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Design and Technology: Resistant Materials

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit **A562**: Sustainable Design

Mark Scheme for January 2013

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Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
1		c. Hydro-electricity	1	Do not credit any other answer. No mark awarded if more than one answer ringed or the candidate response is not clear.
2		b. Making donations of items to a charity shop	1	Do not credit any other answer. No mark awarded if more than one answer ringed or the candidate response is not clear.
3		b. Reduce	1	Do not credit any other answer. No mark awarded if more than one answer ringed or the candidate response is not clear.
4		a. Forest Stewardship Council	1	Do not credit any other answer. No mark awarded if more than one answer ringed or the candidate response is not clear.
5		d. Half-full paint tins	1	Do not credit any other answer. No mark awarded if more than one answer ringed or the candidate response is not clear.
6		Dispose of sensibly, (put/throw) rubbish in bin, "Tidyman", (put/throw) litter in bin, do not litter, Keep Britain Tidy	1	Accept: references to putting <i>rubbish/litter</i> in a <i>bin</i> Do not accept: references to recycling; disposable/disposal on their own.
7		Thermochromic/Thermographic	1	Accept: mis-spellings that still convey the meaning (thermocromic, termocromik, etc.) Do not accept: Smart material, thermosetting, thermometer(!), thermo, thermopigment (given in question)
8		Sweatshop	1	Accept: Sweetshop. Do not accept: moral, unsafe, poor, hazardous
9		Ergonomics	1	Accept: Ergonomically/ergonomic design Do not accept: touch-screen, comfort(able), anthropometric, interactie
10		Reforestation, managed forest	1	Do not accept: afforestation, deforestation, forestation, sustainable, carbon offsetting, replace, reforestation, replanting

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11		True	1	No mark awarded if both true and false answers ticked, or the candidate response is not clear.
12		False	1	No mark awarded if both true and false answers ticked, or the candidate response is not clear.
13		True	1	No mark awarded if both true and false answers ticked, or the candidate response is not clear.
14		False	1	No mark awarded if both true and false answers ticked, or the candidate response is not clear.
15		True	1	No mark awarded if both true and false answers ticked, or the candidate response is not clear.
		Total	15	

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16	(a)	<p>Look for feature(s) with benefits</p> <p>Less packaging to dispose of. Less resources/trees cut down - to make packaging. Could be disassembled for transportation if moving house/recycling/repair. Small package/takes up less space so more on lorry/less fuel used when transporting/smaller building space need for storage, less energy/pollution during manufacture. No factory assembly, so less energy needed. Regularly shaped packages means more can be packed in transport using less fuel. Packaging made from recycled/recyclable materials. Less adhesives/paints used. Reduced road noise/noise pollution/road erosion.</p>	6 x 1	<p>Do not accept: any reference to economics, costs - "The box is smaller ..." (TV) "Made of softwood so cheaper ..." "Good for the wood"; Better finish.</p>
	(b)	<p>Use water instead of solvents such as white spirit. Don't create smells/fumes/health problems. Less harmful to user. Less (in) flammable. Doesn't irritate lungs/airways. Dry quickly so paint coatings don't give off fumes for a long time. Contain more "natural" ingredients. May be less allergenic/safer to use. Contain fewer heavy metals. Coatings are less toxic/less harmful to children. Easier to clean equipment/easier to dispose of. Easily washed off while still wet. Easier/safer to recycle. Seen as/perceived as being more environmentally friendly.</p> <p>Any three relevant benefits</p>	3	<p>Do not accept: any reference to "organisms"; any reference to economics ("cheaper"); any reference to CFCs/ozone layer unless qualified, e.g. spray can</p> <p>Harmful to the environment/environmentally friendly (TV); Easy to recycle; 'They are organic' 'They look better'.</p> <p>Do not credit: answers which clearly do not reflect the meaning/understanding of LVOC.</p>

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(c)*	<p>Look first at which level – 1, 2 or 3 (basic, adequate, good) is the best fit for the candidates' response, then use the information on general/specific points to fine tune the mark.</p> <p>0 Marks Answer not worthy of a mark – does not address the question in any way</p> <p>Level 1 (1–2 marks) Basic discussion, showing little understanding of self-assembly, including the need for tools as well as manual dexterity, DIY skills and the ability to read a set of plans. There will be little or no use of specialist terms, ambiguous and disorganised answers; errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling may be intrusive. Responses which present ideas only as simplistic bullet points cannot achieve Level 2 (therefore max. 2 marks)</p> <p>Level 2 (3–4 marks) Adequate discussion, showing understanding of self-assembly, including the need for tools as well as manual dexterity, DIY skills and the ability to read a set of plans. There will be some use of specialist terms, some structure and format of the answer and occasional errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling.</p> <p>Level 3 (5–6 marks) Good, in-depth discussion, showing clear understanding of self-assembly, such as the need for tools as well as manual dexterity, DIY skills and the ability to read a set of plans. There will be correct use of specialist terms, competent structure in format of the answer and accurate use of grammar, punctuation and spelling.</p>	6	<p>Look for discussion relating to the disadvantages to the consumer.</p> <p>Do not accept: discussion relating to advantages, or to the manufacturer/retailer (e.g. costs of transport to the retailer)</p> <p>Specific points that may show in answer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • need large space to lay out components • not all components may be included (may be missing) • components may be sharp-edged or splintery • hand tools are required, not always included in pack • tool skills need to be reasonable • DIY competence • components need to be strong to withstand being forced into [wrong] place • designs are plain • components may need to be finished and painted • plans are not always easy to read/follow • packaging needs to be disposed of (may include plastic as well as cardboard) • long time to assemble • often a 2 person job • transportation of large packs – roof rack hassle. Hiring vans. • weight of packages – handling dangers • risk of injury – no risk assessments • safety of assembly not checked • risk of young children being harmed during construction
	<p>Total 15</p>		

