

Cambridge O Level

MATHEMATICS

Paper 1 Non-calculator

MARK SCHEME B

Maximum Mark: 100

Specimen

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 descriptions 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 descriptions for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptions 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 descriptions.

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 descriptions in mind.

Mathematics-Specific Marking Principles

- 1 Unless a particular method has been specified in the question, full marks may be awarded for any correct method. However, if a calculation is required then no marks will be awarded for a scale drawing.
- 2 Unless specified in the question, non-integer answers may be given as fractions, decimals or in standard form. Ignore superfluous zeros, provided that the degree of accuracy is not affected.
- 3 Allow alternative conventions for notation if used consistently throughout the paper, e.g. commas being used as decimal points.
- 4 Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, e.g. wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored (isw).
- Where a candidate has misread a number in the question and used that value consistently throughout, provided that number does not alter the difficulty or the method required, award all marks earned and deduct just 1 A or B mark for the misread.
- 6 Recovery within working is allowed, e.g. a notation error in the working where the following line of working makes the candidate's intent clear.

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MARK SCHEME NOTES

The following notes are intended to help with understanding of mark schemes in general, but individual mark schemes may include marks awarded for specific reasons outside the scope of these notes.

Anything in the mark scheme which is in square brackets [...] is not required for the mark to be earned, but if present it must be correct.

When a part of a question has two or more 'method' steps, the M marks are in principle independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly where there are several B marks allocated. The notation 'dep' is used to indicate that a particular M or B mark is dependent on an earlier mark in the scheme.

Types of mark

- M Method mark, awarded for a valid method applied to the problem.
- A Accuracy mark, given for a correct answer or intermediate step correctly obtained. For accuracy marks to be given, the associated Method mark must be earned or implied.
- **B** Mark for a correct result or statement independent of Method marks.

Abbreviations

awrt answers which round to cao correct answer only

dep dependent on the previous mark(s)

FT follow through after error

isw ignore subsequent working (after correct answer obtained)

nfww not from wrong working

oe or equivalent SC special case soi seen or implied

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
1(a)	1	1	
1(b)	2	1	
2(a)	-13	1	
2(b)	0.0015 oe	1	
3	3, 4, 7, 13, 13 in any order	3	B2 for five values with 3 out of 4 conditions satisfied or B1 for five values with 2 out of 4 conditions satisfied Conditions are: The median is 7 The mode is 13 The range is 10 They add up to 40
4(a)	100 AND Corresponding angles are equal	2	B1 for 100
4(b)	AND Co-interior angles sum to 180 or opposite angles of a parallelogram are equal and angles in a quadrilateral (parallelogram) add to 360	2	B1 for 80
4(c)	120	2	M1 for $y + 2y + z = 360$ soi
5(a)	0.6	1	
5(b)	5700	1	
6	$0.143, \frac{3}{20}, 16\%, \frac{1}{6}$	2	Accept correct equivalents in correct order for 2 marks B1 for three values in correct order or M1 for all four values correctly converted to the same form to enable comparison
7(a)	$\frac{2}{8}$ oe	1	Accept fraction, percentage and decimal equivalents
7(b)	$\frac{5}{8}$ oe	1	Accept fraction, percentage and decimal equivalents

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
8	2:5:9 cao	2	M1 for 40:100:180 or better seen
9	8 [hours] 20 [minutes]	5	B4 for 500 [minutes]
			OR
			B2 for $\frac{19}{20}$ oe soi
			or M1 for $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{5}$ oe
			M1 dep on previous M1 or B2
			for $(1 - their \frac{19}{20}) \times total time = 25$
10(a)	4n + 5 oe final answer	2	B1 for $4n + p$ oe or $qn + 5$ oe $q \ne 0$ as final answer or $4n + 5$ oe seen
10(b)	21	2	M1 for their $(4k + 5) = 89$ or better
11(a)	Tree diagram completed correctly $\frac{4}{10}$ on first branch	2	B1 for $\frac{4}{10}$ correctly placed
	$\frac{4}{9}, \frac{6}{9}, \frac{3}{9}$ on second branches		
11(b)	$\frac{12}{90}$ oe	2	FT their $\frac{4}{10} \times their \frac{3}{9}$ correctly evaluated dependent on proper fractions
			M1FT for their $\frac{4}{10} \times their \frac{3}{9}$, dependent on proper fractions,
			may be evaluated
12(a)	$6x^3 - 16x^2$ final answer	2	B1 for $6x^3$ or $-16x^2$
12(b)(i)	(x+19)(x-19) final answer	1	
12(b)(ii)	6200	2	M1 for (81 + 19) × (81 – 19) or better If 0 scored, SC1 for 6561 or 361 seen

