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PUBLISHED**Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

Science-Specific Marking Principles

1	Examiners should consider the context and scientific use of any keywords when awarding marks. Although keywords may be present, marks should not be awarded if the keywords are used incorrectly.
2	The examiner should not choose between contradictory statements given in the same question part, and credit should not be awarded for any correct statement that is contradicted within the same question part. Wrong science that is irrelevant to the question should be ignored.
3	Although spellings do not have to be correct, spellings of syllabus terms must allow for clear and unambiguous separation from other syllabus terms with which they may be confused (e.g. ethane / ethene, glucagon / glycogen, refraction / reflection).
4	The error carried forward (ecf) principle should be applied, where appropriate. If an incorrect answer is subsequently used in a scientifically correct way, the candidate should be awarded these subsequent marking points. Further guidance will be included in the mark scheme where necessary and any exceptions to this general principle will be noted.
5	<p><u>'List rule' guidance</u></p> <p>For questions that require <i>n</i> responses (e.g. State two reasons ...):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The response should be read as continuous prose, even when numbered answer spaces are provided. • Any response marked <i>ignore</i> in the mark scheme should not count towards <i>n</i>. • Incorrect responses should not be awarded credit but will still count towards <i>n</i>. • Read the entire response to check for any responses that contradict those that would otherwise be credited. Credit should not be awarded for any responses that are contradicted within the rest of the response. Where two responses contradict one another, this should be treated as a single incorrect response. • Non-contradictory responses after the first <i>n</i> responses may be ignored even if they include incorrect science.

6 Calculation specific guidance

Correct answers to calculations should be given full credit even if there is no working or incorrect working, **unless** the question states 'show your working'.

For questions in which the number of significant figures required is not stated, credit should be awarded for correct answers when rounded by the examiner to the number of significant figures given in the mark scheme. This may not apply to measured values.

For answers given in standard form (e.g. $a \times 10^n$) in which the convention of restricting the value of the coefficient (a) to a value between 1 and 10 is not followed, credit may still be awarded if the answer can be converted to the answer given in the mark scheme.

Unless a separate mark is given for a unit, a missing or incorrect unit will normally mean that the final calculation mark is not awarded. Exceptions to this general principle will be noted in the mark scheme.

7 Guidance for chemical equations

Multiples / fractions of coefficients used in chemical equations are acceptable unless stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

State symbols given in an equation should be ignored unless asked for in the question or stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	(F overuse of fertiliser) C excess fertiliser runs off into rivers E nutrient enrichment causes algal bloom G sunlight blocked reducing photosynthesis A algae and aquatic plants die B decomposers use up oxygen (D fish and other organisms die) 1 correct; 3 correct; 5 correct;	3
1(b)	toxins / chemicals are ingested or absorbed; faster than lost / excreted;	2

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	limestone / sandstone / shale;	1
2(b)	<i>any two from:</i> loss of habitat; vegetation dies / deforestation; noise / water / air / visual pollution;;	2
2(c)	<i>any two from:</i> employment opportunities; improvements in local / national economy; improvements in facilities and infrastructure;	2

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	circle with arrows anticlockwise; solid lines originating from the North and dotted lines originating from the South;	2
3(b)	<i>any three from:</i> (during El Niño) upwelling weakens; (brings up) warm water; this has few nutrients; less oxygen (in warm water); less plankton; fish have little food;	3

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	<i>any two from:</i> timber extraction / logging; farming; settlements; roads; mining;	2
4(b)	tree;	1
4(c)	<i>any two from:</i> act as carbon sinks / carbon store; reference to photosynthesis qualified e.g. supplies O ₂ (for respiration)/ reference to CO ₂ ; prevention of soil erosion; biodiversity / genetic resource; medicine / raw materials; ecotourism; example of the impact on water cycle e.g. prevents flooding;	2

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)(i)	<i>any two from:</i> water/flooding/surface run-off; wind; landslides; drought;	2
5(a)(ii)	<i>any three from:</i> terracing; contour ploughing; bunds / retaining wall; wind breaks / agroforestry; maintaining vegetation; afforestation / reforestation; mixed cropping; crop rotation; intercropping; organic matter / crop residue / manure;	3

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5(b)(ii)	<p data-bbox="338 911 994 1114"> <i>any three from:</i> good yield pH 5.0 to 7.0 / poor yield above pH 7.0; optimum pH is 6.0; grows best in acidic conditions; grows poorly in alkaline conditions; neutral pH higher than average yield; </p>	3																
5(b)(iii)	<p data-bbox="338 1147 869 1209"> <i>any one from:</i> (reduces / increases) uptake of nutrients; </p>	1																

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5(b)(iv)	<i>any one from:</i> organic content / matter; air content; water content / drainage; mineral ions; composition e.g. clay, sand, soil structure; earthworms / soil organisms;	1

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6(a)(i)	(mainly located) along (tectonic) plate boundaries; caused by plate movement / plates moving towards each other / plates moving past each other / friction between moving plates / pressure between plates;	2
6(a)(ii)	arrows pointing apart;	1
6(b)(i)	<i>conclusion of primary or secondary or combination of both <u>with reasons</u>:</i> more people died on the day; many people injured which could have led to deaths afterwards; large medical burden due to injured on day and/or afterwards; long term economic impact of workforce (as people dead or injured); long term economic impact on economy; long term impact as children were not educated (as schools closed); people had no shelter as homes were destroyed on the day; no shelter means people could have died from exposure; lack of sanitation / lack of clean water leads to water borne diseases e.g. cholera; starvation causes deaths longer term / higher infant mortality; AVP;	4

