



Rewarding Learning

**General Certificate of Secondary Education
2017–2018**

**Double Award Science:
Chemistry**

Unit C1

Foundation Tier

[GDW21]

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**MARK
SCHEME**

General Marking Instructions

Introduction

Mark schemes are published to assist teachers and students in their preparation for examinations. Through the mark schemes teachers and students will be able to see what examiners are looking for in response to questions and exactly where the marks have been awarded. The publishing of the mark schemes may help to show that examiners are not concerned about finding out what a student does not know but rather with rewarding students for what they do know.

The Purpose of Mark Schemes

Examination papers are set and revised by teams of examiners and revisers appointed by the Council. The teams of examiners and revisers include experienced teachers who are familiar with the level and standards expected of students in schools and colleges.

The job of the examiners is to set the questions and the mark schemes; and the job of the revisers is to review the questions and mark schemes commenting on a large range of issues about which they must be satisfied before the question papers and mark schemes are finalised.

The questions and the mark schemes are developed in association with each other so that the issues of differentiation and positive achievement can be addressed right from the start. Mark schemes, therefore, are regarded as part of an integral process which begins with the setting of questions and ends with the marking of the examination.

The main purpose of the mark scheme is to provide a uniform basis for the marking process so that all the markers are following exactly the same instructions and making the same judgements in so far as this is possible. Before marking begins a standardising meeting is held where all the markers are briefed using the mark scheme and samples of the students' work in the form of scripts. Consideration is also given at this stage to any comments on the operational papers received from teachers and their organisations. During this meeting, and up to and including the end of the marking, there is provision for amendments to be made to the mark scheme. What is published represents this final form of the mark scheme.

It is important to recognise that in some cases there may well be other correct responses which are equally acceptable to those published: the mark scheme can only cover those responses which emerged in the examination. There may also be instances where certain judgements may have to be left to the experience of the examiner, for example, where there is no absolute correct response – all teachers will be familiar with making such judgements.

1	Substance	Statement	AVAILABLE MARKS
	carbon dioxide	Bleaches damp universal indicator paper	5
	magnesium oxide	Makes a popping sound when tested with a lit splint	
	iron	Turns limewater milky white	
	hydrogen	Relights a glowing splint	
	chlorine	Is one of the transition elements	
		Reacts with sulfuric acid to form a salt and water only	[5]

2	(a)				AVAILABLE MARKS
		Particle	Relative charge	Relative mass	
		proton	+1 [1]	1	
		neutron	0	1 [1]	
		electron	-1 [1]	$\frac{1}{1840}$	
				[3]	
	(b)	(i)			
			Particle	Number present in an atom of fluorine	
			proton	9 [1]	
			neutron	10 [1]	
			electron	9 [1]	
				[3]	
		(ii)	idea that there are the same number of protons as electrons	[1]	
		(iii)	F	[1]	8
3	(a)	(i)	Clear idea that not all the elements had been discovered	[1]	
		(ii)	Any three of: no gaps for undiscovered elements more elements/more blocks transition metals in a separate block arranged by atomic number idea of Group 0 the noble gases being present idea of having elements swapped (e.g. I & Te) or other correct, e.g. Mendeleev equivalents Any 3 × [1]	[3]	
	(b)	outer electrons		[1]	5
4	(a)	3		[1]	
	(b)	5		[1]	
	(c)	hydrogen, nitrogen, oxygen, sodium, carbon – all needed		[1]	
	(d)	aqueous/dissolved in water/in solution accept phonetic spelling of 'aqueous' but NOT 'aqua' 'aquat...'		[1]	
	(e)	sodium carbonate		[1]	5

5	(a) (i) (paper) chromatography	[1]	AVAILABLE MARKS
	(ii) idea that the ink could “run”/move up the paper/dissolve in the water	[1]	
	(b) brown	[1]	
	(c) A [1] idea that it does not move as far up the paper [1] Second mark dependent on first	[2]	
6	(a) a few hundred	[1]	5
	(b) Any three of: They absorb ultraviolet radiation They spread more easily/cover the skin better Less is needed They are transparent 3 × [1]	[3]	
	(c) Idea that they pass through the skin/travel around the body (more easily) [1] Idea that they could be toxic (NOT just “harmful”) to some types of cells, e.g. skin, bone, brain, liver [1] NOT ‘toxic’ on its own, NOT ‘damages cells’	[2]	
			6

7 (a) correct diagram for sodium atom [1] sulfur atom [1]

[2]

(b) Indicative Content

1.
 - Correct direction of transfer
 - Sodium loses 1 electron
 - Sulfur gains 2 electrons
 - Two sodium atoms required
 - Correct formula Na_2S
 - Sodium ion Na^+
 - Sulfide ion S^{2-}
2.
 - Soluble in water
 - White solid
 - High **melting** point
 - Conduct electricity when molten/in solution or does not conduct electricity when solid

Or other correct, e.g. brittle

Max. 3 IPs for properties

Response	Mark
Candidates must use appropriate scientific terms throughout to describe the bonding of sodium with sulfur using 8–10 of the points in the indicative content .They use good spelling, punctuation and grammar and the form and style are of a high standard.	[5]–[6]
Candidates use 5–7 points from the indicative content to describe the bonding of sodium with sulfur using some scientific terms. They use satisfactory spelling, punctuation and grammar and the form and style are of a satisfactory standard.	[3]–[4]
Candidates use 2–4 of the points from the indicative content to describe the bonding of sodium with sulfur. They use limited spelling, punctuation and grammar and make little use of scientific terms. The form and style are of a limited standard.	[1]–[2]
Response not worthy of credit.	[0]

[6]

AVAILABLE
MARKS

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