

# Mark Scheme (Results)

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### **General Marking Guidance**

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Mark schemes have been developed so that the rubrics of each mark scheme reflects the characteristics of the skills within the AO being targeted and the requirements of the command word. So for example the command word 'Explain' requires an identification of a point and then reasoning/justification of the point.

Explain questions can be asked across all AOs. The distinction comes whether the identification is via a judgment made to reach a conclusion, or, making a point through application of knowledge to reason/justify the point made through application of understanding. It is the combination and linkage of the marking points that is needed to gain full marks.

When marking questions with a 'describe' or 'explain' command word, the detailed marking guidance below should be consulted to ensure consistency of marking.

| Assessment<br>Objective |              | Command Word   |   |  |
|-------------------------|--------------|--|---|--|
| Strand                  | Element      | Describe   | Explain   |  |
| AO1                     |              | An answer that combines the<br>marking points to provide a logical<br>description  | An explanation that links<br>identification of a point with<br>reasoning/justification(s) as<br>required  |  |
| AO2                     |              | An answer that combines the<br>marking points to provide a logical<br>description, showing application of<br>knowledge and understanding | An explanation that links<br>identification of a point (by<br>applying knowledge) with<br>reasoning/justification (application<br>of understanding) |  |
| AO3                     | 1a and<br>1b | An answer that combines points of interpretation/evaluation to provide a logical description   |   |  |
| AO3                     | 2a and<br>2b |  | An explanation that combines<br>identification via a judgment to<br>reach a conclusion via<br>justification/reasoning                               |  |
| AO3                     | За           | An answer that combines the<br>marking points to provide a logical<br>description of the<br>plan/method/experiment                       |   |  |
| AO3                     | 3b           |  | An explanation that combines<br>identifying an improvement of the<br>experimental procedure with a<br>linked justification/reasoning                |  |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance  | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|--|------------|
| 1(a)               | lamp symbol (1)<br>switch symbol (1) open or closed<br>resistor symbol (1)<br>complete series circuit, with any circuit<br>symbol(s) connected to the battery (1) | ignore any<br>additional<br>symbols<br>ignore cells<br>/ batteries | (4)<br>AO1 |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|---------------------|------------|
| 1 (b)              | <b>B</b> 5 A<br>A, C and D are incorrect<br>repetitions or addition |                     | (1)<br>AO1 |

| Question<br>number | Answer                      | Additional guidance   | Mark                |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 1 (c) (i)          | substitution (1)            |   | ( <b>2</b> )<br>AO2 |
|                    | $(charge) = 0.46 \times 30$ |   |                     |
|                    | evaluation (1)              |   |                     |
|                    | (charge) = 14 (C)           | any number that<br>rounds to 14 e.g.<br>13.8                  |                     |
|                    |                             | award full marks for<br>the correct answer<br>without working |                     |

| Question<br>number | Answer                                    | Additional guidance  | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|--|------------|
| 1 (c) (ii)         | substitution (1)                          |  | (2)<br>AO2 |
|                    | (energy transferred)<br>= 0.46 x 6.0 x 60 | allow<br>(energy transferred)<br>= 0.46 x 6.0 x 1<br>or<br>(energy transferred)<br>= 0.46 x 6.0 x 30 |            |
|                    | evaluation (1)                            |  |            |
|                    | (energy transferred) = 170 (J)            | any number that<br>rounds to 170 e.g.<br>165.6 or 166  |            |
|                    |   | allow answers that<br>round to 2.8 or 83<br>e.g. 2.76 or 82.8 for<br>1 mark only                     |            |
|                    |   | award full marks for<br>the correct answer<br>without working  |            |

Total for Q1 = 9 marks

| Question<br>number | Answer   | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|---|------------|
| 2 (a) (i)          | $   \begin{bmatrix}     S \\     N \\     S \\     N   \end{bmatrix}   $ (1) $   \begin{bmatrix}     S \\     S \\     N   \end{bmatrix}   $ (1) | both poles needed for<br>each mark (either<br>side of paper clip,<br>right or left)<br>allow just S at the<br>top of the pair and N<br>at the bottom of the<br>pair for 1 mark<br>ignore the third paper<br>clip after these two<br>(given in question) | (2)<br>AO1 |

| Question<br>number | Answer      | Additional guidance | Mark       |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------|
| 2 (a) (ii)         | induced (1) |                     | (1)<br>AO1 |

