AQA GCSE Physics | 8463

SPECIFICATION POINT 4.6.1.4

Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Mark schemes and examiner comments

Tier	**Higher**
Question groups	**29**
Available paper years	**2003–2025**

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 01 · Mark scheme June 2003 | 3451H | Original Q9 | Legacy

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Answer 02 · Mark scheme June 2003 | 3462H3 | Original Q7 | Legacy

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Answer 03 · Mark scheme June 2005 | 3451 | Original Q7 | Legacy

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Answer 04 · Mark scheme June 2005 | 3462 | Original Q5 | Legacy

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Answer 05 · Mark scheme June 2006 | 3451 | Original Q3 | Legacy

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Answer 06 · Mark scheme

June 2006 | 3462 | Original Q3 | Legacy

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Answer 07 · Mark scheme

March 2007 | PHY1B | Original Q3 | Legacy

Three	**A**	Clouds may limit the telescope's use.	**4**
	B	Easy for astronomers to get to the telescope.	**3**
	C	Not easy to service and repair the telescope.	**2**
	D	Quality of data is not reduced by the atmosphere .	**1**

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Question 4 continued

(ii)	check validity / reliability of the evidence **or** change the theory to match the new evidence	accept comparison of new and old evidence	1
total			8

PHY1H Question 5

	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	a signal that has only two states / only discrete states	accept can only be on or off accept made up of 1 and 0 only accept high and low accept diagram with all amplitudes equal	1
(ii)	400 000 000 **or** correct equivalent	allow **1** mark for correct transformation **and** substitution (of 75) answer 4 000 000 gains **1** mark only	2

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Answer 09 · Mark scheme

November 2007 | PHY1B | Original Q1 | Legacy

One	**A**	analogue electrical signal	**2**
	B	digital light signal	**3**
	C	microwaves	**4**
	D	sound waves	**1**

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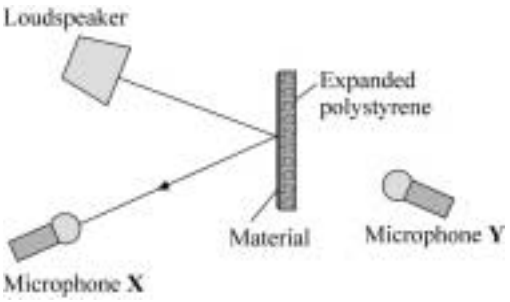
Answer 10 · Mark scheme

Question 2

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	(mechanical) vibration(s)	**not** just 'particles knocking into each other' not reference to 'sound particles'	1
(b)	K		1
(c)(i)	reflected by the material from loudspeaker to microphone X shown by straight lines with angle of incidence = angle of reflection (by eye) **and** at least one arrow in the correct direction	 do **not** credit if the direction is contradicted by any incorrect arrow may be shown by waves / wavefronts in the direction of straight lines ignore any sound to Y or which 'misses' the material **example**  	1 1
(ii)	any **one** from: • so (the student) can compare results • so only one (independent) variable • to get reliable / accurate results • because (the expanded) polystyrene absorbs some of the sound	do **not** credit just 'so it's a fair test'	1

PHY3H

Question 2 continued

question	answers	extra information	mark
(iii)	**[A]** wood		1
	[B] either 0.25 **or** 1/4 **or** 25 % **or** 15/60 **or** 1: 3	do **not** credit 1 : 4	1
(d)	practical suggestion		1
	appropriate reason / explanation	**example** line / panel the walls with wood / plasterboard / increase the thickness of the plaster (on the walls) (1) (this) will absorb / reflect (back) (most / some of) the sound (1) credit legal suggestions for attempting to limit the noise made by the neighbours **example** ask the neighbours to make less noise (1) by limiting the time(s) music played (1) do **not** credit reference to 'sound particles' for second mark	1
total			9

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Answer 10 · Mark scheme

January 2008 | PHY3H | Original Q2 | Legacy

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 11 · Mark scheme

Question 1

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(a)	20 000	accept any unambiguous indication	1
1(b)	kilohertz	credit misspellings credit '1000 hertz' or '1000 Hz' accept 1000 oscillations/beats/waves per second	1
1(c)(i)	cleaning (e.g. something delicate such as a watch)	**or** quality control/flaw detection credit any appropriate extra Specification response e.g. sonar	1
1(c)(ii)	pre-natal (scanning)	do **not** credit just 'scanning'/medical scanning credit any appropriate extra Specification response e.g. destruction of (kidney) stones or cleaning teeth	1
1(d)	8 (μs)		1
1(e)	distance (1) between the boundary and the detector (1)	 accept 'between the boundary and the source' accept any correct use of speed = distance/time	2

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Question 1 continued

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(f)	examples publish/tell doctors/the public (1) ... their evidence/results/ research/data (1) carry out more research/ tests (1) ... to make sure/check reliability (1)	allow a wide variety of appropriate responses valid point (1) appropriate example/ qualification/expansion/etc. (1) allow just 'stop using them/ultrasonic waves' (1) allow using them (only) for industrial purposes (1)	2
Total			**9**

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Answer 11 · Mark scheme January 2009 | PHY3H | Original Q1 | Legacy

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Answer 12 · Mark scheme March 2009 | PHY1BP | Original Q7 | Legacy

Seven	**1**	**2**	**4**	**1**

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Answer 13 · Mark scheme

Question 5

question	answers	extra information	mark
5(a)(i)	same frequency / period / pitch / wavelength	ignore references to amplitude	1
5(a)(ii)	differences in waveform / shape / quality	accept the diagrams are not identical	1
5(b)(i)	20 000 Hz / hertz **or** 20 kHz / kilohertz	in both cases, if the **symbol** rather than the name is used, it must be correct in every detail	1
5(b)(ii)	material(s) / substance(s) (through which sound travels)		1
5(b)(iii)	is absorbed is transmitted	accept (some) sound (energy) is transformed / transferred as heat / thermal energy accept is refracted accept changes speed accept changes velocity do **not** accept is diffracted do **not** accept is diffused do **not** accept is dissipated	1 1
Total			**6**

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Answer 13 · Mark scheme

June 2009 | PHY3H | Original Q5 | Legacy

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Answer 14 · Mark scheme

Question 3

question	answers	extra information	mark
3(a)	sound / mechanical / longitudinal (wave)		1
	any **one** from: • above 20 000 hertz / 20kHz • above (human) audible range • cannot be heard by humans		1
3(b)	**either** particles / molecules / fluid vibrate(s) (1) (and) knock particles of dirt off the jewellery (1) **or** by the process of cavitation (1) which breaks up / releases dirt from the surface (1)	accept 'formation and collapse of tiny bubbles'	2

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Question 3 continued . . .

question	answers	extra information	mark
3(c)	**either** two appropriate points gain **1** mark each **or** one appropriate point (and) appropriate qualification / amplification	**either** both pro **or** both con **or** one of each examples other mammals (sufficiently) similar to humans (1) so results appropriate (1) unethical to experiment on humans (1) so it is better to experiment on mice (1) knowledge / techniques will benefit humans (1) and also other animals (1) experiments were justified because ultrasound has proved useful (1)	2
Total			**6**

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 14 · Mark scheme

January 2010 | PHY3H | Original Q3 | Legacy

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 15 · Mark scheme

Question 2

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(a)(i)	20 (Hz) to 20 000 (Hz) / 20 kHz	**or** reversed order	1
2(a)(ii)	ultrasound / ultrasonic	do **not** accept sonic	1
2(b)	examples discriminates against (young) people who are not being a nuisance discriminates against young people (just) moves the group to another meeting place discourages young people from shopping distresses babies it's morally / ethically wrong	allow any reasonable response 'it bothers young people' is insufficient ignore reference to animals ignore damages hearing	1
2(c)	(mechanical) vibration	accept vibrations in the air / particles	1
2(d)(i)	the sound intensity gets (much) less the greater the distance from (the source of) the sound correct comparison from the graph eg sound is 100 (w/m²) at 1 (m) but only 20 (w/m²) at 2.5 (m)	allow the closer you are to the machine the more likely it is to damage your hearing accept the graph falls steeply (at first) and then more gently	1 1

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Question 2 continued . . .

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(d)(ii)	any **two** from: • (so) data can be compared • anomalous results can be checked / removed / identified • more than one set of data • intensity / loudness fluctuates	increases reliability is insufficient improves accuracy is insufficient fair test is insufficient	2
Total			**8**

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Answer 15 · Mark scheme June 2010 | PHY3H | Original Q2 | Legacy

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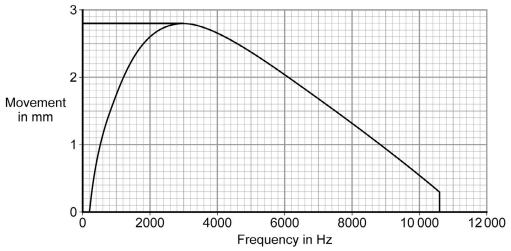
Answer 16 · Mark scheme

Question 2

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(a)	10 600 (Hz)	accept 10.6 kHz	1
2(b)	3000 (Hz)	allow **1** mark for a line drawn to show greatest movement (allow only if frequency is between 2800 and 3200) accept other indication of correctly using the graph  	2
2(c)	(No)	no marks for just the ticked box reasons can score even if yes is ticked	
	(human hearing) range is 20 – 20 000 (Hz)	accept (most) people hear up to 20 000 (Hz) / 20 kHz	1
	any **one** from: • range on graph is within / less than this range • range on graph starts after 20 Hz • range on graph is from to 200 – 10 600 (Hz) • range on graph finishes before 20 000 Hz		1

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Question 2 continued . . .

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(d)	reliability	this answer only	1
2(e)	only 1 variable affects dependent variable / size of movement **or** there is only one independent variable **or** to be able to compare (effect of different frequencies)	accept 'results' for 'size of movement' fair test is insufficient do **not** accept to control the experiment	1
Total			**7**

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 16 · Mark scheme January 2011 | PHY3H | Original Q2 | Legacy

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Answer 17 · Mark scheme June 2011 | PHY1BP | Original Q1 | Legacy

Question	Key		
One	**A**	frequency	**2**
	B	red-shift	**4**
	C	wavelength	**1**
	D	wave speed	**3**

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 18 · Mark scheme

June 2011 | PHY3H | Original Q1 | Legacy

Question 1

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(a)	microphone		1
1(b)(i)	vertical line from any maxima or minima to axis	do **not** penalise minor errors but do **not** allow unless intention is clear	1
1(b)(ii)	loudness / volume / intensity / energy	do **not** accept noise	1
1(c)	17	this answer only	1
1(d)	the greater the distance, the smaller the amplitude **or** there is a (strong) negative correlation between distance and amplitude **or** there is an inverse square relationship between distance and amplitude	accept volume / intensity / energy / loudness for amplitude do **not** accept distance and amplitude are inversely proportional	1
1(e)	20 Hz 20,000 Hz	either order accept 20 kHz provided unit has been clearly changed	1 1
Total			**7**

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Answer 18 · Mark scheme June 2011 | PHY3H | Original Q1 | Legacy

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 19 · Mark scheme June 2014 | PH1HP | Original Q4 | Legacy

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO spec ref
4(a)(i)	440 (sound) waves produced in one second	accept vibrations / oscillations for waves	1	AO1 1.5.1i
4(a)(ii)	0.773 (metres)	allow **2** marks for an answer that rounds to 0.773 allow **2** marks for an answer of 0.77̇2̇ allow **2** marks for an answer of 0.772 allow **1** mark for correct substitution ie 340 = 440 × λ	3	AO2 1.5.1j
4(b)	(sound is) louder as amplitude is larger higher pitch/frequency as more waves are seen	do **not** accept the converse waves are taller is insufficient reference to wavelengths alone is insufficient waves are closer together is insufficient	1 1 1 1	AO1 AO3 1.5.3b
Total			**8**	

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Answer 20 · Mark scheme

June 2015 | PH3HP | Original Q3 | Legacy

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. ref.
3(a)	20,000	accept 20 kilo **or** 20 k **or** 20 001	1	AO1 P3.1.2a
	an atom		1	AO1 P3.1.1a

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Answer 20 · Mark scheme

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
3(b)			6	AO1 P3.1 P3.1.1c

Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response. Examiners should also refer to the information on page 4 and apply a 'best-fit' approach to the marking.

0 marks	Level 1 (1–2 marks)	Level 2 (3–4 marks)	Level 3 (5–6 marks)
no relevant content	At least one relevant statement is given for either type of wave	**Either** a use, risk and precaution is given for one type of wave **Or** A medical use is given for both types of wave **plus** a risk or precaution for one type of wave	At least one medical use is given for both types of wave linked to the risks and any precautions necessary

examples of the points made in the response	extra information
<u>Medical use of X-rays</u> Any one from: • Detecting bone fractures • Detecting dental problems • Killing cancer cells • CT scanning	Ignore details about how X-rays/ultrasound work accept any specific use of X-rays, eg • detecting heart/lung disorders (with chest X-rays) • mammograms / breast cancer detection • detecting stones / bowel disease (with abdominal X-rays)
<u>Risks with X-rays</u> X-rays pose a risk / danger / hazard	accept are harmful
X-rays cause ionisation / damage to cells **or** mutate cells / cause mutations / increase chances of mutations **or** turn cells cancerous / produce abnormal growths / produce rapidly growing cells **or** kill cells	accept a description of what ionising is instead of cell, any of these words can be used: DNA / genes / chromosomes / nucleus accept (may) cause cancer

Answer 20 · Mark scheme

Operator precautions with X-rays The X-ray operator should go behind a (metal / glass) screen / leave the room when making an X-ray / wear a lead lined apron	accept appropriate precautions for the patient e.g. limit the total exposure/dose (in one year) wear a radiation badge is insufficient	
Medical use of ultrasound Any one from: • Pre-natal scanning • Imaging (a named body part). • removal / destruction of kidney / gall stones • removing plaque from teeth • repair of damaged tissue / muscle	cleaning teeth is insufficient accept examples of repair, eg alleviating bruising, repair scar damage, ligament / tendon damage, joint inflammation accept physiotherapy accept curing prostate cancer **or** killing prostate cancer cells	
Risks with ultrasound Ultrasound poses no risk / danger / hazard (to the user / patient). Ultrasound is not ionising or Ultrasound does not damage (human) cells	accept ultrasound is safer than using X-rays.	
Precautions with ultrasound The operator needs to take no precautions when making an ultrasound scan.	this can be assumed if it is stated that ultrasound is harmless or it is safer than using x-rays or it is non-ionising	

Total		**8**

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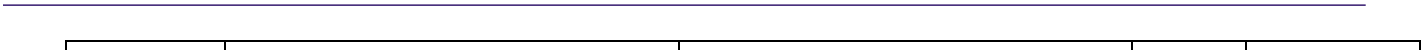
Answer 20 · Mark scheme

