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Thursday 25th May	2023				
Morning (Time: 1 hour 10 minutes)	Paper reference	1SC0/1PF			
	Combined Science				
PAPER 3		Foundation Tier			
You must have: Calculator, ruler, Equation Booklet (end	closed)	Total Marks			

Instructions

- Use black ink or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer all questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
 - there may be more space than you need.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
 - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.
- In questions marked with an asterisk (*), marks will be awarded for your ability to structure your answer logically, showing how the points that you make are related or follow on from each other where appropriate.
- A list of equations is included at the end of this exam paper.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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(1)

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Some questions must be answered with a cross in a box \boxtimes . If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box \boxtimes and then mark your new answer with a cross \boxtimes .

- 1 This question is about waves in the electromagnetic (e-m) spectrum.
 - (a) (i) Figure 1 shows some types of radiation that form part of the e-m spectrum and some uses of e-m radiation.

Draw **one** straight line from each type of e-m radiation to its use.

One line has been drawn for you.

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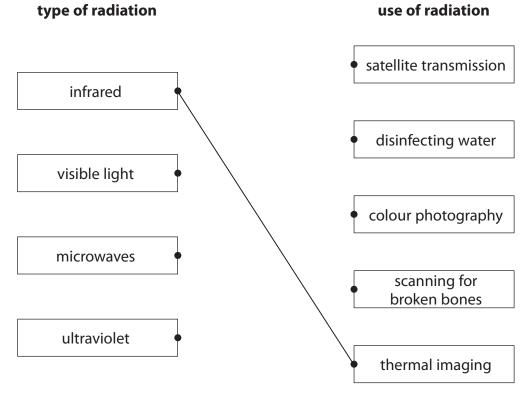


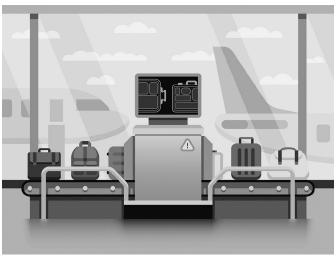
Figure 1

- (ii) Which of these waves has the highest frequency?
 - A infrared
 - B microwaves
 - C ultraviolet
 - **D** visible light



(b) X-rays are also part of the e-m spectrum.

Figure 2 shows an airport security scanner using X-rays to scan passengers' bags.



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Figure 2

(Total for Question	1 = 8 marks)
Explain why passengers are not scanned with X-rays.	(2)
	(2)

2 (a) The graph in Figure 3 shows how the velocity of a car changes with time.

The car starts from rest and travels along a level, straight road for 50 s.

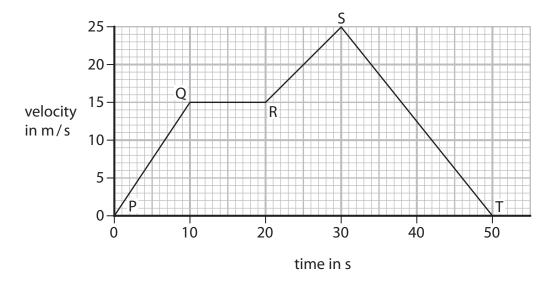


Figure 3

(i) Which part of the graph shows when the car has constant velocity?

(1)

- A PQ
- B QR
- D ST

(ii) Which part of the graph shows when the car has the greatest acceleration?

(1)

- A PQ
- B QR
- D ST

(iii)	Calculate the ac	celeration of	f the car in	the first 10 s	shown on tl	he graph
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(2)

Use the equation

$$acceleration = \frac{change in velocity}{time}$$

$$acceleration = \dots m/s^2$$

(iv) Calculate the distance the car travels in part QR shown on the velocity/time graph in Figure 3.

(3)

(b) A different car has a mass of 1200 kg.

Calculate the force needed to give this car an acceleration of 2.4 m/s².

(2)

Use the equation

$$F = m \times a$$



3 An atom has a central nucleus containing neutrons and protons.

Electrons orbit the nucleus.

