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H414/02: Scientific literacy in geology

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Subject-specific Marking Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

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Q	Question		Answer	Mark	AO	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	subsiding / low lying areas of Earth's crust / rift valley / graben / geosyncline / depression AND where sediments accumulate ✓	1	element 1.1a	ALLOW if faulting is discussed at basin margins
1	(a)	(ii)	 ANY two from: use of mapping to deduce vertical and lateral changes in sediments / rocks ✓ drill boreholes ✓ analyse / correlate type of sediments / rocks / microfossils present in drill core ✓ use of seismic surveys ✓ seismic profiles show subsurface layering / geometry ✓ use of well log subsurface techniques to show geometry of basin ✓ coarse sediments / conglomerates indicate high energy / shallow water / marginal areas / edge of basin ✓ identification of sedimentary structures (e.g. ripple marks) OR fossils (e.g. corals) linked to water depth / energy levels / position in basin ✓ 	2	1.1b 1.1d	MAX 1 for general discussion of different sedimentary rock types / sedimentary structures / fossils not linked to specific environmental conditions ORA ALLOW discussion of ANY correct sedimentary structures / fossils to indicate water depth / energy levels / conditions
1	(b)	(i)	magnification = $size ext{ of image}$ = $38mm$ size of real object 1.26mm magnification = $x ext{ 30 +/- 1} ext{ } ext{\checkmark}$	2	2.1b	
1	(b)	(ii)	 rock is an <u>oolitic limestone</u> OR <u>oolitic ironstone</u> ✓ ANY 1 from: concentric ooliths indicate high energy / currents AND shallow water ✓ (chamosite / siderite / iron) minerals are precipitated from seawater ✓ precipitation around a nucleus builds up concentric layers as grains roll back and forth ✓ 	1	2.1a	ALLOW wackestone OR oo-micrite

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					element	
1	(c)	(i)	water depth shallow AND energy levels low ✓	1	3.1b	
			ANY 1 from:	1		
			(evaporites indicate) high rates of evaporation / higher evaporation than recharge OR a hot / arid climate OR periods of drying out OR marine regression ✓			
			 (thin limestones indicate) a warm / tropical environment ✓ (bivalves and ostracods indicate) conditions suitable for life ✓ 			
1	(c)	(ii)	description: cycle is limestones, overlain by clay and then sandstone ✓ OR ichnofauna of <i>Rhizocorallium</i> and <i>Arenicolites</i> , then <i>Thalassinoides</i> repeat (in different rocks / environments) ✓ OR cycle is marine limestone to terrestrial sandstone ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW any starting rock in correct cycle order
			reason: each cycle is caused by changing sea level / regression ✓ OR subsidence / transgression allows cycle to repeat ✓	1	3.1d	
1	(c)	(iii)	for beds 1, 4 and 6 (in that order) Gryphaea 5:3:18 5/33/318/3 1.66:1:6 ✓✓ OR Pecten 4:12:7 4/4 12/4 7/4 1:3:1.75 ✓✓	2	2.1b	1 mark for a correct ratio 1 mark for reducing the ratio DO NOT ALLOW if more than 3 sig figs are used
			Total	13	1	

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2 (a)*	Please refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5-6 marks) Sedimentary conditions and the geological setting of the Solnhofen Limestone is discussed in detail with good links to theory regarding exceptional preservation. Evidence is given as part of the narrative. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3-4 marks) Sedimentary conditions and the geological setting of the Solnhofen Limestone is addressed with some links to exceptional preservation. OR Preservation potential in different parts of the basin is discussed. There is a line of reasoning with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1-2 marks) Describes either the sedimentary conditions OR the geological setting of the Solnhofen Limestone without attempting to link to exceptional preservation. OR Describes the sedimentary conditions leading to exceptional preservation, but is not linked explicitly to the Solnhofen Limestone and may be linked to other sites of exceptional preservation. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is, in the most part, relevant. No response or no response worthy of credit 0 marks.	6	2.1a 3.1b 3.1e	 AO2.1a Apply knowledge and understanding of geological ideas may include: exceptional preservation occurs when organisms are not transported / scavenged / decayed fine detail preserved when energy levels are low / particle size is small diagenesis needs to occur quickly AO3.1b Interprets geological information, ideas and evidence may include: shallow lagoon/basin with coral and microbial reefs may be cut off from recharge inland basin with no sea / limited rivers feeding basin contain highs which have allowed for shallow water communities to form as reefs (corals/algae) may describe areas of map where preservation potential is highest with reasons AO3.1e Draws conclusions may include: reefs cut off areas of the basin allowing salinity to toxic levels (for life) organisms in high salinity basins will be preserved once covered due to lack of scavengers / lack of oxygenation for decay explains why preservation is good linked to the context of Solnhofen 		

