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MARK SCHEME

Information to Examiners

1. General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- the typical answer or answers which are expected
- extra information to help the Examiner make his or her judgement and help to delineate what is acceptable or not worthy of credit or, in discursive answers, to give an overview of the area in which a mark or marks may be awarded.

The extra information is aligned to the appropriate answer in the left-hand part of the mark scheme and should only be applied to that item in the mark scheme.

At the beginning of a part of a question a reminder may be given, for example: where consequential marking needs to be considered in a calculation; or the answer may be on the diagram or at a different place on the script.

In general the right hand side of the mark scheme is there to provide those extra details which confuse the main part of the mark scheme yet may be helpful in ensuring that marking is straightforward and consistent.

2. Emboldening

- 2.1** In a list of acceptable answers where more than one mark is available ‘any **two** from’ is used, with the number of marks emboldened. Each of the following lines is a potential mark.
- 2.2** A bold **and** is used to indicate that both parts of the answer are required to award the mark.
- 2.3** Alternative answers acceptable for a mark are indicated by the use of **or**. (Different terms in the mark scheme are shown by a / ; eg allow smooth / free movement.)

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which candidates have provided extra responses. The general principle to be followed in such a situation is that ‘right + wrong = wrong’.

Each error/contradiction negates each correct response. So, if the number of error/contradictions equals or exceeds the number of marks available for the question, no marks can be awarded.

However, responses considered to be neutral (indicated as * in example 1) are not penalised.

Example 1: What is the pH of an acidic solution? (1 mark)

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	4,8	0
2	green, 5	0
3	red*, 5	1
4	red*, 8	0

Example 2: Name two planets in the solar system. (2 marks)

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	Pluto, Mars, Moon	1
2	Pluto, Sun, Mars, Moon	0

3.2 Use of chemical symbols / formulae

If a candidate writes a chemical symbol / formula instead of a required chemical name, full credit can be given if the symbol / formula is correct and if, in the context of the question, such action is appropriate.

3.3 Marking procedure for calculations

Full marks can be given for a correct numerical answer, as shown in the column 'answers', without any working shown.

However if the answer is incorrect, mark(s) can be gained by correct substitution / working and this is shown in the 'extra information' column;

3.4 Interpretation of 'it'

Answers using the word 'it' should be given credit only if it is clear that the 'it' refers to the correct subject.

3.5 Errors carried forward

Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Papers should be constructed in such a way that the number of times errors can be carried forward are kept to a minimum. Allowances for errors carried forward are most likely to be restricted to calculation questions and should be shown by the abbreviation e.c.f. in the marking scheme.

3.6 Phonetic spelling

The phonetic spelling of correct scientific terminology should be credited **unless** there is a possible confusion with another technical term.

3.7 Brackets

(.....) are used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

CHY3F**Question 1**

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(a)(i)	E		1
1(a)(ii)	B		1
1(a)(iii)	C		1
1(a)(iv)	A		1
1(b)(i)	quickly melted	allow melts in contact with water, allow bp 100 °C (of water) shows mp is low ignore one other piece of information	1
1(b)(ii)	easily cut	ignore one other piece of information	1
1(b)(iii)	effervescence / fizzing / bubbling	ignore named gas ignore one other piece of information	1
Total			7

CHY3F**Question 2**

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(a)	burette		1
2(b)	indicator changed colour	allow any indication of colour change	1
2(c)(i)	0.2 or 18.3 to 18.5		1
2(c)(ii)	18.4		1
2(c)(iii)	improve reliability	allow improve accuracy allow to calculate a mean / average or get rid of anomalous result ignore fair test / correct results / random results	1
Total			5

CHY3F**Question 3**

question	answers	extra information	mark
3(a)	electricity / (high) temperatures	allow lightning / heat ignore energy	1
3(b)	nitrogen + oxygen → nitrogen oxide / monoxide	allow any oxide of nitrogen	1
3(c)	more than		1
3(d)(i)	A		1
3(d)(ii)	C		1
Total			5

CHY3F**Question 4**

question	answers	extra information	mark
4(a)(i)	yellow		1
4(a)(ii)	lilac		1
4(a)(iii)	melting point		1
4(b)(i)	barium chloride		1
	solid		1
4(b)(ii)	white		1
	dissolved		1
Total			7

CHY3F**Question 5**

question	answers	extra information	mark
5(a)(i)	carbon		1
5(a)(ii)	calcium		1
5(b)	(shake with) soap (solution) scum	ignore detergent accept less lather with hard water allow solid / precipitate ignore bubbles incorrect test = 0 marks for question correct results with no test score 1	1 1
5(c)	any two from: • good for health / healthier • stronger bones / teeth • less heart disease	ignore vitamins	2
Total			6

CHY3F**Question 6**

question	answers	extra information	mark
6(a)	reasonable <u>smooth</u> curve through all the points over the range 10 - 80	ignore outside range do not accept multiple lines	1
6(b)	5.7	range 5.5–5.9 if outside range check graph	1
6(c)	7.6	correct answer with or without working = 2 marks if answer incorrect 10 or 2.4 gains 1 mark	2
Total			4

CHY3F**Question 7**

question	answers	extra information	mark
7(a)	sterilise / disinfect (water) or kill bacteria / micro-organisms / microbes / germs / pathogens	ignore removes bacteria / impurities / disease ignore cleans the water / makes (water) safe allow destroy bacteria or gets rid of bacteria	1
7(b)	any two from: • chlorine is toxic / poisonous • so (too much) will be dangerous / harmful / kill people / cause illness / health problems • cause breathing difficulties or cause (more) allergic reactions / skin or eye irritation • <u>too little</u> will not kill bacteria	ignore reference to safe / unsafe allow causes damage allow bacteria still there	2
7(c)	cheap / easy / quick to use (process)	accept prevents typhoid / cholera ignore reference to specialists or equipment	1
7(d)(i)	fair / more ideas / views / opinions or less chance of bias or more democratic	allow idea of different points of view / balanced view allow avoids undue influence owtte	1

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question	answers	extra information	mark
7(d)(ii)	(more likely) to have support / influence / convince people	ignore well respected allow ideas about trust eg people will have more confidence in their views / more likely to be believed allow ideas about expertise eg more likely to know what they are talking about / have done experiments / tests allow have knowledge / understanding allow (more) reliable	1
7(d)(iii)	(more likely) to be correct / less likely to be incorrect or reliable / factual / accurate / based on proof / based on experiments or tests / based on validation	owtte ignore based on evidence unqualified allow hearsay / opinion can be biased	1
Total			7

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Question 8

question	answers	extra information	mark
8(a)	hydroxide (ion) / OH ⁻ / OH ⁻ (aq)	ignore OH	1
8(b)	fully / all / completely ionised / dissociated	ignore strongly ionised or more ions or concentration ignore all 'noise' do not accept <u>ions</u> are fully ionised / dissociated	1
8(c)	any valid test linked comparison eg UI or full range indicator or pH paper / solution / (pH) meter (1) NaOH has higher pH or correct <u>comparison</u> of colours (1) or conductivity test (1) NaOH conducts better / more or bulb brighter (1)	assume it = sodium hydroxide incorrect test / titration = 0 marks for question correct result / reference to pH with no test = 1 mark allow converse for weak(er) pH values must be above 7 NaOH – purple, Ammonia – blue allow correct comparison of blue or purple	1 1
Total			4