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Guidance for Examiners

Additional Guidance within any mark scheme takes precedence over the following guidance.

1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
2. Make no deductions for wrong work after an acceptable answer unless the mark scheme says otherwise.
3. Accept any clear, unambiguous response which is correct, eg mis-spellings if phonetically correct (but check additional guidance).
4. Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed mark scheme:

/	= alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
(1)	= separates marking points
not/reject	= answers which are not worthy of credit
ignore	= statements which are irrelevant - applies to neutral answers
allow/accept	= answers that can be accepted
(words)	= words which are not essential to gain credit
<u>words</u>	= underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ecf	= error carried forward
AW/owtte	= alternative wording
ORA	= or reverse argument

eg mark scheme shows 'work done in lifting / (change in) gravitational potential energy' (1)

"work done" = 0 marks

"work done lifting" = 1 mark

"change in potential energy" = 0 marks

"gravitational potential energy" = 1 mark

5. If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
6. Crossed out answers should be considered only if no other response has been made. When marking crossed out responses, accept correct answers which are clear and unambiguous.

The example below illustrates how to apply this principle to an objective question.

eg for a one mark question, where ticks in boxes 3 and 4 are required for the mark

Put ticks (✓) in
the two correct
boxes.

✓
✗

*This would be
worth zero marks.*

Put ticks (✓) in
the two correct
boxes.

✗
✗

*This would be
worth one mark.*

Put ticks (✓) in
the two correct
boxes.

✗
✗
✓
✓

*This would be
worth one mark.*

7. The list principle:

If a list of responses greater than the number requested is given, work through the list from the beginning. Award one mark for each correct response, ignore any neutral response, and deduct one mark for any incorrect response, eg one which has an error of science. If the number of incorrect responses is equal to or greater than the number of correct responses, no marks are awarded. A neutral response is correct but irrelevant to the question.

8. Marking method for tick boxes:

Always check the additional guidance.

If there is a set of boxes, some of which should be ticked and others left empty, then judge the entire set of boxes.

If there is at least one tick, ignore crosses. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, eg shading or crosses.

Credit should be given for each box correctly ticked. If more boxes are ticked than there are correct answers, then deduct one mark for each additional tick. Candidates cannot score less than zero marks.

eg if a question requires candidates to identify a city in England, then in the boxes

Edinburgh	
Manchester	
Paris	
Southampton	

the second and fourth boxes should have ticks (or other clear indication of choice) and the first and third should be blank (or have indication of choice crossed out).

Edinburgh			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Manchester	✓	x	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	x		✓		✓	✓		✓	
Score:	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	NR

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance																					
1	(a)	emulsifiers (1) (artificial) sweeteners (1) preservatives (1)	[3]																						
	(b)	<table><tr><td></td><td>true</td><td>false</td></tr><tr><td>... always harmful to health.</td><td></td><td>✓</td></tr><tr><td>All are artificial chemicals.</td><td></td><td>✓</td></tr><tr><td>... passed a safety test.</td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Some are natural chemicals.</td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>... for use in the EU.</td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>... throughout the world.</td><td></td><td>✓</td></tr></table>		true	false	... always harmful to health.		✓	All are artificial chemicals.		✓	... passed a safety test.	✓		Some are natural chemicals.	✓		... for use in the EU.	✓		... throughout the world.		✓	[3]	all six correct = 3 marks five correct = 2 marks four or three correct = 1 mark
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	(c)	describes a risk or benefit associated with an additive eg health worries (1) and she buys when she thinks the benefit is greater than the risk / she does not buy when she thinks the risk is greater than the benefit (1)	[2]																						
		Total	[8]																						

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2*	(a)	carbon hydrogen oxygen	[2]	all three correct = 2 marks two correct = 1 mark if more than three circled one mark deducted for each extra one circled
	(b)	any two from: nitrification by bacteria / nitrogen fixing bacteria; absorption by plants from soil; consumption of living organisms / animals eating / animals drinking; decay / decomposition / denitrification; excretion / egestion / manure; respiration / exhalation / inhalation / breathing; photosynthesis;	[2]	accept other correct processes ignore combustion / lightning
	(c)	<div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> Plants take nitrogen compounds ... (1) When crops are harvested ... (1)	[2]	
Total			[6]	

Question	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
3 (a)*	<p>first mark for idea that making new paper and making recycled paper involves a difference in energy used/pollution created</p> <p>plus any two differences between new and recycled paper shown in the diagram, from:</p> <p><i>1 cutting trees</i> for new paper trees have to be cut but for recycled paper they do not, so jobs involved are different;</p> <p><i>2 transport</i> transporting/collecting waste paper for recycling may be for greater/less distance than transporting cut trees for new paper;</p> <p><i>3 de-inking and bleaching</i> recycled paper has to be de-inked/bleached but not new paper;</p> <p><i>4 debarking and chipping</i> trees have to be debarked/chipped for new paper but not for recycled paper;</p> <p><i>5 screening and cleaning</i> contaminants are different for new and recycled paper (so screening and cleaning is different);</p>	[3]	<p>do not allow marks for answers that only refer to cutting trees being less sustainable because it reduces number of trees etc / recycled paper being more sustainable since it re-uses material rather than using up resources etc</p> <p>first marking point must refer to energy used or pollution created or environmental impact being different for the two processes for making paper</p> <p>examples of differences between new paper and recycled paper must be from the diagram to score marks</p> <p>accept implied differences</p>
(b)	<p>pulping (1) both involve (heating with) chemicals/ beating into a pulp (1)</p>	[2]	

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Question			Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
3	(c)		<div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> Paper in landfill ... gives off methane... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> Burning waste paper gives off ... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div>	[2]	
			Total	[7]	

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Question			Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
4	(a)		<div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div> <div style="text-align: center;">carbon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1)</div> <div style="text-align: center;">hydrogen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1)</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div>	[2]	
	(b)		polymerisation (1)	[1]	
	(c)	(i)	B (1)	[1]	
		(ii)	C (1)	[1]	
		(iii)*	<div style="text-align: center;">make polymer chains longer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1)</div> <div style="text-align: center;">introduce more cross links <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1)</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div>	[2]	
			Total	[7]	

Question			Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
5	(a)		water (1)	[1]	
	(b)		increases increases / decreases decreases (1)	[1]	
	(c)	(i)	$(160+158+159+157+156)/5$ (1) = 158 (1)	[2]	158 without working scores 2 marks
		(ii)	<div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> ... limit to the accuracy ... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> ... carbon dioxide made ... varies ... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div>	[2]	
		(iii)	120 (1)	[1]	
		(iv)*	<div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> more people using public transport ... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> having emissions limits forced by ... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) </div>	[2]	
			Total	[9]	

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6	(a)		carbon dioxide and sulfur dioxide	[1]	both required no mark if three or four answers given
	(b)*		sulfur dioxide causes acid rain (1) harms trees/harms fish/harms crops/erosion of buildings (1)	[2]	allow sulfur dioxide makes sulfuric acid second mark must link to first statement allow carbon dioxide causes greenhouse effect (1) this results in climate change / global warming (1)
	(c)		first molecule of carbon dioxide on right  (1) second molecule of carbon dioxide  (1)	[2]	two white circles must both touch black circle but not touch each other they need not be drawn linearly
			Total	[5]	

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