June 2015 | PH3HP | Original Q3 | Legacy



Answer 21 · Mark scheme

June 2016 | PH1HP | Original Q1 | Legacy

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Answer 22 · Mark scheme

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
3(a)	ultrasound is not ionising	allow ultrasound does not harm the (unborn) baby	1	AO1 3.1
	but X-rays are ionising		1	
	so X-rays increase the health risk to the (unborn) baby	accept specific examples of health risks, eg cancer, stunted growth, impaired brain function etc X-rays are dangerous is insufficient	1	
3(b)	ultrasound/waves are partially <u>reflected</u> (when they meet a boundary) (between two different media / substances / tissues)	must be clear that not all of the wave is reflected	1	AO1 3.1.2b
	the time taken is measured (and is used to determine distances)		1	
3(c)	1600 (m/s)	800 (m/s) gains **2** marks 160 000 (m/s) gains **2** marks 0.0016 (m/s) gains **2** marks allow **2** marks for $\frac{0.04}{25 \times 10^{-6}}$ or $\frac{0.08}{50 \times 10^{-6}}$ 80 000 (m/s) gains **1** mark 0.0008 (m/s) gains **1** mark allow **1** mark for $\frac{0.04}{25}$ or $\frac{0.08}{50}$ allow **1** mark for evidence of doubling the distance or halving the time	3	AO2 3.1.2c

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Answer 22 · Mark scheme

June 2016 | PH3HP | Original Q3 | Legacy

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
3(d)(i)	they are absorbed by bone	allow stopped for absorbed X-rays are reflected negates this mark	1	AO1 3.1.1a
	they are transmitted by soft tissue	allow pass through for transmitted allow flesh / muscle / fat accept less (optically) dense material for soft tissue	1	
	(the transmitted) X-rays are detected		1	
3(d)(ii)	short	accept small	1	AO1 3.1.1a
Total			12	

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Answer 22 · Mark scheme

June 2016 | PH3HP | Original Q3 | Legacy



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Answer 23 · Mark scheme June 2017 | PH3HP | Original Q7 | Legacy

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
7(a)	20 001 hertz / Hz	accept 20 000 hertz	1	AO1 3.1.2a
7(b)(i)	The time (taken for the pulse to travel to the crack and back)	accept how long it takes (for the pulse to travel to the crack and back)	1	AO1 3.1.2c
7(b)(ii)	The speed (of ultrasound in the wing)		1	AO1 3.1.2c
7(b)(iii)	Partially reflected and partially transmitted	accept it is reflected and transmitted for **2** marks	1 1	AO2 3.1.2b
7(c)	If a fault is missed on an inspection it will still be safe (until the next inspection)	accept there is a far lower risk of the fault being missed and becoming dangerous	1	AO3 3.1.2
Total			**6**	

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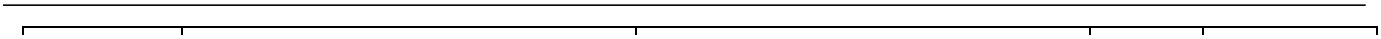
Answer 23 · Mark scheme

June 2017 | PH3HP | Original Q7 | Legacy



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Answer 24 · Mark scheme

June 2019 | 8463/2H | Original Q9

Question 9

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
9.1	chicken	allow a correct answer indicated in Table 3 provided the answer space in blank	1	AO3
9.2	2×10^{-6}		1	AO1/1 4.5.6.1.2 WS4.4
9.3		an answer 0.025 (m) scores **4** marks		AO2/1 4.6.1.5 4.5.6.1.2
	time = 8μs = 8×10^{-6} (s) or 4 × their answer to 9.2	subsequent marks may be scored if the number of squares is miscounted or t = 2μs is used	1	
	distance = ½ × 6300 × 8×10^{-6}	allow 8×10^{3} or 8×10^{-3} or 8×10^{-9} for 8×10^{-6}	1	
	distance = 0.0252 (m)	allow a correctly calculated answer using 8×10^{3} or 8×10^{-3} or 8×10^{-9}	1	
	distance = 0.025 (m)	allow a calculated value correctly rounded to 2 sig figs an answer 0.050 (m) scores **3** marks an answer 0.05 or 0.0504 (m) scores **2** marks	1	
9.4	to convert (the pressure variations in) sound (waves) into variations in current / p.d	allow electrical signal for variations in current / p.d. do not accept amplifies sound	1	AO1/1 4.7.3.3

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Answer 24 · Mark scheme

June 2019 | 8463/2H | Original Q9

9.5	sound (waves) cause the diaphragm to vibrate the diaphragm causes the coil / wire to vibrate the coil / wire moves through the magnetic field **or** the coil / wire cuts magnetic field lines a potential difference is induced (across the ends of the coil / wire)	diaphragm moves is insufficient do not accept moves the coil / wire up and down if m.p.1 and m.p.2 do not score, allow sound (waves) cause the coil / wire to vibrate for **1** mark allow induced current for induced p.d.	1 1 1 1	AO1/1 4.7.3.3
Total			**11**	

Answer 25 · Mark scheme

November 2020 | 8463/2H | Original Q6

Question 6

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
06.1	320 MHz = 3.2×10^8 Hz	allow 320 000 000	1	AO2
	$3.0 \times 10^8 = 3.2 \times 10^8 \times \lambda$	this mark may be awarded if frequency is incorrectly/not converted	1	AO2
	$\lambda = \frac{3.0 \times 10^8}{3.2 \times 10^8}$	this mark may be awarded if frequency is incorrectly/not converted	1	AO2
	wavelength = 0.9375	allow correct calculation using an incorrectly/not converted frequency allow an answer that rounds to 0.94	1	AO2
	metres **or** m		1	AO1 4.6.1.2
06.2	(alternating) current <u>induced</u> (in the electrical circuit)	allow <u>electrons</u> vibrate / oscillate (in the electrical circuit)	1	AO1 4.6.2.3
	with the same frequency as the radio wave		1	
06.3	Any **two** from: • (radio waves are) transverse	allow sound waves are longitudinal allow a description of transverse/longitudinal waves	2	AO1 4.6.1.1 4.6.1.2
	• (radio waves) travel at a higher speed • (radio waves) don't need a medium • (radio waves are) electromagnetic	allow (only) radio waves travel through a vacuum allow sound waves are mechanical		
06.4	accelerating	allow speeding up	1	AO3 4.5.6.1.4

Answer 25 · Mark scheme

06.5	appropriate tangent drawn correct reading from graph for change in distance and change in time (eg 5.6 (m) and 20 (s)) gradient of tangent shown (eg 5.6/20) 0.28 (m/s)	 allow correct reading from their tangent for change in distance and change in time allow correct gradient from their tangent this answer only allow 0.25 to 0.30 (m/s) if the tangent is appropriate allow 2.8 / 20 = 0.14 (m/s) for **1** mark	1 1 1 1	AO2 4.5.6.1.4
06.6	$0.52^2 - 0.12^2 = 2 \times 0.04 \times s$ $s = \frac{0.52^2 - 0.12^2}{2 \times 0.04}$ s = 3.2 (m) 0.48 = F x 3.2 $F = \frac{0.48}{3.2}$ F = 0.15 (N) **OR**	 this mark may be awarded if the displacement is incorrectly calculated this mark may be awarded if the displacement is incorrectly calculated allow a correctly calculated F using an incorrectly calculated displacement	1 1 1 1 1 1	AO2 4.5.2 4.5.6.1.5

	Alternative method 1 $t = \frac{0.52 - 0.12}{0.04}$ (1) t = 10 (s) (1) s = 0.32 × 10 = 3.2 (m) (1) 0.48 = F x 3.2 (1) $F = \frac{0.48}{3.2}$ (1) F = 0.15 (N) (1) **OR** Alternative method 2 0.48 = (0.5 x m x 0.52^2) – (0.5 x m x 0.12^2) (1) 0.48 = 0.1352m – 0.0072m (1) 0.48 = 0.128m (1) m = 3.75 (1) F = 3.75 x 0.040 (1) F = 0.15 (N) (1)	allow a correctly calculated displacement from an incorrectly calculated t this mark may be awarded if the displacement is incorrectly calculated this mark may be awarded if the displacement is incorrectly calculated allow a correctly calculated F from incorrectly calculated values for displacement and / or t allow their calculated m allow correctly calculated F using an incorrectly calculated m		

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Answer 25 · Mark scheme

November 2020 | 8463/2H | Original Q6

06.7	there is a maximum forward force (provided by the motor) as the speed of the car increases air resistance increases until air resistance is equal in size to forward force so the car can no longer accelerate	allow driving force for forward force - throughout the car has a maximum acceleration is insufficient allow friction / drag for air resistance - throughout allow (until) the resultant force is zero allow forces are in equilibrium / balanced allow the car travels at terminal velocity	1 1 1 1	AO1 4.5.6.1.5
Total			**24**	

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Answer 26 · Mark scheme

November 2021 | 8463/2H | Original Q8

Question 8

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
08.1	motor (effect)		1	AO1 4.7.2.4
08.2	current creates a magnetic field (around the coil) (which) interacts with the permanent magnet field producing a (resultant) force causing the coil/cone to move (when the) direction of the current reverses, the direction of the (resultant) force reverses (producing a sound wave)	 allow coil/cone for force allow backwards for reverses	1 1 1 1	AO1 4.7.2.4
08.3	the student changed two variables at the same time (so) it is not possible to know the effect of each variable	allow only one variable should be changed at a time	1 1	AO3 4.6.1.2
Total			**7**	

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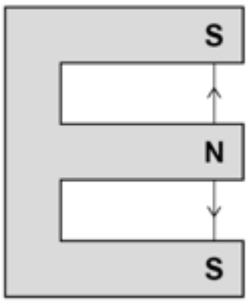
Question 4

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
04.1	current **or** potential difference	allow charge flow	1	AO1 4.7.3.3

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
04.2			1	AO1 4.7.1.2

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
04.3	an induced magnet is a material that becomes a magnet when it is placed in a magnetic field **or** an induced magnet loses most / all of its magnetism (quickly) when removed from a magnetic field	allow 'when close to another magnet' for 'when it is placed in a magnetic field' allow 'no magnets are nearby' for 'removed from a magnetic field' 'temporary magnet' alone is insufficient	1	AO1 4.7.1.1

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Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
04.4	motor effect		1	AO1 4.7.2.2 4.7.2.4

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
04.5	16 mA = 0.016 A	allow 1.6×10^{-2} (A)	1	AO2 4.7.2.2
	$0.013 = B \times 0.016 \times 6.5$	allow correct substitution using incorrectly / not converted current	1	
	$B = \frac{0.013}{0.016 \times 6.5}$	allow correct re-arrangement using incorrectly / not converted current	1	
	$B = 0.125$ (T)	allow correct calculation using incorrectly / not converted current allow 0.13 (T)	1	

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Question	Answers	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
04.6	**Level 2**: Scientifically relevant features are identified; the way(s) in which they are similar / different is made clear and (where appropriate) the magnitude of the similarity / difference is noted.	3-4	AO3 4.6.1.4
	Level 1: Relevant features are identified and differences noted.	1-2	
	No relevant content	0	
	Indicative content: • for all three people, the minimum sound level that can be heard increases as frequency increases **Age** • the minimum sound level that can be heard increases with age • between 2000 and 3000 Hz the minimum sound level that can be heard increases more in **B** compared to **C** • **C** has very little variation in the minimum sound level that can be heard at all frequencies **Working in a loud environment:** • increases the minimum sound level that can be heard at all frequencies above 2000 Hz compared to working in a quiet environment • the minimum sound level that can be heard increases more as frequency increases from 2000 to 4000 Hz compared to working in a quiet environment • doesn't affect the minimum sound level that can be heard at 2000 Hz to access **level 2** the answer must include at least **one** comparison for age **and one** comparison for working in a loud environment, using supporting data/information from the graph		

Total Question 4	**12**

Question 8

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
08.1	generator (effect)	allow electromagnetic induction	1	AO1 4.7.3.1

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
08.2	wire cuts through the magnetic field (between the magnets) a potential difference was <u>induced</u> (across the wire) as it was part of <u>complete circuit</u> (there was a current in the circuit)		1 1 1	AO1 4.7.3.1

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
08.3	the needle will deflect to –0.4 mA		1	AO3 4.7.3.1

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
08.4	(the pressure variations in) the sound (waves) cause the diaphragm to vibrate	allow air particles collide with diaphragm causing it to vibrate diaphragm moves is insufficient do not accept moves the diaphragm up and down	1	AO1 4.7.3.3
	the diaphragm causes the coil / wire to vibrate	do not accept moves the coil / wire up and down	1	
	(the coil repeatedly changes direction) <u>inducing</u> an alternating current (in the circuit)	if MP1 and MP2 do not score, allow sound (waves) cause the coil / wire to vibrate for **1** mark	1	

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Total Question 8	**8**

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Answer 29 · Mark scheme

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Question 1

Question	Answers	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
01.1	**Level 2:** Scientifically relevant facts, events or processes are identified and given in detail to form an accurate account	4–6	AO1 4.6.1.1 4.6.2.1
	Level 1: Facts, events or processes are identified and simply stated but their relevance is not clear	1–3	
	No relevant content	0	
	Indicative content **Differences** • sound waves are mechanical whereas visible light waves are electromagnetic waves • sound waves require a medium to travel through whereas visible light waves can travel through a vacuum • sound waves are longitudinal whereas visible light waves are transverse • sound waves travel slower (in air) than visible light waves • sound waves travel faster in solids than in air whereas visible light waves travel slower in solids than in air • sound waves have longer wavelengths than visible light • sound waves have a lower frequency than visible light waves **Similarities** • both types of waves can be reflected • both types of waves can be refracted • both types of waves can be diffracted • both types of wave transfer energy		

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Answer 29 · Mark scheme

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
01.2	speed = $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$		1	AO1 4.5.6.1.2

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
01.3	$330 = \frac{13\,200}{t}$ **or** $13\,200 = 330 \times t$ $t = \frac{13\,200}{330}$ 40 (s)		1 1 1	AO2 4.5.6.1.2

Total Question 1	10

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INFORMATION FOR 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 / ; e.g. allow smooth / free movement.)

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of Quality of Written Communication

Examiners are reminded of the need to assess QoWC by the following statement appearing in the appropriate parts of the mark scheme:

The answer to this question requires ideas in good English in a sensible order with correct use of scientific terms. Quality of written communication should be considered in crediting points in the mark scheme.

The maximum marks available to a candidate whose answer is not well expressed will be (the number of marks available –1).

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3.2 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

3.3 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.

3.4 The marking of quantitative relationships

Full credit can be given for a correct quantitative relationship expressed in:

- named units;
- physical quantities;
- standard symbols;
- a combination of physical quantities and units.

No credit can be given for any quantitative relationship expressed in terms of:

- a combination of physical quantities, units and symbols;
- a diagram, e.g. the ohm's law triangle, unless the rest of the answer shows clearly that the candidate understands the relationships involved.

3.5 Marking procedure for calculations

3.5.1 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.

