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Glossary for Mark Schemes

GCSE examinations are marked in such a way as to award positive achievement wherever possible. Thus, for GCSE Mathematics papers, marks are awarded under various categories.

If a student uses a method which is not explicitly covered by the mark scheme the same principles of marking should be applied. Credit should be given to any valid methods. Examiners should seek advice from their senior examiner if in any doubt.

- M Method marks are awarded for a correct method which could lead to a correct answer.
- **M dep** A method mark dependent on a previous method mark being awarded.
- A Accuracy marks are awarded when following on from a correct method. It is not necessary to always see the method. This can be implied.
- **B** Marks awarded independent of method.
- **B dep** A mark that can only be awarded if a previous independent mark has been awarded.
- ft Follow through marks. Marks awarded following a mistake in an earlier step.
- **SC** Special case. Marks awarded within the scheme for a common misinterpretation which has some mathematical worth.
- **oe** Or equivalent. Accept answers that are equivalent. eg, accept 0.5 as well as $\frac{1}{2}$
- **[a, b]** Accept values between a and b inclusive.
- **[a, b)** Accept values $a \le value < b$
- **3.14...** Accept answers which begin 3.14 eg 3.14, 3.142, 3.1416

Examiners should consistently apply the following principles

Diagrams

Diagrams that have working on them should be treated like normal responses. If a diagram has been written on but the correct response is within the answer space, the work within the answer space should be marked. Working on diagrams that contradicts work within the answer space is not to be considered as choice but as working, and is not, therefore, penalised.

Responses which appear to come from incorrect methods

Whenever there is doubt as to whether a candidate has used an incorrect method to obtain an answer, as a general principle, the benefit of doubt must be given to the candidate. In cases where there is no doubt that the answer has come from incorrect working then the candidate should be penalised.

Questions which ask candidates to show working

Instructions on marking will be given but usually marks are not awarded to candidates who show no working.

Questions which do not ask candidates to show working

As a general principle, a correct response is awarded full marks.

Misread or miscopy

Candidates often copy values from a question incorrectly. If the examiner thinks that the candidate has made a genuine misread, then only the accuracy marks (A or B marks), up to a maximum of 2 marks are penalised. The method marks can still be awarded.

Further work

Once the correct answer has been seen, further working may be ignored unless it goes on to contradict the correct answer.

Choice

When a choice of answers and/or methods is given, mark each attempt. If both methods are valid then M marks can be awarded but any incorrect answer or method would result in marks being lost.

Work not replaced

Erased or crossed out work that is still legible should be marked.

Work replaced

Erased or crossed out work that has been replaced is not awarded marks.

Premature approximation

Rounding off too early can lead to inaccuracy in the final answer. This should be penalised by 1 mark unless instructed otherwise.

Continental notation

Accept a comma used instead of a decimal point (for example, in measurements or currency), provided that it is clear to the examiner that the candidate intended it to be a decimal point.

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	[9.9, 10.1]	B1	ое
1(a)	Ad	ditional G	Guidance

	6 + 8 + [9.9, 10.1] or 6 + 8 + their [9.9, 10.1]	M1	oe 60 + 80 + [99, 101] 60 + 80 + their [99, 101]	
1(b)	[23.9, 24.1]	A1ft	[239 mm, 241 mm]	
	Additional Guidance			
	6 × 8 ÷ 2 = 24			M0A0
	If length of hypotenuse seen on diagram	n follow th	rough for their total	

2(a) B B1

2(b)	C and E	B1	
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2(c)	A and D	B1	
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3(a)	<i>C</i> and <i>E</i>	B2	Any order B1 for 1 correct or for 1 correct and 1 incorrect or for 2 correct and 1 incorrect
	Additional Guidance		

Q Answer Mark Comments

3(b)	<i>B</i> , <i>C</i> and <i>E</i>	B2	Any order B1 for 2 correct or for 2 correct and 1 incorrect or for 3 correct and 1 incorrect
	Ad	ditional G	Guidance

