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Science B

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1. Annotations used in scoris

Annotation	Meaning	
	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	

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

/ = alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point

(1) = separates marking points

allow = 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

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 a	any two from	2	ignore hunting by humans or other animals
	ideas about climate change / global warming (1)		
	habitat destruction (1)		ignore environment damage / homes damaged
	pollution (1)		allow examples of pollution e.g. litter / oil spills (1)
	ideas about competition (1)		
	idea of not enough food / famine (1)		allow less prey / no food (1)
	disease (1)		
			allow idea that there are fewer mates (for breeding) (1) but ignore just 'don't reproduce' / don't breed
			ignore natural disasters
b	idea that resource can be taken from the environment without it becoming extinct or endangered (1)	1	allow you only take so many (1) allow idea of a quota (1) allow idea of what is taken must be replenished / maintained (1) allow used up at same rate as being produced (1) allow still some left (1) allow can be hunted without it becoming extinct (1) allow does not run out (1) ignore can be used again and again

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
С	Hunting whales helps us to find out how they survive deep in the ocean. Hunting should be banned because it is cruel.	1	more than one tick negates a mark
	Whale hunters can make money. Whale oil can be used to make lipstick.] 	
d	(supports statement because) graph shows there are more dolphins in November or March or winter or any named month from November to March / ora (1) (but) does not show the number of fishing boats (1)	2	assume answer is about November to March unless otherwise stated allow graph shows there are more dolphins in those months (1) allow idea of November or March or February having the most sightings (1) allow comparison of data e.g. in June there were 20 and November there were 100 (1) allow number of dolphins increases in August or September (1) allow does not show why there are more dolphins (in winter)(1) allow only shows one year of data (1) allow only shows data from one source (1) allow idea that December or January is lower than April or September or October (1) allow April or September or October also have high numbers
	Total	6	(1)

Quest	on Answer	Marks	Guidance
2 a	any two from	2	
	herons eat frogs (1)		
	frog population goes down / fewer frogs / no frogs /not many frogs (1)		allow fewer grasshopper predators (1)
	fewer grasshoppers eaten (1)		allow fewer grasshoppers hunted by frogs (1)
			ignore just ' frogs eat grasshoppers '
b	unreactive (1)	2	
	nitrates (1)		
С	idea of decay / decompose / rot / broken down (1)	2	allow plants are biodegradable (1) allow (plants turns to) compost (1) ignore digest / degrade
	(decay caused by) bacteria / fungi / decomposers (1)		ignore detritivores / earthworms /insects / woodlice
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	[Level 3] Links increase in population to a detailed description of why there is more household waste AND suggests at least one adaptation in detail. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level. (5 – 6 marks) [Level 2] Simple link of increase in population to more household waste AND suggests one simple adaptation OR links increase in population to a detailed description of why there is more household waste OR suggests at least one adaptation in detail. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) [Level 1] Simple link of increase in population to more household waste OR suggests one simple adaptation. Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks)	Marks 6	This question is targeted at grades up to C Indicative scientific points for detailed links and adaptations include: detailed link to increase in population • exponential growth in population has resulted in more household waste • increased use of packaging means more waste • (more) non - biodegradable plastics packaging means need to use (more) landfill detailed adaptation • changed their behaviour for hunting strategy so can get more food • move to landfill because food (resources) is in short supply elsewhere in the desert • increased competition because of food shortage • idea that they are hunting prey or rats that may be found in the landfill site / their prey or rats are easier to find in the landfill sites ignore just 'spend more time at landfill site' Indicative scientific points for simple links and adaptations include: simple link to increase in population • more waste or more rubbish ignore more people more landfill sites simple adaptation • idea that they are hunting or feeding or scavenging at landfill • idea that they are eating waste or were attracted by waste at landfill
	Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit. (0marks)		Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4 a	crustacean (1)	2	
	arachnid (1)		ignore spider
b	no (no mark) and any one from	1	if yes then zero for question if unclear assume answer refers to A and B allow Dytiscus marginalis for C throughout allow Dytiscus latissimus for D throughout allow Gyrinus natador for A throughout allow Orectochilus Villosus for B throughout
	idea that C and D (are more closely related because they) are in the same genus (1)		allow C and D (more closely related) because the first part of their name is the same / both have <i>Dytiscus</i> in the name / have similar binomial names (1) not same binomial name
	idea that A and B are in different genera / different genus name (1)		allow A and B have different first part of name (1) allow A and B do not have a similar binomial name (1) ignore different binomial names ignore references to species

