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Annotation	Meaning	
ВР	Blank Page – this annotation must be used on all blank pages within an answer booklet (structured or unstructured) and on each page of an additional object where there is no candidate response.	
<u> </u>	correct response	
×	incorrect response	
BOD	benefit of the doubt	
NBOD	benefit of the doubt <u>not</u> given	
ECF	error carried forward	
^	information omitted	
I	ignore	
R	reject	
CON	contradiction	

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme.

/ = alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point

(1) = separates marking pointsallow = answers that can be accepted

not = answers which are not worthy of credit
reject = answers which are not worthy of credit

ignore = statements which are irrelevant

() = words which are not essential to gain credit

= underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark (although not correctly spelt unless otherwise stated)

ecf = error carried forward AW = alternative wording ora = or reverse argument

Qι	esti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	а	i	3750 (2)	2	
			but if answer incorrect then		
			150 x 100 4 (1)		allow <u>150</u> (1) 0.04
	b		eaten by dung beetles or insects or flies (1) or	1	ignore just eaten or eaten by animals ignore idea of being used as manure ignore eaten by decomposers
			broken down by decomposers (1)		allow decayed or broken down by bacteria / fungi / detritivores / saprophytes / microbes / micro-organisms (1) ignore decomposers / bacteria use it as a food source ignore just they are decomposed ignore used by decomposers
			Total	3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2 a	less lichen closer to factory (1)	2	
	(suggests they have been) destroyed by (higher levels of) sulfur dioxide (1)		allow destroyed by(higher levels) of pollution (1) allow lichen can't grow when sulfur dioxide or pollution is present (1) ignore references to acid rain
	or the more lichen grow further from factory (1) so the less sulfur dioxide(1)		allow so less pollution (1) allow lichen grows in clean air or less polluted air (1) ignore sulfur dioxide is poisoning trees allow as an extra marking point lichen can be used to measure levels of pollution / are sensitive to sulfur dioxide / lichen are indicator species / lichen likes to live in low pollution area (1)
b	any value greater than or equal to 500 or less than or equal to 800 (1)	2	2 nd mark is conditional on correct value
	idea that approximately 25 - 45% of the grid is covered or 25-45 squares contain lichen (1)		allow idea of estimating or counting the % cover of lichen (1)
С	any one from: has not measured the level of sulfur dioxide (at any point) (1) has no results for 100m (1) other acidic gases could be emitted or have an affect (1) idea that it is not a fair comparison because of other factors e.g. moisture, temperature (1)	1	allow idea that sulfur dioxide can be dispersed by the wind (1) allow would need to use a meter to measure (actual) sulfur dioxide level (1) ignore it is just an estimate or approximation

C	any two from:	2	
	bacteria / fungi / decomposers / saprophytes decompose or breakdown or decay leaves (1) ammonia forms (1) nitrifying bacteria (1) convert ammonia to nitrates / nitrites (1)		allow microbes / detritivores decompose leaves (1) allow nitrifying bacteria decompose leaves scores (1)
	Total	7	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3 a	(thick) fur (1) as it insulates / traps air(1)	2	allow reduce energy transfer between animal and surroundings (1) ignore hair ignore behavioural adaptations such as migration ignore traps heat
	or small ears / short legs (1) reduces surface area or less blood can reach the surface of the ears / legs (1)		ignore references to hooves or counter current exchange system allow small surface area to volume ratio (1) allow layer of fat (1) which is an insulator (1)
b	any three from: contain enzymes with lower optimum temperatures (1) the enzymes which work at (very) low temperatures (1) contain antifreeze (1) idea that cells do not freeze / freezing would damage cells / because (enzyme) reactions need to occur in	3	allow photosynthesise at lower temperatures or lower light levels (1) allow stops ice crystals forming in cells (1)
	solution (1)	5	ignore larger leaves to absorb more sunlight

