

GCSE (9–1)

Combined Science B (Twenty First Century Science)

J260/03: Physics (Foundation Tier)

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Mark Scheme for Autumn 2021

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1. Annotations available in RM Assessor

Annotation	Meaning
	Correct response
	Incorrect response
	Omission mark
	Benefit of doubt given
	Contradiction
	Rounding error
	Error in number of significant figures
	Error carried forward
	Level 1
	Level 2
	Level 3
	Benefit of doubt not given
	Noted but no credit given
	Ignore

2. 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
DO NOT ALLOW	Answers which are not worthy of credit
IGNORE	Statements which are irrelevant
ALLOW	Answers that can be accepted
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit
—	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ECF	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

3. 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:


	Assessment Objective
AO1	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific techniques and procedures.
AO1.1	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas.
AO1.2	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of scientific techniques and procedures.
AO2	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas and scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures.
AO2.1	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas.
AO2.2	Apply knowledge and understanding of scientific enquiry, techniques and procedures.
AO3	Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate, make judgements and draw conclusions and develop and improve experimental procedures.
AO3.1	Analyse information and ideas to interpret and evaluate.
AO3.1a	Analyse information and ideas to interpret.
AO3.1b	Analyse information and ideas to evaluate.
AO3.2	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.
AO3.3	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)	<p>Wood warms up when it <u>absorbs</u> infrared radiation ✓</p> <p>Some metals are shiny because they <u>reflect</u> visible light ✓</p> <p>Windows are made out of glass because glass <u>transmits</u> visible light ✓</p> <p>An X-ray scan be hazardous because human bodily tissue <u>absorbs</u> X-rays ✓</p>	4	1.1		
	(b)	(i)	shorter ✓	1	1.1	
		(ii)	longer ✓	1	1.1	
		(iii)	longer ✓	1	1.1	

Question			Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	Iron is a magnetic (material) ✓	1	1.1	
		(ii)	Increase the current in the coil ✓ increase the number of turns of wire in the coil ✓	2	1.1	tick in 1 st and 2 nd boxes
	(b)	(i)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 0.5 (Ω) award 2 marks Substitute: resistance = $0.95 \text{ (V)} \div 1.9 \text{ (A)}$ ✓ resistance = 0.5 (Ω) ✓	2	2.1	
		(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 57 (C) award 2 marks Substitute: charge = $1.9 \text{ (A)} \times 30 \text{ (s)}$ ✓ charge = 57 (C) ✓	2	2.1	

Question			Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	<p>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 0.035 (m) award 2 marks</p> <p>$(8.5 - 5 =) 3.5 \text{ cm } \checkmark$ $= 0.035 \text{ (m)} \checkmark$</p>	2	1.2	
		(ii)	<p>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 220 (N/m) award 2 marks</p> <p>substitute: spring constant = $7.7 \div 0.035 \checkmark$ $= 220 \text{ (N/m)} \checkmark$</p>	2	2.1	ECF from (ai)
		(iii)	<p>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 0.13 (J) award 3 marks</p> <p>Select & apply: energy stored = $0.5 \times \text{spring constant} \times \text{extension}^2$ $= 0.5 \times 220 \times (0.035)^2 \checkmark$ $= 0.13475 \text{ (J)} \checkmark$ $= 0.13 \text{ (J)} \checkmark$</p>	3	2.1 x 2 1.2	<p>ECF from (aii) and (ai)</p> <p>ALLOW Any number of d.p. greater or equal to 2 that rounds to 0.13</p> <p>Must be to 2d.p. correctly rounded</p> <p>ALLOW use of energy = $0.5 \times \text{force} \times \text{extension}$</p>
	(b)	(i)	Wear goggles / Place foam under the weights /use small masses / clamp retort to bench \checkmark	1	1.1	ALLOW weight
		(ii)	Initial \checkmark Extension \checkmark Mass \checkmark	3	3.3a	

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	<p>(iii) FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 1 (J) award 3 marks</p> <p>area of triangle = $0.5 \times 5 \times 0.4$ OR counts squares: $1 \text{ cm}^2 = 0.1 \text{ J}$ number = $(20 \div 2) \text{ cm}^2 = 10 \text{ cm}^2$ work done = 10×0.1 ✓✓</p> <p>work done = 1 (J) ✓</p>	3	2.2	