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2	(b)		gives clear conclusion that the specimens are unlikely to be the same species ✓	1	3.1b	MUST consider both time AND space for max marks	
			 ANY 2 from: a species is a group of morphologically similar individuals that can interbreed to produce fertile offspring – it is not possible to know this as they are fossils ✓ anatomical differences between number 12 and the other specimens suggest that it may be a different species OR morphology must be very similar to be considered a species, but several anatomical differences have been found ✓ over a time span of 7 million years evolution is likely to have occurred so it is unlikely for them all to be the same species ✓ specimen 12 is lowest in the sequence and may display fewer characteristics of birds / is least evolved ✓ only two specimens have been found in the lowest strata, more would be needed to make a judgement OR most of the specimens found are in two members of one formation ✓ no other specimens have been found in the east / most of the specimens have been found in the west / centre of the basin which may support a different species theory OR isolation between west / centre and east sides may have allowed different species to evolve ✓ 	2	3.1e	ORA	
2	(c)		 ANY 2 similarities for 1 mark from: furcula / wishbone reversed first toe have long forelimbs / wings ✓ 	1	2.1a		
			 ANY 2 differences for 1 mark from: Archaeopteryx has teeth, chicken no teeth Archaeopteryx has long bony tail, chicken has a short tail Archaeopteryx does not have breastbone, chicken has large breastbone pubis pointing different ways (forwards in Archaeopteryx and backwards in chickens) 	1		ALLOW two implicit differences for 1 mark	

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	 metatarsals not fused in <i>Archaeopteryx</i>, fused in chickens <i>Archaeopteryx</i> has claws on wings, chicken does not √ 			
2 (d)	 ANY 2 descriptions AND matching explanations from: evolved quickly AND (each species) had a short stratigraphic range / occupy a short time frame in geological history ✓ abundant AND can find enough specimens to date a rock ✓ easily identifiable morphology AND to be sure of assignation ✓ can be found in many types of sediments and across different environments AND because a fossil restricted to one environment would be useless for zonation ✓ had nektonic / pelagic mode of life AND is not confined to one rock type / is widespread geographically ✓ can be found over a wide geographical area AND areas far apart can be zoned / correlated ✓ strong skeletons / preservable hard parts AND is commonly preserved ✓ 	2	1.1d	each marking point MUST contain a description AND a matching explanation ALLOW AW ALLOW MAX 1 for two correct descriptions with no / incorrect explanations
2 (e)	95m / 5.3 million years 95 / 5300 000 = 0.00001792 1.792 x 10 -5 ✓ ✓	2	2.1b	ALLOW one mark if answer not in standard form
	Total	15		

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3	(a)	(i)	(bulk) composition stays the same OR changes (that involve heat and pressure) without addition or subtraction of materials / elements / atoms ✓	1	1.1c	
3	(a)	(ii)	 ANY 1 textural change AND ANY 1 mineralogical change for 1 mark from: textural change: texture changes from clastic / grains to crystalline adjacent grains exert pressure and quartz goes into solution at boundaries / pressure solution occurs the grains are fused together (to form crystals) recrystallisation results in uneven grain boundaries / granoblastic / sugary / saccharoidal texture / crystals with 120° triple point intersections / an unfoliated rock crystal size increases with grade / as temperature increases mineralogical change: 	1	1.1c 2.1a	DO NOT ALLOW use of igneous terminology ALLOW metaquartzite as indicating
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3 (b)*	Please refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5-6 marks) Identifies more than one phase of metamorphism / deformation, and may attribute the garnets to the earlier phase of metamorphism / deformation AND Correctly identifies the parent rock AND the resultant metamorphic rock, linked to medium metamorphic grade and regional metamorphism. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated Level 2 (3-4 marks) Identifies a main foliation (which surrounds the porphyroblasts) and describes the formation of the foliation as part of the metamorphic history AND Correctly identifies the parent rock AND / OR the resultant metamorphic rock. There is a line of reasoning with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1-2 marks) Correctly identifies the rock as a schist due to mineralogy / fabric, without attempting to link to metamorphic history. OR Correctly identifies the rock as either a regional OR a medium grade metamorphic rock and gives some idea of the conditions in which it formed OR	6	3.1a 3.1b 3.1d	 AO3.1a Analyse geological information, ideas and evidence identifies the mineralogy/texture as medium grade metamorphism rock regionally metamorphosed rock has two clear foliations and contains porphyroblasts describes the formation of a foliation AO3.1b Interprets geological information, ideas and evidence identifies that the garnets show inclusions which mean that they formed at the same time as the first foliation (early formed minerals) main foliation developed at the same time as the garnets garnets have been rotated in response to the pressure / temperature regime as they grew a secondary / later foliation cross cuts the first less recrystallisation in the secondary foliation suggests metamorphism was less intense AO3.1d Make judgements there are a minimum of two phases of metamorphism / deformation which cross cut each other parent rock must have contained some aluminosilicates / clay minerals to enable the formation of large amounts of mica / garnet / new aluminosilicate minerals parent rock was a shale / mudstone / clay or other suitable named rock (to produce a schist) 		

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			Correctly identifies the parent rock as a shale / mudstone / clay. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is, in the most part, relevant. No response or no response worthy of credit 0 marks.			
3	(c)	(i)	isograds drawn correctly ✓ ✓	2	2.1b	three lines drawn correctly for 2 marks two lines drawn correctly for 1 mark ALLOW MAX 1 if 2+ correct lines are not completed across the entire map OR if lines continued around the edges of the map DO NOT ALLOW if lines are drawn through the letters
3	(c)	(ii)	area labelled C shaded on chart ✓	1	3.1b	
3	(c)	(iii)	Barrovian zones ✓	1	1.1a	
3	(d)		$CaCO_3 + SiO_2 \rightarrow CaSiO_3 + CO_2$	2	2.1a [M1.4]	MARK for each half of the equation ALLOW correct reactants and products in either order MAX 1 if the symbol equation does not balance
3	(e)	(i)	both axes labelled correctly: temperature (°C) AND pressure (MPa) ✓ data plotted correctly ✓ appropriate line drawn ✓	3	2.1a [M2.9]	axes can be plotted either way round 5 or 6 points plotted correctly ALLOW a line joining point to point OR a suitable line of best fit
3	(e)	(ii)	<u>kyanite</u> = higher pressure / lower temperature mineral ✓	1	2.1a	
			andalusite = higher temperature / lower pressure mineral ✓	1		
			Total	20		

