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Marking the science tests

Following the recommendations of the Expert Group on Assessment the Department of Children, Schools and Families decided to discontinue national curriculum tests in science at key stage 2 and to monitor national standards in science through externally-marked national sampling. The outcomes will be used to monitor national standards in key stage 2 science.

This booklet contains the mark schemes for tests A and B. External markers under contract to QCDA will mark the test papers using the mark schemes in this booklet.

General guidance

The structure of the mark schemes

The marking information for each question is set out in the form of tables. The ‘question’ column on the left-hand side of each table provides a quick reference to the question number and question part. The ‘mark’ column gives the number of marks available for each question part.

The ‘requirements’ column may include three types of information:

- a general statement describing what is required for the award of marks
- examples of specific creditworthy responses demonstrating correct science
- examples of creditworthy responses that are beyond the key stage 2 programme of study.

The ‘allowable answers’ column gives examples of allowable creditworthy responses, showing correct science which may not be as clearly expressed.

The ‘additional guidance’ column may include different types of information:

- specific responses which are not creditworthy either because information from the question has been rephrased, or because incorrect scientific knowledge is implied
- answers which are insufficient in themselves to gain credit, but are not incorrect science, and would therefore not lose credit if combined with a correct response.

Applying the mark schemes

The mark schemes give scientifically correct answers to each question as well as providing guidance on, and examples of, other answers which are allowable. In cases of alternative wording or where an answer is drawn rather than written, external markers will exercise their professional judgement.

In order to ensure consistency of marking, the most frequent queries are listed below, along with the action the marker will take.

What if...?	Marking procedure
The pupil gives two or more responses to a particular question part.	a) If a pupil qualifies a scientifically correct answer with a scientifically incorrect statement, no mark will be awarded for that question part. b) If a pupil qualifies a scientifically correct answer with an incorrect statement which is not relevant to the context of the question, the latter response is regarded as ‘neutral’ and the mark will be awarded.
The pupil has not used ticks to indicate the correct response in a multiple-choice question.	Any unambiguous positive indication of the correct answer will be accepted. Ticks take precedence over any other form of response. Therefore, when ticks and any other sort of response are given together, the boxes with ticks will be assumed to be the pupil’s response. If the correct boxes are left blank, no marks will be awarded.
The pupil ticks more than the required number of boxes.	One mark will be deducted for each incorrect answer. Negative marks will not be awarded.
In a planning question, no answer is given in the expected place, but the correct answer is given in the drafting box.	Where a pupil has shown understanding of the question, the mark(s) will be given.
The pupil misspells a word.	a) If it is clear that the pupil has made a simple error, eg ‘tow’ for ‘two’ or ‘son’ for ‘sun’, then the incorrect spelling will be accepted and the mark awarded. b) If a pupil misspells a word copied from the text of the question or from a selection given, and the new word does not have any inappropriate meaning, the incorrect spelling will be accepted and the mark awarded. c) If specific scientific vocabulary is required in the answer, a creditworthy misspelling must be a phonetic equivalent of the required word, with the major syllables of the correct word represented in the answer.

Recording marks awarded

In the margin, alongside each question part, there is a mark box for each question part. Depending on the type of response made to each part of each question by the pupil, the external marker will put one of the following into each box:

- 1 for an acceptable/allowable response
- 0 for an incorrect response
- if no response is made.

The number of marks gained on each double page will be written in the box at the bottom of the right-hand page. The total number of marks gained on each paper will be recorded on the front of the test paper.

Each paper has 40 marks available.

