

Q1.

1 (a)	work done in bringing/moving unit massM1 from infinity to the point..... A1 (use of 1 kg in the definition – max 1/2)	[2]
(b)	potential at infinity defined as being zero..... B1 forces are always attractive..... B1 so work got out in moving to point..... B1 (max potential is at infinity – allow 1/3)	[3]
(c) (i)	$\phi = -GM/R$ change = $6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24} \times \{(6.4 \times 10^6)^{-1} - \{1.94 \times 10^7\}^{-1}\}$ C2 change = $4.19 \times 10^7 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$ (ignore sign) A1	
(ii)	$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = m\Delta\phi$ C1 $v^2 = 2 \times 4.19 \times 10^7 = 8.38 \times 10^7$ $v = 9150 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ A1	[5]
(d)	acceleration is not constant..... B1	[1]

Q2.

3 (a) (i)	(force) = $GM_1M_2/(R_1 + R_2)^2$	B1	
(ii)	(force) = $M_1R_1\omega^2$ or $M_2R_2\omega^2$	B1	[2]
(b)	$\omega = 2\pi/(1.26 \times 10^8)$ or $2\pi/T$ $= 4.99 \times 10^{-8} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ allow 2 s.f.: $1.59\pi \times 10^{-8}$ scores 1/2	C1 A1	[2]
(c) (i)	reference to either taking moments (about C) or same (centripetal) force $M_1R_1 = M_2R_2$ or $M_1R_1\omega^2 = M_2R_2\omega^2$ hence $M_1/M_2 = R_2/R_1$	B1 B1 A0	[2]
(ii)	$R_2 = 3/4 \times 3.2 \times 10^{11} \text{ m} = 2.4 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$ $R_1 = (3.2 \times 10^{11}) - R_2 = 8.0 \times 10^{10} \text{ m}$ (allow vice versa) if values are both wrong but have ratio of four to three, then allow 1/2	A1 A1	[2]
(d) (i)	$M_2 = \{(R_1 + R_2)^2 \times R_1 \times \omega^2\} / G$ (any subject for equation) $= (3.2 \times 10^{11})^2 \times 8.0 \times 10^{10} \times (4.99 \times 10^{-8})^2 / (6.67 \times 10^{-11})$ $= 3.06 \times 10^{29} \text{ kg}$	C1 C1 A1	
(ii)	less massive (only award this mark if reasonable attempt at (i)) ($9.17 \times 10^{29} \text{ kg}$ for more massive star)	B1	[4]
	Total		[12]

Q3.

- 1 (a) (i) angular speed = $2\pi/T$ C1
 $= 2\pi/(3.2 \times 10^7)$
 $= 1.96 \times 10^{-7} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ A1 [2]
- (ii) force = $mr\omega^2$ or force = mv^2/r and $v = r\omega$ C1
 $= 6.0 \times 10^{24} \times 1.5 \times 10^{11} \times (1.96 \times 10^{-7})^2$
 $= 3.46 \times 10^{22} \text{ N}$ A1 [2]
- (b) (i) gravitation/gravity/gravitational field (strength) B1 [1]
- (ii) $F = GMm/x^2$ or $GM = r^3\omega^2$ C1
 $3.46 \times 10^{22} = (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times M \times 6.0 \times 10^{24})/(1.5 \times 10^{11})^2$ C1
 $M = 1.95 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ A1 [3]

Q4.

- 1 (a) centripetal force is provided by gravitational force B1
 $mv^2/r = GMm/r^2$ B1
hence $v = \sqrt{GM/r}$ A0 [2]
- (b) (i) $E_K (= \frac{1}{2}mv^2) = GMm/2r$ B1 [1]
- (ii) $E_P = -GMm/r$ B1 [1]
- (iii) $E_T = -GMm/r + GMm/2r$ C1
 $= -GMm/2r$ A1 [2]
- (c) (i) if E_T decreases then $-GMm/2r$ becomes more negative
or $GMm/2r$ becomes larger
so r decreases M1
A1 [2]
- (ii) $E_K = GMm/2r$ and r decreases
so (E_K and) v increases M1
A1 [2]

Q5.

