

Cambridge National Science

Unit R072/02: How Scientific Ideas Have Developed

Level 2

Mark Scheme for June 2015

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1. Annotations

Used in the detailed Mark Scheme:

Annotation	Meaning					
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point					
(1)	separates marking points					
not/reject	answers which are not worthy of credit					
ignore	statements which are irrelevant - applies to neutral answers					
allow/accept	answers that can be accepted	answers that can be accepted				
(words)	words which are not essential to gain credit					
words	underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark					
ecf error carried forward						
AW/owtte	AW/owtte alternative wording					
ORA	or reverse argument					

Available in scoris to annotate scripts

?	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
BOD	benefit of doubt
CON	contradiction
×	incorrect response
ECF	error carried forward
0	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
~~~	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
NBOD	no benefit of doubt
R	reject

<b>✓</b>	correct response
<b>}</b>	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
^	information omitted

# 2. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- a. If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
- b. Crossed out answers should be considered only if no other response has been made. When marking crossed out responses, accept correct answers which are clear and unambiguous.

E.g.

For a one mark question, where ticks in boxes 3 and 4 are required for the mark:

Put ticks $(\checkmark)$ in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks $(\checkmark)$ in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks $(\checkmark)$ in the two correct boxes.
		*
		<b>.</b>
*	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
<b>₹</b>	*	$\checkmark$
This would be worth 1 mark.	This would be worth 0 marks.	This would be worth 1 mark.

c. The list principle:

If a list of responses greater than the number requested is given, work through the list from the beginning. Award one mark for each correct response, ignore any neutral response, and deduct one mark for any incorrect response, e.g. one which has an error of science. If the number of incorrect responses is equal to or greater than the number of correct responses, no marks are awarded. A neutral response is correct but irrelevant to the question.

d. Marking method for tick boxes:

Always check the additional guidance.

If there is a set of boxes, some of which should be ticked and others left empty, then judge the entire set of boxes. If there is at least one tick, ignore crosses. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, e.g. shading or crosses. Credit should be given for each box correctly ticked. If more boxes are ticked than there are correct answers, then deduct one mark for each additional tick. Candidates cannot score less than zero marks.

E.g. If a question requires candidates to identify a city in England, then in the boxes

Edinburgh	
Manchester	
Paris	
Southampton	

the second and fourth boxes should have ticks (or other clear indication of choice) and the first and third <u>should be blank</u> (or have indication of choice crossed out).

Edinburgh			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Manchester	✓	×	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	×		✓		✓	✓		✓	
Score:	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	NR

## MARK SCHEME:

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	а		(air molecules) move forward <b>and</b> back / closer together <b>and</b> further apart	1	
	b	i	(0.40 + 0.38 + 0.44 + 0.36 + 0.37) = 1.95 / 5; = 0.39 (s)	2	Correct answer with no working gets both marks
		ii	Reaction time is less significant / smaller error in measuring larger number;	1	Ignore: longer time.
		iii	100/0.29 = 344.8 or 345 (m/s)	1	
	С	i	Any two from: To share knowledge / ideas / explanations; To allow others to repeat / check / compare work; To allow others to extend work / collect more data / to facilitate further discoveries;	2	Accept: to obtain recognition / credit Ignore: Peer review
		ii	Light travels at 300,000 km/s / same speed	1	Accept: idea of travelling through space
	d		Allowed "over the horizon" communications	1	
	е		(Wavelength of UV is) shorter (than visible light) / less than 0.00004 cm ORA	1	Accept: shortest (of those considered)
	f		Any 2 from different / distinct signal / wave sent; (different) wavelength; (different) frequency; so no interference / crosstalk	2	Ignore: same base station; ignore: satellites
	g		(wave can be) Reflected (from ceiling)	1	Accept: bounce off
	h		do not spread out / escape; do not lose (much) energy;	2	Accept: Reflect off the sides of the fibre
			Total	[15]	

Q	uestion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
2	а	idea of control group; for comparison;	2	
