# GCSE MARKING SCHEME 

## SUMMER 2018

SCIENCE (DOUBLE AWARD) PHYSICS - UNIT 6 HIGHER TIER 3430UFO-1

## INTRODUCTION

This marking scheme was used by WJEC for the 2018 examination. It was finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conference was held shortly after the paper was taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conference was to ensure that the marking scheme was interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conference, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about this marking scheme.

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## UNIT 6: (Double Award) PHYSICS 2 (HIGHER TIER)

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

## Recording of marks

Examiners must mark in red ink.
One tick must equate to one mark (apart from the questions where a level of response mark scheme is applied).
Question totals should be written in the box at the end of the question.
Question totals should be entered onto the grid on the front cover and these should be added to give the script total for each candidate.
Marking rules
All work should be seen to have been marked.
Marking schemes will indicate when explicit working is deemed to be a necessary part of a correct answer.
Crossed out responses not replaced should be marked.
Credit will be given for correct and relevant alternative responses which are not recorded in the mark scheme.
Extended response question
A level of response mark scheme is used. Before applying the mark scheme please read through the whole answer from start to finish. Firstly, decide which level descriptor matches best with the candidate's response: remember that you should be considering the overall quality of the response. Then decide which mark to award within the level. Award the higher mark in the level if there is a good match with both the content statements and the communication statement.

The following may be used in marking schemes or in the marking of scripts to indicate reasons for the marks awarded.
cao $=$ correct answer only
ecf = error carried forward
bod $=$ benefit of doubt

| Question |  |  | Marking details | Marks Available |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | A01 | AO2 | AO3 | Total | Maths | Prac |
| 1 | (a) |  |  | Ticks in $1^{\text {st }}, 2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ boxes $3 \times(1)$ 4 boxes ticked maximum $=2$ marks 5 boxes ticked maximum $=1$ mark 6 boxes ticked $=0$ marks | 3 |  |  | 3 |  |  |
|  | (b) |  | Beta emitters are most suitable as beta would be partly absorbed [Accept: beta will pass through thin AI / blocked by a few mm [or thick] Al] / alpha totally absorbed and gamma not absorbed (1) Increasing thickness decreases beta count rate [accept: changing thickness would change count rate] (1) Sr -90 has a long enough half-life so won't need frequent replacing / P-32 would need frequent replacing. (1) <br> For 3 marks "agree" required. |  |  | 3 | 3 |  |  |
|  | (c) | (i) | It takes 29 years / this is the time to halve (1) number of nuclei / atoms / mass / amount / activity / count rate [of strontium-90] (1) | 2 |  |  | 2 |  |  |
|  |  | (ii) | $[1 \rightarrow] \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \frac{1}{8}$ or [100] $\rightarrow 50 \rightarrow 25 \rightarrow 12.5 \%$ (1) multiple halving ending with $\frac{1}{8}$ (12.5\%) <br> so $\frac{1}{8}$ is 3 half-lives ecf on incorrect halving or incorrect counting of half-lives (1) <br> 3 ecf $\times 29=87$ years (1) <br> NB 87 years $\rightarrow 3$ marks; 58 or 116 years $\rightarrow 2$ marks |  | 3 |  | 3 | 3 |  |


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|  |  | AO1 | AO2 | AO3 | Total | Maths | Prac |
| (d) | (i) |  | $\begin{aligned} & 150 \div \text { time (1) } \\ & =0.5[\mathrm{cps}](1) \text { ans } \end{aligned}$ |  | 2 |  | 2 | 2 | 2 |
|  | (ii) | Measure for a longer period of time (1) take repeat readings (1) |  |  | 2 | 2 |  | 2 |
|  |  | Question 1 total | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 5 | 4 |


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|  |  |  | A01 | AO2 | AO3 | Total | Maths | Prac |
| 2 | (a) | (i) |  | To ensure that the cake case has reached terminal [top / maximum....] speed / has stopped accelerating | 1 |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |
|  |  | (ii) | To check repeatability / identify anomalies (1) [Not: to ensure there are no anomalies] <br> To improve the mean / give a more accurate mean / to reduce the effect of random errors / to allow anomalies to be removed before calculating the mean (1) <br> Reference to 'reliability' $\rightarrow$ no credit | 2 |  |  | 2 |  | 2 |
|  | (b) | (i) | Substitution into $s=\frac{d}{t}$ i.e. $2.88=\frac{1.50}{t}$ $t=0.52$ [s] (1) [accept 0.5, 0.521] | 1 | 1 |  | 2 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | (ii) | Appropriate scales on both axes 0.5 g and $0.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ per 2 cm square (1) <br> 5 points plotted correctly (ignore $(0,0)$ to within $<1$ small square division (2) <br> 4 points plotted correctly (ignore $(0,0)$ to within $<1$ small square division (1) <br> 3 points plotted correctly (ignore $(0,0)$ to within $<1$ small square division (0) <br> Smooth curve of best fit to $(0,0)<1$ small square division (1) | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ $1$ |  | 4 | 4 | 4 |
|  |  | (iii) | Correct pair of values of speed taken from graph or table for 1.0 g and 2.0 g or 1.5 g and 3.0 g (1) <br> Calculation of ratio for at least 1 other pair of masses e.g. <br> $\sim 2.8 / 1.60=\sim 1.75$ or $2.94 / 2.54=1.16$ (1) <br> Conclusion [must include a valid comparison of ratio to 1.4] - so not always true (1) <br> Alternative route <br> Correct pair of values of speed taken from graph or table for 1.0 g and 2.0 g or 1.5 g and 3.0 g (1) [can be implied by method] Calculation of expected speed, i.e. $2.54 \times 1.4=3.56$ or $2.24 \times 1.4=3.14$ (1) <br> Valid comparison of speeds, e.g. $3.56 \neq 2.94$, or $3.14 \neq 2.8$ so not always true (1) |  |  | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |


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| (c) |  |  | Valid improvement and justification e.g. Drop the cake cases from a greater height (1) <br> So that the random errors due to timing are a smaller fraction of the value measured (1) <br> Alternative: <br> Use light gates / record with a camera or phone (1) to give a more accurate time measurement / reduce reaction time errors (1) <br> Alternative: <br> Measure the mass of the stack / each case (1) <br> to give a more accurate mass / mass closer to the true value(1) <br> Not: extra data collected |  |  | 2 | 2 |  | 2 |
| (d) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Use of weight }=m g \text { (1) [allow even if mass not converted] } \\ & \text { air resistance }=0.025 \text { [N] [on answer line] (1) cao } \\ & \text { air resistance }=\text { weight (1) } \end{aligned}$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ |  | 3 | 3 |  |
|  |  | Question 2 total | 6 | 6 | 5 | 17 | 11 | 14 |


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|  |  |  | A01 | AO2 | AO3 | Total | Maths | Prac |
| 3 | (a) | (i) |  | Either <br> Gas or radiation force/pressure and gravitational force / gravity (1) are balanced / equal and opposite / are in equilibrium (1) Or <br> Outward force and inward force (1) are balanced / equal (1) | 2 |  |  | 2 |  |  |
|  |  | (ii) | Light from Spica will take 261 years to reach Earth (or v.v.) / this is the distance light travels in 261 years | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  |
|  | (b) |  | Indicative content: <br> Properties <br> 1. Remainder of cycle: red giant $\rightarrow$ white dwarf... <br> 2. Becomes larger, lower temperature / redder and brighter $\rightarrow$ smaller, higher temperature / whiter and dimmer. <br> Reactions <br> 3. Hydrogen fusion stops in centre of Sun and helium fusion starts - linked to red giant. <br> 4. Helium fusion stops - no more fusion - linked to white dwarf. Forces <br> 5. Red giant: Gas and radiation pressure in the core increases - linked to helium fusion - giving unbalanced forces and star expands <br> 6. White dwarf: Gas and radiation pressure decreases when fusion stops causing star to shrink <br> 7. End of red giant phase - outward forces cause outer layers to be blown away, contributing to a planetary nebula, leaving hotter core <br> Other relevant points could be made - contributing to reactions or forces, e.g. <br> - When H-fusion stops the core shrinks and heats up until a new balance of forces is established | 3 | 3 |  | 6 |  |  |




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| 5 | (a) |  |  | $520(1) \times 31.6 \quad(1)=16432[\mathrm{~km}]$ <br> $16432 \times 8.9 \times 10^{-2}=1462.4[\mathrm{~kg}]$ (1) answer <br> Alternatives <br> $10 \times 31.6=316.0$ (1) i.e. fuel in a week <br> $316.0 \times 8.9 \times 10^{-2}=28.124$ (1) i.e. $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ in a week <br> $28.124 \times 52=1462.4[\mathrm{~kg}](1)$ ans <br> $31.6 \times 8.9 \times 10^{-2}(1) \mathrm{CO}_{2}$ from 1 litre per week <br> $\times 52=146.24(1) \mathrm{CO}_{2}$ in a year from 1 litre per week <br> $\times 10=1462.4(1) \mathrm{CO}_{2}$ in a year from 10 litres per week <br> NOTES <br> $\times 10$ and $\times 52$ seen anywhere (1) <br> $52 \times 10 \times 8.9 \times 10^{-2}=46.28 \rightarrow 1$ only |  | 3 |  | 3 | 3 |  |
|  | (b) |  | Reduce idling losses by having stop-start [system / buttons] (1) Reduce inertial losses by using low mass materials or regenerative braking (1) <br> Reduce rolling resistance by using materials - or narrower tyres - which don't heat up as much as they are distorted or automatic tyre pressure warning system(1) | 3 |  |  | 3 |  |  |
|  | (c) |  | Calculation of KE: for $30 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}=522000 \mathrm{~J}(1)$ <br> KE for $10 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}=58000 \mathrm{~J}$ (1) <br> KE lost $=1 / 2 m v^{2}-1 / 2 m u^{2}=522000-58000 \mathrm{~J}$ <br> KE lost $=464000$ [J] ecf on a slip (1) <br> Energy transferred $=0.6 \times 464000$ (ecf on an energy value) $=$ <br> 278400 [J] (1) <br> NB using $20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ with $1 / 2 m \nu^{2} \rightarrow 232000 \mathrm{~J}[\rightarrow 0$ marks] <br> $\rightarrow$ Energy transfer 139200 J [ $\rightarrow$ 4th mark] | 1 | $1$ |  | 4 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  | Question 5 total | 4 | 6 | 0 | 10 | 7 | 0 |

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SUMMARY OF MARKS ALLOCATED TO ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | AO1 | AO2 | AO3 | Total | Maths | Prac |
| 1 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 5 | 4 |
| 2 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 17 | 11 | 14 |
| 3 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 0 |
| 5 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 10 | 7 | 0 |
| Total | 24 | 24 | 12 | 60 | 27 | 18 |