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Test A question 1: Drinking water

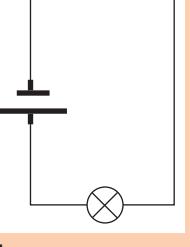
Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
1a	1m	Award ONE mark for: ■ sieve.	ONE mark may be awarded for: ■ (tea) strainer ■ (fishing) net ■ colander.	<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response: ■ filter.</p>
1b	1m	Award ONE mark for correctly classifying both statements: because the animals are adapted to live in the stream so the animals do not get eaten by predators	True False	<p>ONE mark may be awarded for a response which describes what happens to either the mud or the water:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the mud is trapped in the filter ■ the water goes through (the holes in the filter) ■ the mud is too big for the holes. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response indicating the funnel separates the mixture:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the mud stays in the funnel.
1c	1m	2/5a	Award ONE mark for explaining that bits of (insoluble) mud in the water will not fit through the filter but the water flows through it: only the water goes through the paper and any mud is left behind insoluble bits (of soil) are left on the filter paper, the rest goes through the filter collects the big particles and lets the smaller ones through.	<p>ONE mark may be awarded for a response that does not clearly imply the mud remains in the filter or the water goes through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ it filters it ■ there are holes in the filter ■ it filters the mud from the water [given]. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response that states people may develop an inappropriate medical condition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ they will get cancer.
1d	1m	3/3c,b 2/5f	Award ONE mark for indicating that the micro-organisms could make people ill: ■ they could get sick/ill ■ they could catch a disease.	<p>ONE mark may be awarded for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ they could be harmed/food) poisoned ■ they could catch germs/viruses/bacteria/bugs.

Test A question 1: Drinking water (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
1e 1/2c	1m	Award ONE mark for:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> Hang it over a fire in a pot. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> 	
1f 3/2d	1m	Award ONE mark for:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> 100°C <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> 	

When applying this mark scheme, please also refer to the General guidance given on pages 1 and 2.

Test A question 2: Circuit

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
2a	1m 4/1c	Award ONE mark for correctly drawing the symbol for a cell in the circuit:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■  	<p>Do not give credit for a response incorrectly connecting the cell to the circuit [with gaps between the cell and wires of more than 2 mm] or inaccurately drawing the cell or drawing more than one cell:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■  ■  ■  ■  ■ 
2b	1m 4/1a	Award ONE mark for:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ switch. 	<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the button you press on and off ■ crocodile clips ■ a paperclip between two pins.
2c	1m 1/2c,d	Award ONE mark for:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> so she does not measure ■ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> light from other sources 	

Test A question 2: Circuit (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance																				
2d	2m	Award TWO marks for correctly completing all four rows of the table as shown: 4/1b or 4/1b	<table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Object used</th><th>will be dimmer.</th><th>The bulb... will not change.</th><th>will be brighter.</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>copper wire</td><td>✓</td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>a motor</td><td>✓</td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>another cell</td><td></td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>another bulb</td><td>✓</td><td></td><td></td></tr></tbody></table> <p>If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for any three rows completed correctly.</p>	Object used	will be dimmer.	The bulb... will not change.	will be brighter.	copper wire	✓			a motor	✓			another cell		✓		another bulb	✓			
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Test A question 3: Heating water

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
3a	1m	Award ONE mark for a response indicating the volume of water is being changed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the amount/volume of water ■ how much water there is in the saucepan. 	<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science where either the dependent or the control variables are given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ time/minutes ■ method used to heat the water.
3b	1m	Award ONE mark for an appropriate piece of equipment for measuring temperature:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ thermometer ■ temperature sensor. 	<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ sensor.
3c	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication that it will stop her getting burnt or that it will not conduct heat:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ it stops her burning her fingers ■ wood is not a (thermal) conductor ■ heat will not go through the wood ■ wood is a (thermal) insulator. 	<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ if it was metal it would burn her/heat the handle up.