- 1 (a) (region of space) where a mass experiences a force B1 [1]
- (b) (i) potential energy = $(-GMm/x)$ C1
 $\Delta E_P = GMm/2R - GMm/3R$ M1
 $= GMm/6R$ A0 [2]
- (ii) $E_K = \frac{1}{2}m(7600^2 - 7320^2)$ M1
 $= (2.09 \times 10^6)m$ A0 [1]
- (c) (i) $2.09 \times 10^6 = (6.67 \times 10^{-11} M)/(6 \times 3.4 \times 10^6)$ C1
 $M = 6.39 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg}$ A1 [2]
- (ii) e.g. no energy dissipated due to friction with atmosphere/air
rocket is outside atmosphere
not influenced by another planet etc. B1 [1]

Q6.

- 1 (a) force per unit mass (*ratio idea essential*) B1 [1]
- (b) $g = GM / R^2$ C1
 $8.6 \times (0.6 \times 10^7)^2 = M \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ C1
 $M = 4.6 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ A1 [3]
- (c) (i) *either* potential decreases as distance from planet decreases
or potential zero at infinity and X is closer to zero
or potential $\propto -1/r$ and Y more negative
so point Y is closer to planet. M1
A1 [2]
- (ii) idea of $\Delta\phi = \frac{1}{2}v^2$ C1
 $(6.8 - 5.3) \times 10^7 = \frac{1}{2}v^2$
 $v = 5.5 \times 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ A1 [2]

Q7.

- 1 (a) work done moving unit mass M1
from infinity to the point A1 [2]
- (b) (i) at R, $\phi = 6.3 \times 10^7 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$ (allow $\pm 0.1 \times 10^7$) B1
 $\phi = GM / R$
 $6.3 \times 10^7 = (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times M) / (6.4 \times 10^6)$ C1
 $M = 6.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ (allow 5.95 \rightarrow 6.14) A1 [3]
Maximum of 2/3 for any value chosen for ϕ not at R
- (ii) change in potential = $2.1 \times 10^7 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$ (allow $\pm 0.1 \times 10^7$) C1
loss in potential energy = gain in kinetic energy B1
 $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \phi m$ or $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = GM / 3R$ C1
 $\frac{1}{2}v^2 = 2.1 \times 10^7$
 $v = 6.5 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (allow 6.3 \rightarrow 6.6) A1 [4]
(answer $7.9 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$, based on $x = 2R$, allow max 3 marks)
- (iii) e.g. speed / velocity / acceleration would be greater B1
deviates / bends from straight path B1 [2]
(any sensible ideas, 1 each, max 2)

Q8.

- 1 (a) (i) force proportional to product of masses B1
force inversely proportional to square of separation B1 [2]
- (ii) separation much greater than radius / diameter of Sun / planet B1 [1]
- (b) (i) e.g. force or field strength $\propto 1 / r^2$
potential $\propto 1 / r$ B1 [1]
- (ii) e.g. gravitational force (always) attractive B1
electric force attractive or repulsive B1 [2]

Q9.

- 1 (a) region (of space) where a particle / body experiences a force B1 [1]
- (b) similarity: e.g. force $\propto 1 / r^2$
 potential $\propto 1 / r$ B1 [1]
- difference: e.g. gravitation force (always) attractive B1
 electric force attractive or repulsive B1 [2]
- (c) either ratio is $Q_1 Q_2 / 4\pi\epsilon_0 m_1 m_2 G$ C1
 $= (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2 / 4\pi \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times (1.67 \times 10^{-27})^2 \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ C1
 $= 1.2 \times 10^{36}$ A1 [3]
- or $F_E = 2.30 \times 10^{-28} \times R^{-2}$ (C1)
 $F_G = 1.86 \times 10^{-64} \times R^{-2}$ (C1)
 $F_E / F_G = 1.2 \times 10^{36}$ (A1)

Q10.