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
13	200 and 5 seen as rounded values and final answer 8	3	M2 for $\frac{200}{5^2}$
			or B1 for 200 or 5 used as rounded values
14	20	3	M2 for $k \times \left(\frac{100 - 10}{100}\right) \times \left(\frac{100 - 50}{100}\right) = 9$ oe
			or M1 for $9 \div \left(\frac{100 - 10}{100}\right)$ oe or $9 \div \left(\frac{100 - 50}{100}\right)$ oe
15	$\frac{103}{330}$ cao	3	B2 for $\frac{309}{990}$ oe fraction
	330		or M1 for $[1000k - 10k =]$ 312.1212 3.12 oe or for $\frac{3}{10} + \frac{12}{990}$
16(a)(i)	Triangle drawn at (0, 3), (-2, 3), (-2, 6)	3	B2 for triangle correct size and orientation but wrong position or for correct plots but no triangle
			or M1 for $y = x + 2$ drawn
16(a)(ii)	Triangle drawn at $(1,0)$, $(1,3)$, $(5.5,0)$	2	B1 for triangle correct size and orientation but wrong position
16(b)	Rotation	3	B1 for each
	90° clockwise oe		Award 0 marks if more than one transformation given
	centre (-2, 1)		
17(a)	$12 + 5\pi$ final answer	4	M1 for $k \times \pi \times 6^2 = 15\pi$, k may be $\frac{x}{360}$
			M2 dep for <i>their</i> $k \times 2 \times \pi \times 6 + 2 \times 6$ oe where $k < 1$ or M1 dep for <i>their</i> $k \times 2 \times \pi \times 6$ oe where $k < 1$
			(both dep on <i>their k</i> coming from a sector area calculation)
17(b)(i)	150π	1	

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
17(b)(ii)	$120 + 80\pi$	3	M2 dep for their (a) \times 10 + 2 \times 15 π oe (dep on their (a) in the form $a + b\pi$) or M1 for their (a) \times 10 or 2 \times 15 π seen oe
18(a)	$(x-4)^2-6$ final answer	2	M1 for $(x-4)^2$
18(b)	Correct sketch 10 0 (4, -6)	3	B1 for positive U shape B1 for 10 marked as y-intercept B1FT for (4, -6) indicated as turning point FT their (a) Max 2 marks if sketch not correct
	(4, -6) indicated as turning point in 4th quadrant FT <i>their</i> (a) and 10 marked as <i>y</i> -intercept		
19	$-2(1+\sqrt{5})$ or $-2-2\sqrt{5}$ final answer	3	B2 for $\frac{8(1+\sqrt{5})}{1-5}$ or better or M1 for $\frac{8}{1-\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{1+\sqrt{5}}$

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
20(a)(i)	$\frac{2x}{10} = \frac{x+5}{x+5+7.5}$ oe	M1	
	2x(x+5+7.5) = 10(x+5) oe	M1	
	Step with brackets expanded leading to $2x^2 + 15x - 50 = 0$	A1	with no errors or omissions
20(a)(ii)	(2x-5)(x+10)	M2	M1 for $(2x + a)(x + b)$ where $ab = -50$ or $a + 2b = 15$ or for $2x(x + 10) - 5(x + 10)$ or $x(2x - 5) + 10(2x - 5)$
	2.5 oe and -10	B1	
20(a)(iii)	15	1	FT their positive root + 12.5 correctly evaluated dependent on at least one positive root in (a)(ii)
20(b)	$\frac{3}{4}k$ oe	2	$\mathbf{FT} \left(1 - \left(\frac{2 \times their \ 2.5}{10} \right)^2 \right) k \text{ or for } \left(1 - \left(\frac{5 + their \ 2.5}{15} \right)^2 \right) k$ $\mathbf{M1} \text{ for } \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^2 [k] \text{ on or } 2^2 [k] \text{ on } \mathbf{FT} \text{ their } 2.5 \text{ and } 15$
			M1 for $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2[k]$ oe or $2^2[k]$ oe FT their 2.5 and 15

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
21	E P Q	1	
22	$-6x^3 + 7x^2 + 7x - 6 \text{final answer}$	3	or for simplified 4-term expression of correct form with 3 terms correct
			or B1 for one pair of brackets expanded with at least 3 terms out of 4 correct
23	$\frac{2d-3}{2+dy}$ oe final answer	4	M1 for isolating terms in p M1 for removing p as a common factor M1 for division by bracket to final answer
24(a)(i)	1	1	Max M3 if answer incorrect
24(a)(i) 24(a)(ii)	$9m^4$ final answer	3	B2 for answer $9m^k$ or km^4
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24(b)	$-\frac{5}{6}$	3	M2 for $5x + x + 3 = -2$ oe or M1 for 2^{5x} and 2^{-2}

Question	Answer	Marks	Partial Marks
25	$5\sqrt{7}$ cao		B3 for $\sqrt{175}$ or M2 for $5^2 + 5^2 + h^2 = 15^2$ or better or M1 for $5^2 + 5^2$ oe or $5^2 + h^2$ oe or $15^2 - h^2$ oe

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