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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.

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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.

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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.
- 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).
- 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 'List rule' guidance

For questions that require *n* responses (e.g. State **two** reasons ...):

- The response should be read as continuous prose, even when numbered answer spaces are provided.
- Any response marked *ignore* in the mark scheme should not count towards *n*.
- Incorrect responses should not be awarded credit but will still count towards *n*.
- 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 *n* responses may be ignored even if they include incorrect science.

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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.

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A	1. Correct	✓		F	1. Correct	✓	
	2. Correct	✓	2	(4 responses)	2. Correct	✓	2
	3. Wrong	×	-		3. Correct CON (of 3.)	(discount 3)	
В	1. Correct, Correct	✓, ✓			, ,	1	
(4 responses)	2. Correct	✓	3	G	1. Correct	✓	
` ' '	3. Wrong	ignore		(5 responses)	2. Correct	✓	
С	1. Correct	√			3. Correct Correct CON (of 4.)	√ ignore ignore	3
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	3. Correct	ignore		н	1. Correct	✓	
				(4 responses)	2. Correct	×	2
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(4 responses)	2. Correct	✓	3		3. Correct	√] _
	3. Correct, Wrong	✓			CON (of 2.)	(discount 2)	

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Mark scheme abbreviations

; separates marking points

I alternative answers for the same point

R reject

A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or by extra guidance)

AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)

<u>underline</u> actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants accepted)

max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given

ora or reverse argument

mp marking point (with relevant number)

ecf error carried forward

I ignore

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	1 part enzyme extract/polyphenol oxidase with 9 parts of water / buffer ;	1
1(b)(i)	pH;	1
1(b)(ii)	any one from:	1
	1 temperature of, solutions / tubes ;	
	2 wavelength of, light / (light) filter (of 470 nm);	
	3 concentration of enzyme / polyphenol oxidase;	
	4 total length of time /time reading interval ;	
1(c)(i)	1 figures from printed line at or below 0.26 au and 30 s	2
	or figures from correct tangent;	
	2 correct calculation / 0.0083 to 0.0089 / 8.3×10^{-3} to 8.9×10^{-3} ;	
1(c)(ii)	sketched line below printed line starting at origin and constantly increasing to 180 s;	1

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Question		Answer	Marks			
1(d)	1	state at least 5 dilutions (0.0–0.2%) of dopamine hydrochloride solution / substrate;	7			
	2	describe a correct method to making at least 2 dilutions;				
	3	add tubes to a water bath / incubator, at a, set / constant temperature (10–40 $^{\circ}$ C) ;				
	4	enzyme and substrate / (all) solutions equilibrated separately ;				
	5 state 2 different variables that are kept constant (volumes of enzyme and substrate or mixture / pH / filter or wavelength);					
	6	set to zero / calibrate, colorimeter using a, blank / water, at the start / between each reading;				
	7	mix substrate and (buffered) enzyme and immediately add (colorimeter tube) to colorimeter;				
		or mix substrate and (buffered) enzyme and immediately start timing;				
	8	measure absorbance at set time intervals (for set time);				
		or record time at which red colour (first) appears ;				
	9	3 replicates / 2 repeats for same / one concentration and calculate a mean				
		or 2 repeats, of experiment / each concentration, and calculate the means;				
	10	calculate / find / work out rate (of reaction);				

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Question				Answer
1(d)	11	named hazard and r	risk and precaution	,
		Hazard	Risk	Precaution
		dopamine hydrochloride	Toxic	don't drink don't pour down the sink wear gloves
			Irritant / allergy	wear gloves /
		polyphenol oxidase / enzyme	Irritant / allergy	goggles / mask/ PPE
		buffer	Irritant / allergy	
	12			zyme as the control ;

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Question		Answer	Marks
1(e)	1	enzyme: from different (plant) sources / only from plants / enzyme not used from bananas;	2
	2	sources of information: maybe out of date / maybe unreliable / not comparable ;	
	3	variables: 2 variables not controlled / not standardised / no information (temperatures, pH, timings, volumes, concentrations);	
	4	stats: no statistical test / analysis;	
	5	substrate: no information, on what substrate was used / whether tested on bananas or other fruits;	
	6	inhibitor: do not know type of inhibition (competitive v. non-competitive);	
	7	anti-browning agents: idea that other anti-browning agents maybe more or less effective / may impact differently;	
	8	anti-browning agents should be tested on all sources of enzyme / each only tested on one source of enzyme / may act differently on other sources of enzyme ;	
	9	validity: 2 independent variables ;	
1(f)	ske	etched line (starts at origin) levels out showing lower Vmax ;	1P

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)(i)	any two from:	2
	type /species of tree / type of bark;	
	height (of grid) above ground;	
	side / aspect of tree ;	
	age / size of tree;	
	AVP grid placed horizontally / orientated as diamond shape;	

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Question			Answer		Marks
2(a)(ii)		Hazar	d and risk – 1 mark ;	Precaution – 1 mark ;	2
		Trees / plants / leaves / bark / pollen	scratches / allergy / irritation toxins	suitable PPE / medication don't ingest	
		Animals /Animal waste	dangerous / allergy / bites / to xoplasmosis	medication / work in a group / travel with an expert /suitable PPE	
		Fungi / Lichen	irritation / allergic reaction toxic / poisonous	suitable PPE do not ingest	
		Inhaling fungal spores	(lung) infection	wear a mask	
		Traffic	collision / fumes / air pollution	cone off the road / hi vis vest / look + listen / suitable PPE	
		Woods / holes /trip hazards	Injury from trips / falling / falling branches / getting lost / hypodermic needles	look where you're stepping / hard hat / don't climb trees / GPS / map	
2(b)	1 39/90 (×100);				2
	2 43/43.3 (%);				
2(c)(i)	$D = 2$ and $D^2 = 4$;				1

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)(ii)	0.760/0.759;;	2
	If answer is incorrect allow 1 mark for evidence of correct calculation 238.5 / 990 or 0.241	
2(c)(iii)	strong (correlation);	3
	positive (correlation);	
	(showing that) as distance from road increases, cover / abundance of lichen increases / ora;	
2(c)(iv)	use critical values (of r_s), at $p=0.05$ or less ;	2
	if calculated r_s is greater than critical r_s value (correlation) is not due to chance ${f or}$	
	if calculated value of r_s is less than the critical r_s value (correlation) is due to chance;	

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