- 1 (a) work done in bringing unit mass from infinity (to the point) B1 [1]
- (b) gravitational force is (always) attractive B1
 either as r decreases, object/mass/body does work
 or work is done by masses as they come together B1 [2]
- (c) either force on mass = mg (where g is the acceleration of free fall /gravitational field strength) B1
 $g = GM/r^2$ B1
 if $r \ll h$, g is constant B1
 $\Delta E_p = \text{force} \times \text{distance moved}$ M1
 $= mgh$ A0
- or $\Delta E_p = m\Delta\phi$ (C1)
 $= GMm(1/r_1 - 1/r_2) = GMm(r_2 - r_1)/r_1 r_2$ (B1)
 if $r_2 \approx r_1$, then $(r_2 - r_1) = h$ and $r_1 r_2 = r^2$ (B1)
 $g = GM/r^2$ (B1)
 $\Delta E_p = mgh$ (A0) [4]
- (d) $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = m\Delta\phi$
 $v^2 = 2 \times GM/r$ C1
 $= (2 \times 4.3 \times 10^{13}) / (3.4 \times 10^6)$ C1
 $v = 5.0 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ A1 [3]
 (Use of diameter instead of radius to give $v = 3.6 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ scores 2 marks)

Q11.

- 1 (a) force proportional to product of masses and inversely proportional to
square of separation (*do not allow square of distance/radius*) M1
either point masses *or* separation @ size of masses A1 [2]
- (b) (i) $\omega = 2\pi / (27.3 \times 24 \times 3600)$ *or* $2\pi / (2.36 \times 10^6)$ M1
 $= 2.66 \times 10^{-6} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ A0 [1]
- (ii) $GM = r^3 \omega^2$ *or* $GM = v^2 r$ C1
 $M = (3.84 \times 10^5 \times 10^3)^3 \times (2.66 \times 10^{-6})^2 / (6.67 \times 10^{-11})$ M1
 $= 6.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ A0 [2]
(special case: uses $g = GM/r^2$ with $g = 9.81$, $r = 6.4 \times 10^6$ scores max 1 mark)
- (c) (i) grav. force $= (6.0 \times 10^{24}) \times (7.4 \times 10^{22}) \times (6.67 \times 10^{-11}) / (3.84 \times 10^8)^2$ C1
 $= 2.0 \times 10^{20} \text{ N}$ (*allow 1 SF*) A1 [2]
- (ii) *either* $\Delta E_p = Fx$ because F constant as $x \ll$ radius of orbit B1
 $\Delta E_p = 2.0 \times 10^{20} \times 4.0 \times 10^{-2}$ C1
 $= 8.0 \times 10^{18} \text{ J}$ (*allow 1 SF*) A1 [3]
- or* $\Delta E_p = GMm/r_1 - GMm/r_2$ C1
Correct substitution B1
 $8.0 \times 10^{18} \text{ J}$ A1
($\Delta E_p = GMm/r_1 + GMm/r_2$ is incorrect physics so 0/3)

Q12.

- 1 (a) region of space area / volume B1
where a mass experiences a force B1 [2]
- (b) (i) force proportional to product of two masses M1
force inversely proportional to the square of their separation M1
either reference to point masses *or* separation \gg 'size' of masses A1 [3]
- (ii) field strength $= GM / x^2$ *or* field strength $\propto 1 / x^2$ C1
ratio $= (7.78 \times 10^8)^2 / (1.5 \times 10^8)^2$ C1
 $= 27$ A1 [3]
- (c) (i) *either* centripetal force $= mR\omega^2$ and $\omega = 2\pi / T$ B1
or centripetal force $= mv^2 / R$ and $v = 2\pi R / T$ B1
gravitational force provides the centripetal force M1
either $GMm / R^2 = mR\omega^2$ *or* $GMm / R^2 = mv^2 / R$ A0 [3]
 $M = 4\pi^2 R^3 / GT^2$
(*allow working to be given in terms of acceleration*)
- (ii) $M = \{4\pi^2 \times (1.5 \times 10^{11})^3\} / \{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times (3.16 \times 10^7)^2\}$ C1
 $= 2.0 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ A1 [2]

Q13.

- 1 (a) equatorial orbit / above equator B1
 satellite moves from west to east / same direction as Earth spins B1
 period is 24 hours / same period as spinning of Earth B1 [3]
 (allow 1 mark for 'appears to be stationary/overhead' if none of above marks scored)
- (b) gravitational force provides/is the centripetal force B1
 $GMm/R^2 = mR\omega^2$ or $GMm/R^2 = mv^2/R$ M1
 $\omega = 2\pi/T$ or $v = 2\pi R/T$ or clear substitution M1
 clear working to give $R^3 = (GMT^2/4\pi^2)$ A1 [4]
- (c) $R^3 = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24} \times (24 \times 3600)^2 / 4\pi^2$ C1
 $= 7.57 \times 10^{22}$ C1
 $R = 4.2 \times 10^7$ m A1 [3]
 (missing out 3600 gives 1.8×10^5 m and scores 2/3 marks)

Q14.

