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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
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- 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 (see examples below)

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.

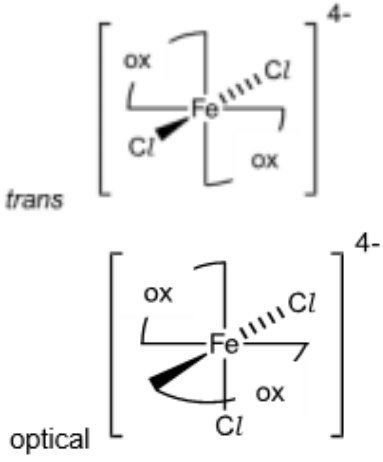
Unless a separate mark is given for a unit, a missing or incorrect unit will normally mean that the final calculation mark is not awarded. Exceptions to this general principle will be noted in the mark scheme.

7 Guidance for chemical equations

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

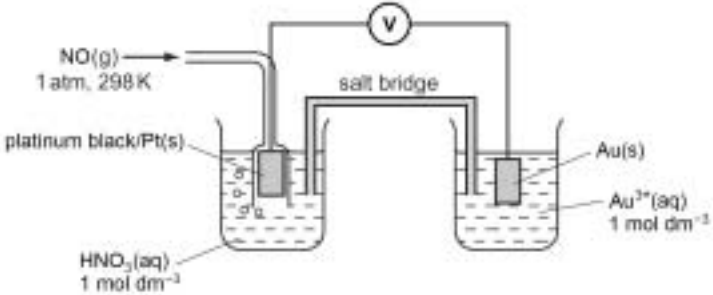
State symbols given in an equation should be ignored unless asked for in the question or stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	forms (one or more stable) ions with partially filled (3)d-subshell	1
1(a)(ii)	(Iron) has a higher (melting point) AND is denser/higher (density) (than calcium)	1
1(a)(iii)	$(1s^2) 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^6 (4s^0)$	1
1(a)(iv)	M1 d sub-shell splits into two sets of d orbitals of different energy M2 wavelength / frequency of light absorbed M3 electron(s) promoted / excited M4 colour seen is complementary (to colour absorbed)	4
1(b)(i)	octahedral	1
1(b)(ii)	$[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+} + 6\text{CN}^- \rightarrow [\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1
1(b)(iii)	$[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$ is (+)2 $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5\text{NO}]^{2-}$ is (+)3	1
1(b)(iv)	M1 forms a single / one dative bond to a (central) metal atom / ion M2 with lone pair (of electrons)	2
1(b)(v)		1
1(b)(vi)	M1 d–d energy gap / ΔE is different M2 different frequency / wavelength of light <u>absorbed</u>	2
1(c)(i)	the number of dative bonds formed with/by the (central) metal atom / ion OR number of bonds between the ligands and the (central) metal atom / ion	1

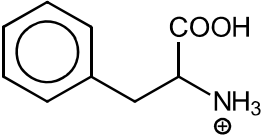
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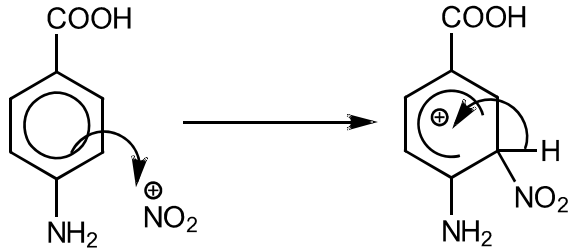
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2(a)(i)	M1 (thermal stability) increases (down the group) M2 size / radius of metal ion/ M^{2+} increases M3 polarisation / distortion of anion / CO_3^{2-} decreases	3
2(a)(ii)	M1 lattice energy AND hydration enthalpy become less exothermic M2 hydration enthalpy / ΔH_{hyd} becomes less exothermic more M3 enthalpy change of solution / ΔH_{sol} becomes less exothermic / more endothermic	3
2(b)(i)	$2Al^{3+} + 3O^{2-} + 3C \rightarrow 2Al + 3CO$	1
2(b)(ii)	M1 $Q = It = 3.5 \times 10^5 \times 3 \times 60^2 = 3.78 \times 10^9 \text{ C}$ M2 no. of mol $e^- = 3.78 \times 10^9 / 96500 = 3.92 \times 10^4$ M3 mass $Al = 27 \times 3.92 \times 10^4 / 3 = 3.5(3) \times 10^5 \text{ g}$	3
2(b)(iii)	$3SiF_4 + 2H_2O \rightarrow 2H_2SiF_6 + SiO_2$	1