3.5.2 Where calculations are based on incorrectly recalled relationships, neither the incorrectly recalled relationship, nor the resulting calculation based on the incorrect relationship, will be credited.

3.6 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.

3.7 Errors carried forward

There should be no error carried forward from a previous answer which has been based on wrong science. Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Examples

(a) A candidate who calculates average speed using speed = time/distance **and** then proceeds to use this incorrect answer to calculate an acceleration based on the correct quantitative relationship should be given credit for the use of the correct acceleration relationship but none for either numerical answer.

(b) A candidate who incorrectly calculates average speed using speed = distance/time and then proceeds to use this incorrect value to calculate an acceleration based on the correct quantitative relationship, should be given credit for the use of both correct quantitative relationships **and** for the correct substitution and use of the incorrect value in the calculation of the rate of acceleration.

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.

3.8 Phonetic spelling

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

3.9 Brackets

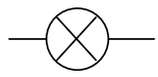
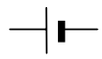
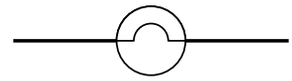
(…..) is used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

3.10 Unexpected Correct Answers not in the Mark Scheme

The Examiner should use professional judgement to award credit where a candidate has given an unexpected correct answer which is not covered by the mark scheme. The Examiner should consult with the Team Leader to confirm the judgement. The Team Leader should pass this answer on to the Principal Examiner with a view to informing all examiners.

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q1

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	circuit symbol for a lamp correct   circuit symbol for a cell correct	accept  accept any standard of drawing providing circuit would work	1 1
	2 lamps drawn in parallel with 3 cells	polarity of cells must be correct (+ to –) but cells may be either way around	1
(b)	4.5		1
(c)	the same as	accept any clear indication of the correct answer	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q2

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	gas		1
(b)	fuel burning stations produce electricity at any time / all the time wind generator can only produce when the wind is strong enough	accept fuel available all the time accept it's not always windy	1 1
(c)	no fuel is burnt **or** no fuel is used **or** uses only energy from wind **or** does not emit harmful gases / soot / smoke	do **not** accept wind is natural / environmentally friendly / renewable answer must be in terms of wind, **not** negative of fuel burning specific examples of gases CO_2, SO_2, acid rain and greenhouse gases can be accepted ozone negates credit	1
total			4

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q3

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	microwaves		1
(ii)	infra red		1
(iii)	ultrasonic		1
(b)(i)	B		1
(ii)	A		1
(c)	disturbance / vibration / movement direction	accept motion / force do **not** accept energy	1 1
(d)	sound wave	accept any clear indication of the correct answer	1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q4

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	heat		1
(ii)	temperature increases **or** (cause) convection (currents)	accept gets warmer accept gets hotter	1
(iii)	60% **or** 0.6	60 without % scores **1** mark 0.6 with a unit scores **1** mark 60 with incorrect unit scores **1** mark **or** correct substitution $\frac{120}{200}$ for **1** mark	2
(b)	street more (energy transferred as) light **or** less (energy transferred as) heat **or** useful energy output the highest	 can only score this mark if first mark scored all efficiencies calculated correctly score 2nd mark point	1 1
total			6

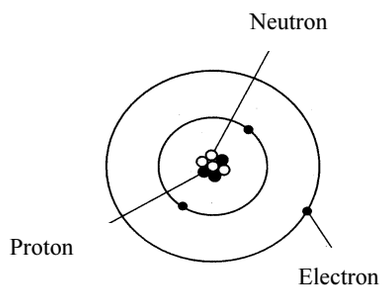
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q5

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	MN	accept 5.8, 8 seconds must include unit	1
(b)	LM	accept 0.8, 5.8 seconds must include unit	1
(c)(i)	0.8		1
(ii)	drinking alcohol		1
(d)	straight (by eye) line starting at 0.8 seconds line drawn steeper than LM starting before L	 ignore lines going beyond 2 seconds but line must exceed 2.5 metres per second before terminating	1 1
total			6

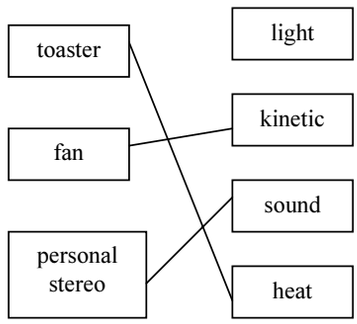
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q6

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	each correct label scores 1 mark  		3
(ii)	neutron		1
(iii)	7 number of protons and neutrons **or** number of nucleons **or** number of particles in the nucleus	 accept number of particles in the centre only if first answer = 7	1 1
(b)(i)	50 ± 5		1
(ii)	50 ± 5	accept their (b)(i)	1
(iii)	less	accept any way of indicating the correct answer	1
total			9

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q7

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	each correct line scores 1 mark  	if more than 3 lines are drawn mark incorrect ones first, to a maximum of 3 lines	3
(b)	toaster	accept 1.2 kW	1
(c)(i)	400		1
(ii)	£24 **or** 2400p	full credit for their (c)(i) × 6p for full credit the correct numerical answer must have the correct unit an answer of 24 or 2400 with no unit or the incorrect unit scores **1** mark (c)(i) × 6 incorrectly evaluated scores **1** mark	2
(d)	6	allow 6000 for **1** mark allow 3 × 2 for **1** mark	2
total			9

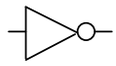
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q8

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	point where the rays cross	do not credit if ambiguous	1
(ii)	converging (lens)	do **not** accept convex	1
(b)(i)	point where the rays appear to diverge from	this should appear to be within 10mm in front of the back of the arrows on the approximate centre line need not be accurately constructed using a ruler	1
(ii)	diverging (lens)	do **not** accept concave	1
(c)	converging film smaller than nearer to	accept any clear indication of the correct response e.g. ticking, ringing, writing in after a mistake	1 1 1 1
(d)(i)	(image) bigger than object / enlarge	accept just 'made bigger'	1
(ii)	it / real image can be put on a screen **or** real image on the opposite side of the lens to the object	accept 'not an imaginary or virtual image' assume 'it' refers to a real image do **not** credit 'it can be seen'	1
(e)	**either** (the converging lens is) thick in the middle thin(ner) at the edge **or** (both) sides bend outwards (1) in the middle (1) **or** one side bends in the middle (1) more than the other side bends inwards (in the middle) (1)	thickest in the middle gains **2** marks convex gains **2** marks suitable diagrams gains **2** marks	1 1
total			12

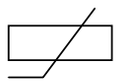
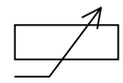
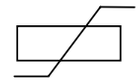
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q9

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	off off on	all correct	1
(ii)	AND (gate)	accept and (gate)	1
(iii)	on on on	all correct	1
(iv)	OR (gate)	accept or (gate)	1
(b)(i)	1 0 **or** 0 1 0 1 1 0	do **not** credit on / off responses	1
(ii)		accept mirror image accept  accept with either or both parts shaded accept line through as shading	1
(c)		accept off for 0 and on for 1 throughout	
	0 0	both correct	1
	0 1	both correct	1
	1 1	both correct	1
	1 1	both correct	1

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q9 continued

(d)(i)		accept mirror image **or** inverted do **not** credit  **or**  or similar	1
(ii)	resistance decreases / increases / changes current (through it) increases / decreases / changes **or** temperature changes / increases / decreases (1) resistance changes / decreases / increases (1) (NTC thermistor) both marks independent but must be compatible to score **2** marks	accept 'voltage across it decreases' for **2** marks but only if it is made clear that this refers to a thermistor in series	1 1
total			13

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q10

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	friction	accept any way of indicating the correct answer	1
(ii)	gravity	accept any way of indicating the correct answer	1
(b)(i)	accelerates **or** speed / velocity increases	accept faster and faster (**1** mark) do **not** accept faster pace / falls faster or suggestions of a greater but constant speed	1
	downwards / falls	accept towards the Earth / ground this may score in part (b)(ii) if it does not score here and there is no contradiction between the two parts	1
(ii)	constant speed / velocity **or** terminal velocity / speed **or** zero acceleration	stays in the same place negates credit	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q11

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	X – mantle		1
	Y – inner core	do **not** accept solid core	1
(ii)	different to the crust **or** contains a lot of (heavy) metals	accept iron and nickel for metals	1
	higher (average) density **or** denser	density higher than 5500 (kg/m^3) gets **2** marks	1
(b)	animals were able to move from one continent to the other		1
	(when bridge broke) animals evolved differently	accept animals adapted differently	1
(c)(i)	earthquakes occur at the boundary between plates **or** earthquakes occur where plates push against each other		1
	there are no plate boundaries running through Britain	accept Britain is not near the edge of a plate	1
(ii)	convection currents (in the mantle) **or** heat released by (natural) radioactive processes		1
total			9

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q12

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	outside the Earth **or** not from the Earth	accept alien accept life from / on another planet / space accept our planet for Earth	1
(ii)	radio telescope(s)	do **not** accept telescopes do **not** accept satellite dishes do **not** accept radio receivers **or** transmitters	1
(b)(i)	galaxies	do **not** accept stars	1
(ii)	any **one** from: the pulses were regular pulses from space are usually random (scientists) thought technology had been used to produce the pulses neutron stars were unknown signals from a single point	 accept signals / beats for pulses accept noise for random pulses idea of regular but not continuous	1
(iii)	neutron star is (the matter / mass) left behind after a star / red giant explodes (as a super nova)	 accept after a super nova (explosion) neutron star causing super nova gets no credit	1 1
(c)(i)	carried on the balloon / equipment	accept carried by a rocket / aircraft / satellite birds negates credit	1
(ii)	on comets or meteors	accept meteorites / shooting stars accept returning space craft accept solar wind ignore asteroids accept ufo do **not** accept solar flares do **not** accept satellites	1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q13

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	silver is a (good) reflector of <u>heat</u> (radiation) **or** silver reflects the heat (radiation)	fact heat = infra red ignore references to light accept shiny for silver good radiator negates the mark ignore references to good conductor do **not** accept bounce back	1
	less heat is lost through the board **or** more heat is retained by the shirt	explanation accept both sides of shirt heated reflects heat back up gets **1** mark only ignore mention of friction	1
(b)	metal soleplate	accept soleplate / bottom / metal do **not** accept outside / case	1
(c)	plastic **or** rubber	accept any named plastic do **not** accept wood	1
	it is a (good) insulator **or** it is a poor conductor	ignore mention of heat if in conjunction with electricity	1
(d)	**Quality of written communication** *The answer to this question requires ideas in good English in a sensible order with correct use of scientific terms. Quality of written communication should be considered in crediting points in the mark scheme.*	*Maximum of **2** marks if ideas not well expressed.*	
	pulls iron bolt down **or** attracts the iron bolt **or** moves bolt out of plunger	answers in terms of charges attracting or repelling gain no credit	1
	plunger pushed / moved to the right (by spring) **or** plunger released		1
	push switch opens / goes to off / goes to right	accept circuit is broken for maximum credit the points must follow a logical sequence 3 correct points but incorrect sequence scores **2** marks only ignore reset action	1
total			8

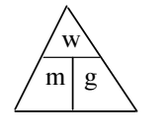
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q14

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	any **one** from: the ground the air radon (gas) building materials buildings rocks / granite food cosmic rays **or** solar rays X-rays nuclear weapons testing nuclear power stations / accidents	 do **not** accept mobile phones accept from outer space accept sun but **not** sunlight accept medical uses	1
(ii)	2	allow $\frac{1200}{60\times10}$ **or** $\frac{1200}{600}$ **or** 120 for **1** mark	2
(b)	 alpha: the count rate is (greatly) reduced by the card **or** the card absorbs alphas but not betas beta: the count rate is (greatly) reduced by the metal **or** the thin metal absorbs alphas and betas **or** the thin metal absorbs all of the radiation (from the source) gamma: would pass through the thin metal but count rate is background **or** no radiation passing through **or** a higher reading would be recorded **or** to reduce the count to 2 would require much more than 3 mm of metal	answers must be comparative accept converse answers throughout accept paper for the card accept aluminium for the metal accept aluminium for the metal accept lead / aluminium for the metal	 1 1 1
total			6

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q15

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	weight = mass × g.f.s.	accept w = m × g accept gravity for gfs accept  provided subsequent use of Δ correct do **not** accept N = kg × N/kg	1
(ii)	675	75 × 9 for **1** mark	2
(iii)	g.(f.s.) is higher (on Earth than Venus)	accept gravity for g.f.s. do **not** accept g.f.s. is lower unless answer states on Venus	1
(iv)	orbit time for Jupiter is <u>longer</u> / longest (than for the other planets)	do **not** give any credit for an answer that includes a comparison of diameter **or** a comparison of g.f.s.	1
(b)	**Quality of written communication** *The answer to this question requires ideas in good English in a sensible order with correct use of scientific terms. Quality of written communication should be considered in crediting points in the mark scheme.* any **two** from: dust <u>and</u> gas **or** remnants of a super nova pulled together by (force of) <u>gravity</u> nuclear fusion starts	*Maximum of **1** mark if ideas not well expressed.* accept hydrogen for dust and gas do **not** accept hydrogen burns although candidates may include more detail these points are essential to score the credit	2
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q16

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	upright with the contacts at the bottom and still in place and unbent	no need for labels but incorrect label(s) cancel the mark accept a freehand drawing no need for details such as correct dimensions	1
	one blob of mercury touching <u>both</u> contacts	do **not** award mark if contacts bent to touch	1
(b)(i)	(X is a) battery	do **not** credit cell accept (set of) cells accept power supply do **not** accept power pack	1
	(Y is a) LED	**or** light emitting diode	1
(ii)	longer (time)	do **not** accept 'slower time'	1
(iii)	any **two** from: current less (so) rate of flow of charge less **or** less coulombs per second (so) discharge is slower	 do **not** accept current slower accept capacitor has charge for longer **or** charge lasts longer **or** (so total of) electrons take longer to travel round circuit	2
(c)	4200	translation correct (= 4000) but percentage addition incorrect gains **1** mark translation incorrect but 5% addition is correct gains **1** mark accept 422.1 **or** 42.2 **or** 6.3 for **1** mark	2
	ohms **or** Ω	4.2 kilohms **or** 4.2 kΩ gains all **3** marks	1
total			10

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q17

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	point at which its mass (seems to) act **or** point at which gravity (seems to) act	accept …its weight acts accept correct statements if the intent is clear e.g. … if suspended, the centre of gravity will be directly under the point of suspension e.g. … (if the object is symmetrical), the centre of gravity is on the **or** an axis (of symmetry) do **not** credit just 'it is a point'	1
(b)	**Quality of written communication** *The answer to this question requires good English in a sensible order with correct use of scientific terms. Quality of written communication should be considered in crediting points in the mark scheme.* any **five** from: clamp (steel) rod (horizontally) hang plastic / sheet by rod through (one) hole hang plumb line from rod mark ends of plumb line on the sheet and use the ruler to draw a straight line repeat with other hole centre of mass is where the lines cross check by balancing at this point	*maximum of **4** marks if ideas not well expressed* **no** marks if method quite unworkable maximum of **3** marks if no 'repeat with other hole'	5
(c)(i)	(turning) effect **or** moment force distance	all three correct accept weight accept length	1
(ii)	17.6 Nm **or** newton metre(s)	allow 44 × 0.4 **or** 0.4 × 44 for **1** mark do **not** accept N/m **or** N/cm 1760 Ncm gains all **3** marks	2 1
total			10

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

INFORMATION FOR 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 / ; e.g. allow smooth / free movement.)