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
4	(a)	(1 st box) chemical (in battery) ✓ (2 nd box) electrical working OR current ✓ (3 rd box) kinetic (in air/bubbles) ✓	3	2.1	ALLOW and thermal (machine and surroundings) but not thermal on its own
	(b)	(i)			
		 ✓	1	1.2	
		(ii)			
		FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 2.1 (Ω) award 2 marks (Total resistance =) 1.54 (Ω) + 0.56 (Ω) ✓ = 2.1 (Ω) ✓	2	2.1	
	(c)	(i)			
		decreases ✓	1	1.1	
		(ii)			
		decreases ✓	1	2.1	
		(iii)			
		stays the same ✓	1	2.1	

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
5	(a)	(absorbed and re-emitted by carbon dioxide) infrared ✓ (absorbed by oxygen to produce ozone) ultraviolet ✓ (emitted from nuclei) gamma rays ✓	3	1.1	tick in correct boxes
	(b)	All electromagnetic radiation is transmitted through space at the same speed ✓ Atoms can become ions by losing their outer electrons. ✓	2	1.1	
	(c)	ionising radiation OR removes electrons from atoms ✓ damages/kills cells/ causes cancer/DNA mutation ✓	2	1.1	

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6	(a)	(i)	volume = $3 \times 3 \times 3 = 27 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$ ✓	1	1.2	
		(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 19 OR 19.3 (g/cm ³) award 2 marks Substitute: Density = $513 \text{ (g)} \div 27 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$ ✓ Density = $19 \text{ (g/cm}^3\text{)}$ ✓	2	2.1	ECF from (ai)
	(b)	(i)	gases have lower density than liquids ✓ liquids have lower density than solids ✓ OR The density increases from gas to liquid to solid ✓✓	2	3.1a	ORA ALLOW 1 mark for gases have lower density than solids if neither of these marks are awarded ORA ALLOW 1 mark if only 2 phases given IGNORE the density increases down the table.
		(ii)*	Please refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Uses diagrams to correctly describe solids liquids and gases, including differences in spacing AND explains idea that more particles in the same space or that the closer the particles the higher the density AND Links data from the table to different spacing <i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i>	6	4 x 1.1 2 x 3.1a	AO1.1 Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of arrangement, spacing and density For example: diagrams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • solid showing regular arrangement • liquid showing irregular arrangement • gas showing irregular arrangement of far fewer particles widely spaced • particles do not change in size between phases. For example: In diagrams or written <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • particles are much closer together in solids and liquids than in gases • Spacing about the same for liquid and solid or more for liquid. For example: density <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Idea that closer together means more

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	<p>Level 2 (3–4 marks) Uses diagrams to correctly describe solids liquids and gases, including differences in spacing AND Links data from the table to different spacing OR Explains idea that more particles in the same space or that the closer the particles the higher the density</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>Level 1 (1–2 marks) Uses diagrams to describe solids liquids and gases AND these correctly show the difference in spacing of particles, although other details may be incorrect. OR Statement showing understanding that particle spacing increases from solid to liquid to gas</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>0 marks <i>No response or no response worthy of credit.</i></p>			<p>particles (mass) in the same space (volume)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The closer the particles the higher the density <p>AO3.1 Analyse information and ideas to evaluate the trend shown in the table.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of data from the table to compare solids liquids and gases • Use of data from the table to compare the gases, or the liquids or the solids

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7	(a)	equal to the friction forces ✓	1	1.1	ringed
	(b) (i)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 6 000 (N) award 2 marks substitute: braking force = 1 200 (kg) × 5 (m/s ²) ✓ = 6 000 (N) ✓	2	2.1	IGNORE negative signs
	(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 330 000 (N) award 2 marks substitute: work done = 6 000 (N) × 55 (m) ✓ = 330 000 (J) ✓	2	2.1	ECF from a(i)
	(c) (i)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 30 (m/s) award 2 marks 12 ÷ 0.4 ✓ = 30 (m/s) ✓	2	2.1	
	(ii)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 3 (m/s ²) award 3 marks recall: acceleration = change in speed ÷ time taken ✓ substitute: acceleration = (30 – 0) ÷ 10 ✓ = 3 (m/s ²) ✓	3	1.2 2.1 x 2	ALLOW ECF from (ci)
	(d)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 15 (m/s) award 3 marks Conversion of 54 km to 54 000 metres ✓ 60 x 60 = 3600 s ✓ 54000/3600 = 15 (m/s) ✓	3	1.2 x 2 2.1	

Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
8	(a)	(Isotopes of an element have the same number of) protons ✓ (Isotopes of an element have a different number of) neutrons ✓	2	1.1	lines join 1 st statement to 3 rd box and 2 nd statement to 2 nd box
	(b) (i)	Caesium-137 ✓	1	2.1	
	(ii)	Any two from: The tellurium will decay and be gone quickly OR most will have gone in a day OR isotopes with short half-lives will decay and be gone quickly ✓ Most of the plutonium and selenium will not decay OR isotopes with very long half-lives won't produce much radiation. ✓ idea that the caesium will be present and decaying steadily for many years ✓	2	1.1	
	(c) (i)	alpha is more ionising OR gamma is less ionising ✓ gamma may leave body without being absorbed OR alpha will be absorbed ✓	2	1.1	ALLOW (ionising radiation) damages/kills cells/ causes cancer/DNA mutation
	(ii)	gamma is more penetrating OR beta is less penetrating ✓	1	1.1	ALLOW example e.g. beta will not go far into the body OR beta can be stopped by thin aluminium

Question			Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
9	(a)	(i)	<p>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 52.5 (kW h) award 3 marks</p> <p>Recall: Energy = power × time ✓</p> <p>Substitution: $E = 7 \text{ kW} \times 7.5 \text{ h}$ ✓</p> <p>= 52.5 (kW h) ✓</p>	3	1.2 2.1 x 2	
		(ii)	<p>FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 92 (%) award 3 marks</p> <p>Recall: Efficiency = $\frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}} \times 100\%$ ✓</p> <p>Substitution: Efficiency = $\frac{48.3}{52.5} \times 100\%$ ✓</p> <p>= 92 (%) ✓</p>	3	1.2 2.1 x 2	<p>ALLOW ECF from (a)(i) ALLOW answer of 0.92 for 2 marks</p>
		(iii)	<p>Alternating (voltage) changes direction</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Direct (voltage) always in same direction ✓</p>	1	1.1	<p>DO NOT ALLOW idea that it changes without idea that direction changes/alternates</p> <p>ALLOW constant</p> <p>ALLOW graphs showing direct = negative or positive voltage against time and alternating = positive and negative voltage against time</p>
	(b)	(i)	Curve of best fit through points ✓	1	2.2	DO NOT ALLOW straight line or lines
		(ii)	Value shown by drawn line at 2019	1	3.2b	ECF from (c)(i)

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			OR If no drawn line at 2019, answer between 270,000 and 330,000 ✓			
	(c)	(i)	(people want to) reduce CO ₂ emissions/ reduce carbon footprint/ reduce global warming / environmentally more friendly / environmentally safer OR (people want to) reduce pollution/ NO _x / particulates/incidence of asthma OR government incentives OR Becoming cheaper to buy OR Charging points more readily available ✓	1	2.1	e.g. tax cuts, subsidies
		(ii)	Any two from: Not enough power stations OR Not enough generating capacity ✓ High peak demand when all being charged at the same time ✓ Distribution network would need to deliver more energy/power or have higher current/higher voltage or more cables ✓	2	2.1	ALLOW not enough electricity

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10	(a)	weigh the pan (without the stone) ✓ Subtract (the weight of the pan from the total weight) ✓	2	3.3b	If no other mark scored ALLOW check for zero error on forcemeter for 1 mark DO NOT ALLOW use a top pan balance unless also states $\times g$ or $\times 10$ for 2 marks
	(b)	(i)	1	1.1	Jupiter ✓
		(ii)	4	3.2b	Any four from: Identifies Jupiter as not fitting the pattern of increasing density and increasing gravitational field strength ✓ The gravitational field strength increases as the mass of the planet increases OR There is a correlation between the gravitational field strength and the mass. ✓ Use of data from the table to justify suggested relationship ✓ g increases with density for first three planets ✓ g of Jupiter larger than other planets but doesn't fit pattern between density and mass ✓

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