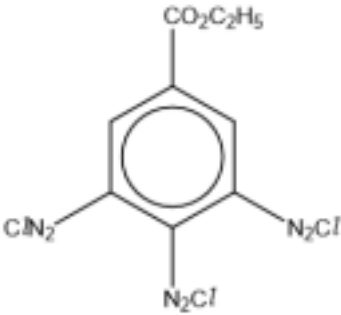
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3(a)(i)	Mark as • ✓✓ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> voltage of an electrode / half-cell compared / connected to (S)HE / hydrogen half-cell / electrode under standard conditions / 1 mol dm^{-3}, 1 atm, 298 K 	2

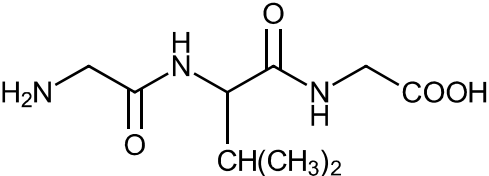
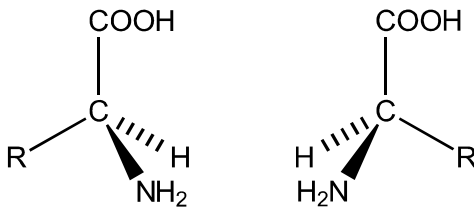
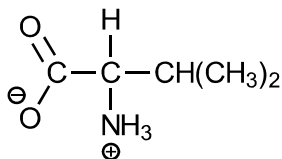
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3(a)(ii)	 <p>Mark as • ✓ • ✓ • ✓ • ✓</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HNO₃(aq) and Au³⁺(aq) • Au(s) and Pt(s) electrode • voltmeter (or circled V) • salt bridge labelled • NO (g) • a good delivery system for NO • 1M / 1 mol dm⁻³ • 298 K AND 1 atm 	4
3(a)(iii)	$\text{Au}^{3+} + \text{NO} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Au} + \text{NO}_3^- + 4\text{H}^+$	1
3(a)(iv)	$+1.50 - 0.96 = +0.54 \text{ (V)}$	1
3(a)(v)	<p>M1 M2 any two [1] all four [2]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adding conc HNO₃ shifts equilibrium 3 to the right • <i>E</i> for (half-equation 3) increases / more positive • adding conc HCl shift equilibrium 2 to the left • <i>E</i> for (half-equation 2) decreases / less positive <p>M3 <i>E</i>(3) becomes greater than <i>E</i>(2)</p>	3

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3(b)(i)	$2\text{AuCl}_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{Au} + 3\text{O}_2 + 6\text{HCl}$	1
3(b)(ii)	M1 1st order w.r.t. AuCl_3 because rate $\times 2$ / doubles when concentration $\times 2$ / doubles M2 First order $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \times 2$; $\text{AuCl}_3 \times 3$ rate $\times 6$ so order = 1 for H_2O_2 M3 rate = $k [\text{AuCl}_3] [\text{H}_2\text{O}_2]$	3
3(b)(iii)	$k = 1.53 \times 10^{-1} / (0.10 \times 0.50) = 3.06$ $\text{dm}^3 \text{mol}^{-2} \text{minute}^{-1}$	2
3(c)(i)	$\Delta H_4 = (3 \times)$ electron affinity of fluorine / F $\Delta H_6 =$ (enthalpy change of) formation of AlF_3	2
3(c)(ii)	M1 $+326 + 1\frac{1}{2} \times 158 + 5137 + 3 \times -328 + \Delta H_{\text{latt}} = -1504$ M2 $\Delta H_{\text{latt}} = -6220 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$	2
3(c)(iii)	M1 lattice energy of ScF_3 should be less exothermic ora M2 Sc ion / Sc^{3+} larger than Al ion / Al^{3+} AND lesser attraction between the ions / ionic bonds are weaker	2
3(d)(i)	$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{A}^{3+}][\text{F}^-]^3$	1
3(d)(ii)	$K_{\text{sp}} = 6.5 \times 10^{-2} \times (3 \times 6.5 \times 10^{-2})^3 = 4.8 \times 10^{-4}$	1