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of Quality of Written Communication

Examiners are reminded of the need to assess QoWC by the following statement appearing in the appropriate parts of the mark scheme:

The answer to this question requires ideas in good English in a sensible order with correct use of scientific terms. Quality of written communication should be considered in crediting points in the mark scheme.

The maximum marks available to a candidate whose answer is not well expressed will be (the number of marks available –1).

3.2 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

3.3 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.

3.4 The marking of quantitative relationships

Full credit can be given for a correct quantitative relationship expressed in:

- named units;
- physical quantities;
- standard symbols;
- a combination of physical quantities and units.

No credit can be given for any quantitative relationship expressed in terms of:

- a combination of physical quantities, units and symbols;
- a diagram, e.g. the ohm's law triangle, unless the rest of the answer shows clearly that the candidate understands the relationships involved.

3.5 Marking procedure for calculations

3.5.1 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.

3.5.2 Where calculations are based on incorrectly recalled relationships, neither the incorrectly recalled relationship, nor the resulting calculation based on the incorrect relationship, will be credited.

3.6 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.

3.7 Errors carried forward

There should be no error carried forward from a previous answer which has been based on wrong science. Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Examples

(a) A candidate who calculates average speed using speed = time/distance **and** then proceeds to use this incorrect answer to calculate an acceleration based on the correct quantitative relationship should be given credit for the use of the correct acceleration relationship but none for either numerical answer.

(b) A candidate who incorrectly calculates average speed using speed = distance/time and then proceeds to use this incorrect value to calculate an acceleration based on the correct quantitative relationship, should be given credit for the use of both correct quantitative relationships **and** for the correct substitution and use of the incorrect value in the calculation of the rate of acceleration.

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.

3.8 Phonetic spelling

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

3.9 Brackets

(…..) is 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.

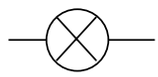
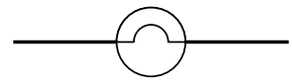
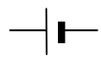
3.10 Unexpected Correct Answers not in the Mark Scheme

The Examiner should use professional judgement to award credit where a candidate has given an unexpected correct answer which is not covered by the mark scheme. The Examiner should consult with the Team Leader to confirm the judgement. The Team Leader should pass this answer on to the Principal Examiner with a view to informing all examiners.

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Double Award
Foundation Tier 3462/3F

3462/3F Q1

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	circuit symbol for a lamp correct 	accept  accept any standard of drawing providing circuit would work	1
	circuit symbol for a cell correct 		1
	2 lamps drawn in parallel with 3 cells	polarity of cells must be correct (+ to –) but cells may be either way around	1
(b)	4.5		1
(c)	the same as	accept any clear indication of the correct answer	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q2

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	gas		1
(b)	fuel burning stations produce electricity at any time / all the time	accept fuel available all the time	1
	wind generator can only produce when the wind is strong enough	accept it's not always windy	1
(c)	no fuel is burnt **or** no fuel is used **or** uses only energy from wind **or** does not emit harmful gases / soot / smoke	do **not** accept wind is natural / environmentally friendly / renewable answer must be in terms of wind, **not** negative of fuel burning specific examples of gases CO_2, SO_2, acid rain and greenhouse gases can be accepted ozone negates credit	1
total			4

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q3

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	microwaves		1
(ii)	infra red		1
(iii)	ultrasonic		1
(b)(i)	B		1
(ii)	A		1
(c)	disturbance / vibration / movement direction	accept motion / force do **not** accept energy	1 1
(d)	sound wave	accept any clear indication of the correct answer	1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q4

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	heat		1
(ii)	temperature increases **or** (cause) convection (currents)	accept gets warmer accept gets hotter	1
(iii)	60% **or** 0.6	60 without % scores **1** mark 0.6 with a unit scores **1** mark 60 with incorrect unit scores **1** mark **or** correct substitution $\frac{120}{200}$ for **1** mark	2
(b)	street more (energy transferred as) light **or** less (energy transferred as) heat **or** useful energy output the highest	 can only score this mark if first mark scored all efficiencies calculated correctly score 2nd mark point	1 1
total			6

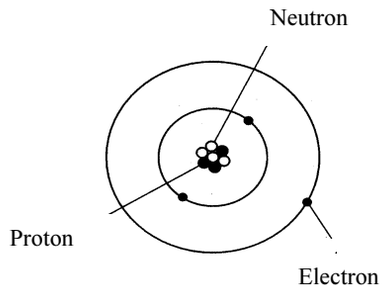
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q5

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	MN	accept 5.8, 8 seconds must include unit	1
(b)	LM	accept 0.8, 5.8 seconds must include unit	1
(c)(i)	0.8		1
(ii)	drinking alcohol		1
(d)	straight (by eye) line starting at 0.8 seconds		1
	line drawn steeper than LM starting before L	ignore lines going beyond 2 seconds but line must exceed 2.5 metres per second before terminating	1
total			6

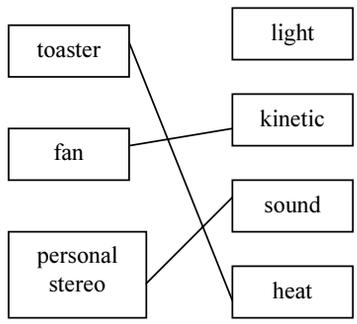
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q6

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	each correct label scores 1 mark  		3
(ii)	neutron		1
(iii)	7 number of protons and neutrons **or** number of nucleons **or** number of particles in the nucleus	 accept number of particles in the centre only if first answer = 7	1 1
(b)(i)	50 ± 5		1
(ii)	50 ± 5	accept their (b)(i)	1
(iii)	less	accept any way of indicating the correct answer	1
total			9

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q7

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	each correct line scores 1 mark  	if more than 3 lines are drawn mark incorrect ones first, to a maximum of 3 lines	3
(b)	toaster	accept 1.2 kW	1
(c)(i)	400		1
(ii)	£24 **or** 2400p	full credit for their (c)(i) × 6p for full credit the correct numerical answer must have the correct unit an answer of 24 or 2400 with no unit or the incorrect unit scores **1** mark (c)(i) × 6 incorrectly evaluated scores **1** mark	2
(d)	6	allow 6000 for **1** mark allow 3 × 2 for **1** mark	2
total			9

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q8

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	friction	accept any way of indicating the correct answer	1
(ii)	gravity	accept any way of indicating the correct answer	1
(b)(i)	accelerates **or** speed / velocity increases	accept faster and faster (**1** mark) do **not** accept faster pace / falls faster or suggestions of a greater but constant speed	1
	downwards / falls	accept towards the Earth / ground this may score in part (b)(ii) if it does not score here and there is no contradiction between the two parts	1
(ii)	constant speed / velocity **or** terminal velocity / speed **or** zero acceleration	stays in the same place negates credit	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q9

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	X – mantle		1
	Y – inner core	do **not** accept solid core	1
(ii)	different to the crust **or** contains a lot of (heavy) metals	accept iron and nickel for metals	1
	higher (average) density **or** denser	density higher than 5500 (kg/m^3) gets **2** marks	1
(b)	animals were able to move from one continent to the other		1
	(when bridge broke) animals evolved differently	accept animals adapted differently	1
(c)(i)	earthquakes occur at the boundary between plates **or** earthquakes occur where plates push against each other		1
	there are no plate boundaries running through Britain	accept Britain is not near the edge of a plate	1
(ii)	convection currents (in the mantle) **or** heat released by (natural) radioactive processes		1
total			9

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q10

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	outside the Earth **or** not from the Earth	accept alien accept life from / on another planet / space accept our planet for Earth	1
(ii)	radio telescope(s)	do **not** accept telescopes do **not** accept satellite dishes do **not** accept radio receivers **or** transmitters	1
(b)(i)	galaxies	do **not** accept stars	1
(ii)	any **one** from: the pulses were regular pulses from space are usually random (scientists) thought technology had been used to produce the pulses neutron stars were unknown signals from a single point	 accept signals / beats for pulses accept noise for random pulses idea of regular but not continuous	1
(iii)	neutron star is (the matter / mass) left behind after a star / red giant explodes (as a super nova)	 accept after a super nova (explosion) neutron star causing super nova gets no credit	1 1
(c)(i)	carried on the balloon / equipment	accept carried by a rocket / aircraft / satellite birds negates credit	1
(ii)	on comets or meteors	accept meteorites / shooting stars accept returning space craft accept solar wind ignore asteroids accept ufo do **not** accept solar flares do **not** accept satellites	1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q11

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	silver is a (good) reflector of heat (radiation) **or** silver reflects the heat (radiation)	fact heat = infra red ignore references to light accept shiny for silver good radiator negates the mark ignore references to good conductor do **not** accept bounce back	1
	less heat is lost through the board **or** more heat is retained by the shirt	explanation accept both sides of shirt heated reflects heat back up gets **1** mark only ignore mention of friction	1
(b)	metal soleplate	accept soleplate / bottom / metal do **not** accept outside / case	1
(c)	plastic **or** rubber	accept any named plastic do **not** accept wood	1
	it is a (good) insulator **or** it is a poor conductor	ignore mention of heat if in conjunction with electricity	1
(d)	**Quality of written communication** *The answer to this question requires ideas in good English in a sensible order with correct use of scientific terms. Quality of written communication should be considered in crediting points in the mark scheme.*	*Maximum of **2** marks if ideas not well expressed.*	
	pulls iron bolt down **or** attracts the iron bolt **or** moves bolt out of plunger	answers in terms of charges attracting or repelling gain no credit	1
	plunger pushed / moved to the right (by spring) **or** plunger released		1
	push switch opens / goes to off / goes to right	accept circuit is broken for maximum credit the points must follow a logical sequence 3 correct points but incorrect sequence scores **2** marks only ignore reset action	1
total			8

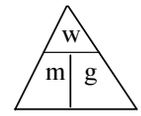
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q12

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	any **one** from: the ground the air radon (gas) building materials buildings rocks / granite food cosmic rays **or** solar rays X-rays nuclear weapons testing nuclear power stations / accidents	 do **not** accept mobile phones accept from outer space accept sun but **not** sunlight accept medical uses	1
(ii)	2	allow $\frac{1200}{60\times10}$ **or** $\frac{1200}{600}$ **or** 120 for **1** mark	2
(b)	 alpha: the count rate is (greatly) reduced by the card **or** the card absorbs alphas but not betas beta: the count rate is (greatly) reduced by the metal **or** the thin metal absorbs alphas and betas **or** the thin metal absorbs all of the radiation (from the source) gamma: would pass through the thin metal but count rate is background **or** no radiation passing through **or** a higher reading would be recorded **or** to reduce the count to 2 would require much more than 3 mm of metal	answers must be comparative accept converse answers throughout accept paper for the card accept aluminium for the metal accept aluminium for the metal accept lead / aluminium for the metal	 1 1 1
total			6

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q13

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	weight = mass × g.f.s.	accept w = m × g accept gravity for gfs accept  provided subsequent use of Δ correct do **not** accept N = kg × N/kg	1
(ii)	675	75 × 9 for **1** mark	2
(iii)	g.(f.s.) is higher (on Earth than Venus)	accept gravity for g.f.s. do **not** accept g.f.s. is lower unless answer states on Venus	1
(iv)	orbit time for Jupiter is <u>longer</u> / longest (than for the other planets)	do **not** give any credit for an answer that includes a comparison of diameter **or** a comparison of g.f.s.	1
(b)	**Quality of written communication** *The answer to this question requires ideas in good English in a sensible order with correct use of scientific terms. Quality of written communication should be considered in crediting points in the mark scheme.* any **two** from: dust <u>and</u> gas **or** remnants of a super nova pulled together by (force of) <u>gravity</u> nuclear fusion starts	*Maximum of **1** mark if ideas not well expressed.* accept hydrogen for dust and gas do **not** accept hydrogen burns although candidates may include more detail these points are essential to score the credit	2
total			7

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It must be stressed that a mark scheme is a working document, in many cases further developed and expanded on the basis of candidates' reactions to a particular paper. Assumptions about future mark schemes on the basis of one year's document should be avoided; whilst the guiding principles of assessment remain constant, details will change, depending on the content of a particular examination paper.