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4	(a)	(i)	 ANY 2 stability problems for 1 mark from: sandstone may be poorly consolidated / uncemented and lack strength sandstone may contain joints / bedding planes which are zones of weakness / allow slippage dipping beds may slip clay and sandstone interface may not be stable clay is weak / incompetent and may collapse / slump sandstone is permeable allowing water ingress leading to slippage / collapse clay may absorb water / undergo swelling leading to failure overbreak / underbreak may occur due to differing rock strengths ✓ 	1	1.1a	
			 ANY 1 suitable stabilisation method from: concrete lining / steel ribs ✓ use shotcrete (to stabilise rocks) ✓ grouting (to reduce permeability) ✓ rock bolt the sandstones (to prevent slippage / rock falls) ✓ install rock drains ✓ use fill to stabilise tunnel if overbreak has occurred ✓ 	1	1.1d	
4	(a)	(ii)	ANY 1 from: smectite / montmorillonite / bentonite / saponite ✓	1	1.1a	
4	(b)		 K = 0.908 ✓ ✓ ✓ evidence of correct working ANY two from: calculation of cross-sectional area A = (20 x 500) = 10000 calculation of (h2-h1)/L = (55 - 50) / 1000 = 0.005 correct substitution of values into formula: 45.5 = K x 10000 x ((55 - 50) / 1000) correct rearranging of formula to find K: K = Q / A ((h2-h1)/L) OR = 45.4 / (10000 ((55 - 50) / 1000)) OR = 45.4 / (10000 x 0.005) OR = 45.4 / 50 	3	2.1a	MAX 2 if answer is not to 3 significant figures MAX 2 for evidence of correct working if calculated answer is incorrect
			Total	6		

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5		(i)	dyke	2	element 1.1a 1.1c	ANY 2 OR 3 correct for 1 mark 4 correct for 2 marks ALLOW any vertical / discordant linear intrusion as dyke ALLOW any concordant linear intrusion as sill
5	, ,	(ii)	 ANY 1 from: emplacement of the laccolith will dome the crust above ✓ geodetic surveying will measure the movement of the ground / change in shape ✓ the positive gravity anomaly will be detected ✓ intrusions at depth are classified as <u>plutonic</u> AND shallow level intrusions are classified as <u>hypabyssal</u> ✓ 	1	2.1a 1.1a	ALLOW AW

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5	(b)		description and explanation of magma / lava composition: mafic / low silica content lava / magma AND has low viscosity / has low gas content AND silicic / high silica content lava / magma AND has high viscosity / has high gas content ✓	1	1.1d	ALLOW implicit comparisons
			 ANY 1 comparison of volcanic landscapes for mafic and silicic volcanoes from: mafic magma forms fissure / shield volcanoes / flattened features / plateaus / mafic volcanoes have shallow sides / slopes less than 10° AND silicic magma form stratovolcanoes / (composite) cones / domes / elevated features / calderas / silicic volcanoes have steep sides / slopes ~ 30° ✓ mafic volcanoes have a roughly circular shape AND silicic volcanoes have an irregular shape ✓ mafic volcanoes are made up of successive lava flows AND silicic volcanoes are composite OR made up of alternating layers of ash / tuff and lava ✓ mafic lava flows extend long distances AND silicic lava flows are close to the vent ✓ 	1		
			 ANY 1 comparison of volcanic hazards for mafic and silicic volcanoes from: mafic volcanoes are effusive / have low explosivity AND silicic volcanoes are explosive / have high explosivity ✓ main hazards for mafic volcanoes are lava flows AND main hazards for silicic volcanoes are pyroclastics / pyroclastic flows / lahars ✓ lava flows from mafic volcanoes tend to be at higher temperatures / flow faster AND lava flows from silicic volcanoes tend to be at lower temperatures / flow slower ✓ 	1		ALLOW any correct named hazard of a mafic volcano and any correct named hazard of a silicic volcano
5	(c)	(i)	 pyroxene / augite ✓ amphibole / hornblende ✓ biotite (mica) ✓ 	3	1.1a	
5	(c)	(ii)	olivine to biotite (mica) circled ✓	1	1.1a	

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5	(c)	(iii)	early formed / high temperature minerals usually react with the magma to form the next mineral down in the series ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW correct named examples, e.g. olivine reacts with the magma to produce pyroxene
			if the reaction is not complete OR if cooling is too rapid AND the early mineral will be preserved OR a rim of the next mineral down will be formed around the edge of the crystal OR a corona texture forms ✓	1		
5	(c)	(iv)	fractional crystallisation: as chromite / early-formed / high temperature minerals crystallise the composition of the remaining magma changes OR minerals crystallise in order of melting point OR different minerals crystallise at different temperatures ✓	1	1.1a 2.1a	
			gravity settling: chromite / ore minerals / metallic minerals have a high density (compared with the density of the magma) AND sink / settle out to the bottom of the magma chamber (as cumulate layer) ✓	1		
			filter pressing: if a liquid-crystal magma mixture is subjected to pressure the liquid is squeezed out / layers form ✓	1		