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
17	(a)	<p>Look for: group of students + feature(s) of student + feature(s) of desk/chair</p> <p>Overweight students - difficult to squeeze in between desk edge and seat. Students using wheelchair - no space to place wheelchair except by the side. Other examples: Disabled students – difficult to place legs in comfortable position or to bend the body to get in and out; no arm rests so student could fall out. Tall students – less knee room under table edge. Small/Short students – can't reach floor or table edge.</p> <p>(2 x 3)</p>	6	<p>This question relates to groups of SCHOOL STUDENTS, and as such answers should reflect this.</p> <p>Do not accept: references to any adult groups; references to babies references to strength of construction (assume it is strong enough).</p> <p>Marks can still be awarded for identifying correct features, even if group is incorrect (e.g. – adults).</p>
	(b)	<p>Adjustable desk height. Hinged desk top to allow access. Curved desk top to allow greater access. Adjustable seat height/width/depth. Adjustable desk to seat space. Removable seat. Replaceable leg. Rotating desk to create wheelchair space. Make table smaller and attach to four-legged chair. Adjusted width/depth of seat.</p> <p>(3 x 1)</p>	3	<p>Max 2 marks if ONLY notes OR sketches used</p> <p>Do not accept: product ends up as a separate desk and chair; strengthening of components; references to comfort (e.g. padding); one word labels as notes</p>
	(c)	<p>Unscrew seatback/table frame Sort/separate materials Crush frame Cut up table/seat/back Appropriate recycling processes – melting, shredding, remoulding, reusing.</p> <p>One mark for any relevant operation (3 x 1) e.g. – 'Disassemble, separate, place into correct bin' "Disassemble desk and chair" = 1 mark only (for <i>disassemble</i>)</p>	3	<p>Do not accept 'recycle' unless qualified.</p>

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(d)		<p>Feature of manufacturing overseas + transportation to UK + disadvantage of either feature</p> <p>Can be damaged if not protected by packaging.</p> <p>Takes up too much space in transporter.</p> <p>Uses fossil fuel for transporting product.</p> <p>Large carbon footprint/carbon emissions.</p> <p>Use of fossil fuel adds to greenhouse effect/pollution</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Any three relevant points (3 x 1)</p> <p>Example: Table and chair can be damaged if not protected by packaging (1) takes up too much space in transporter (1) & uses more fossil fuel than necessary as you're transporting air (1)</p>	3	<p>Do not accept:</p> <p>references to economics;</p> <p>references to ozone layer;</p> <p>references to workers' pay/conditions/life;</p> <p>references to waste disposal in country of manufacture;</p> <p>references to pollution regulations in country of manufacture;</p> <p>'Getting the product to the UK' is insufficient on its own.</p>
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18	(a)	Reuse Refuse Repair	3 x 1 3	Any order is acceptable, but no other wording
	(b) (i)	Non-biodegradable – acrylic CD rack will not degrade naturally Acrylic will not break down naturally. Acrylic will take many years (more than 50) to break down/disappear. Acrylic is plastic which takes a long time to break down in the ground.	2 x 1 2	Do not accept: 'Can't be broken down' (TV) 'Will not rot away'
	(ii)	Planned obsolescence – must refer to an aspect/feature of the CD rack for 2 marks Designer makes sure that product will break/fail/run out after a period of time Manufacturer uses cheap materials to ensure product does not last a long time Users have to buy another one earlier than anticipated	2	Do not accept: References to fashion or style References to updating products to make them more desirable.
	(iii)	Eco-design – must refer to an aspect/feature of the CD rack for 2 marks Design which takes into account environmental effects of manufacture or use Design which looks at the [carbon] footprint of the product Design which reduces energy consumption Rack has no back, saving materials Ease of disassembly/recycling Designed with environment in mind	2	Do not accept: 'designed to be eco-friendly' 'will not harm the environment' 'environmentally friendly' 'using recycled materials'
	(c)	Extraction (of raw materials) Distribution/transportation/selling Using the product	3 x 1 3	Accept: Any reasonable synonym(s) for these terms
	(d)	A measure of the total amount of carbon dioxide (and methane)/greenhouse gases emissions of a product, system or [human] activity.	3 x 1 3	Accept: Comparable references, especially to the "measure" of CO ₂ emissions or human impact upon the environment.
		Total	15	
		Paper Total	60	

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