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Physics (Specification B)
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3451/F Q1

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	less than	accept any correct indication	1
(ii)	more than	accept any correct indication	1
(b)	any **two** from: stays above the same place above the equator one orbit takes 24 hours	 do **not** accept stays in the same place do **not** accept goes around equator unless qualified do **not** accept orbit at same speed as Earth do **not** accept orbit at a constant speed accept has same angular speed / velocity as Earth	2
total			4

3451/F Q2

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	comet		1
(b)	large group / number / collection of stars	ignore reference to planets accept millions of stars do **not** accept thousands of stars do **not** accept loads of stars	1
(c)	giant supernova neutron		1 1 1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q3

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	radio		1
(ii)	gamma	accept microwave accept infrared	1
(iii)	ultra violet		1
(iv)	microwaves		1
(b)	the same as		1
(c)	X-rays do not go through lead	references to gamma rays are incorrect accept lead protects them from the X-rays accept not exposed to X-rays	1
	lead stops / reduces risk of X-rays harming / damaging / killing (persons) <u>cells</u>	accept X-rays (may) cause cancer accept organs for cell do **not** accept references to electric shock do **not** accept stops bones of people showing on X-ray answers involving the horse wearing an apron are incorrect	1
	Quality of written communication	award for a sensible sequence of **two** points	1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q4

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	light electrical		1 1
(b)	15% **or** 0.15	correct substitution gains **1** mark only an answer of 15 with no unit **or** an incorrect unit gains **1** mark an answer of 0.15 given with a unit gains **1** mark	2
(c)	the ticket machine is a long way from other electricity supplies		1
(d)	any figure between 5 and 10 inclusive	unit not required but if given must match numerical answer	1
total			6

3451/F Q5

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	radon (gas)	do **not** accept gas	1
(ii)	background		1
(b)	bigger	accept any word which means bigger	1
(c)	**Z** alpha will not pass through aluminium or lead	if Z is not given, the reason does not score accept alpha cannot go through metals / dense material accept there is nothing to stop the radiation accept alpha will not pass through aluminium do **not** accept alpha will not pass through lead do **not** accept alpha stopped by air	1 1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q6

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	loses negative charge / electrons	do **not** accept positive charge transfers to the comb do **not** accept friction	1
(b)	**A** attract		1
	B repel		1
	C attract		1
(c)	**F A D E**	allow **2** marks for 2 letters in the correct place allow **1** mark for 1 letter in the correct place	3
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q7

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	all points correctly plotted	tolerance ± $\frac{1}{2}$ square on y axis only allow **1** mark for 3 correctly plotted points	2
	attempt made to draw a smooth curve	do **not** accept dot-to-dot line	1
(b)(i)	3 days ± 0.2 **or** any value correctly obtained using their graph line	if no line drawn in (a), answer must be exactly 3	1
(ii)	3 days or their (b)(i)		1
(c)	radon-222	accept radon **or** 222 accept alpha or 3.8 correct isotope required for reason to score	1
	has the shortest half-life	accept the others have longer half-lives	1
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q8

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	fossils of Cynognathus are found in Africa and South America		1
	the shapes ……. almost fit together	only two boxes should be ticked deduct **1** mark for each additional box to a minimum mark of **0**	1
(b)	continental		1
	crust		1
	tectonic		1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q9

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	capacitor LDR relay (normally open)	accept condenser **or** light dependent resistor accept 'ldr', 'Ldr' etc. do **not** accept 'relay normally closed'	1 1 1
(b)(i)	battery	accept '(battery of) cells' do **not** accept 'battery / cell'	1
(ii)	LED	**or** light emitting diode accept 'led' or 'Led' do **not** accept just 'diode'	1
(iii)	B will light (but C will not)	accept '(only) B will work' accept 'one is on the other is off' do **not** accept 'C is on and B is off'	1
(iv)	any **one** from: B is connected the right way round (and C is not) a (light emitting) diode only allows (a significant) current to flow in one direction B's anode is connected to the positive side of the supply B's cathode is connected to the negative terminal	N.B. the candidate's answer to part (b)(iii) may include this mark but do **not** credit if the response to part (b)(iii) is incorrect or there is any other contradiction if (iv) is completely consistent with (iii) which is wrong, allow **1** mark	1
(c)(i)	first input / second input / output 0 / 0 / **0** 1 / 0 / **0** 0 / 1 / **0** 1 / 1 / **1**	**all** correct allow: OFF NO OFF NO OFF NO ON YES	1
(ii)	truth (table)		1

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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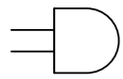
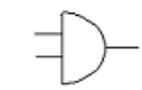
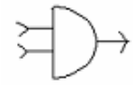
(iii)		a Roman upper case D in any orientation without contacts is acceptable but if contacts are shown do **not** give the mark if there is any ambiguity or contradiction allow  	1
(d)	light sensor	**or** light dependent resistor **or** LDR accept 'ldr', Ldr' etc allow solar cell, photo cell	1
	NOT gate	accept 'Not gate' **or** 'not gate' if both correct but in the wrong order credit with **1** mark	1
total			12

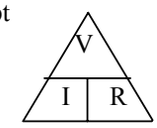
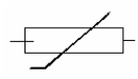
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q10

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	rays continued to meet on the right hand side of the lens and beyond	must be straight lines from the right hand side of the lens ignore details through the lens allow if no arrows	1
	meet exactly on the axis	negate mark if contradictory arrow(s) added do not need to go beyond the focus for this mark	1
(ii)	(principal) focus	**or** focal (point)	1
(iii)	converging	**or** convex	1
(b)(i)	**A**		1
(ii)	rays seem to come from this point	**or** words to this effect **or** shows this on the diagram	1
(iii)	diverging	**or** concave	1
(c)	film	accept any unambiguous method of showing the correct response	1
	smaller than		1
	further away from		1
(d)	any **three** from: • real image can be put on a screen • virtual image cannot be put on a screen / film • virtual image is imaginary • real image is formed where (real) rays cross / converge • virtual image is where virtual / imaginary rays (seem to) come from • virtual image formed where virtual rays intersect / cross	allow film allow real image has light travelling through it **or** virtual image is where rays seem to come from	3
total			13

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q11

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	$A_1 = 0.5$	ignore any units	1
	$A_4 = 0.5$	allow **1** mark for $A_1 = A_4 \neq 0.5$	1
(ii)	the resistance of **P** is more than 20 Ω		1
	a smaller current goes through P / A_2 (than 20 Ω)	dependent on getting 1st mark correct accept converse	1
(b)(i)	potential difference = current × resistance	accept pd / voltage for potential difference accept V = I × R, correct symbols and correct case only accept volts = amps × ohms accept  provided subsequent method is correct allow combination of physical quantities and named units allow voltage = I × R	1
(ii)	6	allow **1** mark for correct substitution	2
(iii)	6	accept their (b)(ii)	1
(c)	thermistor or 	accept correct circuit symbol allow phonetic spelling	1
	resistance goes down (as temperature of thermistor goes up)	do **not** accept changes for goes down do **not** accept an answer in terms of current only answers in terms of other components are incorrect	1
total			10

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q12

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	larger the distance, greater the time	accept 'they are proportional' accept converse	1
(ii)	any value between 6 and 9 years inclusive		1
(b)(i)	carbon dioxide		1
(ii)	(Venus) has high**er** temperature (than Mercury)	accept has the high**est** temperature accept Venus is hotter / hottest do **not** accept has a high / very high temperature	1
	(Venus) further from the Sun than Mercury	accept 'Venus is not the closest planet to the Sun' answer in terms of greenhouse effect only, scores **0** marks	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q13

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	20		1
(ii)	convection		1
(iii)	fit draughtproof strips	accept lay carpet accept fit curtains accept close doors / windows / curtains accept any reasonable suggestion for reducing a draught 'double glazing' alone is insufficient	1
(b)	air is (a good) insulator **or** air is a poor conductor	accept air cavity / 'it' for air	1
	reducing heat transfer by <u>conduction</u>	accept stops for reduces ignore convection do **not** accept radiation do **not** accept answers in terms of heat being trapped	1
(c)(i)	most cost effective	accept it is cheaper or low<u>est</u> cost accept shortest payback time accept in terms of reducing heat loss by the largest amount do **not** accept it is easier ignore most heat is lost through the roof	1
(ii)	4		1
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q14

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	constant speed	do **not** accept normal speed do **not** accept it is stopped / stationary	1
	in a straight line	accept any appropriate reference to a direction constant velocity gains **2** marks 'not accelerating' gains **2** marks terminal velocity alone gets **1** mark	1
(ii)	goes down owtte	accept motorbike (it) slows down	1
(b)(i)	20 (m/s)	ignore incorrect units	1
(ii)	acceleration = change in velocity / time (taken)	do **not** accept velocity for change in velocity accept change in speed accept $a = \frac{v-u}{t}$ **or** $a = \frac{v_1 - v_2}{t}$ **or** $a = \frac{\Delta v}{t}$ do **not** accept $a = \frac{v}{t}$	1
(iii)	4 **or** their (b)(i) ÷ 5	allow **1** mark for correct substitution	2
	m/s^2	m/s/s **or** ms^{-2} **or** metres per second squared **or** metres per second per second	1
(c)	vehicle may skid / slide	loss of control / brakes lock / wheels lock accept greater stopping distance **or** difficult to stop	1
	due to reduced friction (between tyre(s) and road)	accept due to less grip do **not** accept no friction	1

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(d)	any **three** from: • <u>increased</u> speed • <u>reduced</u> braking force • <u>slower</u> (driver) reactions • <u>poor</u> vehicle maintenance • <u>increased</u> mass / weight of vehicle • <u>poor</u> road surface • <u>more</u> streamlined	do **not** accept night time / poor vision N.B. specific answers may **each** gain credit eg tiredness (1), drinking alcohol (1), using drugs (1), driver distracted (1) etc specific examples may **each** gain credit eg worn brakes or worn tyres etc accept large mass / weight of vehicle if candidates give three answers that affect stopping distance but not specific to <u>increase</u> award **1** mark only	3
total			13

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q15

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	arrow from centre of the ball **and** at right angles to the string **and** in the correct direction	arrow should point to the student's belt accept free-hand 'straight' line do **not** accept curved line	1
(ii)	increase increase increase	accept 'be stronger / bigger' accept 'be stronger / bigger' accept 'be stronger / bigger'	1 1 1
(b)	speed velocity direction	all **three** correct any two correct for **1** mark otherwise **0** marks	2
(c)(i)	centripetal	accept 'centripedal' and other minor misspellings do **not** accept anything which could be 'centrifugal'	1
(ii)	gravity	accept 'weight' accept 'force of attraction due to mass(es) (of the Moon and the Earth)'	1
(iii)	electron(s)		1
(iv)	electrostatic	accept 'electrical' do **not** accept just 'centripetal'	1
total			10

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q16

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	**X** at the centre of the lifebelt	measuring from the centre of **X**, allow 2 mm tolerance in any direction	1
(ii)	any **two** from: below the point of suspension at the centre (of the lifebelt) (because) the lifebelt / it is symmetrical	if X is on vertical line below the hanger (but not at centre) can gain the first point only accept '(vertically) below **Y**' accept 'in the middle' **or** (because) the mass / weight is evenly distributed	2
(b)	Nm **or** newton metre(s) 750	accept Newton metre(s) do **not** accept any ambiguity in the symbol ie NM, nM or nm (moment) = force × (perpendicular) distance (between line of action and pivot) **or** (moment) = 500 × 1.5 gains **1** mark	1 2
(c)	**Quality of written communication**: any **three** connected points from: low(er) <u>centre of mass / gravity</u> (more) <u>stable</u> less likely to fall over the <u>turning effect / moment</u> (of the weight of case) is less so the pull on her arm is less	for **2** of the underlined terms used in the correct context **or** <u>centre of mass / gravity</u> will be close(r) to the wheels / axle / ground **or** less <u>unstable</u> accept 'less likely to overturn' do **not** accept 'will not fall over' **or** so less effort is needed to hold the case ignore references to pulling the case	1 3
total			10

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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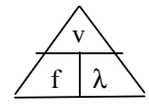
3451/F Q17

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	any **two** from: • **amplitude** decreasing • **wavelength** increasing • **frequency** decreasing **Quality of written communication**	accept siren / sound getting quieter do **not** accept sound decreases accept pitch decreasing ignore reference to transverse wave ignore reference to speed contradictory statements within each point lose the mark all emboldened terms in candidate's answer used correctly	2 1
(b)(i)	ultrasound **or** ultrasonic		1
(ii)	wave speed = frequency × wavelength	accept speed / velocity for wave speed accept $v = f \times \lambda$ do **not** accept w for λ do **not** accept s for v accept  provided subsequent calculation shows a correct method	1
(iii)	339.2 **or** 340 **or** 339	allow **1** mark for using 212 000 allow **1** mark for correct substitution an answer of 0.3392 **or** 0.34 **or** 0.339 gains **1** mark only award full credit for a correct numerical answer with the unit changed to km/s	3
total			8

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3462/3F Q1

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	less than	accept any correct indication	1
(ii)	more than	accept any correct indication	1
(b)	any **two** from: stays above the same place above the equator one orbit takes 24 hours	 do **not** accept stays in the same place do **not** accept goes around equator unless qualified do **not** accept orbit at same speed as Earth do **not** accept orbit at a constant speed accept has same angular speed / velocity as Earth	2
total			4

3462/ 3F Q2

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	comet		1
(b)	large group / number / collection of stars	ignore reference to planets accept millions of stars do **not** accept thousands of stars do **not** accept loads of stars	1
(c)	giant supernova neutron		1 1 1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q3

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	radio		1
(ii)	gamma	accept microwave accept infrared	1
(iii)	ultra violet		1
(iv)	microwaves		1
(b)	the same as		1
(c)	**Quality of written communication**	award for a sensible sequence of **two** points	1
	X-rays do not go through lead	accept lead protects them from the X-rays accept not exposed to X-rays	1
	lead stops / reduces risk of X-rays harming / damaging / killing (persons) <u>cells</u>	accept X-rays (may) cause cancer accept organs for cell do **not** accept references to electric shock do **not** accept stops bones of people showing on X-ray answers involving the horse wearing an apron are incorrect references to gamma rays are incorrect	1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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3462/3F Q4

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	light electrical		1 1
(b)	15% **or** 0.15	correct substitution gains **1** mark only an answer of 15 with no unit **or** an incorrect unit gains **1** mark an answer of 0.15 given with a unit gains **1** mark	2
(c)	the ticket machine is a long way from other electricity supplies		1
(d)	any figure between 5 and 10 inclusive	unit not required but if given must match numerical answer	1
total			6

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q5

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	radon (gas)	do **not** accept gas	1
(ii)	background		1
(b)	bigger	accept any word which means bigger	1
(c)	**Z** alpha will not pass through aluminium or lead	if Z is not given, the reason does not score accept alpha cannot go through metals / dense material accept there is nothing to stop the radiation accept alpha will not pass through aluminium do **not** accept alpha will not pass through lead do **not** accept alpha stopped by air	1 1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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3462/3F Q6

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	loses negative charge / electrons	do **not** accept positive charge transfers to the comb do **not** accept friction	1
(b)	**A** attract		1
	B repel		1
	C attract		1
(c)	**F A D E**	allow **2** marks for 2 letters in the correct place allow **1** mark for 1 letter in the correct place	3
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q7

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	all points correctly plotted	tolerance ± $\frac{1}{2}$ square on y axis only allow **1** mark for 3 correctly plotted points	2
	attempt made to draw a smooth curve	do **not** accept dot-to-dot line	1
(b)(i)	3 days ± 0.2 **or** any value correctly obtained using their graph line	if no line drawn in (a), answer must be exactly 3	1
(ii)	3 days or their (b)(i)		1
(c)	radon-222	accept radon **or** 222 accept alpha or 3.8 correct isotope required for reason to score	1
	has the shortest <u>half-life</u>	accept the others have longer <u>half-lives</u>	1
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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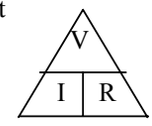
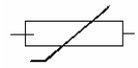
3462/3F Q8

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	fossils of Cynognathus are found in Africa and South America		1
	the shapes ……. almost fit together	only two boxes should be ticked deduct **1** mark for each additional box to a minimum mark of **0**	1
(b)	continental		1
	crust		1
	tectonic		1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q9

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	$A_1 = 0.5$	ignore any units	1
	$A_4 = 0.5$	allow **1** mark for $A_1 = A_4 \neq 0.5$	1
(ii)	the resistance of **P** is more than 20 Ω		1
	a smaller current goes through P / A_2 (than 20 Ω)	dependent on getting 1st mark correct accept converse	1
(b)(i)	potential difference = current × resistance	accept pd / voltage for potential difference accept V = I × R, correct symbols and correct case only accept volts = amps × ohms accept  provided subsequent method is correct allow combination of physical quantities and named units allow voltage = I × R	1
(ii)	6	allow **1** mark for correct substitution	2
(iii)	6	accept their (b)(ii)	1
(c)	thermistor or 	accept correct circuit symbol allow phonetic spelling	1
	resistance goes down (as temperature of thermistor goes up)	do **not** accept changes for goes down do **not** accept an answer in terms of current only answers in terms of other components are incorrect	1
total			10