(a) (i) Which row of the table gives the relative mass and charge of a proton?

		(1)

		relative mass	charge
X	A	0	+1
X	В	0	-1
X	C	1	+1
X	D	1	-1

(ii) An atom has a radius of 1.0×10^{-10} m.

A nucleus has a radius of 1.0×10^{-15} m.

Calculate the ratio of the radius of the atom to the radius of the nucleus.

(2)

ratio of radius of atom to radius of nucleus =

(iii) Explain why an atom has no charge overall.

(2)



(b) One isotope of carbon is carbon-14.

(i) State the number of protons in one atom of carbon-14.

(1)

number of protons =

(ii) State the number of neutrons in one atom of carbon-14.

(1)

number of neutrons =

(iii) Figure 4 shows a graph for the decay of the radioactive isotope carbon-14.

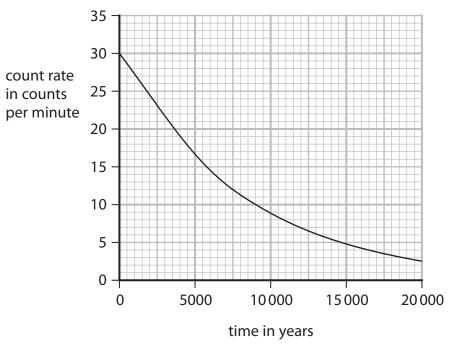


Figure 4

Use the graph to estimate the half-life of carbon-14.

(2)

half-life =years

(Total for Question 3 = 9 marks)

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4 (a) Figure 5 shows a wave on the surface of water.

direction of travel of wave ————

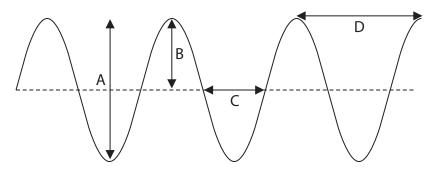


Figure 5

(i) Which of the arrowed lines shows the amplitude of the wave?

(1)

- × A
- ⊠ B
- X C
- \boxtimes D

(ii) Explain why the wave shown in Figure 5 is a transverse wave.

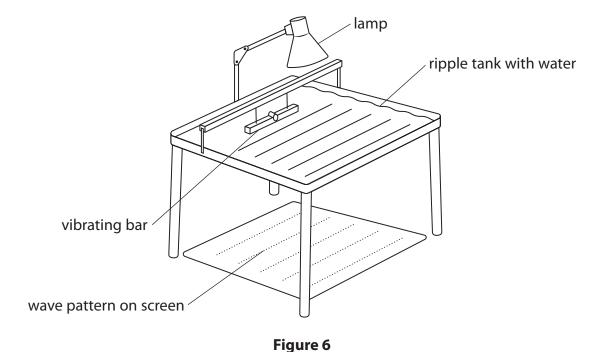
(2)



(b) Figure 6 shows a ripple tank.

A screen is placed below the ripple tank.

The wave pattern produced by the ripples can be seen on the screen.



A student has a stop clock and a ruler.

(ii) Describe how the student could measure the wavelength of the ripples. (2)

(c) In a swimming pool, a wave is produced with a wavelength of $4.0\,\mathrm{m}$ and a velocity of $0.8\,\mathrm{m/s}$.

Calculate the frequency of the wave.

State the unit of frequency.

(3)

Use the equation

$$v = f \times \lambda$$

frequency of wave unit unit

(Total for Question 4 = 10 marks)

(1)

5 (a) Which of these is a scalar quantity?

A acceleration

- **B** distance
- **C** force
- **D** weight
- (b) A student has some cupcake cases.

One cupcake case is shown in Figure 7.



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Figure 7

The student drops a stack of cupcake cases with the base facing downwards, as shown in Figure 8.



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Figure 8

The speed of the falling stack of cupcake cases depends on the number of cupcake cases in the stack.

