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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 ٠ 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 ٠ 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.

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.

Science-Specific Marking Principles

- 1 Examiners should consider the context and scientific use of any keywords when awarding marks. Although keywords may be present, marks should not be awarded if the keywords are used incorrectly.
- 2 The examiner should not choose between contradictory statements given in the same question part, and credit should not be awarded for any correct statement that is contradicted within the same question part. Wrong science that is irrelevant to the question should be ignored.
- 3 Although spellings do not have to be correct, spellings of syllabus terms must allow for clear and unambiguous separation from other syllabus terms with which they may be confused (e.g. ethane / ethene, glucagon / glycogen, refraction / reflection).
- 4 The error carried forward (ecf) principle should be applied, where appropriate. If an incorrect answer is subsequently used in a scientifically correct way, the candidate should be awarded these subsequent marking points. Further guidance will be included in the mark scheme where necessary and any exceptions to this general principle will be noted.

5 <u>'List rule' guidance</u>

For questions that require *n* responses (e.g. State **two** reasons ...):

- The response should be read as continuous prose, even when numbered answer spaces are provided.
- Any response marked *ignore* in the mark scheme should not count towards **n**.
- Incorrect responses should not be awarded credit but will still count towards *n*.
- Read the entire response to check for any responses that contradict those that would otherwise be credited. Credit should **not** be awarded for any responses that are contradicted within the rest of the response. Where two responses contradict one another, this should be treated as a single incorrect response.
- Non-contradictory responses after the first *n* responses may be ignored even if they include incorrect science.

6 <u>Calculation specific guidance</u>

Correct answers to calculations should be given full credit even if there is no working or incorrect working, **unless** the question states 'show your working'.

For questions in which the number of significant figures required is not stated, credit should be awarded for correct answers when rounded by the examiner to the number of significant figures given in the mark scheme. This may not apply to measured values.

For answers given in standard form (e.g. $a \times 10^n$) in which the convention of restricting the value of the coefficient (a) to a value between 1 and 10 is not followed, credit may still be awarded if the answer can be converted to the answer given in the mark scheme.

Unless a separate mark is given for a unit, a missing or incorrect unit will normally mean that the final calculation mark is not awarded. Exceptions to this general principle will be noted in the mark scheme.

7 <u>Guidance for chemical equations</u>

Multiples / fractions of coefficients used in chemical equations are acceptable unless stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

State symbols given in an equation should be ignored unless asked for in the question or stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

This mark scheme will use the following abbreviations:

;	separates marking points
1	separates alternatives within a marking point
()	contents of brackets are not required but should be implied / the contents set the context of the answer
R	reject
Α	accept (answers that are correctly cued by the question or guidance you have received)
I	ignore (mark as if this material was not present)
AW	alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual, accept other ways of expressing the same idea)
AVP	alternative valid point (where a greater than usual variety of responses is expected)
ORA	or reverse argument
<u>underline</u>	actual word underlined must be used by the candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
MAX	indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded
+	statements on both sides of the + are needed for that mark
OR	separates two different routes to a mark point and only one should be awarded
ECF	error carried forward (credit an operation from a previous incorrect response)

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	linear scale for y axis (covering at least half graph paper);	5
	y axis labelled ;	
	plots correct ;;	
	points joined with straight lines ;	
1(a)(ii)	any 2 of:	2
	(change in) temperature ;	
	(change in) wind direction / AW;	
	(change in) wind, speed / force / strength / AW ;	
	(change in) rainfall / monsoon / runoff / ice melt;	
	AVP ;	
1(b)	zooplankton ;	1
1(c)(i)	all depths added together / 14;	3
	division by 5 ;	
	subtraction from 6 m / 3.2 ; ecf	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(c)(ii)	any 4 of:	4
	fish are nearer the surface / AW, between March and August / fish are lower / deeper / AW, during Sept and Feb;	
	fish are nearer surface when upwelling is highest / more upwelling between March – August / spring / summer / less upwelling in winter / Sep–Feb ;	
	upwelling brings nutrients / minerals / named nutrient ;	
	(more) phytoplankton / producers ;	
	more zooplankton ;	
	so more food for rockfish (as rockfish eat zooplankton);	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	(DNA is made of) repeating / linked / many, monomers / nucleotides / AW ;	1
2(b)(i)	1000 g ;	1
2(b)(ii)	4000 g ;	3
	4000/200 = 20;	
	g / day ;	
2(b)(iii)	(steady) increase (up to 400 / 500 days);	2
	steep increase from 400 / 500 days ;	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)(iv)	any 1 of:	1
	more fish grown in shorter time ;	
	always available / meet demand ;	
	fish reach market size faster / AW ;	
2(b)(v)	any 3 of:	3
	less decomposition/ decay / breakdown (of waste);	
	less eutrophication ;	
	fewer algal blooms / less nitrates / less phosphates ;	
	less bacterial / fungal / microbial (growth);	
	less respiration (of bacteria / fungi);	
	(leading to) less oxygen used up / more oxygen present ;	
	less disease ;	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)	any 4 of:	4
	(data shows) GE salmon do pose similar risk (to trout / other species) as non-GE salmon / AW ;	
	GE and non-GE have same effect on survival (of steelhead trout) when predator added / AW ;	
	GE and non-GE have same effect on survival (of steelhead trout) when no predator added / AW ;	
	few salmon are eaten by predator / does not eat (many) salmon / predator eats steelhead trout (in both) ;	
	no (control) experiment with no salmon / AW ;	
	no repeats ;	
	only two / few predator fish / different predators may eat different species ;	
	only looked at steelhead trout / other species of fish might be affected ;	
	results may be different in the wild / open water / rivers / lakes (rather than tanks) / AW;	