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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3462/3F Q10

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	larger the distance, greater the time	accept 'they are proportional' accept converse	1
(ii)	any value between 6 and 9 years inclusive		1
(b)(i)	carbon dioxide		1
(ii)	(Venus) has high**er** temperature (than Mercury)	accept has the high**est** temperature accept Venus is hotter / hottest do **not** accept has a high / very high temperature	1
	(Venus) further from the Sun than Mercury	accept 'Venus is not the closest planet to the Sun' answer in terms of greenhouse effect only, scores **0** marks	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q11

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	20		1
(ii)	convection		1
(iii)	fit draughtproof strips	accept lay carpet accept fit curtains accept close doors / windows / curtains accept any reasonable suggestion for reducing a draught 'double glazing' alone is insufficient	1
(b)	air is (a good) insulator **or** air is a poor conductor	accept air cavity / 'it' for air	1
	reducing heat transfer by <u>conduction</u>	accept stops for reduces ignore convection do **not** accept radiation do **not** accept answers in terms of heat being trapped	1
(c)(i)	most cost effective	accept it is cheaper or low<u>est</u> cost accept shortest payback time accept in terms of reducing heat loss by the largest amount do **not** accept it is easier ignore most heat is lost through the roof	1
(ii)	4		1
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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3462/3F Q12

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	<u>constant</u> speed	do **not** accept normal speed do **not** accept it is stopped / stationary	1
	in a straight line	accept any appropriate reference to a direction constant velocity gains **2** marks 'not accelerating' gains **2** marks terminal velocity alone gets **1** mark	1
(ii)	goes down owtte	accept motorbike (it) slows down	1
(b)(i)	20 (m/s)	ignore incorrect units	1
(ii)	acceleration = <u>change in velocity</u> time (taken)	do **not** accept velocity for change in velocity accept change in speed accept $a = \frac{v-u}{t}$ **or** $a = \frac{v_1 - v_2}{t}$ **or** a = $\frac{\Delta v}{t}$ do **not** accept $a = \frac{v}{t}$	1
(iii)	4 **or** their (b)(i) ÷ 5	allow **1** mark for correct substitution	2
	m/s^2	m/s/s **or** ms^{-2} **or** metres per second squared **or** metres per second per second	1
(c)	vehicle may skid / slide	loss of control / brakes lock / wheels lock accept greater stopping distance **or** difficult to stop	1
	due to reduced friction (between tyre(s) and road)	accept due to less grip do **not** accept <u>no</u> friction	1

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(d)	any **three** from: • <u>increased</u> speed • <u>reduced</u> braking force • <u>slower</u> (driver) reactions • <u>poor</u> vehicle maintenance • <u>increased</u> mass / weight of vehicle • <u>poor</u> road surface • <u>more</u> streamlined	do **not** accept night time / poor vision NB specific answers may **each** gain credit eg tiredness (1), drinking alcohol (1), using drugs (1), driver distracted (1) etc specific examples may **each** gain credit eg worn brakes or worn tyres etc accept large mass / weight of vehicle if candidates give three answers that affect stopping distance but not specific to <u>increase</u> award **1** mark only	3
total			13

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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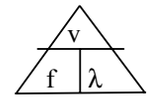
3462/3F Q13

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	**Quality of written communication**	all emboldened terms in candidate's answer used correctly	1
	any **two** from: • **amplitude** decreasing • **wavelength** increasing • **frequency** decreasing	accept siren / sound getting quieter do **not** accept sound decreases accept pitch decreasing ignore reference to transverse wave ignore reference to speed contradictory statements within each point lose the mark	2
(b)(i)	ultrasound **or** ultrasonic		1
(ii)	wave speed = frequency × wavelength	accept speed / velocity for wave speed accept $v = f \times \lambda$ do **not** accept w for λ do **not** accept s for v accept  provided subsequent calculation shows a correct method	1
(iii)	339.2 **or** 340 **or** 339	allow **1** mark for using 212 000 allow **1** mark for correct substitution an answer of 0.3392 **or** 0.34 **or** 0.339 gains **1** mark only award full credit for a correct numerical answer with the unit changed to km/s	3
total			8

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Physics (Specification B)
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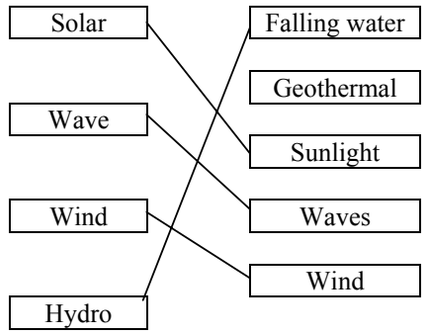
3451/F Q1

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	4 correct lines drawn  	**1** mark for each correct line if more than 4 lines are drawn mark incorrect ones first. Mark only 4 lines	4
(b)	4		1
(c)(i)	nuclear		1
(ii)	(natural) gas	do **not** accept natural	1
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q2

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	ultra violet		1
(ii)	kill the cells	accept destroys the cells accept makes cells cancerous accept damage cells accept harms cells accept changes DNA accept cause cells to mutate accept skin cells for cells accept cause cancer do **not** accept skin for cells do **not** accept burns the cells	1
(b)(i)	the sunbed uses an alternating current (a.c.) supply		1
(ii)	10.8	accept **1** mark for correct substitution of power in W or kW and time in hours or seconds	2
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q3

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	M		1
(ii)	K		1
(iii)	J		1
(iv)	O		1
(b)(i)	billions of years		1
(ii)	red giant	any answer in terms of explosion or supernova is **incorrect**	1
	contracts / shrinks to	incorrect reference to black hole negates **1** mark	1
	white dwarf		1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q4

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	A and C	**both** answers must be correct in either order	1
(ii)	A and B	**both** answers must be correct in either order	1
(iii)	same number of protons plus neutrons **or** same number of nucleons	accept number of particles in nucleus the same do **not** accept they add up to 6 unless qualified	1
(b)(i)	any **two** from: • boron - 12 • carbon - 14 • oxygen - 15 • lead - 209	**both** required both name **and** number must be given	1
(ii)	any **two** from: • boron - 11 • carbon - 12 • oxygen - 16 • lead - 207	**both** required both name **and** number must be given	1
(c)	alpha		1
total			6

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q5

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	(good) insulator	accept does not conduct (electricity) accept does not conduct heat or electricity do **not** accept does not conduct heat outside is tough is insufficient	1
(b)	fuse		1
(c)	connect the green and yellow / earth wire swap the brown and blue wires round	accept wires must be connected to screws	1 1
total			4

3451/F Q6

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	fossils water	answers can be in either order	1 1
(b)	increased		1
(c)	radio telescope		1
total			4

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q7

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	electrical		1
	kinetic	accept movement	1
(ii)	heat	answers can be in either order	1
	sound		1
(b)(i)	360	accept **1** mark for correct substitution	2
(ii)	watt		1
(c)	the stairlift is not moving the stairlift is moving at constant speed	**both** answers are required for the mark	1
total			8

3451/F Q8

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	(up) further **or** (up) faster	any reference to downwards movement loses credit accept <u>with</u> more force accept motion would increase	1
(ii)	down	accept the opposite way accept drop	1
(b)(i)	direct current		1
(ii)	Z		1
total			4

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q9

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	level of radiation (detected) will not change	ignore reference to particles	1
	if thickness of aluminium changes	accept for **both** marks a specific example eg if the aluminium gets thicker the level of radiation detected stays the same. accept for **1** mark gamma will pass through aluminium	1
	QoWC for 2 points in a sensible sequence		1
(b)	S W T V	all in correct order accept **2** marks for 2 correct accept **1** mark for 1 correct	3
total			6

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q10

<table>
<tr><th>question</th><th>answers</th><th>extra information</th><th>mark</th></tr>
<tr><td>(a)</td><td>thermistor(s)
LDR(s)
switch(es)
LED(s)
buzzer(s)
motor(s)</td><td>1 mark each
or light dependent resistor(s)
or light emitting diode(s)</td><td>6</td></tr>
<tr><td>(b)(i)</td><td><table><tr><th>1st input</th><th>2nd input</th><th>Output</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr></table></td><td>all correct</td><td>1</td></tr>
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<tr><td>(c)(i)</td><td></td><td>do not credit any attempt which could equally well be a poorly drawn attempt at the symbol for a cell</td><td>1</td></tr>
<tr><td>(ii)</td><td>charge

increases</td><td>accept ‘electrons’
accept ‘energy
or gets bigger/larger</td><td>1

1</td></tr>
<tr><td>total</td><td></td><td></td><td>12</td></tr>
</table>

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q11

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	A		1
(ii)	B		1
(iii)	mass is larger	credit if the response is clear by some other means e.g. it is ringed	1
	wire is shorter	credit if the response is clear by some other means e.g. it is ringed	1
(b)	moment		1
	distance		1
(c)(i)	1		1
(ii)	5		1
(iii)	any **two** from • remove slotted mass(es) • slide (slotted) masses / weights nearer pivot • slide forcemeter away from the pivot • slide rod to the left	 **or** ….. to the left **or** ….. to the right **or** …. so that the slotted masses side is shorter **or** …. so that the forcemeter side is longer	2
(d)	centre of the rectangle	accept *2*mm tolerance any direction	1
	centre of the circle	accept *2*mm tolerance any direction	1
	on centre line and 10mm above base	accept *2*mm tolerance any direction	1
total			13

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q12

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	0.05 (A)	ignore incorrect units if given accept 'the same' / 'the same as K' / 'the same as the other ammeter' do **not** accept 'same as the other meter'	1
(b)(i)	any **two** from: • two cells are joined + to + • some of the cells potential difference is across the diode / ammeters / wires **or** the pd of the cells is shared by all components • the other components have a resistance • cells not fully charged **or** cells partially run down • cells have an internal resistance	 answers in terms of current gain no marks accept one cell in the wrong way accept two cells are joined back-to-back accept two cells are joined – to – accept battery for cell do **not** accept answers in terms of all the cells or in terms of energy only accept voltage for pd do **not** accept using up pd accept a named component / components / wire has a resistance do **not** accept voltage of cells is less than 1.5 unless explained do **not** accept cells are not as powerful unless explained	2
(ii)	the diode has a (very) high resistance (in the reverse direction) a diode only conducts / allows current to flow in one direction	 accept little / no current flows do **not** accept blocks / cuts flow	1 1

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q12

question	answers	extra information	mark
(c)	**QoWC** for the use of the word resistance	annotate Q✓ Q✗ accept resistant	1
	accept increase / change / decrease throughout question but a contradiction loses **one** mark with change as neutral		
	as the pd / current increases / changes	accept voltage for pd must be correctly linked to at least one of the following points accept	1
	the temperature of the filament increases / changes	lamp / bulb for filament accept filament becomes hotter	1
	increasing / changing the **resistance** of the lamp		1
		accept for **1** mark only the filament lamp does not obey Ohm's law	
total			9

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q13

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	0.5		1
	hertz	accept Hz but **not** HZ / hz / hZ accept (waves) per second **or** / sec **or** / s **or** s^{-1} **or** sec^{-1}	1
(b)	any **one** from: • any named part of the electromagnetic spectrum • S – waves / secondary waves • wave on a rope	 do **not** accept seismic waves / earthquake do **not** accept slinky unless clearly described	1
(c)	transverse – disturbance / vibration is perpendicular to the direction of energy transfer / wave travel	accept a correctly labelled diagram	1
	longitudinal – disturbance / vibration is parallel to the direction of energy transfer / wave travel	accept a correctly labelled diagram part explanation of the difference between transverse **and** longitudinal gains **1** mark	1
(d)(i)	TIR shown	needs to stay inside water jet ignore number of reflections **or** arrow heads lines straight by eye	1
(ii)	bigger than	any indication of correct answer	1
total			7

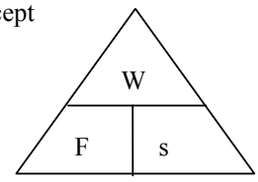
4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q14

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	W		1
	has only two states **or** is either on or off	accept discrete values only do **not** credit answer purely in terms of shape	1
(b)	any **one** from:		1
	• higher quality	accept clearer do **not** accept easier to read ignore faster accept <u>less</u> distortion **or** <u>less</u> weakening of signal strength do **not** accept no distortion / weakening on its own	
	• increased carrying capacity	accept more information can be sent **or** more channels	
	• errors can be rectified		
total			3

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q15

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	all points plotted accurately	accept **1** mark for 5 correct plots ± ½ small square on stopping distance	2
	line of best fit must be continuous	accept attempt at a reasonable curve does not need to go through 0 0 do **not** accept a straight line do **not** accept dot-to-dot	1
(ii)	4 to 6 (metres)	accept ecf from (a)(i) accept **1** mark for value taken correctly from graph at 25mph **or** correct method shown	2
(b)(i)	0.7 (s)	incorrect unit = 0 marks	1
(ii)	constant speed / velocity	accept (continued as) 30mph accept did not change / stayed the same accept no acceleration	1
(iii)	3.3(s)	penalise incorrect unit once only	1
(iv)	reaction time <u>increases</u> / is <u>longer</u> **or** thinking distance <u>increases</u>	do **not** accept reaction time slower **or** reactions are slower	1
	stopping distance / it <u>increases</u>	do **not** accept travels at constant speed for longer	1
(c)(i)	work done = force (applied) × distance (moved)	accept W = F × s or W = F × d accept  provided subsequent method is correct	1

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q15

question	answers	extra information	mark
(ii) **E**	2100	accept 2.1 kilo accept **1** mark for using 7000 N	2
(iii)	2100 (joules)	accept their (c)(ii)	1
total			14

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q16

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	refraction		1
(ii)	it changes speed **or** change in density	accept it speeds up do **not** accept it slows down do **not** accept air is more dense than glass	1
(b)(i)	sound / waves <u>diffract</u> through the gap (in the wall) **or** over the wall **or** because the gate is open	do **not** accept reflection this only scores if first marking point is given accept for **1** mark only sound / waves go through the gap and <u>spread out</u> **or** diagram showing wave fronts spreading out from open gates if diagram is labelled as diffraction both marks can be scored	1 1
(ii)	less diffraction	accept no diffraction accept gates <u>absorb</u> sound / noise / waves accept gates <u>reflect</u> sound / noise / waves do **not** accept rebounds / stops / blocks out	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q17