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6(b)(ii)	<p><i>not prepared because;</i> <i>any five from:</i></p> <p><i>lack of investment in planning and preparation. No advanced warnings or rescue plans:</i> population / authorities did not know what to do during / after an earthquake (as no disaster plan); no drills; no monitoring (equipment);</p> <p><i>no money to invest in earthquake-proof buildings. Many people lived in informal settlements:</i> buildings not safe / buildings did not meet minimum safety requirement; no urban planning; poor materials used to build houses;</p> <p><i>roads, power lines and communication networks were in poor condition:</i> basic infrastructure in poor condition / made it difficult to bring aid; difficult to evacuate / rescue; idea of being cut off from outside world; (LEDC so) other priorities for investing money;</p> <p><i>lack of co-ordination among aid agencies, aid not distributed effectively:</i> no one overseeing aid supplies / had to rely on aid / no stockpiles; can never prevent large loss of life / damage from natural hazards;</p> <p>AVP;</p>	5

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7(a)	Asia <u>and</u> Africa the most populated continents of the world / > 1 billion; North America <u>and</u> South America <u>and</u> Europe / 50 million – 1 billion; Oceania least populated / < 50 million; population distribution is uneven;	3
7(b)(i)	210 (million);	1
7(b)(ii)	9.63;	1
7(c)	<i>any three from:</i> ageing population; decrease in human fertility; career choice / later marriages/when older; environmental concern; too expensive (to raise children); AVP;	3
7(d)	<i>any three from:</i> a lot of elderly: leads to strain on services; cost of pensions (socio economic); (cost of care) paid for by working population; need to raise retirement age; fewer children: leads to fewer schools / fewer teachers; leads to future education issues / lack of qualified workforce; decrease economy of country; decrease in supply of labour;	3

Question	Answer	Marks
7(e)	<i>any one from:</i> financial incentives to have larger families; paid maternity / paternity leave; tax benefits; maternity grants; family allowance; free schooling; health care; AVP;	1
7(f)	the <u>maximum</u> population size of the species that the environment can sustain indefinitely;	1

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8(a)	y-axis labelled number of spills and x-axis years / time period; sensible linear scale for y-axis using half the graph paper and correct orientation; bar plotting ± 1 small square tolerance;	3
8(b)(i)	3170;	1
8(b)(ii)	as time progresses: reduction in number; reduction / decrease in total mass of oil spill;	2
8(c)	<i>any two correct from:</i> MARPOL; double hull ships; better navigation aids / shipping routes / GPS; better training of crew; use of overland transport / pipelines;	2
8(d)(i)	<i>any two correct from:</i> Atlantic Empress / ABT Summer / Castillo De Bellver / Amoco Cadiz;	1

Question	Answer	Marks
8(d)(ii)	<p><i>any three from:</i> damages habitats: coral / mangroves / beaches; reduction in breeding grounds nesting sites;</p> <p>affects food webs: toxic to plankton – reduction in producer; cuts light, plants / phytoplankton cannot photosynthesise – reduction in producers; toxic to / damage to / death of shellfish / fish / mammals / birds – reduction in food for consumers;</p> <p>reduces oxygen penetration;</p>	3

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9(a)	<p>(2030 – 2021 =) 9; (9 × 3.3 =) 29.7 / 30;</p>	2
9(b)	<p><i>any two from:</i> warmer temperatures / heatwaves / drought; more extreme weather / tropical cyclones; high winds / storms; floods; change to habitats / changes to food webs / extinction / loss of biodiversity / plagues; acidification / warming of oceans ; melting of ice sheets / glaciers / permafrost;</p>	2
9(c)	<p>combustion / burning; (of) fossil fuels / carbon containing fuel / named fossil fuel;</p>	2

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9(d)	<p><i>Level of response marked question:</i></p> <p><u>Level 3</u> [5–6 marks] A coherent response is given that develops and supports the candidate’s conclusion using relevant details and examples. Indicative content and subject-specific vocabulary are generally used precisely and accurately. Good responses are likely to present a balanced evaluation of the statement.</p> <p><u>Level 2</u> [3–4 marks] Development and support of the conclusion is evident, though the response may lack some coherence and/or detail. Irrelevant detail may be present. Indicative content and subject-specific vocabulary are used but may lack some precision and/or accuracy. Responses contain evaluation of the statement, but this may not be balanced.</p> <p><u>Level 1</u> [1–2 marks] The response may be limited in development and/or support. Contradictions and/or irrelevant detail may be present. Indicative content and subject-specific vocabulary may be limited or absent. Responses may lack structure or be in the form of a list. Evaluation may be limited or absent.</p> <p><u>No response or no creditable response</u> [0 marks]</p> <p><i>Indicative content for:</i> The best strategy for stopping climate change is to ban the cutting down of trees.</p> <p><i>agree:</i> climate change is caused by the greenhouse effect; carbon dioxide is one of the main greenhouse gases; trees remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere; in a process called photosynthesis; which stores / locks up the carbon in the tree; this is carbon capture; a tree can grow for hundreds of years storing up lots of carbon; trees have other benefits such as providing habitats / biodiversity / reducing soil erosion, etc.;</p>	6

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9(d)	<p><i>disagree:</i> a ban is hard to enforce / some will be done illegally; not all governments would agree; some economies rely on logging; mature trees don't absorb much carbon dioxide; when trees die they decay and release the carbon dioxide; if wood is burnt it releases the carbon dioxide; forest fires are frequent; we don't have enough forest to absorb all the carbon dioxide we are producing; we would need to plant many more trees to absorb the carbon dioxide; trees take up land that may be needed for producing food; better / more effective / faster solutions are needed; switching to renewables that don't release carbon dioxide; government policies to reduce use of carbon-producing fuels (tax / laws / penalties / fines); transport strategies; public action / climate strikes; education;</p>	