	The student also has a stop clock and a metre rule. Describe an investigation to show how the speed of the falling stack of cupcake cases depends on the number of cupcake cases in the stack.	
		(4)
(ii)	A stack of cupcake cases has a mass of 0.005 kg.	
	Calculate the weight, in newtons, of the stack of cupcake cases.	
	Gravitational field strength = 10 N/kg	(2)
	Use the equation	
	W = mg	



Figure 9 shows a cupcake case that is falling at a constant velocity.

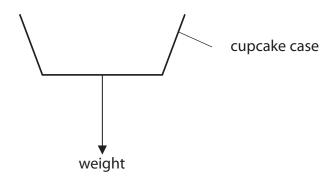


Figure 9

(iii) Draw an arrow on Figure 9 to show the force due to air resistance on the cupcake case.

(1)

(iv) State the value of the acceleration of the cupcake case when it is falling at a constant velocity

(1)

(c) A car travels along a straight road.

The car accelerates at 3 m/s^2 for a time of 7 s.

Calculate the change in velocity of the car.

Use the equation

change in velocity = acceleration \times time taken

(2)

change in velocity = m/s

(Total for Question 5 = 11 marks)

6 (a) Figure 10 shows a football kicked against a wall.

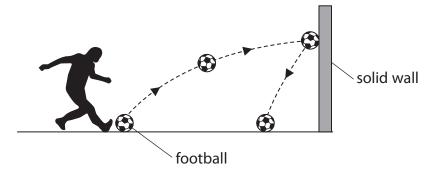


Figure 10

The football has a mass of 0.42 kg.

(i) The football gains 11 J of gravitational potential energy as it moves from the ground to the wall.

Calculate the height at which the ball hits the wall.

(3)

Gravitational field strength = $10 \,\text{N/kg}$

Use the equation

$$\Delta GPE = m \times g \times \Delta h$$

height = m

(ii) Calculate the kinetic energy of the football when it is moving at a velocity of $12\,\mathrm{m/s}$.

(2)

Use the equation

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} \times m \times v^2$$

kinetic energy = J



(iii) Describe the energy transfers that happen when the ball hits the wall.

(2)

*(b) In the UK, electricity is generated using non-renewable and renewable energy resources.

The graph in Figure 11 shows how the amount of electricity generated by these resources changed from 2012 to 2020.

electricity generated in terawatt hours

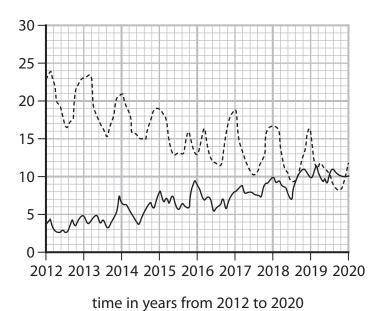


Figure 11

Key

----- non-renewable energy resources

—— renewable energy resources



Explain how and why the amount of electricity generated by renewable and non-renewable energy resources has changed from 2012 to 2020.

Your answer should include

- the trends shown in Figure 11
- the change in the amount of electricity generated by at least one renewable resource
- the change in the amount of electricity generated by at least one non-renewable resource.

	(Total for Quest	ion 6 = 13 mar	ks)



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(6)

Equations

 $(\text{final velocity})^2 - (\text{initial velocity})^2 = 2 \times \text{acceleration} \times \text{distance}$

$$v^2 - u^2 = 2 \times a \times x$$

energy transferred = current \times potential difference \times time

$$E = I \times V \times t$$

potential difference across primary coil \times current in primary coil = potential difference across secondary coil \times current in secondary coil

$$V_{\rm p} \times I_{\rm p} = V_{\rm s} \times I_{\rm s}$$

change in thermal energy = mass \times specific heat capacity \times change in temperature

$$\Delta Q = m \times c \times \Delta \theta$$

thermal energy for a change of state = $mass \times specific$ latent heat

$$Q = m \times L$$

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

to calculate pressure or volume for gases of fixed mass at constant temperature

energy transferred in stretching = $0.5 \times \text{spring constant} \times (\text{extension})^2$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \times k \times x^2$$

