



**GCSE (9–1)**

**F**

**Combined Science B (Twenty First Century  
Science)**

**J260/01: Biology (Foundation Tier)**

General Certificate of Secondary Education

**Mark Scheme for June 2019**

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Annotation	Meaning
✓	Correct response
✗	Incorrect response
▲	Omission mark
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
RE	Rounding error
SF	Error in number of significant figures
ECF	Error carried forward
L1	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
I	Ignore

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

Annotation	Meaning
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
✓	Separates marking points
<b>DO NOT ALLOW</b>	Answers which are not worthy of credit
<b>IGNORE</b>	Statements which are irrelevant
<b>ALLOW</b>	Answers that can be accepted
( )	Words which are not essential to gain credit
—	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
<b>ECF</b>	Error carried forward
<b>AW</b>	Alternative wording
<b>ORA</b>	Or reverse argument

**Subject-specific Marking Instructions****INTRODUCTION**

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

The breakdown of Assessment Objectives for GCSE (9-1) in Combined Science B:

	<b>Assessment Objective</b>
<b>AO1</b>	<b>Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific techniques and procedures.</b>
AO1.1	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas.
AO1.2	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific techniques and procedures.
<b>AO2</b>	<b>Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures.</b>
AO2.1	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas.
AO2.2	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures.
<b>AO3</b>	<b>Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate, make judgements and draw conclusions and develop and improve experimental procedures.</b>
<b>AO3.1</b>	Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate.
AO3.1a	Analyse information and ideas to interpret.
AO3.1b	Analyse information and ideas to evaluate.
<b>AO3.2</b>	Analyse information and ideas to make judgements and draw conclusions.
AO3.2a	Analyse information and ideas to make judgements.
AO3.2b	Analyse information and ideas to draw conclusions.
<b>AO3.3</b>	Analyse information and ideas to develop and improve experimental procedures.
AO3.3a	Analyse information and ideas to develop experimental procedures.
AO3.3b	Analyse information and ideas to improve experimental procedures.

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance								
1	(a) (i)	<p><b>Organism</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Herring</td> <td>Role</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>1<sup>st</sup> consumer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Phytoplankton</td> <td>2<sup>nd</sup> consumer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zooplankton</td> <td>Producer</td> </tr> </table>	Herring	Role		1 <sup>st</sup> consumer	Phytoplankton	2 <sup>nd</sup> consumer	Zooplankton	Producer	2	2x3.2a	All three correct = two marks One or two correct = one mark
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	1 <sup>st</sup> consumer												
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Zooplankton	Producer												
	(ii)	Salmon ✓ Seal ✓ Human ✓	2	2x2.1	All three correct = two marks One or two correct = one mark Answers can be in any order								
	(b) (i)	Water ✓ Glucose ✓	2	2x1.1	<b>ALLOW</b> correct formula  <b>ALLOW</b> correct formula								
	(ii)	First ✓ Endothermic ✓	2	2x1.1									

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1	(c)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Statement</th> <th>True</th> <th>False</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Catches of over 0.8 million tonnes are recorded for 4 years</td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>No herring were caught between 1978 and 1983.</td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Recorded catches are always between 0.2 and 1.0 million tonnes.</td> <td></td> <td>✓</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Statement	True	False	Catches of over 0.8 million tonnes are recorded for 4 years	✓		No herring were caught between 1978 and 1983.	✓		Recorded catches are always between 0.2 and 1.0 million tonnes.		✓		3	3x2.2	
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	(d)	<p>Future generations could continue fishing without wiping out the herring population ✓</p> <p>The herring reproduce fast enough to replace all the herring that are caught ✓</p>		2	2x2.1													

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
2	(a)	3 ✓	1	1.2	
	(b) (i)	Eyepiece lens = x15 and Objective lens = x40 ✓	1	1.2	<b>ALLOW</b> any x15 from the left column and any x40 in the right column circled
	(ii)	Eyepiece lens = x10 and Objective lens = x20 ✓	1	1.2	<b>ALLOW</b> any x10 from the left column and any x20 in the right column circled
	(iii)	to stain/make visible the nucleus/chromosomes/DNA/genetic material ✓	1	1.2	
	(c) (i)	<b>Any two from:</b> rich/good blood supply/ it has lots of blood vessels ✓  large surface area ✓  idea that it/the gas exchange surface/the membrane is partially-permeable/thin/single✓	2	2x2.1	
	(ii)	Ben ✓	1	1.1	