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
c i	bars drawn to correct scale +/- half a square and in the correct order (1) bars correctly labelled (1)	2	spring
			order of labels secondary consumers (6 mm) primary consumers (12 mm) producers(100 mm) All bars need to be same height as each other – actual height is not important

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
c ii	difference any one from winter (pyramid) is not a pyramid (shape) / in winter there is less (mass of) producers than consumers / ora (1)	2	If unclear assume answer refers to winter pyramid
	winter (pyramid) is smaller (than spring pyramid) / ora (1)		allow less biomass in winter / ora (1)
	identifies any level in winter (pyramid) being smaller than spring (pyramid) (1)		examples include less producers in winter (than spring) / ora (1) less consumers or animals in winter (than spring) / consumers or animals hibernate in winter /ora (1)
	reason		
	(in winter) less light or less energy for photosynthesis / less light or less energy for growth / ora (1)		ignore less Sun for photosynthesis allow (in winter) lower temperature so less photosynthesis / lower temperature so less growth / ora (1) allow idea that more energy is lost as heat (1)
	Total	7	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5 a	3 (1)	1	allow correct answer ticked, circled or underlined in list if answer line is blank
b	5 (1)	1	allow correct answer ticked, circled or underlined in list if answer line is blank
С	ammonium nitrate or NH ₄ NO ₃ (1)	1	allow clear indication of correct answer allow correct answer ticked, circled or underlined in list if answer line is blank
	Total	3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6 a	any three from inner core (1) outer core (1) mantle (1) crust (1)	3	allow core for inner core or outer core (1) allow lithosphere (the upper crust and mantle) (1) allow arthenosphere (upper layer of mantle) (1) ignore description ignore tectonic plates
b	(when Wegener made the proposal) there was little or no evidence or no proof (1)	2	allow people did not believe him because they could not see it happening (1) allow it was hard to collect evidence (1) allow it was just a theory (1) allow examples of why he had no evidence e.g. cannot go below the surface and see what is happening (1) allow they did not have the technology (1) ignore religion / beliefs
	now other scientists have tested the theory (1)		allow collect data (1) allow it takes evidence to prove that a theory is correct (2) allow specific examples of evidence available now e.g. allow not accepted until sea floor spreading discovered / not accepted until submarines could investigate constructive plate margins under the ocean (2) allow the technology to observe plate movements was not available in Wegener's time (2)
	Total	5	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7 a i	E (1) its melting point is above 2000 (°C) / is 3410 (°C) (1)	2	allow it will not melt at 2000 (°C) (1) allow has a higher melting point than the molten metal (1) allow has a higher melting point than metal placed inside (the container) (1) allow the others will all melt (1) ignore it has the highest melting point ignore other irrelevant properties from the table
ii	C (1) good (electrical) conductivity / high (electrical) conductivity (1) low density / lowest density (1)	3	allow lightweight (1) but ignore light / lighter ignore good density allow maximum 2 marks for A / A and C (1) good (electrical) conductivity / high (electrical) conductivity (1) ignore just (electrical) conductivity of 64
			ignore other irrelevant properties from the table

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
b	any two from	2	ignore references to cost
	strong (1)		ignore 'how strong it is' / is it strong or not
	low density (1)		allow lightweight (1) ignore light / lighter ignore not heavy
	does not corrode (1)		allow does not rust / rusts slowly (1) allow does not react with water (1) ignore 'will it last' ignore will it corrode or not
	malleable (1)		allow can be bent into shape (1)
			ignore references to melting point ignore can be moulded Ignore ductile
	Total	7	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
8 a	Level 3 Gives a complete description of solution mining AND names at least two products of the electrolysis. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level. (5 – 6 marks)	6	This question is targeted at grades up to C. Indicative scientific points may include: Solution mining • water pumped into mine / add water • sodium chloride dissolves in water • sodium chloride or salt (solution) is pumped out allow idea of evaporation to get the salt
	Level 2 Gives a rudimentary description of solution mining AND names one product of the electrolysis OR names all three products of electrolysis. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks)		Products of electrolysis
	Level 1 Gives a rudimentary description of solution mining <u>OR</u> names one product of the electrolysis. Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks) Level 0		Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit. (0marks)		
		6	