- 4 (a) (i) $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = GMm/R$ B1
 $v^2 = 2GM/R$ A0
- (ii) $g = GM/R^2$ M1
 clear algebra giving $v^2 = 2gR$ A1 [3]
- (b) $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = 3/2kT$
 $v^2 = 3kT/m$ C1
 $3kT/m = 2gR$ C1
 $T = (2 \times 6.6 \times 10^{-27} \times 9.81 \times 6.4 \times 10^6) / (1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 3)$ C1
 $T = 2.0 \times 10^4$ K A1 [4]

Q15.

- 1 (a) (i) radial lines..... B1
 pointing inwards..... B1
- (ii) no difference OR lines closer near surface of smaller sphere B1 [3]
- (b) (i) $F_G = GMm/R^2$ C1
 $= (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 5.98 \times 10^{24}) / (6380 \times 10^3)^2$
 $= 9.80$ N..... A1
- (ii) $F_C = mR\omega^2$ C1
 $\omega = 2\pi/T$ C1
 $F_C = (4\pi^2 \times 6380 \times 10^3) / (8.64 \times 10^4)^2$
 $= 0.0337$ N..... A1
- (iii) $F_G - F_C = 9.77$ N..... A1 [6]
- (c) because acceleration (of free fall) is (resultant) force per unit mass B1
 acceleration = 9.77 m s⁻² B1 [2]

Q16.

1 (a)	$GM/R^2 = R\omega^2$	C1	
	$\omega = 2\pi / (24 \times 3600)$	C1	
	$6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24} = R^3 \times \omega^2$		
	$R^3 = 7.57 \times 10^{22}$	M1	
	$R = 4.23 \times 10^7 \text{ m}$	A0	[3]
(b)(i)	$\Delta\phi = GM/R_e - GM/R_o$	C1	
	$= (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.0 \times 10^{24}) (1/6.4 \times 10^6 - 1/4.2 \times 10^7)$		
	$= 5.31 \times 10^7 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$	C1	
	$\Delta E_p = 5.31 \times 10^7 \times 650$	C1	
	$= 3.45 \times 10^{10} \text{ J}$	A1	[4]
(c)	e.g. satellite will already have some speed in the correct direction ...	B1	[1]

Q17.

1 (a)	<i>either</i> ratio of work done to mass/charge or work done moving unit mass/charge from infinity or both have zero potential at infinity	B1	[1]
(b)	gravitational forces are (always attractive) electric forces can be attractive or repulsive for gravitational, work got out as masses come together /mass moves from infinity for electric, work done on charges if same sign, work got out if opposite sign as charges come together	B1 B1 B1 B1	[4]

Q18.

4 (a) (i)	$\frac{GMm}{2m} \{(R+h_1)^{-1} - (R+h_2)^{-1}\}$ $\{v_1^2 - v_2^2\}$	B1 B1	[2]
(b)	$2M \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \{(26.28 \times 10^6)^{-1} - (29.08 \times 10^6)^{-1}\} = 5370^2 - 5090^2$ $M \times 4.888 \times 10^{-19} = 2.929 \times 10^6$ $M = 6.00 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ <i>(If equation in (a) is dimensionally unsound, then 0/3 marks in (b), if dimensionally sound but incorrect, treat as e.c.f.)</i>	B1 C1 A1	[3]

Q19.

- 1 (a) (i) $F = GMm / R^2$ B1 [1]
(ii) $F = mR\omega^2$ B1 [1]
(iii) reaction force = $GMm / R^2 - mR\omega^2$ (allow e.c.f.) B1 [1]
- (b) (i) either value of R in expression $R\omega^2$ varies
or $mR\omega^2$ no longer parallel to GMm / R^2 / normal to surface
becomes smaller as object approaches a pole / is zero at pole B1 B1 [2]
- (ii) 1. acceleration = $6.4 \times 10^6 \times (2\pi / \{8.6 \times 10^4\})^2$ C1
= 0.034 m s^{-2} A1 [2]
2. acceleration = 0 A1 [1]
- (c) e.g. 'radius' of planet varies
density of planet not constant
planet spinning
nearby planets / stars
(any sensible comments, 1 mark each, maximum 2) B2 [2]

Q20.

