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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 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 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 'List rule' guidance  
 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** Calculation specific guidance

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** Guidance for chemical equations


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.

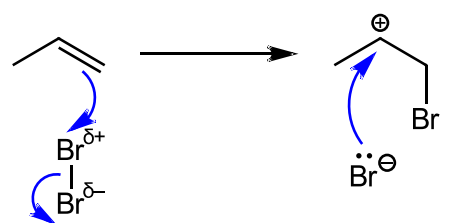
Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	decreases (from Si to S)	1
1(a)(ii)	<b>M1</b> Si giant covalent <b>AND</b> S is simple molecular <b>OR</b> Si giant covalent <b>AND</b> S has IMFs	1
	<b>M2</b> Si involves breaking covalent bonds <b>AND</b> S involves breaking IMFs	1
	<b>M3</b> more energy needed to break covalent bonds than IMFs <b>OR</b> covalent bonds are strong <b>AND</b> IMFs are weak	1
1(b)(i)	total e <sup>-</sup> in s subshell      6      6      6	1
	total e <sup>-</sup> in p subshell      8      9      10	1
1(b)(ii)	Si(g) → Si <sup>+</sup> (g) + e <sup>-</sup>	1
1(b)(iii)	1060 (is circled)	1
	P / it has greater attraction of nucleus for outer electrons compared to Si ORA	1
	P / it has greater nuclear charge than Si ORA	1
	S has two electrons in a (3)p orbital <b>AND</b> resulting in spin-pair repulsion	1
1(b)(i)(v)	hydrogen chloride / HCl	1
1(b)(v)	non-linear	1

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	curved line from (0,0) to reach same horizontal line	1
2(b)	equilibrium position would / it moves to left / reactants	1
	forward reaction is exothermic (so disfavoured by increase in $T$ )	1
2(c)	$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{NO} & \text{NO}_2 & \text{N}_2\text{O}_3 \\ \text{mole fraction} & \frac{0.605}{1.60} (= 0.378125) & \frac{0.605}{1.60} (= 0.378125) & \frac{0.390}{1.60} (= 0.24375) \end{array}$	1
	(partial pressure / kPa    38.19    38.19    24.62) $K_p = 24.62 \div 38.19^2 = 0.0169$	1
	kPa <sup>-1</sup>	1
2(d)	<i>natural process</i> : lightning	1
	<i>man-made process</i> : internal combustion engines	1
2(e)(i)	species with 1 or more unpaired electrons	1
2(e)(ii)	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{SO}_2 \rightarrow \text{SO}_3 + \text{NO}$	1
	$\text{NO} + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2$	1
2(e)(iii)	(formation of) acid rain	1
2(f)(i)	magnesium hydroxide / $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$	1
2(f)(ii)	$\text{Mg}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \rightarrow \text{MgO} + 2\text{NO}_2 + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2$	1
2(f)(iii)	increases	1

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3(a)(i)	$4\text{P} / \text{P}_4 + 5\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$	1
	$\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 4\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$	1
3(a)(ii)	proton / $\text{H}^+$ donor	1
	partially dissociates (in solution / in water / when aqueous)	1
3(b)(i)	enthalpy change when one mole of a compound / substance is formed	1
	from its constituent elements in their standard states	1
3(b)(ii)	$\Delta H_f = +9 + 3(-1281) - 4(-972) = (+)54 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)} (1)$	2
	Any two from (1): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• use correct stoichiometry for all three values</li> <li>• use correct expression regardless of stoichiometry for all three values</li> <li>• calculated correctly</li> </ul>	
3(b)(iii)	P (in $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_3$ ) is (both) oxidised and reduced (simultaneously)	1
	P (is oxidised) from (+)3 / (+)III $\rightarrow$ (+)5 / (+)V AND (reduced to) –3 / –III	1
3(c)(i)	$\text{H}_2\text{O}$ / steam	1
3(c)(ii)		1
3(c)(iii)	condensation	1
3(c)(iv)	$\text{C}=\text{O}$	1
	absorption changes to frequency / wavenumber / from 1670–1740 to 1710–1750 $\text{cm}^{-1}$	1
3(d)(i)	$\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4 + 3\text{CH}_3\text{OH} \rightarrow (\text{CH}_3\text{O})_3\text{PO} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1

Question	Answer	Marks
3(d)(ii)	$\frac{0.84}{12.7} \times \frac{100}{1.1} \quad (= 6.013)$	1
	no. of carbon atoms = 6	1
	molecular formula = C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>15</sub> O <sub>4</sub> P	1

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	(it has molecules that) contain a chiral carbon / centre <b>OR</b> are non-superimposable mirror images	1
4(a)(ii)	2-hydroxypropanoic acid	1
4(a)(iii)	dashed (or distinctly labelled) bond between O and H in different molecules of H-O-H and propanoic acid	1
	correct sequence of three partial charges over the H-bond $\text{H}^{\delta+} \quad \text{O}^{\delta-} \text{---} \text{H}^{\delta+}$ OR $\text{O}^{\delta-} \quad \text{H}^{\delta+} \text{---} \text{O}^{\delta-}$	1
	lone pair on O in line with H-bond	1
4(b)(i)	 curly arrow from C=C bond to Br <sup>δ+</sup> <b>AND</b> curly arrow from Br <sup>δ+</sup> —Br <sup>δ-</sup> bond to Br <sup>δ-</sup> <b>AND</b> Br <sup>δ+</sup> closest to the double bond	1
	correct intermediate	1
	curly arrow from lone pair on Br <sup>-</sup> to C <sup>(+)</sup> of the intermediate	1
4(b)(ii)	CH <sub>3</sub> CH(OH)COOH + [O] → CH <sub>3</sub> COCOOH + H <sub>2</sub> O	1



Question	Answer	Marks
4(b)(iii)	HCN&KCN <b>OR</b> NaCN with H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	1
	NaOH(aq) (1) dilute / aq(ueous)HCl / H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> (1)	2
	acidified K <sub>2</sub> Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1