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If you're taking **GCSE (9–1) Combined Science** or **GCSE (9–1) Physics**, you will need these equations:

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	distance travelled = average speed \times time	
	acceleration = change in velocity ÷ time taken	$a = \frac{(v - u)}{t}$
	$force = mass \times acceleration$	$F = m \times a$
	weight = $mass \times gravitational$ field strength	$W = m \times g$
нт	momentum = mass × velocity	$p = m \times v$
	change in gravitational potential energy = mass \times gravitational field strength \times change in vertical height	$\Delta GPE = m \times g \times \Delta h$
	kinetic energy = $1/2 \times mass \times (speed)^2$	$KE = \frac{1}{2} \times m \times v^2$
	efficiency = $\frac{\text{(useful energy transferred by the device)}}{\text{(total energy supplied to the device)}}$	
	wave speed = frequency \times wavelength	$v = f \times \lambda$
	wave speed = distance ÷ time	$v = \frac{x}{t}$
	work done = force \times distance moved in the direction of the force	$E = F \times d$
	power = work done ÷ time taken	$P = \frac{E}{t}$
	energy transferred = charge moved \times potential difference	$E = Q \times V$
	$charge = current \times time$	$Q = I \times t$
	potential difference = current × resistance	$V = I \times R$
	power = energy transferred ÷ time taken	$P = \frac{E}{t}$
	electrical power = current × potential difference	$P = I \times V$
	electrical power = $(current)^2 \times resistance$	$P = I^2 \times R$
	density = mass ÷ volume	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$

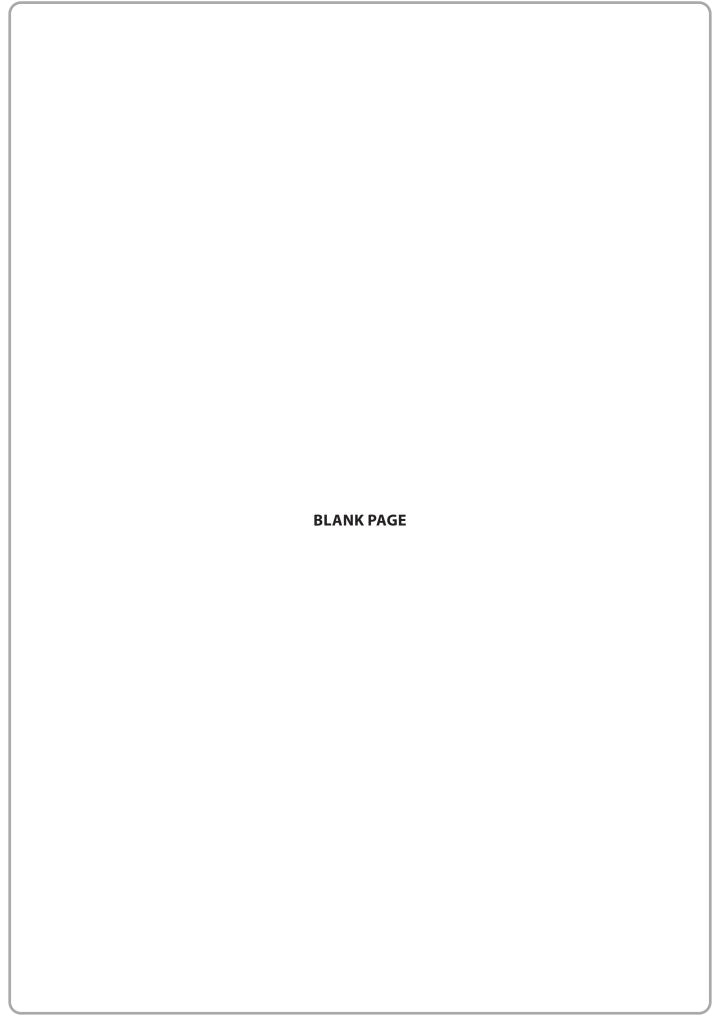
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	force exerted on a spring = spring constant \times extension	$F = k \times x$
	(final velocity) ² – (initial velocity) ² = $2 \times acceleration \times distance$	$v^2 - u^2 = 2 \times a \times x$
нт	force = change in momentum ÷ time	$F = \frac{(mv - mu)}{t}$
	energy transferred = current \times potential difference \times time	$E = I \times V \times t$
нт	force on a conductor at right angles to a magnetic field carrying a current = magnetic flux density × current × length	$F = B \times I \times l$
	For transformers with 100% efficiency, potential difference across primary coil \times current in primary coil = potential difference across secondary coil \times current in secondary coil	$V_{P} \times I_{P} = V_{S} \times I_{S}$
	change in thermal energy = mass \times specific heat capacity \times change in temperature	$\Delta Q = m \times c \times \Delta \theta$
	thermal energy for a change of state = mass \times specific latent heat	$Q = m \times L$
	energy transferred in stretching = $0.5 \times \text{spring constant} \times (\text{extension})^2$	$E = \frac{1}{2} \times k \times x^2$