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3	(a)	<p>mother</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>gametes</td> <td>A</td> <td>a</td> </tr> <tr> <td>gametes</td> <td>A</td> <td>AA</td> <td>Aa</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>a</td> <td>Aa</td> <td>aa</td> </tr> </table>		gametes	A	a	gametes	A	AA	Aa		a	Aa	aa	2	2x2.1	<p>Mother Aa  <b>ALLOW</b> aA  <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> any other letters</p> <p>Correct genotypes for fertilised eggs  <b>ALLOW ECF</b> from incorrect mother's genotype/incorrect letters</p>
gametes	A	a															
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	a	Aa	aa														
	(ii)	Ring round either or both Aa fertilised eggs in the punnet square ✓		1	1.1												
	(iii)	0.25 ✓		1	1.2												
(b)	(i)	<p>Please refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question.</p> <p><b>Level 3 (5–6 marks)</b></p> <p>Detailed explanation of the adaptations of red blood cells.</p> <p><b>AND</b></p> <p>Differences between sickle cell disease blood and normal blood</p> <p><b>AND</b></p> <p>Suggests how these differences are related to need for extra oxygen.</p> <p><i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i></p>		6	3 x 1.1 2 x 3.1a 1 x 2.1	<p><b>AO1.1 – demonstrating understanding of how red blood cells are adapted to their function</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red blood cells contain protein / haemoglobin</li> <li>• Haemoglobin binds to oxygen</li> <li>• Red blood cells have no nucleus to give more room (for haemoglobin/oxygen)</li> <li>• Biconcave shape gives a large surface area for rapid diffusion of oxygen</li> <li>• Lots of RBCs to carry lots of oxygen</li> </ul> <p><b>AO3.1a – interpreting the images to identify differences in RBCs from person with sickle cell disease</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fewer red blood cells in people with sickle cell disease/more RBCs in normal blood</li> <li>• Some sickle shaped /misshapen cells</li> </ul>											

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
		<p><b>Level 2 (3–4 marks)</b>  Outline explanation of the adaptations of red blood cells.  <b>AND</b>  Differences between sickle cell disease blood and normal blood.</p> <p><b>OR</b>  Differences between sickle cell disease blood and normal blood.  <b>AND</b>  Suggests how these differences are related to need for extra oxygen.</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence.</i></p> <p><b>Level 1 (1–2 marks)</b>  Outline explanation of the adaptations of red blood cells.  <b>OR</b>  Differences between sickle cell disease blood and normal blood.</p> <p><i>There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant.</i></p> <p><b>0 marks</b>  No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some cells have nuclei</li> </ul> <p><b>AO2.1 – applying understanding to suggest why people with sickle cell disease need to be given extra oxygen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fewer RBCs/presence of nuclei/misshapen cells mean less oxygen can be carried.</li> <li>Not enough oxygen for respiration (to provide (sufficient) ATP/energy for life processes)</li> </ul>
	(ii)	Protein ✓ Genes ✓ Amino acids ✓ Switched off ✓	4	4x1.1	

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	(c)	(i) They are adult stem cells ✓	1	2.1	
	(ii)	Other scientists can copy the methods described to reproduce similar results ✓ Other scientists have checked the work before it is published ✓	2	2x2.1	

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
4	(a)	B(A)DC ✓✓	2	2x2.1	B before D or D before C for one mark
	(b)	1. oxygen ✓ 2. carbon dioxide ✓ 3. food ✓	3	3x1.1	
	(c) (i)	There is a pulse in the thumb ✓	1	1.2	
	(ii)	Multiply by 6 ✓	1	3.3a	
	(iii)	find the time taken to recover/return to the resting pulse rate ✓	1	3.3a	
	(d) (i)	All points correctly plotted ✓  Smooth curve through points ✓	2	2x2.2	Independent marking points <b>ALLOW</b> ± error of half a square
	(ii)	Fair ✓	1	3.2b	
	(iii)	(Not very confident):  90s is just under the time that would give her a poor rating ✓  <b>OR</b>  repeats would increase confidence/they've only done it once ✓	1	3.1b	No mark for judgement; mark for explanation.  <b>ALLOW</b> 90s sits below/on the boundary for poor

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5	(a)	inherited ✓ natural selection ✓	2	2x1.1	
	(b)	<p><b>Statement</b></p> <p>Evidence for the evolutionary relationships of dinosaurs... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> True      False</p> <p>The common ancestor of all animals with backbones lived... <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> True      False</p> <p>The DNA of birds will be most similar to that of dinosaurs... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> True      False</p>	2	2x3.1a	Three correct = two marks One or two correct = one mark
	(c)	(mules) offspring are not fertile/cannot breed successfully ✓	1	1.1	IGNORE offspring cannot reproduce

