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Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
	Benefit of doubt given
	Contradiction
	Incorrect response
	Error carried forward
	Benefit of doubt not given
	Power of 10 error
	Omission mark
	Technical error (includes rounding & arithmetic errors)
	Error in number of significant figures
	Correct response
X	Incorrect response
	Wrong physics or equation
  	Indicates level of response in extended response questions indicated * by the question number

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

Annotation	Meaning
/	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
(1)	Separates marking points
reject	Answers which are not worthy of credit
not	Answers which are not worthy of credit
IGNORE	Statements which are irrelevant
ALLOW	Answers that can be accepted
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit
—	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ecf	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

Section A: MCQs

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	C	1	
2	A	1	
3	B	1	
4	C	1	
5	C	1	
6	D	1	
7	A	1	
8	D	1	
9	B	1	
10	B	1	
11	B	1	
12	B	1	
13	B	1	
14	A	1	
15	C	1	
16	B	1	
17	C	1	
18	A	1	
19	D	1	
20	D	1	
	Total	20	

SECTION B

Question		Expected Answer	Mark	Rationale/Additional Guidance
21	a	$(b = \log_2 256) = 8$ ✓	1	Bare answer scores mark
	b	$457 \times 353 / 1024$ ✓ $= 158$ (kilobytes) ✓	1 1	Method Evaluation. ALLOW 161 kB (using 1000B = 1kB)
		Total	3	

Question		Expected Answer	Mark	Rationale/Additional Guidance	
22	a	C B A ✓✓	2	Answers in the order shown 2 marks if all three correct ALLOW 1 mark for one correct	
	b	i	A ✓	1	
	b	ii	A ✓	1	
		Total	4		

Question		Expected Answer	Mark	Rationale/Additional Guidance
23	a	$(P = VI) = 12 \times 2.4$ ✓	1	
		$= 28.8$ ✓	1	ALLOW 29
		W ✓	1	ALLOW Js ⁻¹ but no other alternatives
	b	$t = 2 \times 60 = 120$ (s) ✓	1	Conversion to seconds anywhere seen in solution
		$(E = V^2t/R) = 12^2 \times 120 / 4$ ✓	1	ALLOW other equivalent e.g. $E=VIt$ if correct
		$= 4320$ (J) ✓	1	ALLOW 72 (J) for 2 marks
	c	Energy dissipated/lost <u>to surroundings</u> ✓	1	DO NOT ALLOW just “energy lost”
		so less energy goes to heating the block ✓	1	
Total			8	

Question		Expected Answer	Mark	Rationale/Additional Guidance
24	a	Light dependent resistor ✓	1	ALLOW LDR
	b	$(V1/V2 = R1/R2) = 2/6 = R/18\ 000$ ✓	1	Valid method and correct substitution.
		$R = 6000$ (Ω) ✓	1	ALLOW alternative methods e.g. potential divider equation and substitution. ALLOW one mark for calculation of current in circuit (3.3×10^{-4} A as part method)
	c	Adjust lighting to the required level (on/off point) ✓	1	ALLOW until light just turns on
		Adjust variable resistor until reading on V is 6.0V ✓	1	
Total			5	
Total Section B			20	

SECTION C

Question		Expected Answer	Mark	Rationale/Additional Guidance
25	a	Distance travelled = 2 mm AND Time taken = 800ms ✓	1	Identification of <i>both</i> values
		(Speed = $2/800$) = $0.0025 \text{ (ms}^{-1}\text{)}$ ✓	1	Evaluation
	b	The ball is <u>accelerating</u> ✓	1	Second mark for some idea that the instantaneous speed varies between $n = 2$ and $n = 3$ but that at 1s it is closer to the $n = 2$ frame
		1s (1000 ms) is less than halfway between $n = 2$ and $n = 3$ ✓	1	
	c	The distance travelled between frames is constant ✓	1	Second mark must be clear that the distance travelled is constant for every frame past $n = 5$
		And remains constant for all subsequent frames ✓	1	
	d	$(3 \times 10^{-3} / 0.8) = 0.00375 \text{ (ms}^{-1}\text{)}$ ✓	1	ALLOW statement that as the distance between all four frames is the same then $(3 \times 10^{-3} / 0.8)$ is valid.
		uses all four frames to get values (e.g. $9 \times 10^{-3} / 2.4$) ✓	1	
		Total	8	

Question		Expected Answer	Mark	Rationale/Additional Guidance
26	a	No variation (in brightness) ✓	1	ALLOW stays the same brightness
	b	Decreases <u>to zero</u> ✓	1	
		Then increases (rapidly) ✓	1	
	c	56 ✓	1	Only this value
	d	(Completely plane) polarised ✓	1	
		Perpendicular (to the axis of the polarising filter) ✓	1	ALLOW horizontally
	e	(±) 1 degree ✓	1	Insist on unit
	f	(Yes) – a curve with <u>minimum at 58</u> ✓	1	REJECT 'the point at 58 has an error bar that touches zero'
		Would pass through all the error bars ✓	1	
		Total	9	

Question		Expected Answer	Mark	Rationale/Additional Guidance
27	a	2.05 ✓	1	Check in table and on answer space
	b	i	1	ECF from part a. ALLOW ½ square tolerance on plotting
			1	
	b	ii	1	Method mark for large range being used. ALLOW max ½ square misread
			1	
	c	$E (= 2.40 \times 1.60 \times 10^{-19}) = 3.84 \times 10^{-19}$ (J) ✓	1	3sf answer only.
	d	$1 \text{ Vs} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ (Js) ✓	1	Must use gradient in calculation, or zero marks.
		$h = \text{gradient} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ ✓	1	
		$= 6.9$ (6.856) $\times 10^{-34}$ (Js) ✓	1	
	e	They may not be identical ✓	1	ALLOW check the one in use wasn't somehow anomalous
			1	This improves accuracy/precision ✓ ALLOW find an average p.d.

	f		<p>Any one pair from:</p> <p>Darken the room / shield the LED / view through black paper tube ✓</p> <p>To improve contrast ✓</p> <p>To go from unlit to lit and back again to find turn on point</p> <p>Sometimes get flickering at turn-on point</p> <p>Any suggestion to get finer control of p.d. e.g. to use potential divider</p> <p>Because the LVU control is too coarse</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p>	<p>1 for suggestion</p> <p>1 for explanation</p> <p>ALLOW any other reasonable pairs of suggestion / explanation</p>
			<p>Total</p> <p>Total Section C</p> <p>Total Sections B & C</p>	<p>13</p> <p>30</p> <p>50</p>	

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