- 1 (a) $F \propto Mm / R^2$ (words or explained symbols)M1
either M and m are point masses
or $R \gg$ diameter of masses ... (do not allow 'size') A1 [2]
- (b) (i) equatorial orbit B1
period 24 hours / same angular speed B1
from west to east / same direction of rotation B1 [3]
(allow one of the last two marks for 'always overhead' if 2nd or 3rd marks not scored)
- (ii) gravitational force provides centripetal force
/ gives rise to centripetal acceleration ... (in 'words') B1
 $GM / x^2 = x\omega^2$ M1
 $g = GM / R^2$ M1
to give $gR^2 = x^3\omega^2$ A0 [3]
- (iii) $\omega = 2\pi / (24 \times 3600) = 7.27 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ C1
 $9.81 \times (6.4 \times 10^6)^2 = x^3 \times (7.27 \times 10^{-5})^2$ C1
 $x^3 = 7.6 \times 10^{22}$
 $x = 4.2 \times 10^7 \text{ m}$ A1 [3]
(use of $g = 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$, loses 1 mark but once only in the Paper)

[Total: 11]

Q21.

- 1 (a) (i) force per (unit) mass(ratio idea essential)B1 [1]
- (ii) $g = GM / R^2$ C1
 $9.81 = (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times M) / (6.38 \times 10^6)^2$ (all 3 s.f)M1
 $M = 5.99 \times 10^{24}$ kgA0 [2]
- (b) (i) either $GM = \omega^2 r^3$ or $gR^2 = \omega^2 r^3$ C1
either $6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 5.99 \times 10^{24} = \omega^2 \times (2.86 \times 10^7)^3$
or $9.81 \times (6.38 \times 10^6)^2 = \omega^2 \times (2.86 \times 10^7)^3$ C1
 $\omega = 1.3 \times 10^{-4}$ rad s⁻¹A1 [3]
(use of $r = 2.22 \times 10^7$ m scores max 2 marks)
- (ii) period of orbit = $2\pi / \omega$ C1
= 4.8×10^4 s (= 13.4 hours)A1
period for geostationary satellite is 24 hours (= 8.6×10^4 s)A1
so noA0 [3]
- (c) satellite can then provide cover at PolesB1 [1]

[Total: 10]

Q22.

- 1 (a) force per unit mass (ratio idea essential) B1 [1]
- (b) graph: correct curvature M1
from $(R, 1.0 g_s)$ & at least one other correct point A1 [2]
- (c) (i) fields of Earth and Moon are in opposite directions M1
either resultant field found by subtraction of the field strength
or any other sensible comment A1
so there is a point where it is zero A0 [2]
(allow $F_E = -F_M$ for 2 marks)
- (ii) $GM_E / x^2 = GM_M / (D - x)^2$ C1
 $(6.0 \times 10^{24}) / (7.4 \times 10^{22}) = x^2 / (60R_E - x)^2$ C1
 $x = 54R_E$ A1 [3]
- (iii) graph: $g = 0$ at least $\frac{2}{3}$ distance to Moon B1
 g_E and g_M in opposite directions M1
correct curvature (by eye) and $g_E > g_M$ at surface A1 [3]

Q23.

- 1 (a) (i) rate of change of angle / angular displacement swept out by radius M1
A1 [2]
- (ii) $\omega \times T = 2\pi$ B1 [1]
- (b) centripetal force is provided by the gravitational force B1
either $mr(2\pi/T)^2 = GMm/r^2$ *or* $mr\omega^2 = GMm/r^2$ M1
 $r^3 \times 4\pi^2 = GM \times T^2$ A1
 $GM/4\pi^2$ is a constant (*c*) A1
 $T^2 = cr^3$ A0 [4]
- (c) (i) *either* $T^2 = (45/1.08)^3 \times 0.615^2$ *or* $T^2 = 0.30 \times 45^3$ C1
 $T = 165$ years A1 [2]
- (ii) speed = $(2\pi \times 1.08 \times 10^8) / (0.615 \times 365 \times 24 \times 3600)$ C1
 $= 35 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ A1 [2]

Q24.