Que	estion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
9	а	40(%) (1)	1	
	b	decreases / AW (1)	1	allow if temp decreases yield increases (1) changes is not sufficient
	С	any two from	2	ignore just 'higher yield' / just 'speeds up reaction'
		450°C / temperature gives a fast reaction (1)		
		450°C / temperature gives a reasonable yield (1)		allow idea that temperature (of 450°C) means you will make enough (1) ignore 450°C / temperature gives a high yield
		catalyst speeds up reaction (1)		allow vanadium or oxide speeds up the reaction (1)
		low pressure needs less energy to generate (1)		
		low pressure is cheaper (1)		allow idea of cheaper equipment (can be used) with low pressure e.g. you don't need expensive chamber if use low pressure (1)
				allow idea that these are the compromised conditions (1)
		Total	4	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
10 a i	C (1)	1	allow correct answer ticked, circled or underlined in list if answer line is blank allow electric fire / fire (1)
ii	A (1)	1	allow correct answer ticked, circled or underlined in list if answer line is blank allow lamp (1)
b	315 (pence) (2)	2	allow £3.15 (£ sign essential) (2) allow 3.15 with no £ sign (1)
	but if answer incorrect		
	3 x 7 x 15 (1)		allow 3150 (pence) / £31.50 (£ sign essential) (1) allow 3000 x 7 x 15 (1) allow 315000 (pence) / £3150.00 (£ sign essential) (1)
	Total	4	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
11 a	reason for max one from less or no carbon dioxide / greenhouse gases (1)	2	ignore produce no pollution ignore references to environmentally friendly / eco-friendly / won't harm the environment
	does not contribute to global warming (1)		allow reduces climate change (1)
	no smoke or ash (1)		
	no need to transport fuel to power station (1)		allow less lorries needed (to transport fuel) (1)
	it is renewable (1)		allow it will not run out (1)
	reduces dependency on fossil fuels (1)		ignore it is sustainable
	reason against max one from large numbers needed / need 1000 wind turbines / do not produce much power or enough power(1)		ignore references to cost allow power stations produce more power (1) ignore use less power
	idea that it is not always windy (1)		allow if there is no wind then no electricity is generated (1) ignore not reliable
	idea of visual pollution (1)		allow spoils the view / spoils the scenery / unattractive (1)
	noise pollution (1)		allow (noise) will keep people awake (1)
	need space / use land that could be used for farming (1)		allow take up a lot of space (1)
	kills birds (1)		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
b	D (1)	2	second marking point is dependent on the first
	idea of highest current (1)		allow idea of highest (total) amps (1) allow best current / best amps (1)
			ignore 3 amps unless qualified Ignore power /charge / energy
С	larger area (1)	1	allow more solar cells (1) allow larger panel / more panels (1) allow more efficient (conversion) (1) allow (use one that) tracking the Sun / always facing the Sun / facing south (1) allow (use one) in a place with more sunlight (1) ignore larger current
	Total	5	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
12	[Level 3] Calculates efficiency AND detailed description of the generation and distribution of electricity. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level (5 – 6 marks) [Level 2] Attempts to calculate efficiency AND partial description of the generation and distribution of electricity. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level (3 – 4 marks) [Level 1] Attempts to calculate efficiency OR limited description of the generation and distribution of electricity. 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	This question is targeted up to C Indicative scientific points may include: stages in generation and distribution of electricity
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
13 a i	any one from	1	ignore to treat cancer / detect cancer
	smoke detectors (1)		
	tracers (1)		allow to look leaks in a pipe (1) ignore paper tracers / medical tracers
	paper thickness gauges (1)		
	sterilising equipment (1)		allow sterilising any type of equipment e.g. sterilise hospital equipment (1) allow preserving food / cleaning equipment (1)
	non-destructive testing (1)		
			ignore X-ray / MRI scan / CAT scan ignore power / power stations
ii	any one from	1	
	damages (living) cells / organs (1)		allow kills (living) cells / organs (1) ignore just 'kill you'
	(causes) cancer (1)		allow makes cells divide uncontrollably (1) ignore health problems / brain damage / skin damage / hair loss
	(causes) mutation (1)		
	causes ionisation (1)		allow radiation poisoning (1) but ignore just poisoning ignore bombs

