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## Chemistry A

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Unit **A322/02**: Modules C4, C5, C6 (Higher Tier)

## Mark Scheme for January 2011

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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, e.g. 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
<b>not/reject</b>	= answers which are not worthy of credit
<b>ignore</b>	= statements which are irrelevant - applies to neutral answers
<b>allow/accept</b>	= 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

e.g. 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.

e.g. 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, e.g. 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, e.g. 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.

e.g. *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	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	✗		✓		✓	✓		✓	
<b>Score:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>NR</b>

Question			Expected Answers		Marks	Additional Guidance
1	a	i	hydrogen (1)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
		ii		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> rubidium hydroxide (1)	[1]	
	b		Elements further down the group ... The reaction produces more energy.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	[2]	

Question			Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1	c	i	<p><b>any three from:</b></p> <p>(solution) goes purple/blue;</p> <p>gas is made / fizzing / bubbles;</p> <p>flash / explosion / flame;</p> <p>(flame is) purple/lilac;</p> <p>potassium moves around;</p> <p>floats / is on top of water;</p> <p>melts / forms a ball;</p> <p>it disappears / gets smaller;</p> <p>reaction is slower (than the other metals Gemma has used) / reaction is slower than caesium/rubidium / reaction is faster than sodium/lithium / faster than those above it / slower than those below it;</p>	[3]	<p><b>do not allow</b> things that cannot be seen eg forms an alkali/hydrogen</p> <p><b>allow</b> three correct marking points even if they are amongst some incorrect answers</p> <p><b>ignore</b> hydrogen is made</p> <p><b>allow</b> it will burn / it catches fire</p> <p>if say faster must be qualified eg by referring to sodium/lithium</p> <p><b>allow</b> less violent/more violent, smaller explosion/bigger explosion, more reactive/less reactive instead of slower/faster</p>

Question			Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1	c	ii	<p><b>any two from:</b></p> <p>identifies a specific hazard eg explosion / flame / something may spit out / glass bowl may break;</p> <p>produces a <u>corrosive</u> hydroxide/alkali/substance;</p> <p>identifies possible damage eg to skin/eyes;</p> <p>idea that safety screen is a barrier to prevent contact/protect from contact with material;</p>	[2]	<p>ignore something may hit you (not specific enough)</p> <p>ignore hazardous / dangerous / it gets on you</p> <p><b>ignore</b> to prevent/protect from harm/injury unqualified</p>
			<b>Total</b>	<b>[10]</b>	

Question		Expected Answers		Marks	Additional Guidance
2	a			[2]	apply list principle if more than 2 boxes are ticked
			<input type="checkbox"/>		
			<input type="checkbox"/>		
		... different pattern of lines ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(1)	
		The lines can be compared ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(1)	
			<input type="checkbox"/>		
	b		true      false	[2]	all 4 correct = 2 marks 2 or 3 correct = 1 mark 1 correct = 0 marks  if both boxes are ticked in any row, that row is incorrect  <b>ignore</b> crosses if both crosses and ticks are shown <b>allow</b> crosses to represent choice if no ticks are shown.
		lithium atoms gain ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		lithium ions have a greater ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		lithium ion have fewer ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		lithium atoms lose neutrons ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		<b>Total</b>		[4]	

Question			Expected Answers		Marks	Additional Guidance
3	a		$\text{MgCl}_2 \text{ (l)} \rightarrow \text{Mg (l)} + \dots \text{ (g)}$ (1)  $(\text{MgCl}_2 \rightarrow \text{Mg} + \text{Cl}_2)$ (1)		[2]	state symbols (l) (l) and (g) for first mark. <b>allow</b> capitals (L) (L) and (G)  formula $\text{Cl}_2$ for second mark. <b>do not</b> allow $\text{Cl}^2$ . <b>do not</b> allow $\text{CL}_2$ 2 must be subscripted or clearly smaller than Cl e.g. $\text{Cl}_2$ / $\text{Cl}_2$
	b		the magnesium ions gain electrons <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>  a non-metal is made <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1)		[2]	
c	i		142 g (1)		[1]	
	ii		12 tonnes (1)		[1]	
d	i		(contains) ions;  ions flow / move / <u>carry</u> charges / <u>carry</u> current;		[2]	ions move = 2 marks  <b>do not</b> allow 'electrons move'  <b>allow</b> ions carry electricity = 2 marks
	ii		electrons flow / move / <u>carry</u> charges / <u>carry</u> current (1)  sea of electrons / delocalised (1)		[2]	<b>note</b> 'electrons are free to move' gets first marking point only  <b>allow</b> 'metals contain 'free' electrons' as alternative wording for delocalised
			<b>Total</b>		[10]	

Question		Expected Answers		Marks	Additional Guidance												
4	a		<p style="text-align: center;">true      false</p> <table style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td>Some of these gases have ...</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Molecules of these gases ...</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>These gases conduct ...</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>These gases only contain ...</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table>	Some of these gases have ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Molecules of these gases ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	These gases conduct ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	These gases only contain ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	[2]	<p>all 4 correct = 2 marks 2/3 correct = 1 mark 1 correct = 0 marks</p> <p>If both boxes are ticked in any row, that row is incorrect</p> <p><b>Ignore</b> crosses if both crosses and ticks are shown. <b>Allow</b> crosses to represent choice if no ticks are shown.</p>
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These gases only contain ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>															
	b	below and below (1) molecular and weak (1)		[2]	<b>allow</b> wrong choice crossed out as indication for each pair												



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5	a	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>pH probes do not rely on colour ... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) <input type="checkbox"/></p>	[1]	
	b	<p><b>any three from:</b></p> <p>idea of repeats or averages;</p> <p>check to see if results are the same / close together;</p> <p>wash burette with solution to be used/vinegar;</p> <p>wash flask with distilled water;</p> <p>adding small amounts at a time / slowly / drop by drop;</p> <p>swirl/shake/stir/mix flask;</p> <p>Idea of carefully adding acid <u>near end point</u> / stop when colour has changed / when neutralised;</p> <p>read using meniscus;</p>	[3]	<p><b>allow</b> to identify outliers / leave out 'different' results;  <b>ignore</b> 'see if the results are different' (not enough)</p>
	c	i 40 (1)	[1]	
		ii 60 (1)	[1]	

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5	d		an equation for the reaction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> the concentration of the alkali used <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	[1]	both ticks required for one mark
	e	i	cafe vinegar (1)	[1]	
		ii	50 g/dm <sup>3</sup> (1)	[1]	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>[9]</b>	

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6	a	i	copper sulfate (1)	[1]	<p>allow copper sulphate  <b>do not allow</b> copper sulfide  allow correct formula <math>\text{CuSO}_4</math></p> <p><b>ignore</b> carbon dioxide/CO<sub>2</sub> and water/H<sub>2</sub>O if given as additional answers</p>
		ii	$\text{CO}_2$ $\text{H}_2\text{O}$	[1]	both required if three or more answers ringed no mark
	b		<input type="checkbox"/> Particles collide less often in ... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	[1]	
			Total	[3]	

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