- 1 (a) gravitational force provides the centripetal force B1
 $GMm/r^2 = mr\omega^2$ (*must be in terms of ω*) B1
 $r^3\omega^2 = GM$ and GM is a constant B1 [3]
- (b) (i) 1. for Phobos, $\omega = 2\pi/(7.65 \times 3600)$ C1
 $= 2.28 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$
 $(9.39 \times 10^6)^3 \times (2.28 \times 10^{-4})^2 = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times M$ C1
 $M = 6.46 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg}$ A1 [3]
2. $(9.39 \times 10^6)^3 \times (2.28 \times 10^{-4})^2 = (1.99 \times 10^7)^3 \times \omega^2$ C1
 $\omega = 7.30 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ C1
 $T = 2\pi/\omega = 2\pi/(7.30 \times 10^{-5})$
 $= 8.6 \times 10^4 \text{ s}$
 $= 23.6 \text{ hours}$ A1 [3]
- (ii) *either* almost 'geostationary'
or satellite would take a long time to cross the sky B1 [1]

Q25.

- 1 (a) (i) weight = $\frac{GMm}{r^2}$ C1
 $= (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.42 \times 10^{23} \times 1.40) / (\frac{1}{2} \times 6.79 \times 10^6)^2$ C1
 $= 5.20 \text{ N}$ A1 [3]
- (ii) potential energy = $-\frac{GMm}{r}$ C1
 $= -(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.42 \times 10^{23} \times 1.40) / (\frac{1}{2} \times 6.79 \times 10^6)$ M1
 $= -1.77 \times 10^7 \text{ J}$ A0 [2]
- (b) either $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = 1.77 \times 10^7$ C1
 $v^2 = (1.77 \times 10^7 \times 2) / 1.40$ C1
 $v = 5.03 \times 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ A1
or $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{GMm}{r}$ (C1)
 $v^2 = (2 \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.42 \times 10^{23}) / (6.79 \times 10^6 / 2)$ (C1)
 $v = 5.02 \times 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ (A1) [3]

Q26.

- 1 (a) force is proportional to the product of the masses and inversely proportional to the square of the separation
either point masses or separation \gg size of masses M1
A1 [2]
- (b) (i) gravitational force provides the centripetal force B1
 $mv^2/r = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$ and $E_K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ M1
hence $E_K = \frac{GMm}{2r}$ A0 [2]
- (ii) 1. $\Delta E_K = \frac{1}{2} \times 4.00 \times 10^{14} \times 620 \times (\{7.30 \times 10^6\}^{-1} - \{7.34 \times 10^6\}^{-1})$ C1
 $= 9.26 \times 10^7 \text{ J}$ (ignore any sign in answer) A1 [2]
(allow $1.0 \times 10^8 \text{ J}$ if evidence that E_K evaluated separately for each r)
2. $\Delta E_P = 4.00 \times 10^{14} \times 620 \times (\{7.30 \times 10^6\}^{-1} - \{7.34 \times 10^6\}^{-1})$ C1
 $= 1.85 \times 10^8 \text{ J}$ (ignore any sign in answer) A1 [2]
(allow 1.8 or $1.9 \times 10^8 \text{ J}$)
- (iii) either $\{7.30 \times 10^6\}^{-1} - \{7.34 \times 10^6\}^{-1}$ or ΔE_K is positive / E_K increased
speed has increased M1
A1 [2]

Q27.

- 1 (a) work done in moving unit mass from infinity (to the point) M1
A1 [2]
- (b) (i) gravitational potential energy = $\frac{GMm}{x}$
energy = $(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 7.35 \times 10^{22} \times 4.5) / (1.74 \times 10^6)$ M1
energy = $1.27 \times 10^7 \text{ J}$ A0 [1]
- (ii) change in grav. potential energy = change in kinetic energy B1
 $\frac{1}{2} \times 4.5 \times v^2 = 1.27 \times 10^7$
 $v = 2.4 \times 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ A1 [2]
- (c) Earth would attract the rock / potential at Earth's surface) not zero / < 0
/ at Earth, potential due to Moon not zero M1
escape speed would be lower A1 [2]

Q28.

