-value).<br>Final answer must be a single positive integer value, no approximation or rounding stated. |
|  |  | **3** |  |
| 6(c) | $\dfrac{1.26-\mu}{\sigma} = -0.739$ | **B1** | $0.738 < z_1 < 0.740$ *or* $-0.740 < z_1 < -0.738$ seen. |
|  |  | **B1** | $0.150 < z_2 < 0.152$ *or* $-0.152 < z_2 < -0.150$ seen. |
|  | $\dfrac{1.35-\mu}{\sigma} = -0.151$ | **M1** | Use of the $\pm$standardisation formula once with $\mu$, $\sigma$ equating to a $z$-value (not 0.77, 0.23, 0.44, 0.56, 0.7794, 0.5910, 0.6700, 0.7123, 0.2206, 0.4090, 0.3300, 0.2877).<br>No continuity correction, not $\sigma^2$, not $\sqrt{\sigma}$. |
|  | Solve, obtaining values for $\mu$ and $\sigma$<br><br>$\mu = 1.37,\ \sigma = 0.153$ | **M1** | Solve 2 equations in $\mu$ and $\sigma$ using the elimination method, substitution method or other appropriate approach to obtain values for both $\mu$ and $\sigma$. |
|  |  | **A1** | AWRT $\mu = 1.37,\ \sigma = 0.153$.<br>If one or both the **M** marks have been withheld, **SCB1** for both correct. |
|  |  | **5** |  |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7(a) | **Method 1** Total – A and B together | | |
| | 7! – 6! ×2 | **M1** | 7! – $k$, $k$ an integer $\geqslant 1$. |
| | | **M1** | $m – 6! \times n : n = 1, 2$ where $m$ an integer $> 6!$<br>n = 1 can be implied. |
| | = 3600 | **A1** | |
| | **Method 2** Arrangements of 5 people then Ali and Ben placed | | |
| | 5! × 6 × 5 | **M1** | $5! \times p$ where $p$ an integer $> 1$. |
| | | **M1** | $q \times 6 \times 5$, $q \times {}^6C_2$, $q \times {}^6P_2$, $q \times \dfrac{6 \times 5}{2}$ , where $q$ an integer $> 1$. |
| | = 3600 | **A1** | |
| | | **3** | |
| 7(b) | 7! × 4! × 2 | **M1** | $7! \times r$, where $r$ is an integer, $r > 1$<br>or<br>$4! \times s$, where $s$ is an integer, $s > 1$. |
| | | **M1** | $7! \times 4! \times t$, where $t$ is an integer, $t \geqslant 1$,<br>$t = 1$ can be implied. |
| | 241920 | **A1** | CAO. |
| | | **3** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7(c) | $^{11}C_6 \times\ ^5C_3 \times [^2C_2]$ | **M1** | $^{11}C_v \times\ ^{11-v}C_u \times [^{11-v-u}C_w]$, $u, v, w = 6, 3, 2\ u \neq v \neq w$. |
| | $= 4620$ | **A1** | |
| | | **2** | |

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7(d) | **Method 1** Ali, Ben and Charlie must be in the group of 6 or the group of 3. | | |
| | group of 6:      $^8C_3 \times {}^5C_3 \times ({}^2C_2) = 560$ | **B1** | 560 seen, accept un-simplified. |
| | group of 3:      $^8C_6 (\times\, {}^2C_2 \times {}^3C_3) = 28$ | **B1** | 28 seen accept un-simplified. |
| | Probability they are in same group $= \dfrac{560 + 28}{4620}$ | **M1** | $\dfrac{their\,(560 + 28)}{their\,(c)}$ or $\dfrac{their\,(560 + 28)}{4620}$ |
| | $= \dfrac{588}{4620},\ \dfrac{7}{55},\ 0.127$ | **A1** | |
| | **Method 2** Ali, Ben and Charlie must be in the group of 6 or the group of 3. | | |
| | Group of 6:    $\dfrac{6}{11} \times \dfrac{5}{10} \times \dfrac{4}{9} \times \dfrac{3}{8} \times \dfrac{2}{7} \times \dfrac{1}{6} \times {}^8C_3$ $= \dfrac{1}{462} \times 56 = \dfrac{4}{33}$ | **B1** | $\dfrac{4}{33}$ , 0.1212… seen, accept un-simplified. |
| | Group of 3: $\dfrac{3}{11} \times \dfrac{2}{10} \times \dfrac{1}{9} = \dfrac{1}{165}$ | **B1** | $\dfrac{1}{165}, 0.00606\,(06\ldots)$ seen, accept un-simplified. |
| | Probability they are in same group $= \dfrac{4}{33} + \dfrac{1}{165}$ | **M1** | $their\ \dfrac{4}{33} + their\ \dfrac{1}{165}$ . |
| | $= \dfrac{7}{55}, 0.127$ | **A1** | |
| | | **4** | |