| Question<br>number | Answer                             | Additional guidance                | Mark       |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| 2 (a)<br>(iii)     | iron / steel / nickel / cobalt (1) | ignore 'metal'                     | (1)<br>AO1 |
|                    |                                    | do not allow any other named metal |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|---|------------|
| 2(a) (iv)          | description including <b>two</b> from                         |   | (2)<br>AO1 |
|                    | use a (plotting) compass (1)                                  |   |            |
|                    | (plotting compass) shows a change in direction / needle moves | sees repulsion / repelling  |            |
|                    | OR<br>bring the paper clips together<br>(1)                   | bring the paper clips near<br>to a magnetic material<br>ignore 'magnet' for this<br>marking point |            |
|                    | seeing if they attract / repel<br>(1)                         | do not accept `attracts to<br>a magnet'   |            |
|                    | OR<br>use of iron filings (around the<br>paperclips) (1)      |   |            |
|                    | see a pattern (1)   | accept for two marks bring<br>a magnet close to a paper<br>clip to test for repulsion             |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|---|------------|
| 2 (b) (i)          | (magnetic field)<br>{lines / circles / pattern} closer<br>(together at P) (1) | (magnetic field) lines<br>more concentrated<br>(at P)               | (1)<br>AO1 |
|                    |   | (magnetic field) lines<br>further apart / less<br>concentrated at Q |            |
|                    |   | ignore idea that P is<br>closer (to the wire<br>than Q)             |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance                    | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|--|------------|
| 2 (b) (ii)         | a description to include<br>as current increases magnetic<br>field strength increases (1)<br>linear/ increases in even steps<br>/ doubling idea / proportional<br>(1) | allow positive<br>correlation          | (2)<br>AO3 |
|                    |   | 'directly proportional' scores 2 marks |            |

Total for Q2 = 9 marks

| Question<br>number | Answer   | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|------------|
| 3 (a)              | C 50 Hz  | (1)<br>AO1 |
|                    | A, B and D are all distracting numbers not matching the frequency of the mains |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance                                      | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|--|------------|
| 3 (b)              | explanation linking any two<br>from:                        | accept thermal<br>energy for heat<br>energy              | (2)<br>AO1 |
|                    | (smaller currents) reduce<br>heating effect (in cables) (1) | allow will not get (as)<br>hot / heat loss is<br>reduced |            |
|                    | less energy / power wasted (in cables) (1)                  |  |            |
|                    | increases efficiency (1)                                    |  |            |
|                    |   | allow 2 marks for<br>'reduce(s) heat<br>energy loss'     |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer                 | Additional guidance                                     | Mark                |
|--------------------|------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 3 (c) (i)          | substitution (1)       |   | ( <b>2</b> )<br>AO3 |
|                    | (power =) 12000 x 0.64 | allow (power =) $240 \times 32$                         |                     |
|                    | evaluation (1)         |   |                     |
|                    | R = 7700 (W)           | any answer that rounds<br>to 7700 (W) e.g. 7680<br>(W)  |                     |
|                    |                        | award full marks for the correct answer without working |                     |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional<br>guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|--|------------|
| 3 (c) (ii)         | substitution (1)<br>( <u>number of turns in secondary coil</u><br>number of turns in primary coil<br>=) <u>1600</u> or <u>1</u><br>80000 50 |  | (2)<br>AO2 |
|                    | evaluation (1)<br>0.02(0)   | 0.02(0) to any<br>other power of 10<br>scores 1 mark<br>award full marks<br>for correct answer<br>without working<br>accept for 1 mark<br>(seen anywhere)<br><u>50, 80000, 50</u><br>1 1600<br><b>or</b><br>(from counting<br>turns)<br><u>4, 0.27</u><br>15 |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer                    | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---|------------|
| 3(c) (iii)         | (ratio =) 240 : 12000 (1) |   | (2)<br>AO2 |
|                    | 1 : 50 (1)                | 0.02 : 1<br>award full marks for<br>correct answer<br>without working |            |