If you're taking **GCSE (9–1) Physics**, you also need these extra equations:

	moment of a force = force \times distance normal to the direction of the force		
	pressure = force normal to surface ÷ area of surface		
нт	potential difference across primary coil potential difference across secondary coil number of turns in secondary coil	$\frac{V_{p}}{V_{S}} = \frac{N_{p}}{N_{S}}$	
	to calculate pressure or volume for gases of fixed mass at constant temperature	$P_1 \times V_1 = P_2 \times V_2$	
нт	pressure due to a column of liquid = height of column \times density of liquid \times gravitational field strength	$P = h \times \rho \times g$	

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Mark Scheme (Results)

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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Mark schemes have been developed so that the rubrics of each mark scheme reflects the characteristics of the skills within the AO being targeted and the requirements of the command word. So for example the command word 'Explain' requires an identification of a point and then reasoning/justification of the point.

Explain questions can be asked across all AOs. The distinction comes whether the identification is via a judgment made to reach a conclusion, or, making a point through application of knowledge to reason/justify the point made through application of understanding. It is the combination and linkage of the marking points that is needed to gain full marks.

When marking questions with a 'describe' or 'explain' command word, the detailed marking guidance below should be consulted to ensure consistency of marking.

Assessment Objective		Comma	nd Word
Strand Element		Describe	Explain
A01*		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description	An explanation that links identification of a point with reasoning/justification(s) as required
AO2		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description, showing application of knowledge and understanding	An explanation that links identification of a point (by applying knowledge) with reasoning/justification (application of understanding)
AO3	1a and 1b	An answer that combines points of interpretation/evaluation to provide a logical description	
AO3	2a and 2b		An explanation that combines identification via a judgment to reach a conclusion via justification/reasoning
AO3	3a	An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description of the plan/method/experiment	
A03	3b		An explanation that combines identifying an improvement of the experimental procedure with a linked justification/reasoning

^{*}there will be situations where an AO1 question will include elements of recall of knowledge directly from the specification (up to a maximum of 15%). These will be identified by an asterisk in the mark scheme.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1 (a) (i)	type of radiation use of radiation		(3) AO1
	satellite transmission disinfecting water visible light colour photography microwaves scanning for broken bones ultraviolet thermal imaging	award one mark for each correct line up to three marks reject for a mark two lines starting or ending at the same box	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1	C ultraviolet	(1) AO1
(a)(ii)	A (infrared), B (microwaves) and D (visible light) all have frequencies below that of ultraviolet	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1 (b)(i)	an explanation linking (X-rays/they) pass through/penetrate (the bags/cases) (1)	accept see through	(2) AO1
	to see contents/to show objects of greater density (1)	accept look/see inside accept see contents/check inside	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1	an explanation linking		(2)
(b)(ii)	X-rays/they are ionising (1)	accept harmful/dangerous accept a description of ionising accept high energy	AO2
	cause cancer/mutations (of cells/DNA) (1)	accept kill/damage cells	