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
6	(a)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>CATCH IT</b> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>BIN IT</b> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>KILL IT</b> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Flu virus can survive on skin for several hours </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Touching a tissue after use can contaminate you with flu virus </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Coughing and sneezing can spread flu virus through droplets in the air </div> </div>	2	2x2.1	All three correct = two marks One or two correct = one mark
	(b) (i)	<p>Release chemicals that break pathogens down ✓</p> <p>Take in and digest pathogens ✓</p>	2	2x1.1	
	(ii)	<p>Only people ill with the flu virus can pass it on. ✓</p> <p>Unvaccinated people are more likely to get flu ✓</p>	2	2x1.1	
	(c)	<p>Idea that the virus/surface proteins have changed/are different shapes ✓</p> <p>idea that a person who had the vaccine would make the wrong (shape) antibodies ✓</p> <p>the antibodies will not recognise/attach/stick/bind/fit to the surface proteins/virus ✓</p>	3	<b>3.1a</b> <b>2.1</b> <b>2.1</b>	<b>ALLOW</b> virus has mutated  <b>ALLOW</b> new/different antibodies would need to be made

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
6	(d) (i)	<b>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE</b> <b>If answer = 0.7(%) award 3 marks</b> $170\ 000/25\ 000\ 000 = 0.0068 \checkmark$ $0.0068 \times 100 = 0.68 \checkmark$ $= 0.7 \text{ (%)} \text{ (1dp)} \checkmark$	3	3x2.2	<b>ALLOW</b> $170\ 000/25\ 000\ 000 \times 100$ for 1 mark <b>ALLOW</b> 0.68(%) for 2 marks
	(ii)	<b>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE</b> <b>If answer = 264 award 2 marks</b> $4 \times 66 \checkmark$ $= 264 \checkmark$	2	2x2.2	<b>ALLOW</b> $(4 \times 66\ 000\ 000) \div 1\ 000\ 000$ <b>OR</b> $(4 \div 1\ 000\ 000) \times 66\ 000\ 000$
	(e) (i)	A higher magnification is possible with electron microscopes $\checkmark$ Electron microscopes have a very high resolution $\checkmark$	2	2x1.1	
	(ii)	<b>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE</b> <b>If answer = 500 award 2 marks</b> $50/0.1 \checkmark$ $= 500 \checkmark$	2	2x2.2	<b>ALLOW</b> $50\ 000/100$
	(f) (i)	80 (people per 100000) $\checkmark$	1	2.2	<b>ALLOW</b> any number between 70 and 90 inclusive
	(ii)	C $\checkmark$	1	2.1	If answer box is not ticked, check diagrams.

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	(iii)	No, correlation doesn't equal cause ✓  No mechanism/caused by different microorganisms ✓	2	2x1.1	<b>ALLOW</b> there could be other factors that cause pneumonia <b>ALLOW</b> not everyone that has pneumonia had the flu first/not everyone who has flu will get pneumonia

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
7	(a)	Cytoplasm ✓ Mitochondria ✓	2	2x1.1	
	(b)	Active transport ✓ Muscle contraction ✓	2	2x1.1	
	(c)	<b>Any three from:</b> comment on safety/hazards/ways to reduce risk ✓  how much mass of potato is used each time ✓  type/size/surface area of the paper ✓  how much/volume of water each time ✓  the volume/amount/concentration of H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> /solution ✓  the temperature ✓  the size of the test tube ✓  start the timer at the same time e.g. when disc has sunk to the bottom of the test tube ✓	3	3x1.2	<b>ALLOW</b> weight/amount of potato used each time/how much potato extract / how much time to soak the disc in the potato extract
	(d)	<b>Any two from:</b> the reaction makes oxygen/gas ✓  more oxygen/bubbles formed when (rate of) reaction is faster ✓  more oxygen/bubbles means the disc will rise faster ✓	2	2x2.2	Candidates need to refer to more once for marking points 2 and 3

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(e)	(i)	<p><b>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE</b></p> <p>If answer = <math>0.131\text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}</math> award 3 marks</p> <p><math>1 \div 7.66 \checkmark</math></p> <p><math>= 0.1305483 \checkmark</math></p> <p><math>= 0.131\text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}\text{ (3sf)} \checkmark</math></p>	3	<b>3x2.2</b>	Check for answer written in/beside the table
(e)	(ii)	<p>Between 0.75% and 6.00% <math>\text{H}_2\text{O}_2</math> the reaction rate increases by approximately 2.5 times <math>\checkmark</math></p> <p>The biggest difference in time taken for the paper disc to reach the surface is between 0.75 and 1.50% <math>\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \checkmark</math></p>	2	<b>2x3.2b</b>	
(f)		Idea of repeat readings $\checkmark$	1	<b>3.3b</b>	
(g)		<p>Hydrogen peroxide/<math>\text{H}_2\text{O}_2</math> is the substrate/key <math>\checkmark</math></p> <p>Substrate fits into the active site/lock of the enzyme <math>\checkmark</math></p> <p>Idea that shapes of substrate and active site are complementary/substrate is the correct shape <math>\checkmark</math></p> <p>Idea that <u>only</u> <math>\text{H}_2\text{O}_2</math> can fit into the active site of catalase <math>\checkmark</math></p>	4	<b>2.1</b> <b>1.1</b> <b>1.1</b> <b>1.1</b>	<b>ALLOW</b> labelled diagrams for mark points three and four.

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