Test A question 3: Heating water (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance								
3d	1m 1/2m	Award ONE mark for an indication that the starting temperature of the water was not the same in all of the saucepans:	<p>ONE mark may be awarded for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the water in saucepan A started at 20°C ■ the water in saucepan A should have been at 10°C ■ saucepans B and C started at 10°C ■ A is at 20°C and B and C are at 10°C. 	<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the pans did not have the same heat ■ they were heated for different times ■ she used different amounts of water. 								
3e	1m 1/2i,h	Award ONE mark for both times correct:	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Saucepan</th> <th>Time to reach 50°C (seconds)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>66</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Saucepan	Time to reach 50°C (seconds)	A	42	B	59	C	66	<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response comparing all pans but not specifically at the start:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ because some were at different temperatures to the others ■ the temperatures were not the same ■ A was hotter. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response which does not refer to temperature or use the unit °C:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ A was more than pans B and C ■ A is at 20 and B and C are at 10.
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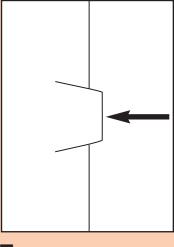
Test A question 4: River wildlife

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
4a i	1m 2/4b	Award ONE mark for a feature of the duck and the swan that is similar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ feathers ■ beak ■ body shape ■ wings. 	ONE mark may be awarded for a response identifying similar behaviours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the duck and swan can fly. ■ webbed feet ■ legs/eyes/head ■ they can swim. 	Do not give credit for an insufficient response giving a feature that is common to all three animals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ webbed feet ■ legs/eyes/head ■ they can swim.
4a ii	1m 2/4b	Award ONE mark for a feature of the duck and the swan that is not similar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the colour of the feathers ■ the length of the neck ■ the size of the bird. ■ has it got a long neck? 	ONE mark may be awarded for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the swan is white ■ white feathers. 	Do not give credit for an insufficient response giving a feature that is common to both a swan and a duck: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ webbed feet ■ beak ■ body shape ■ feathers.
4b	1m 2/4c		Award ONE mark for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ to help identify different ducks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> 	

Test A question 4: River wildlife (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
4c 2/4a	2m or 1m	Award TWO marks for both : ■ coot and moorhen [given in either order]. If you are unable to award two marks, ONE mark may be awarded for any one bird correctly identified.		
4d 2/4a	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication of the colours of both the wings and the beak: ■ The wings are (mostly) grey ■ The beak is yellow.		

Test A question 5: Foil boats

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
5a 4/2e	1m	Award ONE mark for an arrow pointing upwards anywhere on the diagram: ■ 		<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science where the arrow is pointing downwards.</p> <p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science where the arrow is pointing horizontally.</p>
5b 1/2/ 4/2d	1m	Award ONE mark for: ■ <input type="checkbox"/> has the largest base. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
5c 4/2b 1/2j	2m	Award TWO marks for correctly classifying all three statements: <i>Compared with the other boats...</i> boat 3 was more waterproof. or there was a bigger force from the water stopping boat 3 sinking. there was less gravity pulling down on boat 3.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>False.....</p> <p>True.....</p> <p>False.....</p>
	1m	If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for any two statements correctly classified.		

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Test A question 6: Model sheep

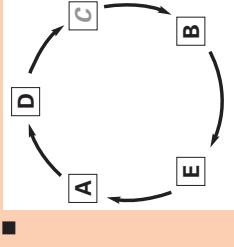
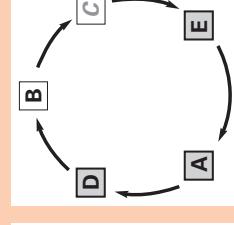
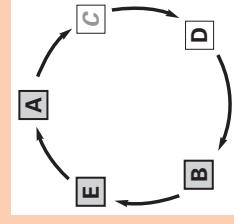
Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
6a 3/2a 3/3b	1m	Award ONE mark for a response stating the solid dissolved: <input type="checkbox"/> it has dissolved. ❖ Give credit for a correct response that goes beyond the key stage 2 programme of study, indicating that the solid is soluble or forms a solution.		Do not give credit for an insufficient response: <input type="checkbox"/> it has disappeared <input type="checkbox"/> it is transparent.
6b 3/1a	1m	Award ONE mark for: <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> absorbent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
6c 1/2/ 1/1a	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication that all the liquid has evaporated or that there is no liquid in the pot: <input type="checkbox"/> the water has all evaporated <input type="checkbox"/> there is no liquid in the pot <input type="checkbox"/> all the special liquid has been absorbed into the cardboard sheep.		Do not give credit for an insufficient response Stating evaporation/absorption is occurring without indicating the liquid has been used up: <input type="checkbox"/> the liquid evaporated/soaked into the sheep.
6d 3/2a	1m	Award ONE mark for: <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> salt <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