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	both rays brought to a focus at F on the right	do **not** have to be continued beyond F	1
	lines have been drawn **accurately** with a ruler	only credit if 1st mark credited do **not** credit if contradictory arrow(s) added	1
(b)	rays seem to come from a focus at G on the left and continued to the right of the lens	this mark is for the current idea of divergence	1
	lines have been drawn **accurately** with a ruler	only credit if 1st mark credited do **not** credit if contradictory arrow(s) added	1
(c)	…lens… …image… …object… …image… ...object… …lens…	lens as 1st and 6th words (1) image and object in the correct order 2nd and 3rd words (1) image and object in correct order 4th and 5th words (1)	max 3
(d)(i)	correct statement about real image real rays intersect / cross to form a real image **or** a real image can be formed on a screen **or** real image is (always) on the opposite side (of the lens) **or** real image is (always) upside down (to the object)	may be credited from a correct diagram	1
	correct statement about virtual / imaginary image virtual / imaginary rays intersect / cross to form a virtual image **or** a virtual / imaginary image cannot **or** virtual / imaginary image is (always) on the same side (of the lens) **or** virtual / imaginary image is (always) same way up (as the object)	may be credited from a correct diagram	1

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q17

question	answers	extra information	mark
(ii)	**either** image needs to fall on / affect the film **or** image needs to fall on / affect the light sensors / charged coupled devices (CCDs) (in a digital camera / mobile phone) **or** image needs to cause a chemical reaction (in / on the film)		1
total			10

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3451/F Q18

<table>
<tr><th>question</th><th>answers</th><th>extra information</th><th>mark</th></tr>
<tr><td>(a)</td><td>AND (gate)

OR (gate)

NOT (gate)

LED or light emitting diode</td><td>accept ‘and’

accept ‘or’

accept ‘not’ or invert gate

accept ‘led’</td><td>1

1

1

1</td></tr>
<tr><td>(b)(i)</td><td>NOT (gate) and AND (gate)</td><td>both in either order or ‘(the) gates’

any additions lose the mark</td><td>1</td></tr>
<tr><td>(ii)</td><td><table><tr><th>Switch for fire</th><th>Tilt switch</th><th>Signal to relay</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>…0…</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>…0…</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>…1…</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>…0…</td></tr></table></td><td>all correct

allow off or no
off no
on yes
off no</td><td>1</td></tr>
<tr><td>(iii)</td><td>(relay) acts as / is a switch

either
small current from the electronic / control circuit / system (1)

large current through the output / (electric) fire (1)

or

full current through electronic control system (1)

may damage components / lead to overheating / electric shock (1)

QoWC for correct use of the scientific term ‘current’</td><td>accept implication that it works as a switch e.g. ‘turns on fire’

or ‘small current through the coil (of the relay)’

do not accept small current is turned into a large current

annotate Q✓ Q×

if answer in terms of voltage isolation / voltage/ p.d. accept QoWC mark for correct use</td><td>1

1

1

1</td></tr>
<tr><td>total</td><td></td><td></td><td>10</td></tr>
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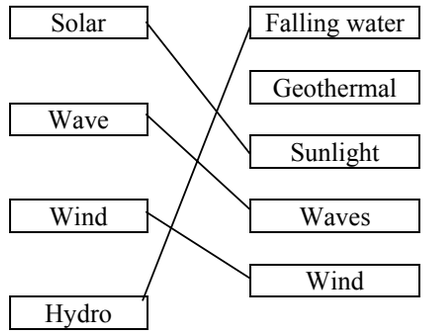
3462/3F Q1

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	4 correct lines drawn  	**1** mark for each correct line if more than 4 lines are drawn mark incorrect ones first. Mark only 4 lines	4
(b)	4		1
(c)(i)	nuclear		1
(ii)	(natural) gas	do **not** accept natural	1
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q2

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	ultra violet		1
(ii)	kill the cells	accept destroys the cells accept makes cells cancerous accept damage cells accept harms cells accept changes DNA accept cause cells to mutate accept skin cells for cells accept cause cancer do **not** accept skin for cells do **not** accept burns the cells	1
(b)(i)	the sunbed uses an alternating current (a.c.) supply		1
(ii)	10.8	accept **1** mark for correct substitution of power in W or kW <u>and</u> time in hours or seconds	2
total			5

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3462/3F Q3

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	M		1
(ii)	K		1
(iii)	J		1
(iv)	O		1
(b)(i)	billions of years		1
(ii)	red giant	any answer in terms of explosion or supernova is **incorrect**	1
	contracts / shrinks to	incorrect reference to black hole negates **1** mark	1
	white dwarf		1
total			8

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q4

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	A and C	**both** answers must be correct in either order	1
(ii)	A and B	**both** answers must be correct in either order	1
(iii)	same number of protons plus neutrons **or** same number of nucleons	accept number of particles in nucleus the same do **not** accept they add up to 6 unless qualified	1
(b)(i)	any **two** from: • boron - 12 • carbon - 14 • oxygen - 15 • lead - 209	**both** required both name **and** number must be given	1
(ii)	any **two** from: • boron - 11 • carbon - 12 • oxygen - 16 • lead - 207	**both** required both name **and** number must be given	1
(c)	alpha		1
total			6

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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3462/3F Q5

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	(good) insulator	accept does not conduct (electricity) accept does not conduct heat or electricity do **not** accept does not conduct heat outside is tough is insufficient	1
(b)	fuse		1
(c)	connect the green and yellow / earth wire	accept wires must be connected to screws	1
	swap the brown and blue wires round		1
total			4

3462/3F Q6

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	fossils	answers can be in either order	1
	water		1
(b)	increased		1
(c)	radio telescope		1
total			4

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q7

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	electrical		1
	kinetic	accept movement	1
(ii)	heat	answers can be in either order	1
	sound		1
(b)(i)	360	accept **1** mark for correct substitution	2
(ii)	watt		1
(c)	the stairlift is not moving the stairlift is moving at constant speed	**both** answers are required for the mark	1
total			8

3462/3F Q8

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	(up) further **or** (up) faster	any reference to downwards movement loses credit accept <u>with</u> more force accept motion would increase	1
(ii)	down	accept the opposite way accept drop	1
(b)(i)	direct current		1
(ii)	Z		1
total			4

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3462/3F Q9

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	level of radiation (detected) will not change	ignore reference to particles	1
	if thickness of aluminium changes	accept for **both** marks a specific example eg if the aluminium gets thicker the level of radiation detected stays the same. accept for **1** mark gamma will pass through aluminium	1
	QoWC for 2 points in a sensible sequence		1
(b)	S W T V	all in correct order accept **2** marks for 2 correct accept **1** mark for 1 correct	3
total			6

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q10

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	0.05 (A)	ignore incorrect units if given accept 'the same' / 'the same as K' / 'the same as the other ammeter' do **not** accept 'same as the other meter'	1
(b)(i)	any **two** from: • two cells are joined + to +	answers in terms of current gain no marks accept one cell in the wrong way accept two cells are joined back-to-back accept two cells are joined – to – accept battery for cell do **not** accept answers in terms of all the cells or in terms of energy only	2
	• some of the cells potential difference is across the diode / ammeters / wires **or** the pd of the cells is shared by all components	accept voltage for pd do **not** accept using up pd	
	• the other components have a resistance	accept a named component / components / wire has a resistance	
	• cells not fully charged **or** cells partially run down	do **not** accept voltage of cells is less than 1.5 unless explained do **not** accept cells are not as powerful unless explained	
	• cells have an internal resistance		
(ii)	the diode has a (very) high resistance (in the reverse direction)		1
	a diode only conducts / allows current to flow in one direction	accept little / no current flows do **not** accept blocks / cuts flow	1

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Science: Double Award (Co-ordinated) – AQA GCSE Mark Scheme, 2006 June series

3462/3F Q10

question	answers	extra information	mark
(c)	**QoWC** for the use of the word resistance	annotate Q✓ Q✗ accept resistant	1
	accept increase / change / decrease throughout question but a contradiction loses **one** mark with change as neutral		
	as the pd / current increases / changes	accept voltage for pd must be correctly linked to at least one of the following points accept	1
	the temperature of the filament increases / changes	lamp / bulb for filament accept filament becomes hotter	1
	increasing / changing the **resistance** of the lamp	accept for **1** mark only the filament lamp does not obey Ohm's law	1
total			9

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q11

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	0.5		1
	hertz	accept Hz but **not** HZ / hz / hZ accept (waves) per second **or** / sec **or** / s **or** s^{-1} **or** sec^{-1}	1
(b)	any **one** from: • any named part of the electromagnetic spectrum • S – waves / secondary waves • wave on a rope	 do **not** accept seismic waves / earthquake do **not** accept slinky unless clearly described	1
(c)	transverse – disturbance / vibration is perpendicular to the direction of energy transfer / wave travel	accept a correctly labelled diagram	1
	longitudinal – disturbance / vibration is parallel to the direction of energy transfer / wave travel	accept a correctly labelled diagram part explanation of the difference between transverse **and** longitudinal gains **1** mark	1
(d)(i)	TIR shown	needs to stay inside water jet ignore number of reflections **or** arrow heads lines straight by eye	1
(ii)	bigger than	any indication of correct answer	1
total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

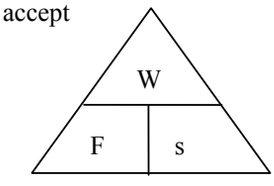
Science: Double Award (Co-ordinated) – AQA GCSE Mark Scheme, 2006 June series

3462/3F Q12

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)	W		1
	has only two states **or** is either on or off	accept discrete values only do **not** credit answer purely in terms of shape	1
(b)	any **one** from:		1
	• higher quality	accept clearer do **not** accept easier to read ignore faster accept <u>less</u> distortion **or** <u>less</u> weakening of signal strength do **not** accept no distortion / weakening on its own	
	• increased carrying capacity	accept more information can be sent **or** more channels	
	• errors can be rectified		
total			3

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

3462/3F Q13

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	all points plotted accurately	accept **1** mark for 5 correct plots ± ½ small square on stopping distance	2
	line of best fit must be continuous	accept attempt at a reasonable curve does not need to go through 0 0 do **not** accept a straight line do **not** accept dot-to-dot	1
(ii)	4 to 6 (metres)	accept ecf from (a)(i) accept **1** mark for value taken correctly from graph at 25mph **or** correct method shown	2
(b)(i)	0.7 (s)	incorrect unit = 0 marks	1
(ii)	constant speed / velocity	accept (continued as) 30mph accept did not change / stayed the same accept no acceleration	1
(iii)	3.3(s)	penalise incorrect unit once only	1
(iv)	reaction time increases / is longer **or** thinking distance increases	do **not** accept reaction time slower **or** reactions are slower	1
	stopping distance / it increases	do **not** accept travels at constant speed for longer	1
(c)(i)	work done = force (applied) × distance (moved)	accept W = F × s or W = F × d accept  provided subsequent method is correct	1
(ii)	2100	accept 2.1 kilo accept **1** mark for using 7000 N	2
(iii)	2100 (joules)	accept their (c)(ii)	1
total			14

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Science: Double Award (Co-ordinated) – AQA GCSE Mark Scheme, 2006 June series

3462/3F Q14

question	answers	extra information	mark
(a)(i)	refraction		1
(ii)	it changes speed **or** change in density	accept it speeds up do **not** accept it slows down do **not** accept air is more dense than glass	1
(b)(i)	sound / waves <u>diffract</u> through the gap (in the wall) **or** over the wall **or** because the gate is open	do **not** accept reflection this only scores if first marking point is given accept for **1** mark only sound / waves go through the gap and <u>spread out</u> **or** diagram showing wave fronts spreading out from open gates if diagram is labelled as diffraction both marks can be scored	1 1
(ii)	less diffraction	accept no diffraction accept gates <u>absorb</u> sound / noise / waves accept gates <u>reflect</u> sound / noise / waves do **not** accept rebounds / stops / blocks out	1
total			5

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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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 Assessment Objectives and specification content that each question is intended to cover.

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 bullet points 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.

2.4 Any wording that is underlined is essential for the marking point to be awarded.

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which students 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 errors / 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)

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

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

Student	Response	Marks awarded
1	Neptune, Mars, Moon	1
2	Neptune, Sun, Mars, Moon	0

3.2 Use of chemical symbols / formulae

If a student 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, 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 or by each stage of a longer calculation.

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 is 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.

3.8 Accept / allow

Accept is used to indicate an equivalent answer to that given on the left-hand side of the mark scheme. Allow is used to denote lower-level responses that just gain credit.

3.9 Ignore / Insufficient / Do not allow

Ignore of insufficient is used when the information given is irrelevant to the question or not enough to gain the marking point. Any further correct amplification could gain the marking point.

Do **not** allow means that this is a wrong answer which, even if the correct answer is given, will still mean that the mark is not awarded.

4. Quality of Communication and levels marking

In Question **2(b)** students are required to produce extended written material in English, and will be assessed on the quality of their communication as well as the standard of the scientific response.

Students will be required to:
- use good English
- organise information clearly
- use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

The following general criteria should be used to assign marks to a level:

Level 1: basic
- Knowledge of basic information
- Simple understanding
- The answer is poorly organised, with almost no specialist terms and their use demonstrating a general lack of understanding of their meaning, little or no detail
- The spelling, punctuation and grammar are very weak.

Level 2: clear
- Knowledge of accurate information
- Clear understanding
- The answer has some structure and organisation, use of specialist terms has been attempted but not always accurately, some detail is given
- There is reasonable accuracy in spelling, punctuation and grammar, although there may still be some errors.

Level 3: detailed
- Knowledge of accurate information appropriately contextualised
- Detailed understanding, supported by relevant evidence and examples
- Answer is coherent and in an organised, logical sequence, containing a wide range of appropriate or relevant specialist terms used accurately.
- The answer shows almost faultless spelling, punctuation and grammar.

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

MARK SCHEME – GCSE SCIENCE A / PHYSICS – PH1HP– JUNE 2016

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
1(a)	frequency		1	AO1 1.5.3b
1(b)	echo(es)		1	AO1 1.5.3c
1(c)	spreading (out) equal to	changing direction is insufficient moving apart is insufficient bending is insufficient accept: similar to same (order of magnitude) as slightly smaller than slightly larger than	1 1	AO1 1.5.1g
1(d)	340 (m/s)	allow **1** mark for correct substitution ie 25 000 x 0.0136 provided no subsequent step **or** allow **1** mark for a correct calculation showing an incorrect value from conversion to hertz x 0.0136 an answer of 0.34 gains **1** mark	2	AO2 1.5.1j
1(e)	(a wave where the) oscillations are parallel to the direction of energy transfer causing (areas of) compression and rarefaction	both marking points may appear as labels on a diagram accept vibrations for oscillations accept in same direction as for parallel to allow direction of wave (motion) for direction of energy transfer accept correct description in terms of particles mechanical wave is insufficient needs a medium to travel through is insufficient	 1 1	AO1 1.5.1b
Total			8	

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

MARK SCHEME – GCSE SCIENCE A / PHYSICS – PH1HP– JUNE 2016

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
2(a)	any **one** from: • high cost of installing overhead power lines or underground cables or pylons • high cost as (very) long cables needed • amount of electricity required is too low	allow not enough (surplus) electricity would be generated	1	AO1 1.4.1e

Question 2 continues on the next page . . .

