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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.

#### 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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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
Section A				
Part A – <b>P</b> i	roduct Design			
1(a)	<ul> <li>suitable material:</li> <li>abs, polypropylene,</li> <li>appropriate hardwood, plywood</li> <li>aluminium alloy.</li> <li>mild steel (with finish)</li> <li>reasons: <ul> <li>rigid, stiff, will keep shape</li> <li>easy to join, fabricate</li> <li>accept finish appropriate for application 2 valid reasons</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	[1] 2 × [1]	3	Award marks for any other acceptable answer
1(b)	<ul> <li>quality of description:</li> <li>fully detailed, all/most stages</li> <li>some detail</li> <li>quality of sketches</li> </ul>	[4–7] [0–3] up to [2]	9	Dependant on material chosen – could be <u>Fabricated</u> using butt joints. PVA on hardwood or plywood – maybe biscuit joints ABS and polypropylene joined using appropriate solvent/cement Aluminium and mild steel could be folded and riveted – mild steel sweated

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1(c)	<ul> <li>explanation could include:</li> <li>change in process</li> <li>change in materials</li> <li>use of moulds</li> <li>simplification of design</li> <li>quality of explanation:</li> <li>logical, structured</li> <li>limited detail</li> <li>quality of sketches</li> </ul>	[4–6] [0–3] up to [2]	8	Marks awarded for correct use of templates and jigs Cutting parts to length / shape Folding / bending / holding whilst being joined Injection moulding not appropriate for batch of 100 – award [3] marks for full description of producing box using injection moulding		

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2	<ul> <li>Discussion could include:</li> <li>impact of social media</li> <li>rapid development / improvement in products</li> <li>expense of keeping up to date for manufacturers</li> <li>research development</li> <li>regular updates on target market trends</li> <li>examples / evidence could be</li> <li>specific markets</li> <li>specific reference to company successes / difficulties</li> <li>specific products – mobile phone, fitness trackers</li> <li>marketing methods – specific social media</li> </ul>		20	
	<ul> <li>examination of issues</li> <li>wide range of relevant issues</li> <li>limited range</li> </ul>	[4—8] [0—3]		
	<ul><li>quality of explanation</li><li>logical, structured</li><li>limited detail</li></ul>	[4–8] [0–3]		
	supporting examples / evidence	[4]		

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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
3(a)	description of process • fully detailed, all / most stages • some detail quality of sketches up to 2	[3–5] [0–2] 2 × [7]	14	Laminating Strips of wood cut Smooth former prepared Strips glued and placed on former Clamped Removed and shaped/finished Brazing Clean surfaces to be joined Apply flux Carefully position, apply flame when right heat apply brazing spelter cool and clean Calendering polymer melted extruded onto series of heated rollers thickness and surface treatment dependent upon roller settings / type run off onto flat area to cool
3(b)	<ul> <li>Laminating – solid, strong structure</li> <li>some give / flexibility</li> <li>low waste / environmentally friendlier</li> <li>brazing – very strong joint</li> <li>basic process, easy to produce good joint</li> <li>gives cleaner finish than welding</li> <li>calendering – even thickness, easily set</li> <li>large lengths of sheet produced / cut to width / length</li> <li>effective use of material, no wastage</li> </ul>	2 × [3]	6	

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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance	
Part B – Practical Technology					
4(a)	Hardness – ability to resist abrasion or indentation	[1]	2		
	Stiffness – resistance to deflection or deformation by an applied force	[1]			
4(b)	Hard material could be <ul> <li>high carbon steel</li> <li>titanium</li> <li>diamond</li> </ul>	[1]	2	Must be two different materials Accept any other correct response	
	<ul> <li>Stiff material could be</li> <li>cast iron</li> <li>high carbon steel</li> <li>stainless steel</li> </ul>	[1]			
4(c)	Fully detailed description of test Some detail of most stages Limited detail Quality of sketches	[6–8] [3–5] [0–2] [2]	10	<ul> <li>For full marks, test must show</li> <li>sample held firmly and being subjected to a bending force</li> <li>Standard size samples</li> <li>Accurate positioning of applied load</li> </ul>	
4(d)	<ul> <li>explanation could include:</li> <li>specific performance requirements of materials</li> <li>functional success</li> <li>safety/legal implications</li> <li>simplification of design</li> </ul>		6	Method of measurement	
	<ul><li>quality of explanation:</li><li>detailed, logical, structured</li><li>limited detail</li></ul>	[4–6] [0–3]			