Total for question 1 = 8mark

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (a (i))	B QR (horizontal line)	(1) AO3
	A PQ is incorrect it shows constant accelerationC RS is incorrect it shows constant accelerationD ST is incorrect it shows constant deceleration	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (a)(ii)	 A PQ (steeper slope shows greater acceleration) B QR is incorrect it shows zero acceleration C RS is incorrect as slope is less steep than for PQ D ST is incorrect as the slope is less steep than for PQ and shows deceleration 	(1) AO3

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
2	substitution (1)		(2)
(a)(iii)	(a=) <u>15(-0)</u>	15 seen	AO3
	10		
		allow 10 divided by any number between 6 and 7 for this mark	
	evaluation (1) 1.5 (m/s²)		
		award full marks for the	
		correct answer with no	
		working	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2 (a)(iv)	indication that distance travelled = area under graph (1)	may be seen on graph accept distance = speed x time ignore speed = <u>distance</u> time	(3) AO3
	substitution (1) (distance travelled =) 10 x 15 evaluation (1) 150 (m)	award full marks for the correct answer with no working award 2 marks for 10 x 15 seen anywhere if no other marks awarded, 1 mark for use of 15 (m/s) or 10 (s)	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)	substitution (1)		(2)
	(F=) 1200 x 2.4		AO2
	evaluation (1) 2900 (N)	accept 2880 (N)	
	2300 (14)	(II)	
		award one mark for power of	
		ten error	
		award full marks for the	
		correct answer with no	
		working	

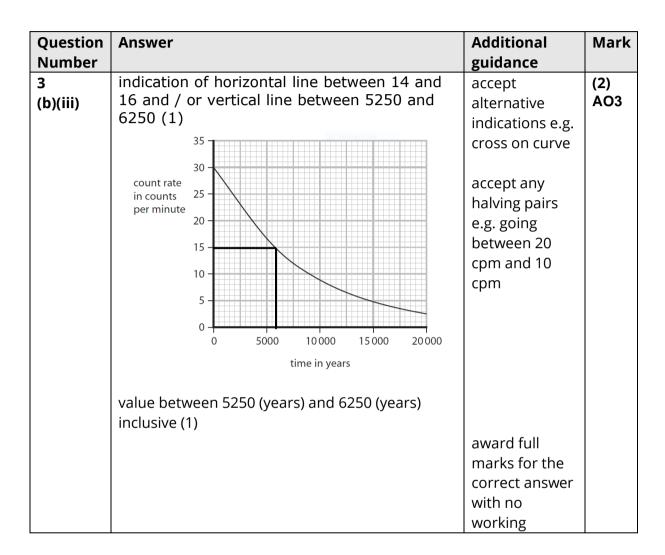
Question Number	Answe	er			Mark
3		_	_	_	(1)
a (i)	С	1	+1		AO1
	B is inc	correct the pro correct the pro correct the pro	ton has a m		

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
3	substitution (1)		(2)
a(ii)	ratio = <u>10⁻¹⁰</u>	10 ⁻¹⁰ : 10 ⁻¹⁵	AO2
	10 ⁻¹⁵		
	evaluation (1)		
	10 ⁵	accept suitable equivalent	
		ratios e.g.	
		1 x 10 ⁵ : 1	
		1:10 ⁻⁵ or 10 ⁵ :1	
		1: 0.00001 or 100000:1	
		1. 0.00001 01 100000.1	
		allow 1 mark for inverted	
		ratios e.g.	
		10 ⁻¹⁵ : 10 ⁻¹⁰	
		0.00001:1 or 1:100000	
		award full marks for the	
		correct answer with no	
		working	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3 a(iii)	an explanation linking		(2) AO1
	same number / amount of (1)	equal number / amount of	
		allow balanced (number / amount of)	
	electrons and protons (1)	negative and positive charges ignore (neutral) neutrons	
		reject positive/negative neutrons for 2 nd marking point	