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
2(b)	Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response. Examiners should also refer to the information on page 5 and apply a 'best-fit' approach to the marking.		6	3 AO1 2 AO2 1 AO3 1.4.1b

0 marks	Level 1 (1-2 marks)	Level 2 (3-4 marks)	Level 3 (5-6 marks)
No relevant information	at least **one** advantage **or one** disadvantage of either method	at least **one** advantage **and one** disadvantage is stated for **one** method **and** a different advantage **or** disadvantage is stated for the other method	clear comparison of advantages **and** disadvantages of **each** method

examples of physics points made in the response	extra information
Advantages of both methods:	
• both renewable sources of energy	
• both have no fuel (cost)	accept carbon neutral
• both have very small (allow 'no') running costs	accept no greenhouse gases
• no carbon dioxide produced	accept doesn't contribute to global warming
Advantages of wind:	
• higher average power output	produces more energy is insufficient
Advantages of hydroelectric:	
• constant / reliable power (output)	
• lower (installation) cost	
Disadvantages of wind:	
• higher (installation) cost	
• variable / unreliable power output	
• (may) kill birds / bats	
Disadvantages of hydroelectric:	
• lower power output	
• (may) kill fish or (may) damage habitats	
• more difficult to set up (within river)	
Disadvantages of both methods	
• (may be) noisy	
• visual pollution	ignore payback time unless no other relevant points made ignore time to build for both

Total			7

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
3(a)	a proportion / percentage of the energy is wasted	allow heat for energy allow some energy is wasted	1	AO2 1.2.1b 1.2.1c
	(wasted) energy is transferred to surroundings **or** energy is needed to heat pan (before food is heated)		1	
3(b)	(fins have a) large(r) surface area	accept fins increase the surface area	1	AO1 1.1.1c 1.1.1e 1.1.3c
	(black metal surface is a) good / better absorber of infrared radiation	allow 'heat' or 'energy' for infrared radiation ignore good emitter of infrared radiation not a good reflector is insufficient	1	
3(c)	the higher the temperature (of the saucepan) the greater the rate at which infrared radiation is emitted	accept converse answer allow the higher the temperature the more infrared radiation is emitted allow there is a positive correlation	1	AO2 1.1.1b
Total			**5**	

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
4(a)(i)	**use of infrared:** remote controls fibre optic (communications) **use of microwaves:** mobile/cell phones satellite (communications/TV) wi-fi Bluetooth	 accept mobiles accept phone signals	1 1	AO1 1.5.1k
4(a)(ii)	any **two** from • same speed **or** travel at the speed of light (in a vacuum) • transverse • transfer energy (from one place to another) • can be reflected • can be refracted • can be diffracted • can be absorbed / transmitted • can travel through a vacuum/space • can be polarised	 accept a full description of a transverse wave travels in straight lines is insufficient	2	AO1 1.5.1c 1.5.1d 1.5.1e 1.5.1g
4(b)(i)	Cosmic Microwave Background (Radiation)	accept CMBR	1	AO1 1.5.4d
4(b)(ii)	 the Big Bang (theory) predicted the existence of CMBR **or** only the Big Bang (theory) supports the existence of CMBR	allow microwave radiation for CMBR throughout allow it supports / proves the Big Bang (theory) accept CMBR disproved other theories, eg steady state	 1	AO1 1.5.4e
Total			**6**	

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
5(a)	no particles (in a vacuum) (so) no / reduced conduction and no / reduced convection	 both energy transfer methods needed for the mark	1 1	AO1 1.1.3a
5(b)(i)	78 (°C)	allow **2** marks for correct temperature change ie 22 ˚C allow **1** mark for correct substitution ie 46 200 = 0.5 x 4200 x θ **or** $\frac{46200}{0.5\times4200}=\theta$	3	AO2 1.1.4d
5(b)(ii)	6.4 (W)	allow **2** marks for an answer that rounds to 6.4 allow **1** mark for correct substitution ie 46 200 = P x 7200 an answer of 23 000 or 23 100 or 385 gains 1 mark	2	AO2 1.3.1c
Total			**7**	

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
6(a)	any **two** from: • cost per kWh is lower (than all other energy resources) • infrastructure for nuclear power already exists • more reliable (than renewable energy resources)	allow it is cheaper ignore fuel cost ignore energy released per kg of nuclear fuel accept cost of setting up renewable energy resources is high accept many renewable power stations would be needed to replace one nuclear power station accept (France in 2011 already had a) surplus of nuclear energy, so less need to develop more renewable capacity for increased demand in the future accept France benefits economically from selling electricity accept (nuclear) fuel is readily available ignore destruction of habitats for renewables	2	AO1 AO2 1.4
6(b)	any **two** from: • non-renewable • high decommissioning costs • produces radioactive / nuclear waste • long start-up time • nuclear accidents have widespread implications	allow nuclear fuel is running out accept high commissioning costs allow waste has a long half-life allow for nuclear accident a named nuclear accident eg Fukushima, Chernobyl ignore visual pollution	2	AO1 1.4.1f

Question 6 continues on the next page . . .

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

MARK SCHEME – GCSE SCIENCE A / PHYSICS – PH1HP– JUNE 2016

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
6(c)	0.48 (kW)	allow **1** mark for correct substitution ie 0.15 = P / 3.2 an answer of 480 W gains **2** marks an answer of 48 or 480 scores **1** mark	2	AO2 1.2.1d
6(d)	the higher the efficiency, the higher the cost (per m^2 to manufacture)	accept a specific numerical example	1	AO2 AO3 1.4.1c
	more electricity could be generated for the same (manufacturing) cost using lower efficiency solar panels **or** (reducing the cost) allows more solar panels to be bought	accept a specific numerical example	1	
Total			**8**	

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

MARK SCHEME – GCSE SCIENCE A / PHYSICS – PH1HP– JUNE 2016

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
7(a)	surface area **or** duration of experiment	accept shape of beaker size of beaker is insufficient	1	AO3 1.1.3b
7(b)	any **two** from: • takes readings automatically • takes readings more frequently • reduces / no instrument reading error • higher resolution • don't need to remove probe to take reading • more accurate	ignore easier **or** takes readings for you ignore human error allow better resolution	2	AO3 1.1.3
7(c)(i)	0.07 (°C/s)	allow **1** mark for obtaining a temperature drop of 7(ºC) allow **1** mark for an answer between 0.068 and 0.069 (°C/s)	2	AO2 1.1.3d
7(c)(ii)	rate of temperature change is greater at the start **or** rate of temperature change decreases	accept rate of evaporation is greater at the start allow rate of evaporation decreases allow temperature decreases faster at the start	1	AO3 1.1.3b

Question 7 continues on the next page . . .

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
7(c)(iii)	A lower temperature decrease (over 200 seconds)	reason only scores if A is chosen accept lower gradient	 1	AO3 1.1.3b
7(c)(iv)	no effect (as rate of evaporation is unchanged)	allow larger temperature change (per second as mass of liquid is lower)	1	AO3 1.1.3b
7(d)	particles with more energy leave the (surface of the) liquid (which) reduces the average (kinetic) energy (of the remaining particles)	accept particles with higher speeds allow reference to the total energy of the liquid reducing	1 1 1	AO1 1.1.3b
Total			**11**	

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

MARK SCHEME – GCSE SCIENCE A / PHYSICS – PH1HP– JUNE 2016

Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
8(a)	any **two** factors: • surface area (of mug in contact with cup warmer) • thickness of mug • temperature of heater / coffee • power of the heater	 accept temperature difference (between heater and coffee) accept power of the laptop ignore efficiency of the heater	2	AO3 1.1.3c
8(b)	 atoms (gain kinetic energy and) vibrate faster / more energy is passed on from atom to atom by collision	allow particles / molecules for atoms allow bigger / faster vibrations do not accept start to vibrate accept vibrations for energy an answer in terms of free electrons scores zero	 1 1	AO1 1.1.3a
8(c)	 the particles spread out (so) coffee becomes less dense (so) the heated coffee rises (and) cooler / denser coffee falls	allow fluid / liquid / water for coffee throughout answer allow particles move further apart allow (coffee) expands particles rise is insufficient particles fall is insufficient	 1 1 1 1	AO1 1.1.3a
Total			**8**	

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 24 · Examiner comments

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Question 9 (Standard and standard/high and high demand)

09.1 Just over 80% of the students correctly chose ‘chicken’.

09.2 Just over 60% of the students gave the correct answer.

09.3 Whilst only just over 7% of the students gave the correct value of 0.025 m as their final answer, there were a whole host of alternative wrong answers that gained at least one mark. Many students did not appear to realise that the distance between the pulses showed the time taken for the ultrasound to travel to the crack in the aluminium and back; others appeared to misinterpret the third pulse as the crack in the aluminium and not the edge of the block. A significant proportion of the students made no attempt to give their calculated answer to 2 significant figures.

09.4 Only just over 13% of the students were able to give the function of a microphone. Most incorrect answers were in terms of amplifying sound. Some answers referred to converting sound into a current but did not indicate that the current would be varying.

09.5 Nearly half of the students scored zero or did not attempt the question. Only around 3% of the students gave a clear, complete and correct answer. The idea that the sound waves would cause the diaphragm and coil to vibrate was often given but so were vague terms such as ‘moves’. Many students described the motor effect, starting with a current and eventually producing sound from the diaphragm. There were also answers that included referred to spinning coils, electromagnets, split-ring commutators, reversing magnetic fields and occasionally primary and secondary coils.

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 25 · Examiner comments — November 2020 | 8463/2H | Original Q6

Question 6 (Standard and standard/high and high demand)

06.1 The majority of the students were able to convert MHz to Hz correctly. A large number of the students did not know the unit of wavelength with the symbol 'λ' being a common incorrect answer.

06.2 Only 3% of students were able to write a complete answer to this question. Many of the students described the final movement of the car rather than what happens in the electrical circuit. A significant number of the students thought that absorbing radio waves would result in sound being produced. Some of the students realised that there would be a current in the aerial but used terms such as 'produce a current' and 'produce an electrical signal' which were insufficient for credit to be awarded.

06.3 The most frequent correct answer was to state that radio waves are transverse and sound waves are longitudinal. Another popular correct answer was the idea of radio waves being able to travel through a vacuum / space. Comparisons of wavelength / frequency did not gain any marks due to the overlapping range of wavelength and frequency of radio waves and sound waves.

06.4 83% of students correctly described the motion of the car during the first 30 seconds.

06.5 The majority of the students knew how to calculate velocity from a straight line graph but failed to realise the significance of the curved line. Those few students that drew an appropriate tangent to the line at 20s generally went on to score all four marks.

06.6 Whilst 25% of the students gained all six marks for this calculation, a significant number of the remaining students gained partial credit for clearly showing the working out, part of which was correct.

06.7 There were very few complete and correct answers to this question. A significant number of the students correctly referred to air resistance increasing with speed but then went on to state that air resistance becomes equal to speed. It was common for answers to be in terms of real cars, the effect of speed on braking distances or the likely increase in accidents.

Answer 26 · Examiner comments — November 2021 | 8463/2H | Original Q8

Question 8

Very few of the students had any idea how a moving-coil loudspeaker works to produce a sound. Generally answers were partially explaining how electric motors, generators or microphones worked. In part **08.3** few of the students scored both marks with 60% scoring no marks. The most frequently seen incorrect answers were to do with lack of data, no repeats or loudness being in arbitrary units.

4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

Answer 27 · Examiner comments — June 2023 | 8463/2H | Original Q4

04.1

31% of students gained this mark. Many students responded with a selection of random Physics terms.

04.2

74% of students recognised the direction of the magnetic field.

Answer 27 · Examiner comments — June 2023 | 8463/2H | Original Q4

04.3

51% of students knew what an induced magnet is. Responses sometimes confused magnets and magnetic materials. Most correct answers were to do with placing a material into a field to become a magnet, compared with removing the material from the field.

04.4

88% of students knew that it is the motor effect that causes the coil to move..

04.5

46% of students scored all 4 marks for this calculation. There were a wide variety of incorrect conversions of mA, which gained 3 out of the 4 marks.

04.6

Most students were able to make generic statements about how age and environment affect hearing. 35% of students were able to use the data in the graph to support their statements. Some responses just gave information about person A, B and C, without any comparisons. Students did not use the patterns in the graph to back up conclusions. There was some confusion over sensitivity, and a number tried to explain the variables to the extent that the response became incorrect. Examples of this included saying that a higher minimum sound level shows better hearing.
A proportion of the responses mentioned ideas about being "used to a loud sound" so "could hear loud sounds better" and younger people not having had the experience of a full range of frequencies due to their age. Alternatively, the idea that being in a quiet environment means you can only hear quiet sounds was another misunderstanding which was often seen.

Answer 28 · Examiner comments

08.1

Just under 50% of students were able to identify this as the generator effect. Common errors were ‘motor effect’ or ‘motor and generator effect’.

08.2

Well answered for a normally difficult topic about the generator effect. 8% of students scored all 3 marks and 37% gained at least 1 mark. Many failed to explain that the wire was cutting the magnetic field lines or thought there was already a current in the wire.

08.3

80% of students were able to work out which way the ammeter needle would deflect.

08.4

The students' understanding of the operation of a microphone was often good, although some did describe the operation of a speaker. Knowledge of the term 'inducing' was widespread although many students failed to appreciate that an alternating current was induced in the circuit. Some students did not appreciate the longitudinal nature of sound waves and described oscillations in the wrong direction as a result. Most students attempted this item, although a thorough knowledge and understanding of the principles was not always evident in their answers. Only 4% achieved full marks, but 49% scored at least one mark.

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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4.6.1.4 Sound waves (physics only) (HT only)

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1.1

Almost all responses gained marks, with the majority being awarded 2 or 3 marks.

The most common differences were for a comparison of speed, transverse and longitudinal, and whether each type of wave could travel through a vacuum.

Students struggled giving a completely correct definition of transverse and longitudinal, but this wasn't needed if they had already stated whether each was transverse or longitudinal. Some did get these the wrong way round, but they knew the terms.

A few quoted the speeds of each type of wave correctly. Again, this wasn't required if they had given the correct comparison of speed.

Whilst a lot of students knew that light was an electromagnetic wave, very few knew that sound was mechanical. Stating that sound is not an electromagnetic wave or that light is was enough to be counted as a comparison.

Approximately 50 % of the students scored 3 marks or less because they did not identify any similarity and so gave a level 1 response, regardless of giving many differences.

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The most common similarity given was that both transferred energy; however some students did include the extra similarities of both waves being reflected, refracted, transmitted and absorbed.

Simply stating that light can be seen and sound heard was insufficient.

A number of responses included other information about how each type of wave was detected and how each could be used medically, which was not the focus of the question.

1.2

Almost all of the students identified the correct equation linking distance, speed and time.

1.3

A straightforward substitution, rearrangement and evaluation to calculate the time was completed successfully by almost all of the students. A few examples of incorrect rearrangement resulted in an answer of 0.025. Many students adopted good practice and showed both the substitution and rearrangement stages.