Total for Q3 = 9 marks

| Question<br>number | Answer                           | Additional guidance  | Mark       |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------|
| 4 (a)              | substitution (1)                 |  | (2)<br>AO2 |
|                    | (mean speed)                     |  |            |
|                    | $= \frac{1.31 + 1.27 + 1.16}{3}$ | <u>3.74</u><br>3   |            |
|                    | evaluation (1)                   |  |            |
|                    | speed = 1.25 (m/s)               | any number that<br>rounds to 1.25<br>(m/s) e.g. 1.247<br>accept 1.2 or 1.3 |            |
|                    |                                  | allow 1.24   |            |
|                    |                                  | award full marks<br>for the correct<br>answer without<br>working           |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance          | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------|------------|
| 4 (b)              | any one idea from   | ignore accuracy              | (1)<br>AO1 |
|                    | <ul> <li>identifying anomalous<br/>results (1)</li> </ul> | check if results are precise |            |
|                    |   | allow more precise           |            |
|                    | <ul> <li>improve reliability (1)</li> </ul>               |                              |            |
|                    | <ul> <li>uncertainty in starting<br/>point (1)</li> </ul> |                              |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer                                      | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|---|------------|
| 4 (c)              | substitutions (2)                           |   | (3)<br>AO2 |
|                    | $(\Delta GPE = m \times g \times \Delta h)$ |   | AUL        |
|                    | = 0.052 x 10 x (0.0)5 (1)                   |   |            |
|                    | converts 5 cm to 0.05 m (1)                 | 0.05 seen   |            |
|                    | evaluation (1)                              |   |            |
|                    | = 0.026 (J)                                 | award full marks for<br>the correct answer<br>without working |            |
|                    |   | 0.026 to any other<br>power of ten scores 2<br>marks          |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer   | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|---|------------|
| 4 (d) i            | ruler / line / rectangle shown<br>vertically, must include minimum<br>vertical distance shown on diagram (1) | judge by eye<br>accept any<br>vertical line<br>covering the<br>minimum vertical<br>distance | (1)<br>AO3 |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance  | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|--|------------|
| 4 (d) ii           | description to include<br>set square placed<br>against ruler (to<br>measure vertical<br>position) (1) | accept reasonable alternatives<br>on a diagram or explained in<br>writing  | (2)<br>AO3 |
|                    | (one edge of set square<br>placed at) right angles<br>/ perpendicular / 90°<br>(to ruler) (1)         | accept one edge of the set<br>square shown as vertical in<br>diagram   |            |
|                    | (set square used to)<br>make ruler vertical (1)   |  |            |
|                    |   | full marks may be awarded<br>from additions to Figure 10 or<br>11  |            |
|                    |   | e.g.   |            |
|                    |   | ball<br>light beam   |            |
|                    |   | allow 2 marks for any horizontal<br>line (set square use) on the<br>diagram drawn through /<br>touching a vertical ruler |            |
|                    |   | if no other mark scored allow 1<br>mark for improving accuracy   |            |

Total for Q4 = 9 marks

| Question<br>number | Answer              | Additional guidance  | Mark                |
|--------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------|
| 5 (a)              | substitution (1)    |  | ( <b>2</b> )<br>AO2 |
|                    | (E =) 0.042 × 1.5   |  |                     |
|                    | evaluation (1)      |  |                     |
|                    | (E =) 0.063 (J) (1) | 6.3 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>                                     |                     |
|                    |                     | award 2 marks for<br>the correct answer<br>without working |                     |
|                    |                     | accept 0.063 to any<br>other power of 10 for<br>1 mark     |                     |