	Α	B1		
3(c)	Additional Guidance			

4(a)	Sevilla	B1	

4(b)	Barcelona	B1	
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	[4.9, 5.1]	B1	
	their [4.9, 5.1] × 125	M1	
4(c)	[612.5, 637.5]	A1ft	ft B0 M1
	Ad	ditional C	Guidance

Q Answer Mark Comments	
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	350	B1		
5(a)	Additional Guidance			

	States or implies 1 kg = 1000 g or 0.6 kg = 600 g	M1			
5(b)	Correct combination for 600 g	A1	oe eg 400 + 200 300 + 300 combination must be in grams		
	Additional Guidance				
	200 + 200 + 200 = 606 is a slip (answ	er not requ	uired as given)	M1A1	

	4 9		B1 for 1 correct or for 1 correct and 1 incorrect
6(a)	$\frac{1}{8}$ and $\frac{2}{16}$	B2	or for 2 correct and 1 incorrect
			SC1 for $\frac{1}{7}$ and $\frac{2}{14}$ or $\frac{7}{8}$ and $\frac{14}{16}$

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments						
6(b)	8 squares shaded seen or implied or 8 squares unshaded seen or implied or $\frac{16}{32}$ or $\frac{8}{16}$ or $\frac{4}{8}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$	M1	oe						
	50 (%)	A1							
	Additional Guidance								
	$\frac{12}{24}$ = 50 (%) or $\frac{6}{12}$ = 50 (%) is from inc	correct wo	king	M0A0					

	4 × 45.5(0) or 182	M1		
	their 182 ÷ 26	M1dep		
7(a)	7	A1		
	Ad	ditional G	Buidance	
	26 × 7 = 182 (embedded answer)			M1M1A0

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments	
	A correctly evaluated trial adding prices of 5 tins	the M1		
	3 (5-litre tins)			
	and	A1		
	2 (10-litre tins)			
	Additional Guidance			
7(b)	Note:			
	5 × 26 = 130			
	4 × 26 + 45.5 or 104 + 45.5	5 = 149.5		
	3 × 26 + 2 × 45.5 or 78 + 91 =	169 (Correct answer)		
	2 × 26 + 3 × 45.5 or 52 + 136.5			
	26 + 4 × 45.5 or 26 + 182 =	= 208		
	5 × 45.5 = 227.5			

8(a)	(1, 1)	B2	B1 for x-coordinate 1 or y-coordinate 1 or $AC = 6$ or $\frac{1}{2}AC = 3$
	Ad	ditional G	Suidance
	Check diagram for working		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments					
			B1 for <i>x</i> -coordinate 4					
			or y-coordinate –7					
	(4, -7)	B2	or <i>BD</i> = 16					
8(b)			or $\frac{1}{2}BD = 8$					
	Additional Guidance							
	Check diagram for working							

	6 × 25 × 10 or 1500	M1	
	their 1500 ÷ 30	M1dep	Fully correct method
9	50	A1	Do not ignore fw
	Ad	ditional G	Guidance

	Two correct points plotted eg (10, 12) and (20, 24)	M1	oe eg (5, 6) and (10, 12) Ignore incorrect points ± ½ square tolerance
10(a)	Straight ruled line through their correct points	A1	± ½ square tolerance
	Additional Guidance		
	If line goes through (0, 0) this can be ac	cepted as	a correct point

	Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
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10(b) 15	B1	
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10(c)	12 ÷ 10 or 1.2 or 10 ÷ 12 or 0.83(…) or 480 (square yards)	M1	Scale factor 1.2 seen or implied or 10 to 400 is area factor 40 seen or implied	
	25 × 480 or 25 × 400 × 1.2 or 25 × 400 ÷ 0.83()	M1dep	oe eg 25 × 40 × 12	
	12 000	A1	Accept [12 000, 12 050] SC1 for 10 000	
	Additional Guidance			
	25 × 480		M1M1	