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Test A question 7: Watering plants

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance	
Question	Mark				
7a	2m	Award TWO marks for any two correct responses: ■ (sun)light ■ air ■ nutrients/minerals.	Marks may be awarded for: ■ warmth/heat ■ fertilizer/named type of commercial plant growth supplement [if nutrients or minerals are not also given].		
		or	❖ Give credit for a correct response that goes beyond the key stage 2 programme of study if air is not already given: ■ oxygen/O ₂ ■ carbon dioxide/CO ₂ .		
	1m		If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for any one correct response.		
7b	2m	Award TWO marks for all four questions correctly answered:		Should David use the same type of soil in each pot? yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Should David put the plant pots in the same place? yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Should David put the same amount of water in each pot? no <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> How many plants should David use? 5 plants <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
	1m			If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for any two or three questions correctly answered.	

Test A question 7: Watering plants (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
7c 2/3c	1m	Award ONE mark for both : ■ root and stem/stalk [given in either order].	Marks may be awarded for 'trunk' and/or 'branches' but not in conjunction with 'stem/stalk'.	
7d 3/2e	2m	Award TWO marks for all four letters in the correct place: ■		<p>ONE mark may be awarded for three letters in the correct order but incorrectly placed on the diagram [the only two possible correct responses indicated by the shaded boxes]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■  ■ 
	1m		If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for any two or three letters in the correct place .	

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Test A question 8: *Ice*

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
8a 3/2c	1m	Award ONE mark for a response identifying temperature is a measure of how hot or cold something is: <input type="checkbox"/> how hot/cold the air/it is.	ONE mark may be awarded for: <input type="checkbox"/> warmth <input type="checkbox"/> (the amount of) heat.	Do not give credit for an insufficient response: <input type="checkbox"/> air/gas <input type="checkbox"/> degrees Celsius/°C.
8b i 3/2c 1/2c,j	1m	Award ONE mark for all five days correctly completed:		

Temperature (°C)	Day				
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
3	-2	-1	-1	-1	6

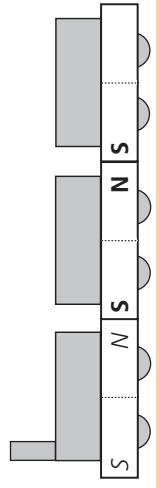
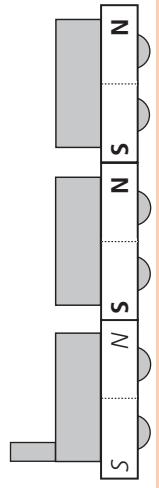
Could Tom find ice on the puddle? Yes or no?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

Test A question 8: Ice (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
8b ii	1m 1/2/ 1/2/	<p>Award ONE mark for a response that recognises the temperature is below 0°C, the freezing point of water:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ because the numbers are below 0°C. ■ water freezes at 0°C. 		<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science giving an inaccurate freezing point of water:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the temperature is below -1°C, the freezing point of water. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response which states the temperature is in negative numbers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ when everything is in the minuses, it freezes ■ because they are negative numbers. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response repeating information from the table without interpretation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ because it was -2°C and -1°C. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response identifying the cold(est) days have ice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ because these were the coldest days ■ it was so cold it froze ■ the temperature was too low.