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5	(d)	(i)	2000 1900 1800 1700 1600 1500 1500 1500 1500 1500 1500 1200 1100 11	1	2.1a	both lines labelled correctly for 1 mark
5	(d)	(ii)	temperature: 1600°C ✓	1	2.1b	MUST include correct units
			composition: 72% forsterite OR 28% fayalite ✓	1	3.1a	ALLOW + or – 2% of given values
5	(d)	(iii)	composition: 60% forsterite OR 40% fayalite ✓	1	3.1a	ALLOW + or – 2% of given values
5	(d)	(iv)	temperature: 1380°C ✓	1	3.1a	MUST include correct units
			Total	21		

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6	(a)		 ANY 2 from: the iron in seawater originated from volcanism at the midocean-ridges / hydrothermal vents ✓ Fe²+ / ferrous iron is soluble / dissolved in seawater OR Fe³+ / ferric iron is insoluble ✓ oxygen was produced by photoferrotrophs / photosynthesis (by bacteria) ✓ oxidation caused iron minerals to come out of solution OR caused the iron minerals to be precipitated ✓ form interbedded iron oxide and chert layers (suggesting cyclic variations) ✓ 	2	3.1c 3.1e	ALLOW transport of iron in solution from rivers ALLOW cyanobacteria
	(b)		 ANY 2 from: coral reefs form in shallow marine / continental shelf environments ✓ oceans open by seafloor spreading and close due to subduction, forming and destroying these continental shelf environments ✓ formation of supercontinents reduces shallow marine environments / coastlines and destroys coral reefs ✓ break-up of supercontinents increases shallow marine environments / coastlines creating suitable environments for coral reef formation ✓ the movement of continents affects the area of shallow marine environments between 30° N and S of the equator where coral reefs form ✓ 	2	2.1a	ORA
	(c)		coral skeletons enriched in ¹⁸ O indicate a cold palaeoclimate and low sea levels AND coral skeletons enriched in ¹³ C indicate a warm palaeoclimate and high sea levels ✓ ANY 1 explanation from:	1	1.1d	ORA for valid alternative description relating to ¹⁶ O OR ¹² C
			 in colder periods / periods of low sea level ¹6O is locked in glaciers / ice caps and not returned to the ocean so seawater / coral skeletons are enriched in ¹8O OR depleted in ¹6O ✓ 			

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	in warmer periods / periods of high sea level ¹²C is locked in plants / vegetation and not returned to the ocean so seawater / coral skeletons are enriched in ¹³C OR depleted in ¹²C ✓				
(d) (i)	mass in g A B C D 114.00 114.00 114.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 116.00 116.00 116.00 115.12 115.26 115.41 115.19 0.88 0.74 0.59 0.81 2.00 1.68 1.34 1.84 100% 84 % 67% 92 %	2	3.1a	1 mark for mass of CaCO ₃ 1 mark for % CaCO ₃ OR 1 mark for B correct 1 mark for D correct e.g. (0.81 x 100) / 44 = 1.84g 1.84 / 2 x 100 = 92%	
(d) (ii)	 ANY 1 from: the experiment should have been repeated multiple times for each sample to allow for any erroneous results ✓ the limestones (from each age group) may not be homogeneous / there may be lateral variation in beds ✓ there could be experimental errors, e.g. electronic balance variation, loss of sample during transfer to beaker, etc. ✓ the temperature could affect the rate of reaction ✓ the reaction might not be complete after 6 minutes ✓ 	1	3.1f	DO NOT ALLOW experimental error without a specific example ALLOW any valid example of experimental error	
(d) (iii)	C to A (Cretaceous to Neogene) ✓	2	3.1e	ALLOW ECF from (d)(i)	
	student is partly incorrect as sample D (Permian) is older than C or B but has a higher purity ✓				
	Total	11			

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7	(a)	(i)	 ANY 2 descriptions from: domed corals are found in all locations OR dish corals are only found on the lower slope OR branching corals are not found on the lower slope ✓ the number of domed coral colonies increases with depth AND the number of branching coral colonies decreases with depth ✓ branching corals dominate the upper slope AND dish corals dominate the lower slope ✓ 	2	3.1b	MUST make a comparison to get MAX marks for description
			 ANY 1 reason for distribution of dish corals from: the plate-like form is an adaptation to low light levels OR maximises surface area for photosynthesis (of algae) ✓ the dish corals are fragile and cannot survive currents / wave action / higher energy at shallower depths ✓ large surface area allows dish corals to catch organic matter fallout from the reef above ✓ 	1	3.1c	
7	(a)	(ii)	(cementing) algae / Zooxanthellae thrive in warmer sea temperatures / temperatures of 23 to 27°C ✓	1	3.1a	ALLOW where sea temperature does not fall below 18°C for extended periods of time
7	(b)	(i)	grainstone ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW bio-sparite
7	(b)	(ii)	 ANY 1 characteristic from: rock is made of reef talus / reef debris ✓ rock is bioclastic / composed of fossil / skeleton / coral fragments (from the reef / reef slope) ✓ rock contains carbonate mud / micrite ✓ 	1	2.1a	
			 ANY 1 geological process from: wave action / currents / high energy (on fore-reef) ✓ fragments / material transported down the reef slope ✓ deposition occurs to form beds ✓ rock will be cemented with carbonate mud / micrite ✓ 	1		