11(b) Fully correct enlargement SF = 3 Any position or orientation Mark intention B1 for enlargement scale factor 2, 4 or 5 on the grid or at least 2 correct sides or at least 2 correct sides or 4 correct points not joined Additional Guidance	Any position or orientation Mark intention B1 for enlargement scale factor 2, 4 or 5 on the grid or at least 2 correct sides	Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
		11(b)			Mark intention B1 for enlargement scale factor 2, 4 or 5 on the grid or at least 2 correct sides or 4 correct points not joined

12(a) <i>a</i> and <i>b</i> B1

12(b)	<i>b</i> and <i>c</i>	B1	
12(c)	a and c	B1	

Q Answer	Mark	Comments
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	Alternative method 1			
	A pair of intersecting arcs of radii 4 cm	M1		
	A pair of intersecting arcs of radii 8 cm	M1		
	Fully correct kite drawn with all arcs shown	A1	SC1 for a complete kite within tolerance	
	Alternative method 2 (perpendicular bisector)			
13	Two pairs of intersecting arcs of equal radii greater than 3 cm	M1		
	Perpendicular bisector constructed	M1dep		
	Fully correct kite drawn with at least one arc of radius 4 cm and one arc of radius 8 cm	A1	SC1 for a complete kite within tolerance	
	Additional Guidance			
	Kite may be drawn inverted			

	52 + 75 + 59 or 186 or 360 - 52 - 75 - 59	M1	oe x + 52 + 75 + 59 = 360	
	174	A1		
14(a)	Additional Guidance			
	52 + 75 + 59 may be embedded within a	M1		
	360 – 52 + 75 + 59 = 174 (recovered)			
	360 - 52 + 75 + 59 (= 442)			M0A0

Q	Answer Mark Comments		Comments				
	AED = 100 or $E = 100or ADE = 40 or D = 40or DAE = 40 or A = 40$	B1	May be on diagram in the correct place				
	(<i>BAD</i> =) 180 – 117 or 63 seen or implied M1 Oe May be on diagram in the correct		oe May be on diagram in the correct place				
	103	A1					
14(b)	Additional Guidance						
	Beware of contradictions between diagram and working shown						
	M1						
	180 – 117 with nothing marked on diagram and no contradiction						
	180 – 117 = 63, 63 only marked at <i>C</i> on diagram						
	Condone assumption for symmetry of trapezium $(360 - 2 \times 117) \div 2$						

Q	Answer		Mark	Comments
	Alternative meth	od 1		
	$\frac{15}{100} \times 49.8(0)$ or 7.47	49.8(0) ÷ 5 or 9.96	M1	oe 0.85 seen
15 Alt 1 of 2	49.8(0) – their 7.47 or 42.33	15 × their 9.96 100 × 1.49(4)	M1dep	oe 49.8(0) × 0.85 or 42.33
	their 42.33 ÷ 5 or their 9.96 – their or 8.466 or 8.46 or	-	M1dep	
	8.466 or 8.46 or 8. and 5 litres	47	Q1ft	Strand (iii) ft only for M1M1M0

Q	Answer		Mark	Comments
	Alternative meth	nod 2		
15 Alt 2 of 2	$\frac{15}{100} \times 49.8(0)$ or 7.47	49.8(0) ÷ 5 or 9.96	M1	oe 8.75 × 5 or 43.75 or 1 ÷ 8.75 or 0.114 or 0.11
	49.8(0) – their 7.47 or 42.33	$\frac{15}{100}$ × their 9.96 or 1.49(4)	M1dep	ое
	49.8(0) – their 7.47 or 42.33 and 43.75	8.75 + their 1.49(4) or 10.24(4)	M1dep	1 ÷ 8.75 or 0.114 or 0.11 and 5 ÷ their 42.33 or 0.118 or 0.12
	42.33 and 43.75 and 5 litres	9.96 and 10.24(4) and 5 litres	Q1ft	0.114 and 0.118 and 5 litres or 0.11 and 0.12 and 5 litres Strand (iii) ft only for M1M1M0
	Additional Guidance			
	Allow £49.80 or £4	Allow £49.80 or £42.33 or large can or second can or B for Q mark		
	Do not accept £50	for £49.80 unless red	covered	