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
3 (b)(i)	6 / six		(1) AO1

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3 (b)ii	8 / eight		(1) AO2



Total for question 3 = 9 marks

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (a)(i)	B the line shows the amplitude	(1) AO1
	 A is incorrect the line shows twice the amplitude C is incorrect the line shows half the wavelength D is incorrect the line shows the wavelength 	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4 (a)(ii)	an explanation linking vibration/oscillation (1) perpendicular / at right angles / 90° (to the direction of travel of the wave/direction of energy transfer) (1)	accept up and down	(2) AO1

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4 (b)(i)	a description including		(2) AO1
	count the number of		
	waves/ripples (1)		
	(that pass a point) in a certain time (1)		
	OR		
	measure the time for a certain number of waves/ripples (1)		
	use of f = 1/T (1)		
		accept use of numerical values	
		calculate the number of waves that pass the point in a second scores 2 marks	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4 (b)(ii)	a description including any two from		(2) AO1
	the waves/ripples are made to look stationary (1)	using camera, video, strobe light, stroboscope, mobile, phone, photo(graph)	
	measure the distance across a number of waves/wave fronts/ripples (1)	accept measure the distance across a number of lines	
	calculate the wavelength from the measurements (1)	divide distance by the number of waves/ripples	
		accept the idea of measuring the distance between one wave/ripple/line and another (successive) wave/ripple/line for 2	
		marks	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4	substitution (1)		(3)
(c)	0.8 =f x 4.0	(f =) <u>0.8</u> 4.0	AO2
		allow correct substitution into seen incorrect rearrangement	
	rearrangement and evaluation (1) 0.2 (Hz)		
		award 2 marks for the	
		correct answer with no	
		working	
	unit (1)		
	Hz / s ⁻¹ / per sec	accept hz or hertz	
		independent mark	
		accept recognisable	
		spelling	

Total for question 4= 10marks

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(a)	B distance		(1) AO1
	A,C , and D are incorrect as these are vector quantities		

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5 (b)(i)	A description to include any 4 from: measure height (1)	allow 'keep same height' allow in this context hold against (fixed point) on metre rule	(4) AO1
	measure time of fall (1) use (average) speed = distance /time (1)	allow 'time it'	
	repeat with different number of cupcake cases in the stack/more cupcake cases (1)	accept cupcakes for cupcake cases	
	repeat and average time (of fall for each stack of cupcake cases) (1)		
	plot a graph (speed of fall against number of cupcake cases dropped) (1)		

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5 (b)(ii)	substitution (1) (W=)0.005 x 10		(2) AO2
	evaluation (1) 0.05 (N)	5 x 10 ⁻² (N)	
		do not allow power of ten error	
		award full marks for the correct answer with no working	
		give full credit for use of g=9.8 or 9.81 N/kg	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5 (b)(iii)	air resistance cupcake case weight air resistance arrow (1)	judge by eye any vertical upward arrow outside or inside the cupcake case ignore length of arrow arrow need not touch cupcake holder ignore label on arrow	(1) AO2

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5 (b) (iv)	zero / there is none / 0 / it has no acceleration	ignore 'constant'	(1) AO2
		ignore units	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(c)	substitution (1) (change in velocity=) 3 x 7		(2) AO2
	evaluation (1) 21 (m/s)	award full marks for the correct	
		answer with no working	