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Test B question 1: Magnets

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
1a 4/2a	1m	Award ONE mark for an unambiguous indication of:	ONE mark may be awarded for: 	Do not give credit for an insufficient response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the magnet pushes it away ■ Nisha's magnet is not the right way round ■ the magnets do not attract [does not imply repulsion].
1b 4/2a,d	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication that the magnets repel each other or that the magnets have like poles facing each other: 	ONE mark may be awarded for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the magnetic force pushes it away ■ Nisha put like poles together ■ it is repelling. ONE mark may be awarded where an insufficient or no response is given but the left-hand pole of Nisha's magnet has been correctly labelled 'N'. Do not give credit for an insufficient response implying the whole magnet is one pole: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ they are both North magnets so they will repel. 	Do not give credit for an insufficient response implying the whole magnet is one pole: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ they are both North magnets so they will repel.

Test B question 2: Duckweed

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
		<p>Award ONE mark for an indication that the root takes in/soaks up minerals and/or water:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ they take up minerals ■ the root absorbs water. 		<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science indicating the root holds the leaves up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ keeps the leaves standing.
				<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science indicating the root gives the plant food:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ it takes/sends up/brings it food ■ it feeds it ■ it gathers/absorbs food.
				<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science indicating an active anthropomorphic mechanism:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the root drinks/sucks/pulls up water.
				<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response that implies the root keeps the plant stable or helps prevent movement [given]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ it keeps the plant upright.
				<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response where 'goodness' is used in place of 'nutrients', 'water' or 'minerals':</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ it takes up goodness.
				<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response that does not recognise the role of the root:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ for water.

Test B question 2: Duckweed (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance								
2b 1/2C	1m	Award ONE mark for:	 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science showing the reverse relationship:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Amount of sunlight (hours per day)</th> <th>Number of duckweed plants at the end of the week</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0</td> <td>greater than 4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10</td> <td>0 – 3 inclusive</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Amount of sunlight (hours per day)	Number of duckweed plants at the end of the week	0	greater than 4	6	4	10	0 – 3 inclusive
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10	0 – 3 inclusive											
2c 1/2C	1m	Award ONE mark for both rows of the table completed correctly giving numbers within the ranges shown:	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Amount of sunlight (hours per day)</th> <th>Number of duckweed plants at the end of the week</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0</td> <td>0 – 3 inclusive</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10</td> <td>greater than 4</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Amount of sunlight (hours per day)	Number of duckweed plants at the end of the week	0	0 – 3 inclusive	6	4	10	greater than 4	<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science giving fractions of duckweed plants.</p>
Amount of sunlight (hours per day)	Number of duckweed plants at the end of the week											
0	0 – 3 inclusive											
6	4											
10	greater than 4											
2d 1/1b	1m	Award ONE mark for:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ so she can collect evidence <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> 									

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Test B question 3: Rocket

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
3a 3/2f 3/1e	1m	Award ONE mark for both sentences correctly completed:	<p>(i) The bubbles show that a solid liquid is produced.</p> <p>(ii) This change is reversible. not reversible.</p>	<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response where all three incorrect words have been crossed out, leaving both sentences correct:</p> <p>(i) The bubbles show that a liquid gas is produced.</p> <p>(ii) This change is reversible. not reversible.</p>
3b 1/2e	1m	Award ONE mark for:	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>He is not sure where <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the rocket will go.</p>	<p>Do not give credit for a response that changes a variable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the bigger the tablet, the quicker it produces gas [incorrect science] ■ the smaller the tablet, the less gas made [insufficient].
3c 1/2ij	1m	Award ONE mark for a general comparison describing the relationship between the amount of tablet and the time taken for the rocket to go up:	<p>the smaller the (amount of) tablet, the longer the rocket takes to go up</p> <p>the more tablet there is, the less time the rocket takes to go up.</p>	<p>Do not give credit for a response that changes a single comparison of the variables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the smallest tablet makes the rocket take the most time ■ the rocket goes faster when the tablet is big.
				<p>ONE mark may be awarded for references to the rate at which the rocket launched rather than the time taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the smaller the tablet, the slower the rocket (launches) ■ the more tablet, the quicker the rocket goes up.