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
iii	any two from	2	
	(idea of) distant handling / remote handling (1)		allow use tongs / keep away from body / don't touch / keep your distance / 'stay away from it' / stand away from it (1)
	short exposure time / monitoring badge / AW (1)		allow film badge (1)
	idea of shielding / protective clothing / lead apron (1)		allow clothing (thick enough) to stop radiation getting through (to the skin) (1) allow lead gloves / lead lab coat (1) allow protective safety gear e.g. protective gloves(1) allow safety screen (1) ignore just goggles / gloves / lab coat / safety gear / body suits /
			masks ignore idea about storage in a suitable container

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
b	yes if alpha or beta (1) as it will be stopped (by thick aluminium) (1) or	2	allow alpha will be stopped (by aluminium) (2) allow beta will be stopped (by aluminium) (2)
	no if gamma (1) as it can penetrate (aluminium) or not stopped (by aluminium) (1)		allow gamma will penetrate (aluminium) (2) allow for gamma (thick) lead is needed (2) if no other marks awarded ignore yes or no and allow 1 mark from idea that (some types of) radioactive emissions or radiation can penetrate or be stopped by (aluminium) (1) ignore waste or liquid penetrates aluminium beta and gamma get through (aluminium) (1) need to use lead (1)
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
14 a	any two from	2	ignore stars and planets
	moon(s) (1)		allow natural satellite (1) but ignore (artificial) satellites
	asteroid(s) (1)		
	comet(s) (1)		
	meteor(s) (1)		allow meteorite(s) (1)
			ignore black holes / supernova / red giant / white dwarf / other stars / Sun / life / aliens / water / ice / rocks / crystals / dust / red shift / big bang
b	unmanned (no mark)	2	ignore manned
	any two from		
	long distance / too far away / spacecraft cannot travel that distance(1)		
	will take a long time / takes too long(1)		allow humans do not live long enough (1) allow spacecraft do not travel at the speed of light (1) allow it will take more than 4 (light) years to get there (1)
	do not need food / water / oxygen / fuel / resources (1)		allow cannot carry enough or a lot of food / water / oxygen / fuel / resources (1)
	spacecraft does not need to return (1)		
	too much radiation / too hot / too cold (for life) (1)		allow (people will) not survive / risk to life / may get killed (1) ignore just it will be dangerous / may get harmed / going into the unknown
			ignore cost
	Total	4	

Que	stion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
15	a i	67.6 (%) (1)	1	allow 68(%) not 67(%)
	ii	any two from	2	
		more carbon dioxide or greenhouse gases (1)		allow increased acid rain (1) ignore cause air pollution
		increase global warming (1)		allow causes climate change (1)
		idea of (fossil fuels) running out (1)		ignore fossil fuels are non-renewable
		(need to) use (more) nuclear (1) (need to) use (more) renewable resource / alternative resource / sustainable resource (1)		allow examples of resources e.g. solar power (1)
	h :		2	ignore references to cost
	b i	China USA UK Japan Rest of Europe Canada	2	allow correct numbers i.e. 80 46 30 28 22 14 (all ± 1)
		all correct (2) any three on the correct lines (1)		all numbers correct (2) any three numbers on the correct lines (1)

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
ii	Canada (1)	2	second mark is dependent on the first mark
	and one from		
	more hydro-electricity (1)		
	more solar (1)		
	more tidal (1)		
	more wind (turbines) (1)		
	more nuclear (power) (1)		allow lots of other reserves or resources available (1) e.g. they have lots of wood (1) allow fossil fuels or coal or oil or gas not (as) available (1) but ignore just uses or produces the least amount of fossil fuels or coal or oil or gas allow smaller population (1) but ignore it is a smaller country allow more concerned about pollution (1) ignore uses geothermal energy
iii	USA (1)	1	more than one country = 0 marks allow America

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
С	any two from total or world electricity production is increasing (1)	2	assume total or electricity or world or TWh refers to bar chart assume percentage refers to line graph
	total or world electricity production decreased in 1997 or 2003 or 2007 or 2008 or 2009 (1) percentage increased and then decreased (1)		not any incorrect year e.g. total decreased in 1997 and 2006 (0)
	percentage increased until 1992 / percentage highest in 1992 / percentage decreased from 1992 (1)		allow percentage decreased after any year in the range of 1992 – 2004 (1) not any incorrect year e.g. percentage increased until 1990 (0) allow percentage increased quicker until 1987 (2) allow total world production must be increasing if total increasing but percentage decreasing (2) allow idea that if percentage of nuclear is decreasing then
			percentage of other fuels or methods is increasing (1)
	Total	10	

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