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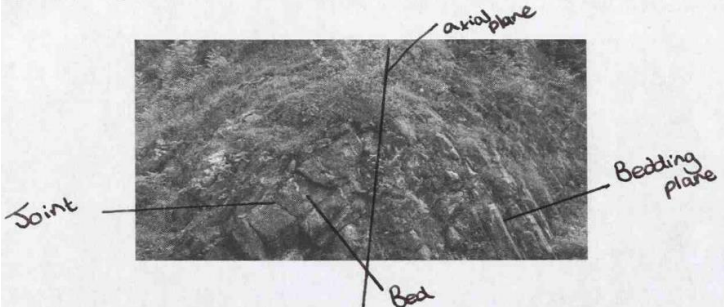
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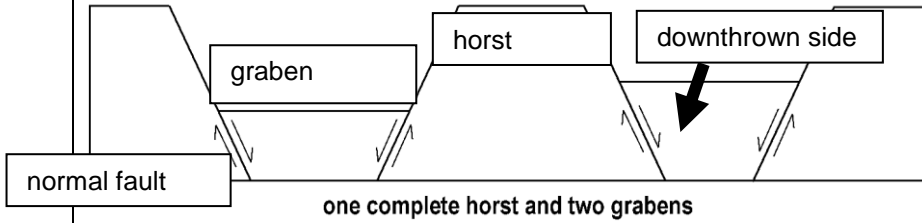
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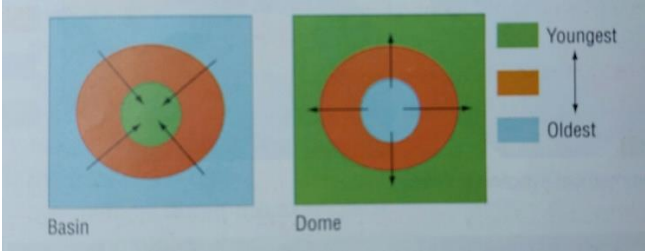
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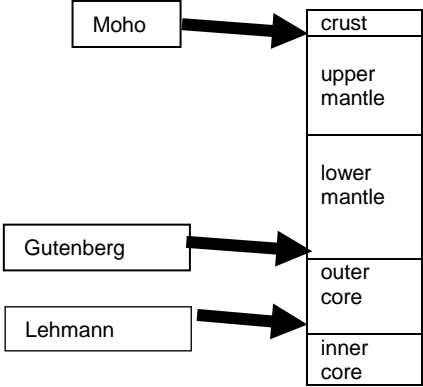
Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
DO NOT ALLOW	Answers which are not worthy of credit
IGNORE	Statements which are irrelevant
ALLOW	Answers that can be accepted
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit
—	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ECF	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

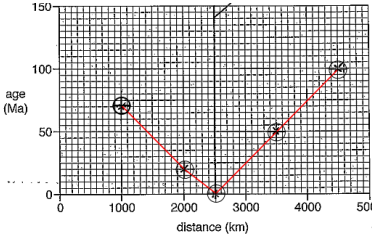
Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	Bedding plane, joint and bed correctly labelled 	3	Joint label must end on a fracture at 90° to bedding Bed needs to be bracketed or have a clear label to the middle of a bed. Bedding plane must clearly divide separate beds Axial plane should dip steeply to left ALLOW vertical axial plane DO NOT ALLOW axial plane dipping to right ALLOW antiform (spelled correctly) DO NOT ALLOW vertical axial plane ALLOW: open or closed antiform
		(ii)	axial plane labelled name: anticline	1	
		(iii)	description: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • asymmetrical • axial plane dipping (steeply) to left / near vertical • interlimb angle dipping at 70-95° degrees / open / closed • left limb dipping at 30-45° / right limb dipping at 55-65° • beds similar thickness 	any 1	
		(iv)	compression / compressional / compressive	1	

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
(b)	<p>Ooliths were originally spherical / circular in shape AND after deformation they become ellipsoid / elongated / oval;</p> <p>Undeformed fossils / ooliths are used to establish original shape and then the amount of and direction of deformation can be analysed;</p>	<p>1 1</p>	<p>Max 1 if only ooliths or fossils discussed ALLOW diagrams marked as text ALLOW Fossils / ooliths elongated perpendicular to maximum compression Accepted fossil references include trilobites, belemnites, 'Delabole butterfly' (<i>Cyrtospirifer verneuili</i>) etc.</p>
(c)	 <p>one complete horst and two grabens</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Diagram must be labelled</p> <p>All 4 correct labels = 2 1-3 correct labels = 1</p> <p>Downthrow must be labelled on correct side of fault plane</p> <p>Normal fault must have marker bed or two relative movement arrows (on fault plane or on blocks)</p>