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	[Level 3 Suggests two reasons why mynas should be saved AND provides a detailed evaluation of the conservation program using appropriate scientific terms. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level. (5 – 6 marks) Level 2 Suggests one reason why mynas should be saved AND provides a simple evaluation of the conservation program OR suggests two reasons why mynas should be saved Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) Level 1 Suggests one reason why mynas should be saved OR attempts a simple evaluation of the conservation program Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks) Level 0 Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit.	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A* Indicative scientific points for detailed evaluation at Level 3 may include: reasons from level 1 plus population is not viable so unlikely to survive small numbers mean little genetic variation within species isolated population makes it difficult to increase genetic variation small habitat / range so less resources for the birds to survive small habitat makes it easier for the birds to be trapped as they are bred in captivity may be used to humans and therefore makes them easier to be caught local people will benefit so may become more protective of the wild population as the habitat is small it may be easier to police so less trapping may take place. released bird may still be caught as it is difficult to control illegal trapping / hunting Indicative scientific points for simple evaluation at Level 1/Level 2 may include: unlikely to survive as only few left could still be hunted when released mynas released into their natural habitat already at critical level only a small habitat so may not be enough food for them the fact that people will get money means they are more likely to help Indicative scientific points for reasons may include: because the local people could benefit from selling them idea of preserving cultural tradition benefits of tourism protecting food chains idea of maintaining biodiversity idea that they could contribute to development of medicines in the future ignore human food supply / medical purposes unless qualified Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5 a	idea that those with stripes got bitten less / ora(1)	2	allow stripes stop zebras being bitten (1) allow flies are attracted to the zebras without stripes and bite them (1) ignore ones with no stripes die leaving only stripes ignore those without stripes had become more attractive to flies
	idea that striped adaptation passed on to next generation / ora (1)		allow striped zebras breed giving offspring their characteristics (1) allow striped zebras bred and passed on the stripes (1) allow (only) zebras with stripes were left so reproduced (1) allow those with stripes or not bitten survived and reproduced passing on the gene of stripes (1)
b i	count /compare the number of flies stuck to each zebra (1) or less flies on striped model or zebra / ora (1)	1	allow measure the mass of flies on each model or zebra (1) allow more flies bite models or zebras without stripes (1) allow flies less attracted to striped model or zebra / ora (1) allow no flies on the striped model or zebra (1) allow more complex the pattern the less likely the flies are to stick (1)
b ii	so (other) scientists can gather further evidence / so (other) scientists can investigate ideas further / so they can gain credit or recognition for their work / so work can be checked / to see if work can be replicated / so work does not need to be duplicated / to provide information to or educate the public or other organisations (1)	1	allow work can be developed further (1) allow to get feedback for improvement (1) allow so other scientists cannot take credit (1) allow peer review / work can be evaluated (1) allow scientists can use the work to back up their own theories (1)
	Total	4	

Question	1	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6 a	Element	Number of atoms	2	
	nitrogen	3		
	hydrogen	12		
	phosphorus	1		
	oxygen	4		
	N and H correct (1) P and O correct (1)			
b			2	order unimportant
	ammonia / ammonium	hydroxide (1)		allow NH ₃ / NH ₄ OH (1) allow ammonium hydrogencarbonate or ammonium carbonate (1) not ammonia hydroxide or ammonia carbonate or ammonia hydrogencarbonate
	phosphoric acid (1)			allow H ₃ PO ₄ (1) not phosphorus acid
С	idea that fertilisers rep elements (used by pre essential elements (1)		2	allow provides named essential elements e.g. nitrogen / nitrates, phosphorus/phosphates or potassium (1) ignore fertilisers contain essential nutrients or essential minerals
	used to build plant pro or amino acids (1)	tein or peptides or polypeptide	S	nitrogen or nitrates used to build plant protein scores (2) but if the candidate matches only phosphorus or only potassium to building plant protein this only scores (1)
	Total		6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7 a	N ₂ + 3H ₂ → 2NH ₃ formulae (1) balancing (1)	2	balancing mark is conditional on correct formulae allow any correct multiple e.g. $2N_2 + 6H_2 \rightarrow 4NH_3$ (2) allow = or \Rightarrow or \Rightarrow for arrow not 'and' or & for + allow one mark for correct balanced equation with minor errors in case, subscript and superscript e.g. $N^2 + 3h_2 \rightarrow 2NH_3$
b	any four from catalyst – speeds up reaction (1) catalyst – has no effect on yield (1) high pressure - increases (percentage) yield (of ammonia) (1) high pressure – increases rate of reaction (1)	4	mark 1 st four points allow catalyst reduces activation energy (1) allow makes more ammonia (1) allow (high pressure) favours the forward reaction (1) allow speeds up reaction (1) allow high level answers relating to collision theory e.g. more successful / frequent collisions (1)
	450°C – (high temperature) gives reduced yield (of ammonia) (1) 450°C – (high temperature) gives a high rate of reaction (1)		 allow (high temperature) makes less ammonia (1) allow (high temperature) favours the back reaction (1) allow speeds up reaction (1) allow high level answers relating to collision theory e.g. more successful / frequent collisions (1) allow 450°C is an optimum temperature giving a fast reaction with a sufficiently high percentage yield (2)
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
8 a	Level 3 Selects a suitable material for both of the uses giving 2 relevant reasons for each material AND provides a reason for rejecting at least one of the other materials for both uses Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level. (5 – 6 marks) Level 2 Selects a suitable material for one of the uses giving at least 2 relevant reasons Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) Level 1 Applies knowledge to evaluate at least one material to make a girder OR one material to make a kitchen worktop OR selects a suitable material for either use (no reasons given) OR applies knowledge to make a comparison between the properties of at least two materials Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks) Level 0 Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit.	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A*. Level 3 cannot be accessed unless there are correct choices for both applications. Indicative scientific points may include: evaluation for girder