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7	(b)	(iii)	C	1	2.1a	ALLOW area immediately behind reef crest up to half-way along reef flat
7	(b)	(iv)	a group of sedimentary facies / rocks that represent one depositional environment ✓	1	2.1a	
7	(c)	(i)	ANY 1 description of weathering from: chemical weathering OR rainwater is acidic due to dissolved carbon dioxide from the atmosphere OR hydrolysis breaks down feldspar / silicate minerals releasing Ca²+ OR carbonation breaks down carbonates releasing Ca²+ ✓ ANY 1 description of transport from:	1	2.1a	
			Ca ²⁺ / calcium ions / carbonate ions are transported OR dissolved calcium is removed in solution OR rivers / surface run-off transport the material to the sea / ocean ✓	'		

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7 (c) (ii)	 ANY 3 from: 4.5 km is approximately the Carbonate Compensation Depth / CCD ✓ below the CCD calcite goes into solution OR calcareous ooze will not form OR increasing pressure with depth increases the solubility of CaCO₃ ✓ (above this depth) carbonate tests / calcareous microorganisms / calcareous nanofossils / foraminifera / coccoliths fall to the sea floor OR form a calcareous ooze ✓ below the CCD only siliceous microorganisms / radiolaria fall to the sea floor OR form a siliceous ooze ✓ rates of deposition are very low / slow OR mm /1000 years OR deposition requires low energy conditions ✓ 	3	1.1a	ALLOW 1 mark for general discussion of planktonic microorganisms sinking to the sea floor ALLOW any other correct named example of calcareous microorganism ALLOW any other correct named example of siliceous microorganism
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(a)	(i)	removal of sediment AND its transport OR the wearing away of the land surface (during transport) OR the wearing away of sediment by abrasion / attrition (during transport) ✓	1	1.1a	
(a)	(ii)	 ANY two from: grains become more texturally mature with transport as corners get removed / due to attrition / abrasion ✓ grains get finer with transport as corners get removed / due to attrition / abrasion ✓ grains get rounder with transport as corners get removed / due to attrition / abrasion ✓ grains get better sorted with transport as corners get removed / due to attrition / abrasion ✓ grains become more quartz rich / more compositionally mature as other minerals decompose / fracture / are eroded away during transport ✓ 	2	1.1a	
(b)	(i)	 ANY two from: clay minerals may be formed from breakdown of feldspars √ hematite may form as an oxidation product in deserts √ minerals are in solution / dissolved in groundwater √ dissolved minerals may be products of pressure solution elsewhere √ groundwater / pore fluid passes through sediment / pore space √ minerals are precipitated / crystallise in the pore space √ cement binds the grains together √ 	2	1.1c	ALLOW correct named clay mineral
(b)	(ii)	any correct named cement, e.g., quartz / calcite ✓	1	1.1a	ALLOW limonite / siderite / glauconite

Question		Answer		AO element	Guidance	
(b)	(iii)	gas evolution from peat (whilst under pressure / compaction) OR CH₄ / CO₂ / SO₂ evolved OR loss of water occurs ✓ resulting in a (relative) increase in carbon content ✓	2	1.1a 2.1a	DO NOT ALLOW ideas that are not chemically based ALLOW loss of any correct named gas	
(c)	(i)	 ANY two from: compaction / load pressure / weight of overlying sediment / overburden causes dis(solution) ✓ occurs at contacts points between grains ✓ (large quantities of CaCO₃ are) taken into solution ✓ clay is concentrated in layers as it is insoluble / does not go into solution / forms a residue ✓ (re)crystallisation / precipitation from fluids occurs where stable ✓ 	2	3.1a	ALLOW compression	
(c)	(ii)	porosity AND permeability decrease ✓	1	3.1b		
(c)	(iii)	clay originally disseminated in the limestone is now concentrated in layers OR clay is the insoluble residue OR the clay results from impurities in the limestone ✓	1	3.1b		
(c)	(iv)	 ANY one from: easy to cut into thin layers due to composition ✓ lacks porosity, so resistant to wear / does not crumble / is impermeable ✓ recrystallised / hard(er), so stays polished / is hard wearing ✓ mechanically strong, so durable ✓ stylolites make the appearance of the rock more attractive ✓ 	1	2.1a	ALLOW AW DO NOT ALLOW non geological ideas	
(d)	(i)	A desiccation cracks ✓ B imbrication ✓	3	3.1b	1 mark for each correct answer. A – ALLOW mud cracks	
		C cross-bedding ✓			C – ALLOW ripple marks	
(d)	(ii)	A AND C ✓	1	1.1d		

Question	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance	
(e)	 beach – ANY one from: composed of sand and gravel with rounded grains ✓ medium - coarse grained / may include pebbles ✓ orthoquartzites / quartz-rich sediment ✓ may contain shell fragments / symmetrical ripple marks / burrows ✓ shallow sea / wave influenced – ANY one from: form crossed-bedded sands / bioturbated sands / offshore sandbars ✓ may contain glauconite ✓ may contain asymmetrical ripples / burrows ✓ below wave base – ANY one from: fine grained / muds and silts ✓ many marine organisms / burrows ✓ 	3	2.1a	must have one marking point from each section. mark annotated diagram(s) as text	

