

### **Cambridge International A Level**

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY
Paper 3
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### Cambridge International A Level – Mark Scheme

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#### **Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

#### GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:**

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

#### GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

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### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:**

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:**

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Section A			
Part A – Pr	oduct Design		
1(a)	<ul> <li>suitable material:</li> <li>abs/polypropylene/acrylic/HIPS/GRP</li> <li>beech, maple, ash or attractive grain hardwood</li> <li>aluminium alloy, stainless steel</li> <li>reasons:</li> <li>can be manufactured to required shape</li> <li>will look attractive on table</li> <li>any other reason appropriate to material choice</li> </ul>	3	

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Question	Answ	er	Marks	Guidance
1(b)	quality of description:	4–7 0–3 up to 2	9	Dependant on material chosen —  Laminated prepare former cut hardwood veneers glue veneers, cramp in former when set, shape, drill and finish  Steam bent suitable hardwood, ash, beech or maple cut to size steam hardwood for required time bend using former shape and finish  Thermoforming ABS, polypropylene, HIPS, acrylic cut to shape, drill or securely drill after thermoforming thermoform using former polished finish  Forming metal Aluminium, stainless steel cut to shape drilled or drill after forming form using former or bending jig finish.

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(c)	explanation could include:  change in process; change in materials; use of templates, jigs, formers, moulds; simplification of design.  quality of explanation: logical, structured limited detail, quality of sketches up to 2	8	

Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
2	<ul> <li>limited range</li> <li>quality of explanation</li> <li>logical, structured</li> </ul>	en g methods -8 -3 -8 -3	20	Seating for outdoor public spaces  cost to community  encourage community spirit  could encourage gatherings/noise  visual impact  safety and reliability  Drinking straws  reusable or sustainable resources  litter  material choice determines manufacturing method  cost implications  Shopping bags  necessity  material choice/environmental concerns  reusable or limited life  advertising feature

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Question	Answ	er	Marks	Guidance
3(a)	description of process     fully detailed, all/most stages     some detail, quality of sketches	3–5 0–2 up to 2 2×7	14	Using fluidised bed (powder)  air is blown through the powder from the bottom of the fluidising bed  plate rack preheated to suit the thickness of material and dipped into the bed  plastic melts and coats the surface  when sufficient thickness achieved remove and allow to cool, check the finish  Using liquid vinyl (plastisol)  plate rack cleaned and preheated  dipped into liquid vinyl, the hotter the heating of the plate rack and the length of time in the dip determines the thickness of coating.  remove from dip, cool and check the finish.  Cross halving joint prepare pieces of wood to size Mark out position and depth of joint Cut on waste side of line one each piece Use chisel with mallet to remove waste  Turn piece in the vice to chisel from other side and cut to depth Test joint – adjust- fit

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(a)			Drawing  • place copper rod in machine  • taper (draw down) the end of rod to fit into first die  • secure end of tapered rod  • heat along join until correct temperature  • apply welding rod  • leave to cool to pull through die to reduce Diameter  • use required number of dies to achieve desired diameter
3(b)	dip coating	6	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Part B – Pr	actical Technology	,	
4(a)	Description could include:  • strength benefits  • weight  • production methods  • streamlining/aesthetics  quality of description  • fully detailed, logical, well structured. 8–10  • some detail, structured 4–7  • limited detail, 1–3  • no creditable response 0	10	Aluminium alloy Lightweight, not too expensive, relatively easy to manufacture, can suffer stress cracks, difficult to repair.  Carbon fibre Can be moulded into any shape, expensive, tough, lightweight  Steel Modern production has lighter frames than the heavier older versions, easy to manufacture, less expensive, easily repaired  Titanium Exceptionally strong and light, difficult to machine and weld, very expensive
4(b)	explanation could include:  • specific manufacturing processes  • how are they faster  • comparisons with former methods  quality of explanation:  • detailed, logical, structured 5–8  • limited detail, 0–4  valid example well described and referenced 2	10	Detailed reference to processes such as injection moulding, laser cutting and 3D printing, die casting

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5(a)	input devices could be  mouse  joystick  graphics tablet  output devices could be  printer/plotter  CNC machine  screen/monitor  2 × 2	4	
5(b)	quality of explanation: for each correct device  • detailed, logical, structured 3–4  • limited detail, 0–2  4 × 4	16	For each, detailed description of device and how they are used in the designing and making for full marks.

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	discussion could include:  types of products that are self-assembled  skills required  transporting products  customisation  cost benefits  examples/evidence could be  specific reference to self-assembled products  specific appropriate self-assembly methods  problems encountered	20	Implications to manufacturer reduced storage requirement reduced manufacturing processes predominantly automated, reduced workforce, use of standardised parts/components  Implications to consumer easier to take home self-assembled gives some a greater feeling of ownership ability to customise cost benefits
	examination of issues  • wide range of relevant issues 4–8  • limited range 0–3  quality of explanation  • logical, structured 4–8  • limited detail, 0–3		
	supporting examples/evidence 4		

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Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance			
Part C – G	Part C – Graphic Products						
7	correct drawing/scale window door sink, sink unit and mirror cabinet bath shower tray overall line quality	2 2 1 4 2 4 3 2	20				

Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
8(a)	appropriate set up of tables 2 appropriate set up of display boards 2 appropriate circulation of visitors 2 protection of equipment 2 Quality of communication up to 2 for of	elear communication	10	
8(b)	appropriate symbol clearly drawn basic outline of symbol	3–4 0–2	4	
8(c)	quality of description:  • fully detailed all/most stages described  • some detail,	4–6 0–3	6	could be:  inkjet or laser printed include details of master copy checked in preview, quality of print and folding template/method  photocopied include details of high-quality master copy, photocopy print quality and set up, and folding template/method

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Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance
9	discussion could include:  specifics of roles of engineers and architects structural safety aesthetic qualities legislative issues response to needs of individuals/community  examples/evidence could be specific reference to engineers/architects specific reference to their work/buildings/structures public/personal reaction		20	
	<ul> <li>examination of issues</li> <li>wide range of relevant issues</li> <li>limited range</li> <li>quality of explanation</li> <li>logical, structured</li> <li>limited detail,</li> <li>supporting examples / evidence</li> </ul>	4-8 0-3 4-8 0-3		

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Section B			
10,11 and 12	Analysis Analysis of the given situation/problem. [0–5]	80	
	Detailed written specification of the design requirements.  At least five specification points other than those given in the question.  [0–5]		
	Exploration  B Bold sketches and brief notes to show exploration of ideas for a design solution, with reasons for selection. range of ideas [0–5] annotation related to specification [0–5] marketability, innovation [0–5] evaluation of ideas, selection leading to development [0–5] communication [0–5]		
	Development Bold sketches and notes showing the development, reasoning and composition of ideas into a single design proposal. Details of materials, constructional and other relevant technical details. developments reasoning [0–5] materials constructional detail communication [0–7]		
	Proposed solution Produce drawing/s of an appropriate kind to show the complete solution. proposed solution details/dimensions  [0-10] [0-5]		
	Evaluation Written evaluation of the final design solution. [0–5]		

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