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b	one from disadvantages increased noise (1) increased traffic (1) increased dust (1) destruction of landscape (1) destruction of habitats (1) loss of tourism (1)	2	ignore air pollution ignore damages the environment allow causes disruption to people living near it (1) allow pollution from trucks or machines working at the site (1) allow destroys land (1) ignore takes up land allow spoils the view (1) allow visual pollution (1) allow idea that it is expensive to restore land to its former condition (1) allow idea that disused quarries can be dangerous e.g. lakes (1) allow harms animals and/or plants (1)
	and one from advantages provides materials (required for construction) (1) provides jobs (1) companies required to reconstruct landscape (1) economic benefits for the local area (1) reduces need to import materials (1)	8	allow produces useful product (1) allow can get ores more easily than mining (1) allow improved infrastructure e.g. roads (1) allow idea that quarry can be redeveloped for recreational purposes e.g. rock climbing (1) ignore build more houses

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
9 a		2	assume answer refers to aluminium unless otherwise stated
	any two from idea that aluminium has a low(er) density or lightweight (1) so will give better fuel economy (1)		ignore aluminium is lighter
	(aluminium) does not corrode (1)		allow aluminium does not rust (1) allow higher level answers referring to the protective oxide layer on aluminium (1)
	so (car body) will last longer (1)		allow aluminium is (more) malleable (1) so easier to shape (1) ignore references to cost or strength or flexibility
b		3	Read text first. If 3 marking points have not been used up from the text look at the diagram for possible extra marking points. If labels on the diagram contradict the text, text takes precedence.
	any three from anode is impure copper (1)		marks can be awarded from a labelled diagram
	cathode is pure copper (1)		
	electrolyte is copper sulfate solution (1) idea that cathode gains mass (as copper is deposited) or pure copper deposited on the cathode (1) idea that anode loses mass (as copper dissolves)or idea that anode dissolves (1)		allow copper ions are reduced at the cathode (1) allow Cu ²⁺ + 2e ⁻ → Cu (1) allow copper atoms are oxidised at the anode (1) allow copper ions are produced at the anode (1) allow Cu – 2e ⁻ → Cu ²⁺ (1)
	Total	5	

Question		Α	nswer	Marks	Guidance
10 a	Fact ✓	Opinion		2	all correct (2) two or three correct (1) one correct (0)
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		✓ ✓			
		•	(2)		
b	low energy	bulb lasts lon	ger / ora(1)	3	assume answer refers to low energy bulb unless otherwise stated
		bulb uses few o run / ora (1	ver units / is cheaper to use /		ignore uses less energy or uses less electricity
	idea of the r lifetime (1)	elationship b	etween cost to buy and		allow calculation of running cost for both lamps Filament = £18, Low Energy= £3 (1) but allow calculation of total cost for both lamps Filament = £20, Low Energy = £8 (2)
					e.g. if you buy 10 filament bulbs they still will not last as long as 1 low energy bulb (1) or even with the £5.00 cost of the low energy lamp the total cost is less
					than the electricity alone for the filament lamp (1) or it costs £5 for one lifetime of a low energy bulb, but in the same time it would cost £8.50 or £8.33 of filament bulbs (1)
	Total			5	

Ques	stion	Answer		Guidance
11 8	a i	gamma (1)	2	2 nd mark is dependent on identifying gamma
		idea that only gamma can penetrate (dense) metal or iron or that gamma has the greatest penetrating power (1)		allow alpha and beta cannot penetrate iron (1) allow only gamma can pass through iron (1)
	ii	idea that increased count rate or greater amount of radiation is detected if an air gap is present (1)	1	ignore reference to radiation type
ı	b i	the atoms become charged (1)	2	allow molecules lose or gain electrons to become charged (2)
		by loss (or gain) of electrons (1)		allow electrons are lost to give positive ions (2) allow electrons are gained to give negative ions (2) ignore reference to oxidation is loss of electrons / reduction is gain of electrons
	ii	damages DNA (1)	1	allow changes the DNA (1) allow causes cancer (1) allow causes mutation (1) allow causes infertility (1) ignore kills cells
		Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Question 12	[Level 3] Identifies inverse square relationship between distance and current AND Suggests a reason why current decreases as distance increases to include reference to electrons knocked loose Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level (5 – 6 marks)	Marks 6	This question is targeted at grades up to A*. Indicative scientific points at level 3 may include: there is an inverse square law between distance and current / specific relationship using data e.g. from 20 to 40 doubles the distance but quarters the current (less) light / energy falling on panel so (fewer) electrons knocked loose from the silicon fewer electrons moving therefore less current
	[Level 2] Identifies the trend to include non-linear nature AND suggests a reason why current decreases as distance increases. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level (3 – 4 marks)		Indicative scientific points at level 2 may include: as distance increases the current decreases non linearly / at a different rate / AW less light / energy from the light source as distance increases Indicative scientific points at level 1 may include: as distance increases the current decreases / AW less light / energy from the light source as distance increases
	[Level 1] Identifies a simple trend OR suggests a reason why current decreases as distance increases. Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level (1 – 2 marks) [Level 0] Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit.		allow milliamps for current Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in scoris. Do not use ticks.
	Total (0 marks)	6	