C	Question				Answer	Mark	AO element	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)			_	2	2.1b	6 or 5 correct for 2 marks
			260	080				3 or 4 correct for 1 mark
			222	042				Less than 3 correct 0 marks
			012	012				
			328	148				
			055	055				
			355	175				
					√ √			
	(a)	(ii)	experiment 1 AND experiment			1	2.1b	Must have both values ALLOW ECF from 2(a)(i)

Questio	on	Answer	Mark	AO	Guidance
(a)	(iii)	 ANY two from: shells may be different sizes / shapes ✓ differences in water pressure / speed / volume ✓ tubing may have moved from centre ✓ water left on tray / shells wet from first experiment ✓ shells placed in slightly different places ✓ iron in bench / lab interfering with compass readings ✓ conducted in different parts of the lab so trends different ✓ 	2	3.1d	ALLOW AW
(a)	(iv)	 ANY one from: control the flow rate / direction of the water ✓ use more linear shells, such as Solen ✓ create a drain hole for excess water ✓ reduce the incline to less than 10° ✓ conduct experiment away from sources of iron ✓ dry the tray / shells between experiments ✓ mark the position of the shells on the tray so they are placed in the same position each time ✓ add sediment to the tray to make it more realistic ✓ 	1	3.1f	ALLOW AW
(a)	(v)	 ANY three from: could be used to model if there was a current when a sedimentary rock formed ✓ could be used to model the direction of current flow ✓ shows shells tend to align in the direction of flow OR at right angles to flow ✓ could compare to trends of fossils (on bedding planes) ✓ the experiment only models a unidirectional current / river, (but mussels are marine organisms) ✓ reality is more complex, e.g., there is sediment present OR interactions between currents OR in the ocean OR results in shell concentrations OR winnowing / sorting / rip currents / longshore drift / tides occur ✓ 	3	3.1c	

Question	Answer	Mark	AO element	Guidance
(b)	 ANY four from: selection of suitable shell types ✓ use the same number / mass of shells in each repeat ✓ place shells in suitable container (with lid) agitate / shake for set time period ✓ masses / sediment (of known mass) could be placed (in container) with shells ✓ describes way of separating different fragment sizes, e.g., using sieves OR measuring maximum diameter of fragments OR finding the mass of fragments over a particular size ✓ measures mass of size fractions OR calculates percentage attrition ✓ 	4	2.1b	

(Questi	ion	Answer Ma	Mark	Mark AO element	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	B = 6 ✓ C = 9 ✓	2	1.1b 3.1b	
	(a)	(ii)	B = 4700 +/- 300 km ✓ C = 8000 +/- 300 km ✓	2	2.1b	ALLOW ECF from 3(a)(i)
	(a)	(iii)	station C station B station A station A station B	3	2.1b	1 mark for 1 correct arc 2 marks for 3 correct arcs 1 mark for locating the epicentre / can be in the centre of a triangle of error ALLOW ECF from 3(a)(ii)
	(b)	(i)	subduction zone OR subducted slab / plate OR subducted oceanic lithosphere ✓	1	3.1c	ALLOW convergent plate margin DO NOT ALLOW partial melting or low velocity zone alone
	(b)	(ii)	 ANY two from: P-waves travel faster through subducted slab AND P-waves travel slower where there is rising magma / partial melting ✓ P-waves travel faster through the colder / denser material OR P-waves travel slower through hotter / less dense material ✓ 	2	1.1c	

Q	Question		Answer	Mark	AO element	Guidance
			 the subducted slab is more rigid / more incompressible OR areas of rising magma / partial melting are less rigid / less incompressible ✓ 			
	(b)	(iii)	 ANY one from: a low velocity zone marks the asthenosphere as P / S waves slow down as they enter 5% partial melt ✓ tomographic imaging shows the top of the asthenosphere at 75-100 km depth OR the base of the asthenosphere at approximately 250 km depth OR the asthenosphere is between 75-100 to 250 km depth ✓ there is an increase in P / S wave speed at the base of the asthenosphere as the mantle becomes solid / as zone of 5% partial melt ends ✓ 	1	2.1a	
	(b)	(iv)	 ANY one from: oceanic crust is too thin for intermediate / deep focus earthquakes ✓ shallow focus earthquakes are triggered by rising magma at the rift ✓ shallow focus earthquakes occur due to lateral movement of transform faults ✓ 	1	2.1a	

(Quest	ion	Answer	Mark	AO element 1.1c	Guidance ALLOW bedding planes in Fig. 4.1 are at different angles suggesting violent tectonic forces / upheaval / earthquakes OR angular clasts of Silurian rock in Fig. 4.1 suggest a flash flood event
4	(a)	(i)	ANY one from: mass extinction events OR asteroid impacts OR <u>large-scale</u> flood events OR <u>large-scale</u> volcanism ✓	1		
	(a)	(ii)	theory: Uniformitarianism OR Gradualism ✓	1	1.1a	
			physical process: The Rock Cycle ✓	1		
	(a)	(iii)	geological processes observable now / today acted the same way in the past ✓	1	1.1a	
	(a)	(iv)	 ANY two from: superposition ✓ law of included fragments ✓ cross-cutting relationships ✓ original horizontality ✓ 	2	1.1a	ALLOW correct descriptions of these relative dating principles ALLOW unconformity for cross-cutting relationship
	(a)	(v)	 ANY one from: superposition: oldest rocks at base of sequence as deposited first OR rocks get successively younger upwards OR youngest rocks at top of sequence as deposited last ✓ included fragments: fragments must be older than the rock in which they are contained OR older included fragments have been eroded and redeposited OR fragments in Devonian rocks have come from Silurian rocks ✓ cross-cutting relationships: angular unconformity must be younger than the rocks it cuts across OR folded rocks were eroded then horizontal rocks deposited on top of them OR younger rocks cut across older rocks ✓ 	1	1.1a	ALLOW any valid explanation