| Question<br>number | Answer   | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|---|------------|
| 5 (b)              | voltmeter connected in parallel<br>with the iron wire / any part of<br>the iron wire (1) | accept any<br>recognisable<br>symbols.  | (2)<br>AO1 |
|                    | ammeter connected in series<br>with the iron wire (1)<br>example:                        | accept symbol<br>drawn over<br>connecting wire<br>do not credit the<br>same type of meter<br>shown in<br>contradictory<br>positions |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer   | Additional guidance  | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|--|------------|
| 5 (c) (i)          | one from:<br>metre rule / metre stick / ruler /<br>(measuring) tape /<br>crocodile clip / other clip / wire<br>cutters / pliers / sliding contact<br>jockey / more (iron) wire | accept scissors  | (1)<br>AO3 |
|                    |  | ignore additional<br>electrical devices<br>such as<br>ohmmeter /<br>multimeter |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer   | Additional<br>guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|--|------------|
| 5 (c)(ii)          | (ii) Figure 4 shows a graph of the results.<br>$4.00$ $3.50$ $3.00$ $2.50$ $2.50$ $2.00$ $1.50$ $1.50$ $3.00$ $3.00$ $2.8 \Omega$ $2.8 \Omega$ $3.00$ $3.00$ $3.00$ $3.00$ $3.00$ $2.50$ $3.00$ $3.$ | accept any<br>straight line<br>within the<br>shaded<br>range shown<br>judge by<br>eye. | (1)<br>AO2 |
|                    | 0 20 40 60 80 100 120<br>6cm length in cm  | ignore<br>extrapolation  |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer                                   | Additional guidance                     | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|---|------------|
| 5 (c)(iii)         | any number between 2.7 and 3.3 inclusive | allow ecf from (ii)<br>$\pm 0.1 \Omega$ | (1)<br>AO2 |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|---|------------|
| 5 (c) (iv)         | explanation linking any <b>two</b><br>from:                               | accept flow of<br>electrons / charge<br>for current   | (2)<br>AO1 |
|                    | (variable) resistor increases the resistance (of the circuit) (1)         |   |            |
|                    | (therefore) keeps the current constant / small(er) (1)                    | reduces current /<br>limits the current   |            |
|                    |   | ignore slows the<br>current / charge  |            |
|                    | because <b>current</b> increases<br>temperature of the (iron) wire<br>(1) | accept current heats<br>up (iron) wire  |            |
|                    |   | accept for two<br>marks: adjust<br>variable resistor to<br>keep current<br>constant / small |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer                              | Additional guidance   | Mark       |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---|------------|
| 5 (d)              | substitution (1)                    | alternative method rearrangement (1)                          | (2)<br>AO2 |
|                    | 1.56 = 0.45 x R                     | $(R =) \frac{V}{I}$   |            |
|                    |                                     | or  |            |
|                    |                                     | (R=) <u>1.56</u><br>0.45                                      |            |
|                    | rearrangement and evaluation<br>(1) | (substitution and)<br>evaluation (1)                          |            |
|                    | (R =) 3.5 (ohms)                    | (R =) 3.5 (ohms)  |            |
|                    |                                     | allow values that<br>round to 3.5 e.g.<br>3.46(666) 3.47 etc  |            |
|                    |                                     | award full marks for<br>the correct answer<br>without working |            |

Total for Q5 = 11 marks

| Question<br>number | Answer   | Mark       |
|--------------------|--|------------|
| 6 (a)              | <ul> <li>D sublimating</li> <li>A is incorrect because it describes a change of state from gas to liquid.</li> <li>B is incorrect because it describes a change of state from liquid to solid</li> <li>C is incorrect because it describes a change of state from solid to liquid</li> </ul> | (1)<br>AO1 |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance  | Mark       |
|--------------------|---|--|------------|
| 6 (b)              | substitution (1)<br>(r) = $\frac{7.22(\times 10^{-2})}{2.69(\times 10^{-5})}$ | 2.68 to any power of ten seen  | (3)<br>AO2 |
|                    | evaluation (1)  |  |            |
|                    | (ρ =) 2680  | allow any value that rounds to<br>2680; e.g. 2684  |            |
|                    |   | accept 2700  |            |
|                    |   | allow values in standard form<br>e.g. 2.68 x 10 <sup>3</sup>   |            |
|                    | unit (1)<br>kg / m³   | kg m <sup>-3</sup>   |            |
|                    |   | allow for three marks:<br>2.68 to any power of ten <b>with</b><br>a consistent unit, e.g.<br>2680 kg/m <sup>3</sup><br>2680 g/dm <sup>3</sup><br>2.68 g/cm <sup>3</sup><br>2.68 kg/dm <sup>3</sup><br>0.00268 kg/cm <sup>3</sup><br>2 680 000 g/m <sup>3</sup> |            |
|                    |   | <ul> <li>allow for two marks:</li> <li>2680 with no or incorrect<br/>unit</li> <li>2.68 to any other power of<br/>10 with an inconsistent<br/>unit of density</li> <li>correct substitution with<br/>an inconsistent unit of<br/>density</li> </ul>            |            |
|                    |   | <ul> <li>allow for one mark:</li> <li>2680 to any other power<br/>of ten with no or incorrect<br/>unit</li> <li>appropriate unit of density<br/>with no or an incorrect<br/>value</li> </ul>   |            |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance | Mark       |
|--------------------|---------|---------------------|------------|
| 6 (c) (i)          | 933 (K) | do not accept -933  | (1)<br>AO2 |