Test B question 3: Rocket (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
3d 1/2 <i>i</i>	1m	Award ONE mark for a response which is greater than 0 and less than 5 seconds.		Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science: ■ 0 seconds.
3e 3/2 <i>f</i>	1m	Award ONE mark for: vinegar and <input type="checkbox"/> ■ bicarbonate of soda <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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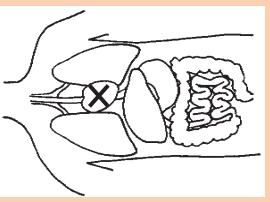
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Test B question 4: Drums

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance																
4a	1m	Award ONE mark for: ■ a pushing force ■ from the drum skin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																	
4b	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication of the floor or drum stand: ■ the ground ■ the drum's legs.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Do not give credit for an insufficient response: ■ drum ■ Evelyn's feet ■ the air [given] ■ oxygen [constituent of air] ■ her body ■ vibrations ■ drumsticks ■ legs [could mean Evelyn's legs].																
4c	1m	Award ONE mark for: ■ vibrations ■ she can feel the floor vibrate.		Do not give credit for an insufficient response: ■ the floor shakes/moves up and down [no indication of speed] ■ the drum sound [repetition of stem].																
4d	1m	Award ONE mark for correctly completing all three rows of the table:		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>How Evelyn plays the drum</td> <td>gets higher.</td> <td>The sound...</td> <td>does not get higher or louder.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>with a tighter drum skin</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>hit the drum with more force</td> <td></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>hit the drum faster with the same force</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table>	How Evelyn plays the drum	gets higher.	The sound...	does not get higher or louder.	with a tighter drum skin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			hit the drum with more force		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		hit the drum faster with the same force			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Test B question 5: Keeping warm and healthy

Question	Mark 2/2c	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
5a	1m	Award ONE mark for both parts correct: (i) the centre of the cross drawn on the heart:	 AND (ii) heart.	
5b	1m 2/2d	Award ONE mark for both correct boxes ticked:	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> playing football ✓ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> going for a walk ✓	
5c	1m BoS 2a 2/2c	Award ONE mark for:	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> beats per minute ✓	

Test B question 5: Keeping warm and healthy (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
5d 1/2g,d	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication that a large sample made Hassan's test reliable or that he used an appropriate control variable that made the test fair:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ he used 6/lots of children (not just one) ■ he took the pulse rates of the same children in the hot and cold ■ he used the same (6) children ■ all the children had been sitting only and not running about ■ he made sure the children were at rest in both places ■ he made sure the children had time to cool down or warm up in each place. 	<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ he measured the air temperature in each place [this refers to ensuring the independent variable has been varied rather than to a control variable]. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ he checked his results ■ he repeated his test [ambiguous as could refer to repetition of test at a different temperature, or with different children] ■ he made a fair test ■ he used the same number of children [not clear the pupil understands the children are the same in each test].
				<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ that does not interpret the results: ■ in the warm classroom the numbers are high.
				<p>ONE mark may be awarded for an absolute response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ they had high/fast pulse rates in the warm/classroom ■ they had low/slow pulse rates in the cold/playground. <p>ONE mark may be awarded for a response indicating that the pulse rate was higher when the children felt the surroundings were warmer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the warmer you/the children/they are, ■ the higher the pulse rate.
5e 1/2j	1m			