- 1 (a) force proportional to product of the two masses and inversely proportional to the square of their separation
either reference to point masses *or* separation \gg 'size' of masses M1
 A1 [2]
- (b) gravitational force provides the centripetal force B1
 $GMm/R^2 = mR\omega^2$ M1
 where m is the mass of the planet A1
 $GM = R^3\omega^2$ A0 [3]
- (c) $\omega = 2\pi / T$ C1
either $M_{\text{star}} / M_{\text{Sun}} = (R_{\text{star}} / R_{\text{Sun}})^3 \times (T_{\text{Sun}} / T_{\text{star}})^2$
 $M_{\text{star}} = 4^3 \times (1/2)^2 \times 2.0 \times 10^{30}$ C1
 $= 3.2 \times 10^{31} \text{ kg}$ A1 [3]
or $M_{\text{star}} = (2\pi)^2 R_{\text{star}}^3 / GT^2$ (C1)
 $= \{(2\pi)^2 \times (6.0 \times 10^{11})^3\} / \{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times (2 \times 365 \times 24 \times 3600)^2\}$ (C1)
 $= 3.2 \times 10^{31} \text{ kg}$ (A1)

Q29.

- 1 (a) work done bringing unit mass from infinity (to the point) M1
 A1 [2]
- (b) $E_p = -m\phi$ B1 [1]
- (c) $\phi \propto 1/x$ C1
either at $6R$ from centre, potential is $(6.3 \times 10^7)/6$ ($= 1.05 \times 10^7 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$)
and at $5R$ from centre, potential is $(6.3 \times 10^7)/5$ ($= 1.26 \times 10^7 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$) C1
 change in energy $= (1.26 - 1.05) \times 10^7 \times 1.3$ C1
 $= 2.7 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$ A1
- or* change in potential $= (1/5 - 1/6) \times (6.3 \times 10^7)$ (C1)
 change in energy $= (1/5 - 1/6) \times (6.3 \times 10^7) \times 1.3$ (C1)
 $= 2.7 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$ (A1) [4]

Q30.

- 1 (a) gravitational force provides/is the centripetal force B1
 $GMm/r^2 = mv^2/r$ M1
 $v = \sqrt{GM/r}$ A0 [2]
- allow gravitational field strength provides/is the centripetal acceleration (B1)
 $GM/r^2 = v^2/r$ (M1)
- (b) (i) kinetic energy increase/change = loss/change in (gravitational) potential energy B1
 $\frac{1}{2}mV_0^2 = GMm/x$ C1
 $V_0^2 = 2GM/x$
 $V_0 = \sqrt{2GM/x}$ A1 [3]
- (max. 2 for use of r not x)
- (ii) V_0 is (always) greater than v (for $x = r$) M1
so stone could not enter into orbit A1 [2]
- (expressions in (a) and (b)(i) must be dimensionally correct)

Q31.

- 1 (a) $g = GM/R^2$ C1
 $= (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.4 \times 10^{23}) / (3.4 \times 10^6)^2 = 3.7 \text{ N kg}^{-1}$ A1 [2]
- (b) $\Delta E_p = mg\Delta h$ B1
because $\Delta h \ll R$ (or $1800 \text{ m} \ll 3.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$) g is constant C1
 $\Delta E_p = 2.4 \times 3.7 \times 1800$ A1 [3]
 $= 1.6 \times 10^4 \text{ J}$
(use of $g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ max. 1 for explanation)
- (c) gravitational potential energy = $(-GMm/x)$ C1
 $v^2 = 2GM/x$ C1
 $x = 4D = 4 \times 6.8 \times 10^6$ C1
- $v^2 = (2 \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.4 \times 10^{23}) / (4 \times 6.8 \times 10^6)$
 $= 3.14 \times 10^6$
 $v = 1.8 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ A1 [4]
(use of 3.5D giving $1.9 \times 10^3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$, allow max. 3)

Q32.

- 2 (a) smooth curve with decreasing gradient, not starting at $x = 0$ M1
end of line not at $g = 0$ or horizontal A1 [2]
- (b) straight line with positive gradient M1
line starts at origin A1 [2]
- (c) sinusoidal shape B1
only positive values and peak/trough height constant B1
4 'loops' B1 [3]