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	A = ester B = (2°) amide	2
4(a)(ii)	2	1
4(b)	 <p data-bbox="320 531 600 667"> M1 phenylalanine M2 protonated amine M3 (ethanol) CH₃CH₂OH </p>	3
4(c)(i)	catalyst / halogen carrier	1
4(c)(ii)	M1 —OH directs to 2,4 AND both 2 positions occupied / only position 4 is available M2 —COOH directs to 3 position AND only position 3 is available / 5 is occupied	2
4(d)(i)	$x = 14.4 / 100 \times 100 / 1.1 = 13.1$ <u>13</u> carbon atoms (some working required)	1
4(d)(ii)	(250 – 205 = 45, so) CO ₂ H / C ₂ H ₅ O	1

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)	<p>M1 COOH is more acidic than phenol AND because the O-H bond in acid is weaker OR carboxylate ion is more stable</p> <p>M2 O-H bond weakened / loses proton more easily AND by negative inductive effect of C=O / due to electronegative C=O OR carboxylate ion / anion is more stable AND due to delocalisation of minus charge by C=O / 2O</p>	2
5(b)(i)	<p>M1 a solution which resists changes in pH / controls pH / keeps pH within a small range M2 when small amounts of H⁺ or OH⁻ are added</p>	2
5(b)(ii)	<p>M1 no. of mol of gallic acid = $2.04 \div 170.0$ OR 0.012(0) mol</p> <p>M2 $[H^+] = K_a[HA] / [A^-] = 3.89 \times 10^{-5} \times 0.012 / 0.250 \div 0.0600$ $= 3.89 \times 10^{-5} \times (0.048 \div 0.0600) = 3.112 \times 10^{-5}$</p> <p>M3 pH = $-\log_{10} (3.112 \times 10^{-5}) = 4.5(1)$ min 2sf</p>	3
5(b)(iii)	<p>M1 $C_7H_6O_5 + OH^- \rightarrow C_7H_5O_5^- + H_2O$ OR $H^+ + OH^- \rightarrow H_2O$ AND $C_7H_6O_5 \rightarrow C_7H_5O_5^- + H^+$</p> <p>M2 $C_7H_5O_5^- + H^+ \rightarrow C_7H_6O_5$</p>	2
5(c)(i)	<p>$HNO_3 + 2H_2SO_4 \rightarrow H_3O^+ + NO_2^+ + 2HSO_4^-$ OR $HNO_3 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow H_2O + NO_2^+ + HSO_4^-$</p>	1
5(c)(ii)	 <p>M1 curly arrow from ring to N of NO₂⁺ M2 correct intermediate AND curly arrow from C—H back to ring</p>	2

Question	Answer	Marks
5(c)(iii)	electrophilic substitution	1
5(c)(iv)	M1 Sn and HCl M2 heat and concentrated (dependent on metal (Fe / Sn) and acid seen for M1)	2
5(c)(v)	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> M1 1 × diazonium salt with ester group unchanged M2 3 × diazonium salt (to match formula)	2
5(c)(vi)	warm / T ≥ 30 °C AND H ₂ O / named aqueous acid	1
5(d)(i)	5	1
5(d)(ii)	M1 only one peak M2 singlet at δ 6.0–9.0 ppm OR M1 singlet(s) only M2 only one peak at δ 6.0–9.0 ppm	2

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6(a)(i)	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHCHNH}_2\text{COOH} + 4[\text{H}] \rightarrow (\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHCHNH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ OR $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2 + 4[\text{H}] \rightarrow \text{C}_5\text{H}_{13}\text{NO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1
6(a)(ii)	lithium aluminium hydride / LiAlH_4 (in dry ether)	1
6(a)(iii)	nucleophilic substitution	1
6(b)	 <p>M1 one peptide link fully displayed (but not contradicted by the other peptide link)</p> <p>M2 rest of structure correct</p>	2
6(c)(i)	<p>M1 optical isomerism</p> <p>M2</p> 	2
6(c)(ii)		1

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6(c)(iii)	$K_{\text{stab}} = \frac{[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2\text{Val}_2]}{[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6^{2+}][\text{Val}^-]^2}$	1
6(c)(iv)	equilibrium lies (well) to the right / towards the products AND (Z) is stable / more stable (than $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{2+}$ in the presence of Val^-)	1
6(c)(v)	bidentate	1