Test B question 6: Moon trip

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
6a 4/2b	1m	Award ONE mark for: ■ weight ■ gravitational pull/atraction.	ONE mark may be awarded for: ■ gravity.	Do not give credit for an insufficient response: ■ downward pull.
6b 4/4a	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication that the Moon is spherical: ■ sphere.	ONE mark may be awarded for: ■ (like a) ball.	Do not give credit for an insufficient response: ■ round ■ circular ■ oval.
6c 4/4d	1m	Award ONE mark for: ■ 28 days <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
6d 4/4c	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication that night and day are caused by the spin of the Earth: ■ the Earth/it spins/rotates (on its axis)	ONE mark may be awarded for: ■ (the Earth moves) on its axis ■ it revolves (about its axis).	Do not give credit for an insufficient response implying night and day are caused by the orbit of the Earth around the Sun: ■ the Earth's orbit ■ the Earth going around the Sun ■ the Earth spins/rotates/revolves around the Sun.

Test B question 6: Moon trip (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance				
6e 2/1b	1m	<p>Award ONE mark for naming any one of the following life processes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ reproduction ■ nutrition ■ <p>❖ Give credit for a correct response that goes beyond the key stage 2 programme of study.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ movement ■ respiration ■ excretion ■ sensitivity. 		<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ growth [given] ■ germination ■ nutrients ■ die. 				
6f	1m	<p>Award ONE mark for both correct boxes ticked:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="794 1493 928 1538"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ There is no rain. ■ There is no air. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>1/1a 2/1c</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					

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Test B question 7: Baby's bottle

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
7a 1/2b,c	1m	Award ONE mark for recognising the need for comparison: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ to see how quickly the bottle would normally cool down (without being wrapped up) ■ it is a control bottle ■ to see if wrapped is better than unwrapped ■ to see if the milk will stay warmer if it is not wrapped. 		Do not give credit for an insufficient response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ so it is a fair test ■ to see how quickly it cools.
7b 3/1b	1m	Award ONE mark for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ (thermal) insulator. 		
7c 1/2d	1m	Award ONE mark for all three correct variables ticked: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ size of bottle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ■ number of layers of material wrapping the bottle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ■ volume of milk in bottle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 		
7d 1/2i	1m	Award ONE mark for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> ■ B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ■ <input type="checkbox"/> 		

Test B question 7: Baby's bottle (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
7e	1m 1/2k,c	Award ONE mark for both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> wool <input type="checkbox"/> AND an explanation that indicates the wool was best at stopping heat loss for the bottle (so will also be best for insulating the lolly): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the wool was best at keeping the bottle warm <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> it is the best insulator <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> wool will stop the lolly melting for longest as it kept the bottle warm for longest.	ONE mark may be awarded for both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> wool <input type="checkbox"/> AND an absolute response: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> wool is a (good) insulator <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> it kept the bottle of milk warm. ONE mark may be awarded if no box is ticked, but the creditworthy explanation indicates unambiguously that the pupil believes wool was best at preventing the ice lolly from melting for the longest time.	<p>Do not give credit if either 'cotton' or 'paper' is ticked.</p> <p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science implying cold rather than heat travels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ it kept the cold in/stopped the coldness getting through. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ wool is thick. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response that gives sunlight as a source of warmth:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ it will block the sunlight from making it hot.
				When applying this mark scheme, please also refer to the General guidance given on pages 1 and 2.

Test B question 8: Tomatoes

Draft box	<p><i>Markers should read the answers to all parts before marking this question.</i></p> <p><i>The draft box can be consulted when marking all parts for clarification of any ambiguity in the marked response or when no answer is given. If an answer is correct, ignore contradictory statements written in the draft box.</i></p> <p>Parts 8a–8d must form a coherent investigation.</p>		
Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers
8a 1/2a,c	1m	Award ONE mark for an awareness of the independent variable (IV) in an experiment or survey which compares the tomato seeds: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the brand of tomato seeds ■ the type of tomato. 	<p>ONE mark may be awarded for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ tomatoes ■ different seeds ■ (kind of) seeds ■ (the) brand. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ (the) type. </p>
8b 1/2c,d	1m	Award ONE mark for any acceptable dependent variable (DV) identified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the number of tomatoes/flowers ■ the height of the plant ■ the mass/weight of the plant/crop ■ the size of the tomatoes ■ speed of germination/growth. 	<p>ONE mark may be awarded for subjective or qualitative measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ taste. </p> <p>ONE mark may be awarded for subjective or qualitative measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ how tall it is ■ which one ripens fastest. </p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response repeating information given in the question: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ the growth of the seed/tomato ■ which seeds grow best. </p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response which does not explicitly describe the attribute of tomatoes to be measured: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ compare the tomatoes ■ time taken. </p>