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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
5(a)(i)	S2 switches circuit on When S1 triggered output of 3 goes high time determined by C1 and R2	[1] [1] [1] [1] [1]	5	
5(a)(ii)	$T = C \times R$	[1]	3	
	$= 100000 \times \frac{100}{1000000}$	[1]		
	= 10 seconds	[1]		
5(b)	<ul> <li>Discussion could include:</li> <li>rapid development of technology</li> <li>demand for improvement in products</li> <li>very competitive market</li> <li>need to explore new directions</li> <li>examples / evidence could be</li> <li>specific reference to innovative designers / companies</li> <li>specific products – tablet computers, voice controlled devices</li> <li>rapid communication through social media</li> <li>examination of issues</li> </ul>		12	
	<ul><li>wide range of relevant issues</li><li>limited range</li></ul>	[3–5] [0–2]		
	<ul><li>quality of explanation</li><li>logical, structured</li><li>limited detail</li></ul>	[3–5] [0–2]		
	supporting examples / evidence	[2]		

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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
6(a)	Applications could be: <b>Cam</b> – Car engine, locking device, childs toy <b>Crank</b> – Engine start up, bicycle, wind up radio <b>Ratchet</b> – spanner, screwdriver, winch Quality of description and communication up to 3	3 × [1] 3 × [3]	12	
6(b)	Example could be: <b>Pneumatic</b> braking systems, tyres <b>Hydraulic</b> tipping systems, braking systems explanation could include: • suitability of each system • reference to example • Safety / efficiency	2 × [1]	8	Accept brakes as an example for each as long as clear understanding of differences evident Hydraulic brakes are usually used in passenger cars of all kinds, while pneumatic brakes in heavy trucks and trailers.
	<ul><li>quality of explanation:</li><li>detailed, logical, structured</li><li>limited detail</li></ul>	[4–6] [0–3]		

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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
Part C – <b>G</b>	raphic Products			
7	scale ellipse construction ellipse in isometric handle positioning of parts line quality / accuracy	[2] [3] [4] [5] [3] [3]	20	

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
8	<b>Electrical</b> methods could be Photocopying Offset Lithography Digital printing		20	
	<b>Mechanical</b> methods could be: Screen printing Letterpress example	2 × [1]		
	<ul><li>Quality of description</li><li>fully detailed</li><li>some detail,</li></ul>	[4–7] [0–3]		
	Quality of sketches up to 2	2 × [9]		

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9(a)	Suitable material – <b>box</b> Corrugated card Corriflute Solid white board	[1]	2				
	Suitable material – <b>loose fill chips</b> Expanded polystyrene Polyurethane Starch	2 × [1]					
9(b)	<ul> <li>Quality of description</li> <li>fully detailed, all stages covered</li> <li>some detail, most stages covered</li> <li>limited detail</li> </ul>	[10–14] [5–9] [0–4]	18	Description should include Net design Tabs and locking method Die cut shape Folding			
	Quality of sketches and communication	[4]					

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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance	
Section B					
	Analysis Analysis of the given situation / problem.	[0–5]	80		
	Detailed written specification of the design requirements. At least five specification points other than those given in the question.	[0–5]			
	<ul> <li>Exploration</li> <li>Bold sketches and brief notes to show exploration of ideas for a design solution, with reasons for selection.</li> <li>range of ideas</li> <li>annotation related to specification</li> <li>marketability, innovation</li> <li>evaluation of ideas, selection leading to development</li> <li>communication</li> </ul>	[0–5] [0–5] [0–5] [0–5] [0–5]			
	<ul> <li>Development</li> <li>Bold sketches and notes showing the development, reasoning and composition of ideas into a single design proposal. Details of materials, constructional and other relevant technical details.</li> <li>developments</li> <li>reasoning</li> <li>materials</li> <li>constructional detail</li> <li>communication</li> </ul>	[0–5] [0–5] [0–3] [0–7] [0–5]			
	Proposed solution Produce drawing/s of an appropriate kind to show the complete solution proposed solution details/dimensions	n. [0—10] [0—5]			
	Written evaluation of the final design solution.	[0–5]			