Question	(d)	Answer	Mark	Guidance
		 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domes have beds that dip outwards in all directions; • If the top of the dome is eroded away the result will be a series of concentric strata with the oldest rocks in the middle; • Dome is an anticline; • Basin has beds which dip inwards in all directions; • In a basin the youngest rocks are in the centre; • basin is a syncline; <p>explanation: compressional forces (are acting inwards towards the core from all sides)</p>	<p>Any 1</p> <p>Any 1</p> <p>1</p>	<p>Maximum 1 if diagrams only</p> <p>Minimum of 3 dip arrows needed</p> <p>Max 1 for dip arrows correct on dome AND basin</p> <p>Max 1 for dip ages correct on dome AND basin</p> <p>ALLOW labelled compressional arrows drawn on both diagrams (minimum 3).</p>
		TOTAL	14	

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	Spacecraft / satellite / probes / fly-by missions have discovered / observed / measured / photographed / thermally imaged volcanic activity on Io;	1	ALLOW Reference to lava flows / pyroclastic deposits / eruption columns / detection of <u>high</u> heat flow
		(b)	(i) radiometric dating; (ii) Earth surface was initially molten; original surface / original crust / original rocks destroyed by crustal processes of erosion / re-cycling;	1 2	DO NOT ALLOW reference to metamorphism DO NOT ALLOW crust is renewed / replaced as alternative to re-cycled ALLOW crust being destroyed AND created / produced as alternative to re-cycled
	(c)	Mercury Mars Saturn Venus Uranus	2	4-5 correct = 2 marks 1-3 correct = 1 mark	
	(d)	(i)  (ii) It is a phase boundary between materials of the same composition but in different states; It is a zone of about 100km where the material changes from all liquid (in the outer core) through a liquid-solid mix to all solid (in the inner core);	2 max 1	Must have all three correct for 2 marks 1-2 correct = 1 mark ACCEPT Gutenberg discontinuity drawn at 2900km	

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	(e)	1-5% of rock is melted; incomplete melting of rock (in crust / upper mantle); some of the minerals melt to form magma; where a proportion of the minerals (will have a lower melting point, allowing them to) melt while the rest remain solid;	1	ALLOW up to 10% melted
	(f)	(i) lithosphere	1	DO NOT ALLOW semi-molten
		(ii) solid / rigid / brittle	1	
		(iii) (1-10%) partially molten / rheid / plastic / solid that flows / ductile	1	
	(g)	(i) 7.5°C/km	1	$\frac{750}{100} = 7.5$
		(ii) 2.2°C/km	1	$\frac{1400 - 750}{400 - 100} = \frac{650}{300} = 2.166666$
		(iii) The mantle is heated by radioactive decay in the core; The heated mantle rock moves up towards the crust away from the core (as it is less dense); The cooler mantle rock near the crust sinks towards the core (as it is more dense); convection currents / convection cells cause the movement of (mantle) material, to transfer heat;	max 2	ACCEPT 2.17 / 2.167 °C/km DO NOT ACCEPT 2.1 °C/km DO NOT ACCEPT 2.16 °C/km without recurring symbol! ALLOW reference to mantle plumes ALLOW slab-pull v ridge push (max 1) DO NOT ALLOW magma instead of mantle (material)
TOTAL			17	

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3	(a)	(i)	5 points plotted correctly; 	2	IGNORE best fit line, if drawn 5 points plotted correctly = 2 marks 3 – 4 points plotted correctly = 1 mark
		(ii)	Mid Ocean Ridge marked on graph	1	Point / line indicated on the graph
		(iii)	50Ma	1	70Ma – 20Ma = 50Ma
	(b)		2cm/yr	1	$3,800,000,000\text{mm}/190,000,000\text{yr} = 20\text{mm/yr}$ $3800\text{km}/190\text{Ma} = 3800\text{mm}/190\text{yr} = 20\text{mm/yr} = 2\text{cm/yr}$
	(c)		labels to include: continental crust OR plate OR lithosphere; oceanic crust OR plate OR lithosphere; asthenosphere; (deep ocean / deep sea) trench subduction zone / Benioff zone rising magma volcanoes partial melting batholith fold mountains ophiolites / accretionary prism / accretionary wedge direction of plate movement	max 3	6 correct labels = 3 marks 4-5 correct labels = 2 marks 2-3 correct labels = 1 mark At least half of earthquake foci must be on top edge of subducting plate Two arrows needed