Test B question 8: Tomatoes (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
8c	1m	Award ONE mark for any acceptable control variable (CV): ■ light ■ water ■ temperature ■ soil ■ condition/situation in which the tomatoes are kept ■ time left to grow.	ONE mark may be awarded for: ■ the place ■ number of seeds/plants.	<p>Do not give credit for a CV that is inconsistent with, or repeats a creditworthy IV or DV offered in parts 8a or 8b respectively.</p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response identifying a CV which could also be a DV where there is no correct DV for clarification.</p> <p>If neither an IV nor a DV is offered, the CV may gain credit provided it is consistent with the context of the investigation. An appropriate CV can gain credit where both the IV and DV are insufficient or incorrect.</p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response which suggests everything is controlled: ■ everything has to be the same.</p>
8d	2m	Award TWO marks for an indication that the left-hand heading of the table is the IV (brand of seed) and the right-hand heading is the DV (as described in part 8b): Left-hand heading (8di) ■ (type of) seed ■ which brand? ■ tomato.	<p>ONE mark may be awarded for a left-hand heading which repeats a non-creditworthy response given in 8a.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Right-hand heading (8dii) ■ number/mass of tomatoes ■ speed of germination/growth ■ height of the plant (cm) ■ taste scale (1–5).</p>	<p>The table headings must be consistent with any creditworthy IV and DV given. Units do not need to be given.</p> <p>The table headings can gain credit if they describe an appropriate IV or DV which has been omitted in the rest of the question or where an insufficient or incorrect IV or DV has been given. Insufficient responses in the left-hand or right-hand columns may be clarified from the answers to parts 8a and 8b respectively: ■ type [can be clarified if 8a says 'type of seeds'].</p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response which generalises the right-hand column: ■ results/findings ■ what happened.</p>
	1m			<p>If you are unable to award two marks, award ONE mark for either heading correct.</p> <p>When applying this mark scheme, please also refer to the General guidance given on pages 1 and 2.</p>

Test B question 9: Separating salt

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
9a 3/3a	1m	Award ONE mark for a response indicating that the salt and pasta are different sizes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ the salt is smaller than the pasta■ they are not the same size.		<p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response which does not compare the size of the solids:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ the salt is small (and goes through the sieve).</p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response identifying that the size of the material affects the separation without indicating the sizes need to be different:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ size■ the sieve lets small things through.</p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ the salt goes through the sieve but the pasta cannot■ they are a different shape■ they are different.</p>
9b i 3/3c	1m	Award ONE mark for a response identifying filtration: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ she should filter it■ use filter paper.		<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science implying evaporation will separate the sand and the salt:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ heat the mixture■ evaporate the water.</p> <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ use a funnel [all material would go through a funnel]■ use a small sieve.</p>

Test B question 9: Separating salt (continued)

Question	Mark	Requirements	Allowable answers	Additional guidance
9b ii 3/3d	1m	Award ONE mark for an indication that the mixture can be separated by evaporating (the water leaving the salt behind);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ by evaporation ■ evaporate the water (leaving the salt). 	<p>Do not give credit for a response that includes incorrect science implying the salt will evaporate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ evaporate the mixture/solution. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response where it is unclear what is being evaporated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ leave it out to evaporate the liquid ■ evaporate it. <p>Do not give credit for an insufficient response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ leave it (out) ■ the water disappears.
9c 3/3d	1m			

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