Ques	tion	Answer	Mark	AO element	Guidance
		original horizontality: beds were deposited horizontally OR if not horizontal, beds have been uplifted and tilted ✓			
(a)	(vi)	beds containing the same fossils are the same age OR uses the first and last appearance of fossils / stratigraphic range ✓	1	1.1a	
(a)	(vii)	fragments of older rock / fossils found in a younger rock ✓	1	2.1a	
		allows the relative ages of units to be deduced as included fragments have come from older rock units OR (older fossils in the rock) make the rock appear to be older than it is ✓	1		
(a)	(viii)	 ANY one from: he recognised faunal succession OR fossil faunas succeed one another in a definite age order ✓ he suggested that rocks containing the same fossil assemblages are the same age OR rocks could be correlated on the basis of their fossil assemblages ✓ William Smith found other unconformities ✓ excavations of the canals allowed William Smith to collect large numbers of fossils from rock strata across the country ✓ 	1	1.1c	ALLOW AW
(b)	(i)	 ANY two from: rates of sedimentation vary over time in the same location rates of sedimentation vary geographically / laterally ✓ rates of sedimentation vary between different rock types / depositional environments, e.g., mudstone & sandstone / deep marine & terrestrial ✓ there may have been periods of erosion removing sediments leading to errors in rate calculation ✓ there are no surviving sedimentary rocks from the early Earth OR ancient sedimentary rocks have been recycled by plate tectonic processes ✓ 	2	1.1c	

Q	Question		Answer			Mark	AO element	Guidance
	(b)	(ii)	FIRST CHECK ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE if answer = 0.0196 (mm per year) award 2 m working showing thickness of sediment ÷ time		2 marks	2 2	2.1b	1 mark for correct working
			which the sediments were		inic period over			Thank for correct working
			= <u>0.0196</u> (mm per year) ✓	√				1 mark for correct answer to 3 significant figures
	(c)	(i)				1	3.1b	ALL correct for 1 mark
			Structural Events	Number				
			Youngest	6				
				2				
				4				
			Oldest	8				
				✓				
	(c)	(ii)				1	3.1b	ALL correct for 1 mark
			Sedimentary Events	Number				
			Youngest	3				
				7				
				1				
			Oldest	5				
				✓				

C	Questi	ion	Answer	Mark	AO	Guidance	
5	(a)	(i)	FIRST CHECK ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 55.68 (kN m ⁻²) award 3 marks $\sigma = (18 \times 1) + (19 \times 0.7) + (2 \times 22) = 75.3 \checkmark$ $\mu = 9.81 \times 2 = 19.62 \checkmark$ $\sigma^{1} = 75.3 - 19.62 = 55.68 \text{ kN m}^{-2} \checkmark$	3	element 2.1b		
	(a)	(ii)	ANY one from: (rock) drains to remove water (and reduce pore fluid pressure) ✓ grouting / shotcrete to reduce permeability ✓ vegetation as plants reduce infiltration of water / 'fix' soil in place ✓	1	1.1d		
	(b)	(i)*	Refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Uses a good balance of the general AND geological information / evidence from the text AND knowledge of the properties of smectite and illite clays AND makes judgements on the causation of the landslide. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) EITHER Uses some of the general AND geological information / evidence AND makes judgements on the causation of the landslide. OR	6	3.1c 2.1a 3.1d	Indicative points may include: AO3.1c Evaluates information and evidence general information	

Question	Answer	Mark	AO element	Guidance	
	Uses detailed geological information / evidence from the text AND makes judgements on the causation of the landslide. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Some relevant information / evidence is lifted from the question AND there is an attempt at a judgement on the causation of the landslide. Answer may be unbalanced. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. O marks No response or no response worthy of credit.		element	AO2.1a Applies knowledge and understanding of the changing properties of clay soil containing as little as 5% clay minerals can be subject to shrink-swell illite is a non-expanding / low shrink-swell (2:1) clay smectite is an expanding / high shrink-swell (2:1) clay smectite can expand up to 1500% of original volume when saturated clay slopes are generally only stable below 10° angle evidence of shrink-swell are cracks and fissures in walls and pavements AO 3.1d Makes judgements on causation based on evidence provided fractured bed rock allows percolation of water water adds weight making a failure more likely fractured bed rock is weak deforestation reduces hillside cohesion and allows rise of water table over-quarrying increases run-off hydrostatic pressure breaks grain-to-grain cohesion hydrostatic pressure forces apart bedding planes / lubricates bedding planes bedding planes likely to fail down dip 25° slopes too steep for clay	
(b) (ii)	lime OR calcium oxide treatment ✓	1	2.1b	ALLOW use of cement	
	changes Na-smectite to Ca-smectite OR Ca-smectite expansion is only 100% OR Na-smectite expansion is 1500% ✓	1		ALLOW alters the composition / structure of clay(s) to prevent shrinking and swelling	