Total for question 5 = 11 marks

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	1 (1) (1)		(2)
6	substitution (1)		(3)
(a)(i)	11 = 0.42 x 10 x Δh	accept substitution and	AO2
		rearrangement in either order	
	rearrangement (1)		
	$(\Delta h =) 11$	(Δh =) <u>ΔGPE</u>	
	0.42x10	m x g	
	evaluation (1)		
	2.6 (m)	accept any value which rounds	
	2.0 (111)	to 2.6 (m)	
		award 2 marks for 2.6 to any	
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		other power of 10	
		allow 1 mark for 0.38	
		allow 1 mark for 46(.2)	
		award full marks for the correct	
		answer with no working	
		give full credit for use of g=9.8	
		or 9.81 N/kg (gives 2.7 (m))	
		01 3.01 W/Kg (gives 2.7 (111))	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6 (a)(ii)	substitution(1) (KE=) $\frac{1}{2}$ x 0.42 x 12 ²		(2) AO2
	evaluation (1) 30(J)	allow 30.2(4) (J) award 1 mark for 30 240 (J) award 1 mark for 2.52 (J) award 1 mark for 60.5 (J) award full marks for the correct answer with no working	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6 (a)(iii)	A description including: KE/kinetic (energy store) (1)	allow mechanically / mechanical transfer	(2) AO2
	(transfers to)		
	and one of:		
	elastic (potential energy store) (1)	ignore reference to gravitational potential energy	
	OR		
	thermal (energy of ball/wall/surroundings) (1)	allow heat for thermal allow sound in this context	
	OR		
	dissipates (to surroundings) (1)	ignore reference to the ground	

Question	Indicative content	Mark
number		
6*(b)	Answers will be credited according to candidate's deployment of knowledge and understanding of the material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the generic mark scheme. The indicative content below is not prescriptive and candidates are not required to include all the material which is indicated as relevant. Additional content	(6) AO2, AO3
	included in the response must be scientific and relevant. AO2,AO3	
	Non-renewable sources of energy	
	trend: less used/decrease in use (between 2012 and 2019)	
	fossil fuels	
	coal, gas, oil	
	are running out / finite resource / sustainability argument	
	produce carbon dioxide/ sulphur dioxide/	
	greenhouse gases (when burned) in power	
	stations	
	cause pollution/ smoke particles /damage to the environment	
	causes climate change / global warming	
	production of greenhouse gases needs to be	
	reduced (for Britain to become carbon neutral)	
	nuclear fuels	
	no carbon dioxide produced	
	radioactive waste produced	
	safety concerns	
	Renewable sources of energy trend: more used /increase in use	
	(between 2012 and 2019) renewable and non-renewable about equally	
	used from 2019	
	solar, wind, hydroelectric, tidal, geothermal, wave	
	and biomass	
	never run out / are sustainable	
	do not produce carbon dioxide/ greenhouse	
	gases (except biomass)	
	slow down climate change / global warming	

Level	Mark	Descriptor	
	0	No awardable content	
Level 1	1-2	Interpretation and evaluation of the information attempted but will be limited with a focus on mainly just one variable. Demonstrates limited synthesis of understanding. (AO3)	
		 The explanation attempts to link and apply knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas, flawed or simplistic connections made between elements in the context of the question. (AO2) 	
Level 2	3-4	 Interpretation and evaluation of the information on both variables, synthesising mostly relevant understanding. (AO3) The explanation is mostly supported through linkage and application of knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas, some logical connections made between elements in 	
Level 3	5-6	 the context of the question. (AO2) Interpretation and evaluation of the information, demonstrating throughout the skills of synthesising relevant understanding. (AO3) The explanation is supported throughout by linkage and application of knowledge and understanding of scientific ideas, logical connections made between elements in the context of the question. (AO2) 	

Level	Mark	Additional Guidance	General additional guidance – the decision within levels e.g At each level, as well as content, the scientific coherency of what is stated will help place the answer at the top, or the bottom, of that level.
	0	No rewardable material.	
Level 1	1-2	isolated facts about the resources, non-renewable or renewable OR the trend(s) in usage	Possible candidate responses coal is non-renewable and solar is renewable non-renewables are decreasing and renewables are increasing non-renewable resources are higher on (most of) the graph
Level 2	3-4	Additional guidance trend(s) AND limited explanation of the renewable trend OR limited explanation of the non-renewable trend	Possible candidate responses use of renewable resources is increasing because renewables are sustainable OR use of non-renewable resources are decreasing because they cause global warming
Level 3	5-6	Additional guidance both trends AND detailed explanation of one trend AND some explanation of the other trend	Possible candidate responses use of renewable resources are increasing and the use of non-renewable resources are decreasing because non-renewable resources_are running out and wind turbines do not produce carbon dioxide