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	(d)	hot springs / hydrothermal vents / high speed jets of very hot solutions; can reach 350°C; rich in sulphur / copper / iron / zinc / gold; bacteria can aid formation of ore minerals; metals / metal sulphides / ore minerals can precipitate; resultant structure is called a chimney; situated along MORs / hotspots;	max 1	any 2 for 1 mark ACCEPT any correct named ore mineral (e.g. Chalcopyrite)
	(e)	oceanic crust is destroyed / subducted; subduction along the Pacific rim / subduction at deep ocean trenches; ocean crust / lithosphere / plate is more dense than continental crust lithosphere / plate and so it subducts; complete cycle is called a "Wilson Cycle"	max 2	ALLOW convergent plate margin as AW for Pacific Rim ALLOW ridge push OR slab pull as AW ALLOW continental crust is less dense and so does not subduct
	(f)	no subduction OR plate(s) not subducting OR plate(s) not subducted ; continental plates are of similar density continental crust increases in thickness (>35km); viscous / silicic magma generated; granite batholiths formed;	1 Any 1	Must be spelled correctly ALLOW the base of the crust does melt but the main obstacles are the great depth and high viscosity of that silicic magma
TOTAL			13	

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4	(a)	continental shelf major rift valley (and rift system) deep sea trench seamount	3	all 4 correct = 3 marks 2-3 correct = 2 marks 1 correct = 1 mark
	(b)	Continental shelf exposed when sea levels fall ORA sea level change due to isostatic re-adjustment OR climate change sea level rise due to melting ice / glaciers OR increased MOR activity OR increased sediment input sea level fall due to formation of glaciers / ice sheets OR decreased MOR activity	2	Max 1 for discussion of sea level rise and sea level fall Max 1 for general comment about deposition increasing the amount of dry land exposed on the continental shelf OR erosion decreasing the amount of dry land exposed on the continental shelf ALLOW reference to continental break up as alternative to increased MOR activity.
	(c)	heat flow anomalies; <u>chains</u> of volcanoes / island arcs; (deep ocean) trenches; rift valleys; gravity anomalies; fold mountains / fold mountain belts / fold mountain chains;	max 3	
TOTAL			8	

Question		Answer	Mark	Guidance
5	(a)	<p>none of the techniques are reliable / accurate OR a combination of techniques needed OR very little prior warning possible</p> <p>seismic gap theory description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • map earthquakes along a fault / measure timing of historical earthquakes • a gap between active areas along a fault line <p>explanation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fault is locked and stress increases ORA • areas with no earthquakes will have stored stress • earthquake is more likely in a locked zone <p>changes in ground levels description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the area around the earthquake focus may tilt / distances between two points may change • deformation / strain recorded by tilt meters / lasers / stress meters / strain gauges <p>explanation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • due to stress in the ground / strain in rocks / deformation • ground swelling due to microcracks <p>measuring radon gas emissions description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • radon levels increase (prior to earthquake) <p>explanation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • radon percolates up through microcracks • as a heavy gas radon accumulates in water wells • new pathways are opening up for the gas 	<p>1</p> <p>Max 3</p> <p>Max 3</p> <p>Max 3</p>	<p>Max 1</p> <p>Any correctly named method = 1 mark</p> <p>At least three methods to be discussed</p> <p>Answers must include description and explanation to achieve 3 marks</p> <p>ALLOW energy / stress is transferred along fault line (e.g. North Anatolian Fault)</p> <p>maximum 3 marks if only one method discussed</p> <p>maximum 6 marks if only two methods discussed</p>

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
	<p>unusual animal behaviour description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> animals behave strangely (specific example needed) – e.g. ground living birds perch in trees snakes leave their burrows, squealing pigs, howling dogs / China - Haicheng <p>explanation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> animals may be able to detect slight changes to the Earth's magnetic field animals may detect foreshocks / seismic waves / vibrations <p>Monitoring water levels in wells description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> water levels fall / water table falls water levels rise water table rises <p>explanation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> groundwater percolates into microcracks lowering the levels in wells / microcracks opening increases permeability increased strain closes microcracks forcing water upwards <p>change in electrical conductivity / resistance description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> conductivity goes up / resistivity goes down <p>explanation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> microcracks allow influx of water <p>physical properties description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> coloured lights in the sky <p>explanation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> changes to the electrical properties of quartz and other minerals under stress 	<p>Max 3</p> <p>Max 3</p> <p>Max 2</p> <p>Max 2</p>	<p>Correct explanation must match correct description</p>

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