| Question<br>number | Answer  | Additional guidance   | Mark        |
|--------------------|---|---|-------------|
| 6 (c)(ii)          | A description to include any <b>two</b> from:           |   | ( 2)<br>AO1 |
|                    | (motion is) random (1)                                  | move freely / move<br>in any direction /<br>move around                               |             |
|                    | various {speeds / velocities /<br>kinetic energies} (1) | different speeds<br>range of speeds   |             |
|                    | bump into each other / collide<br>(1)                   | slide over / past each<br>other / touch each<br>other / in contact<br>with each other |             |
|                    | fast(er than solid) (1)                                 | more kinetic energy<br>(than in solid)  |             |
|                    |   | ignore bulk properties<br>of liquids e.g. take<br>shape of container.                 |             |
|                    |   | ignore vibrate  |             |
|                    |   | "random speeds" on<br>its own scores 1 mark   |             |

| Question<br>number | Indicative content  | Mark            |
|--------------------|---|-----------------|
| *6(d)              | Answers will be credited according to<br>candidate's deployment of knowledge and<br>understanding of the material in relation to<br>the qualities and skills outlined in the<br>generic mark scheme.<br>The indicative content below is not<br>prescriptive and candidates are not required<br>to include all the material which is indicated<br>as relevant. Additional content included in<br>the response must be scientific and relevant. | (6)<br>AO2, AO3 |
|                    | <ul> <li>Fibre glass <ul> <li>has lower R-value</li> <li>similar R-value (to polystyrene)</li> <li>derived from sand so plentiful /<br/>cheap</li> <li>non-flammable</li> <li>dangerous to install</li> <li>concludes / uses other arguments<br/>to say that it is a suitable or<br/>unsuitable material</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |                 |
|                    | <ul> <li>Polystyrene <ul> <li>high(est) R-value so suitable on that score</li> <li>(but) involves petroleum / oil extraction so (could be) environmentally damaging</li> <li>melting / flammable / fire hazard / release of toxic fumes</li> <li>concludes / uses other arguments to say that it is a suitable or unsuitable material</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |                 |

| Level   | Mark | Descriptor   |
|---------|------|--|
|         | 0    | No awardable content   |
| Level 1 | 1-2  | • Interpretation and evaluation of the information attempted but will be limited with a focus on mainly just one variable. Demonstrates limited synthesis of understanding. (AO3)                              |
|         |      | • The explanation attempts to link and apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas, flawed or simplistic connections made between elements in the context of the question. (AO2)                     |
| Level 2 | 3-4  | <ul> <li>Interpretation and evaluation of the information on both<br/>variables, synthesising mostly relevant understanding. (AO3)</li> </ul>  |
|         |      | • The explanation is mostly supported through linkage and application of knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas, some logical connections made between elements in the context of the question. (AO2) |
| Level 3 | 5-6  | <ul> <li>Interpretation and evaluation of the information, demonstrating<br/>throughout the skills of synthesising relevant understanding.<br/>(AO3)</li> </ul>  |
|         |      | • The explanation is supported throughout by linkage and application of knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas, logical connections made between elements in the context of the question. (AO2)       |

## AO targeting: 3 marks AO2 strand 1 and 3 marks AO3 strand 1a and 1b

| Level   | Mark | Additional Guidance  | General additional guidance – the decision within levels  |
|---------|------|--|---|
|         |      |  | e.g At each level, as well as content,<br>the scientific coherency of what is stated<br>will help place the answer at the top, or<br>the bottom, of that level. |
|         | 0    | No rewardable material.  |   |
| Level 1 | 1-2  | Additional guidance  | Possible candidate responses  |
|         |      | at least two pieces of<br>information from the table used<br>OR<br>one piece of information on the<br>table and makes a simple choice  | R is 4.0 for polystyrene + fibreglass is not<br>flammable<br>OR<br>we should use fibreglass   |
| Level 2 | 3-4  | Additional guidance  | Possible candidate responses  |
|         |      | compares at least two<br>properties<br>OR<br>compares one property and<br>gives a conclusion about<br>suitability<br>uses information from the two<br>materials used AND makes   | fibreglass has a lower R-value and is not<br>flammable, but polystyrene is<br>OR<br>fibreglass is not flammable, but polystyrene is, so<br>fibreglass better    |
|         |      | some comparison(s) / concludes   |   |
| Level 3 | 5-6  | Additional guidance  | Possible candidate responses  |
|         |      | compares at least two<br>properties AND gives a<br>conclusion<br>(both materials involved, allow<br>one to be discussed in greater<br>detail than the other)<br>WITH<br>logical connections between<br>elements argued from the table. | fibreglass and polystyrene have similar R-values.<br>Fibreglass is not flammable, but polystyrene is, so<br>fibreglass is better                                |