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	any 4 of:	4
	buoy / object, that floats / AW ;	
	rope / chain attached to mooring / anchor / chain / sinker / AW ;	
	seaweed / algae, grows on it / phytoplankton form around it / primary producers grow ;	
	attract baitfish / small fish / herbivores ;	
	food chain / web is generated / AW ;	
	attract tuna / large fish / predatory species / AW ;	
	FADs use sonar / some FADs signal to fishers that fish are present / AW ;	
3(b)	any 3 of:	3
	fish are caught and tagged / marked / AW;	
	tag must not harm fish / affect behaviour / attract predators / AW ;	
	fish must be left (for period of time) to mix / AW ;	
	fish are recaught (after release) / AW ;	
	fish are sampled randomly;	
	avoid bias / representative sample ;	
	compare / count tagged and untagged fish / AW;	
	(repeat) sample over long time period (to show trends);	

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3(c)	any 8 of:	8
	litter / plastic / AW ;	
	can trap / entangle animals / AW ;	
	eaten ;	
	(animals) suffocate / physically damaged / susceptible to predators / block gut / damage body / AW ;	
	oil / AW ;	
	toxic effect (when ingested) / AW ;	
	blocks gills / damages feathers / AW ;	
	blocks light for producers / reduces photosynthesis / AW ;	
	sewage ;	
	eutrophication / algal blooms / AW;	
	can increase decomposition ;	
	leading to oxygen depletion ;	
	can carry infectious microbes ;	
	pesticides / herbicides / dye / heavy metal ions / named ion ;	
	toxic effects / kill algae AW;	
	bioaccumulate / not broken down in body / not excreted ;	
	biomagnification / passed along food chains ;	
	greenhouse gas / carbon dioxide / methane ;	
	climate change / global warming / ocean acidification ;	
	damage to coral reefs / shells / AW ;	

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	any 3 of:	3
	area (of sea) that a nation has special / sole, rights (to exploit resources) ;	
	protects local fishers jobs / fishing industry / keeps fish for nation ;	
	protects fish stocks / prevent overfishing / AW ;	
	also allows the nation to exploit energy resources / wind power / oil / AW ;	
4(a)(ii)	any 4 of:	4
	distance (between countries);	
	high demand increases price / ORA ;	
	high supply / surplus, decreases price / ORA ;	
	capital / cost of production ;	
	labour supply / availability ;	
	import / export taxes / tariffs / pricing policies / contract sales ;	
	exchange rate (fluctuations);	
	product quality / freshness ;	
	marketing ;	
	competition with other markets / economic growth (increases buying power);	
	exploitation (level) ;	

Question	Answer	Marks
4(b)	any 8 of:	8
	zooxanthellae ;	
	photosynthesis ;	
	ref to symbiosis / mutualism ;	
	providing glucose / carbohydrate / AW ;	
	stinging cells / AW ;	
	for defence ;	
	trap prey ;	
	stomach (cavity) ;	
	ingestion of food ;	
	digestion ;	
	mesenteries ;	
	increase surface area (for digestion / absorption) / absorption of food ;	
	gonads ;	
	production of gametes / sperm / eggs / AW ;	