Qu	estion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
13	а	11 (kV) (1)	1	
	b	3.06 x 10 ⁸ / 306 000 000 (J) (2)	2	allow 306 MJ or 306 000 kJ (2)
	but if incorrect			
		0.34 x 9 x 10 ⁸ or 34% x 9 x 10 ⁸ (1)		
		Total	3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
14 a	(interstellar gas cloud)	2	all correct (2) one or two correct (1)
	proto star		
	main sequence star		
	red giant		if no other marks awarded, if all three stages have been correctly selected but in the wrong order answer scores (1)
	(white dwarf)		
b	no light can escape (a black hole) (1)	2	allow (black hole) traps light (1)
	because it has a (very) strong gravitational attraction or (very) strong force of gravity or strong gravitational field (1)		allow strong gravitational pull (1)
	or		
	(very) strong gravitational attraction or (very) strong force of gravity or strong gravitational field (1)		allow strong gravitational pull (1)
	because it has a (very) large mass (1)		
	or		
	high density (1)		
	because it has large mass and small volume or gives rise to a (very) strong gravitational attraction or (very) strong force of gravity or strong gravitational field (1)		allow strong gravitational pull (1)
С	(Distant galaxies) move away faster ORA (1)	1	allow recede faster (1)
	Total	5	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
15 a		4	It is not possible to document all possible responses. If a response is not covered by the mark scheme then examiners need to check the data to see if the response is correct. If it is correct award the mark.
	up to two from idea that total consumption is generally upward (with minor drops) (1) drops occur in 2001 or 2005 or 2008 or 2009 (1)		allow highest amount used was in 2010 (1) allow idea that in 2000 the amount of copper used in different parts of the world are roughly the same apart from Africa (1)
	then up to three from Europe – small rise from 2000 to 2007 or 2008 then drops (1) Africa – slight (absolute) increase or very little (absolute) change (1) – amount of copper used doubles (1)		allow Europe quite constant except in 2009 (1) allow Europe has used less between 2008 to 2010 (1)
	Africa - uses least copper (1) Asia – (consistent) increase (1) Asia – uses most copper (1) America – slight drop 2000 to 2001 (1) - stays the same until 2008 (1) - drops in 2009 (1) - drops over the 10 year period (1)		allow broadly steady with one or two drops (1)
	Comparisons (up to a maximum of 2) – e.g. Asia uses more copper than America (1)		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
b i	idea of (greatest) difference is between 3780 and 5430 / (greatest) difference is 1650(1) then any one from increased industry (1) growing economy (1) large or growing population (1) developing country (1) making more goods needing copper (1)	3	if China not identified then only 3 rd mark is available Check alongside table for calculation of differences allow use of percentage increase instead allow working out to calculate differences allow industry uses more copper (1) allow more building or construction (1) allow world population has increased (1) ignore more people use it allow increase in computer industry (1)
ii	any one from China is using more copper than it is making (1) China will need to import copper (1)	1	allow higher percentage used than (percentage) produced / ora (1) allow China does not have enough copper for its needs (1) allow China will run out of copper (1) allow China will need to buy copper (1) allow China would have to recycle more copper (1) ignore just 'not enough copper'
iii	any one from (in 2012) more copper needed than produced (1) a shortage of copper (in 2012)(1) in 2008 more copper produced than needed (1) a surplus of copper in 2008 (1) then any one from price of copper likely to increase (1) more use of recycling needed (1) need to find more copper reserves (1)	2	no marks for completing the table if no date is specified, assume answer refers to 2012 allow (in 2012) there is more demand than supply (1) allow in 2008 there is more supply than demand (1) allow idea of detrimental effect on industry (1) allow need to find alternatives to copper (1) ignore copper will run out
	Total	10	

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