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments		
16	95 ÷ 38 or 2.5(0)	M1	ое		
	7 + their 2.5(0) or 9.5(0) or 2 hours 30 minutes seen	M1dep	oe Allow 2.30 or 2:30		
	9.30 (am) or 0930	A1	oe		
	Additional Guidance				
	Answer 9 hours 30 minutes	M1M1A0			
	9.30 pm or 2130			M1M1A0	

17(a) $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ and $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ B2 B1 for 1 correct or 1 correct and 1 incorrect or 2 correct and 1 incorrect

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments		
	22 ² and 8 ² seen or 484 and 64 or 420	M1	oe		
17(b)	$\sqrt{22^2 - 8^2}$ or $\sqrt{484 - 64}$ or $\sqrt{420}$ or $2\sqrt{105}$	M1dep			
	20.4(9)	A1			
	20.5	B1ft	ft any 2 dp or better SC2 for final answer of 23.4 only from incorrect use of Pythagoras' theorem		
	Additional Guidance				
	20.5 on its own			4 marks	
	Trigonometry method could gain marks: M1 for gaining an equation in terms of y , M1dep for full method that would lead to an answer of 20.4(9)				

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	Alternative method 1		
	4x + 10 + 6x - 15 + 60 = 180 or $4x + 10 + 6x - 15 = 120$	M1	ое
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое
	4 × their 12.5 + 10 or 6 × their 12.5 – 15	M1dep	Dependent on M1
18 Alt	60	A1	
1 of 4	4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60	Q1	Strand (ii) Accept 60, 60, 60 with 12.5 seen
	or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	Alternative method 2		
	6x - 15 = 4x + 10 or $2x = 25$	M1	oe
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое
	4 × their 12.5 + 10 or 6 × their 12.5 – 15	M1dep	Dependent on M1
18 Alt	60	A1	
2 of 4	4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60	Q1	Strand (ii) Accept 60, 60, 60 with 12.5 seen
	or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
	Alternative method 3		
	6x - 15 = 60 or $4x + 10 = 60$	M1	oe
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое
	6 × their 12.5 – 15 or 4 × their 12.5 + 10	M1dep	Dependent on M1
18 Alt	60	A1	
3 of 4	4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60	Q1	Strand (ii) Accept 60, 60, 60 with 12.5 seen
	or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60		

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments	
	Alternative method 4			
	6x - 15 = 60	M1	ое	
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое	
	4x + 10 = 60	M1	Dependent on M1	
	(<i>x</i> =)12.5	A1	ое	
18 Alt 4 of 4	Valid statement or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60		Strand (ii)	
	or 4 × 12.5 + 10 = 60 and 180 – 60 – 60 = 60 or 6 × 12.5 – 15 = 60	Q1	eg Since both <i>x</i> values are 12.5 then all angles are 60 Accept 60, 60, 60 with both A marks awarded	
	and $180 - 60 - 60 = 60$			
	Additional Guidance			

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments		
	diameter = 10 (cm) seen or implied or width of rectangle = 10 (cm) seen or implied	B1	May be on diagram		
	radius = 5 (cm) seen or implied	B1dep	May be on diagram		
	10 × 10 or 100 or 20 × 10 or 200	M1	ое		
	$\pi \times 5^2$ or 25 π or [78.5, 78.6] or 79 or 2 × π × 5 ² or 50 π or [157, 157.2] or 158	M1	oe		
19	100 – their 25π or [21.4, 21.5] or 200 – 2 × their 25π	M1dep	oe Dependent on M1 M1		
	[42.8, 43] or $200 - 50\pi$ or $50(4 - \pi)$ or 42	A1	oe		
	Additional Guidance				
	$200 - 50\pi = 150\pi$ does not score final A mark				
	20 × 10 or 200 implies				
	$2 \times \pi \times 5$ implies			B1B1	
	$\pi d = 10\pi$ implies			B1	
	10π on its own			B0	