	b	Any two from: dipstick is quantitative / gives a numerical measurement; dipstick is precise / accurate; dipstick is reliable / taste is subjective;	2	Accept: reverse arguments.  DO NOT ALLOW no need to taste urine Ignore: faster, easier etc
	С	Any three from: 15 is within his "normal" range"; although at the lower end; need to repeat experiments; and repeat without seeds for comparison;  QWC Answer addresses the question and is clear	4	
		Total	[8]	

Q	uesti	ion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
3	а		Binomial; Taxus / taxus; Baccata / baccata;	3	
	b		Same genetics / clipping is an acquired characteristic / not passed on to offspring	1	Accept: He can shape it later
	С	i	Chimpanzee	1	
		ii	any 2 from idea of branching features developed 'below' gorilla branch are the same; features developed 'after' gorilla branch are different; idea that there are more stages in the evolution of humans;	2	
		iii	DNA can show evidence (of relationships); (may be) different to visible characteristics;	2	
			Total	[9]	

Qı	uestion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4 4	a	[Level 3]  Describes continental drift AND gives detailed supporting evidence AND reasons for rejection of Wegener's ideas.  Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level.  (5 – 6 marks)  [Level 2]  Gives pieces of evidence to support continental drift AND reasons for rejection of Wegener's ideas.  Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level.  (3 – 4 marks)  [Level 1]  Gives pieces of evidence to support continental drift OR reasons to reject it OR a piece of evidence and a reason.  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	Marks 6	This question is targeted at grades up to Level two Distinction  Indicative scientific points may include:  Reason for rejection  • he was not a geologist  • continents could not be seen to move / idea of moving continents too extreme at the time  • lack of evidence  • no measurements of movement could be made  • no mechanism idea  Evidence for Wegener's theory  • "Jig-saw" fit of continents  • Continuity of fossils/same fossils  • Continuity of rock strata / same rocks  • mountains along edges of continents  • Earthquakes along edges of continents  • Volcanoes along edges of continents
		[Level 0]		
				Ignore: ideas or evidence later than Wegener e.g. tectonics, mid ocean ridges, magnetised rock  Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.

Qι	Question		Answer		Mark	Guidance	
4	b	i	T 10x as fast Faster Thicker Not moving More slowly	F	?		5 correct : 4 marks 4 correct: 3 marks 3 correct: 2 marks 2 correct: 1 mark
	b	ii	Measurements had not been made at to movement was too slow for existing equations.			1	
					Total	[11]	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance	
5 a	Any four from:  DNA is two long chains (diagram 1 and 2); joined together idea (diagram 1); Double helix (diagram 1); Base pairs (diagram 2); idea of complementary bases (diagram 2); idea of shapes fitting of bases (diagram 2); A-T & C-G (diagram 2);	4	At least one idea for each diagram	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
b	[Level 3]  Describes what is happening in the diagram using ideas about base pairing and adds additional information about the next stages in the process.  Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level.  (5 – 6 marks)  [Level 2]  Describes what is happening in the diagram using ideas about base pairing.  Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level.  (3 – 4 marks)  [Level 1]  Describes simple features of protein synthesis shown on the diagram.  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.  (0 marks)	6	Indicative scientific points may include: Simple features from the diagram  idea that the structure of mRNA depends on the DNA/ idea of blueprint /Allow idea of information 'copied'.  recognises that the letters refer to bases on DNA and mRNA bases have different shapes / letters DNA strands "unzip" / separate idea of transcription DNA strands re-join.  Ideas about base pairing base on mRNA is determined by DNA Idea that each base only pairs to one other C-G (allow A-T) recognises that T does not feature in mRNA U is in mRNA but not DNA idea that sequence of bases determined by DNA Other stages of the process RNA moves out of nucleus to ribosome Protein built up at ribosome From code in RNA molecule Uses amino acids to make proteins Idea that L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Total	[10]	

Q	uestion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
6	а	Vasodilation / expand blood vessels (near skin); blood flows nearer the surface; Allowing heat to be lost (from skin);	3	Ignore: Sweating, skin hair etc.
	b	idea of reversal / opposing; to the normal;	2	Accept: Homeostasis
	С	Cannot design a test / not repeatable; No proof /evidence;	2	Accept: Matter of belief
		Total	[7]	
		Overall Total	[60]	

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