Question	Answer		AO element	Guidance	
(b) (iii)	 ANY two from: study of aerial / satellite photographs OR desk study ✓ surface mapping (folds / faults / joints / dip of beds) OR mapping fracture density OR slope mapping ✓ sub-surface mapping, e.g., test pits / boreholes / drilled cores ✓ geophysical survey, e.g., seismic refraction / resistivity ✓ soil mechanics measurements OR laboratory testing of rock / soil samples OR measurements of rock strength (compressive / shear) ✓ integration of data into GIS ✓ 	2	3.1c	ALLOW one mark for list of two correct techniques ALLOW any correct named appropriate geophysical surveying technique, e.g., ground penetrating radar	

C	Question		Answer	Mark	AO element	Guidance
6	(a)	(i) lower flow rate / less aquifer recharge / less water in the aquifer AND increases bromate concentration in groundwater OR there is less dilution of the bromate in groundwater ✓		1	2.1a	ORA
	(a)	(ii)	FIRST CHECK ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 25.2 (μg/l) award 2 marks 1200 m³ x 1000 = 1200000 litres AND 1820 m³ x 1000 = 1820000 litres ✓ ((1200000 + 1820000) x 10) ÷ 1200000 = 25.2 (μg/l) OR ((1200 + 1820)) x 10) ÷ 1200 = 25.2 (μg/l) ✓	2	3.1a	ALLOW 25.17 OR 25
	(a)	(iii)	 ANY two from: remove contaminated substrate ✓ pump (and treat) bromate contaminated water from a borehole closer to the contamination source ✓ phytoremediation – use of plants to remove bromate ✓ use ion exchange process to remove bromate ✓ 	2	2.1a	
	(b)		(dis)solution of chalk / CaCO₃ / calcite / carbonate by groundwater creating a void space / caves ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW compaction of aquifer due to over extraction / abstraction of water from wells

(Question		Answer	Mark	AO element	Guidance
7	(a)	(i)	an animal with four limbs OR an animal that largely walked on four limbs ✓		1.1a	
	(a)	(ii)	 ANY two from: amniotic egg increased survival of young / protection of embryo ✓ eggs could be laid away from a water source / increase in niches ✓ less bones / more muscle and tendons ✓ increased flexibility / manoeuvrability of animal ✓ 	2	1.1c	
	(a)	(iii)	ANY one from: amniote eggs have a hard shell (e.g., like chicken eggs) (so can lay eggs on land) AND anamniote eggs have no shells (e.g., like frog spawn) (so eggs need to be laid in water) ✓	1	1.1a	MUST give a morphological difference ALLOW amniote eggs have a membrane AND anamniote eggs do not
	(a)	(iv)	Refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Uses a good balance of the information / evidence from the text AND knowledge of the modes of life of different groups of named Archosaurs AND Makes links between bone structure and potential modes of life of some of the different Ornithosuchia with reasons. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.	6	2.1a 3.1c	 Indicative points may include: AO3.1c Evaluates information and evidence compares position of bones in the two types of Archosaurs links bone structure to mode of life / locomotion with examples Pseudosuchia / crocodilian ankle structure mostly used whilst swimming, with limited movement on land Ornithosuchia ankle structure linked to life on land Ornithosuchia have diverse members which walk, run, hunt, graze or fly AO2.1a Applies knowledge and understanding Ornithosuchia ankles adapted to the need for additional weight bearing on land Pseudosuchia / crocodilian skeletons supported by water so less need for weight-bearing

Question	Answer	Mark	AO	Guidance
Question	Level 2 (3–4 marks) Either Uses some of the information / evidence from the text AND links this the modes of life of different groups of named Archosaurs. OR Uses more detailed ideas and evidence about Ornithosuchia to link morphology to specific examples of their modes of life. Answer may be unbalanced. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Some relevant information / evidence is lifted from the question about some of the different groups of Archosaurs AND there may be an attempt to link to their modes of life OR Discusses Ornithosuchia / dinosaur mode of life, largely ignoring the content in the article. Answer may be unbalanced. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant.	Mark	AO element	describes how Ornithosuchia ankle structure supports grazing, running and hunting – both herbivorous and carnivorous modes of life describes purpose of reversed big toe in birds / Archaeopteryx allowing perching discusses changes in bone density / hollow bones in birds to allow flying Compares morphology / modes of life of Ornithischian and Saurischian dinosaurs within the Ornithosuchia

Questio	on	Answer ') short and flattened peg shaped teeth = SS ✓		AO element	Guidance
(b)	(v)			2.1a	
		large olfactory lobes = ST ✓			
		hinged jaw containing teeth suitable for grinding = O ✓			
		primitive hips with pubis bone which points forward = SS AND ST ✓			
(c)		 ANY four from: definition of convergent evolution – independent evolution of same / similar features in unrelated / distantly related species ✓ birds and pterosaurs do show convergent evolution as they have similar (morphological) features ✓ both birds and pterosaurs evolved wings (for flight) ✓ both evolved a stabilising tail ✓ but structures for flight are different in pterosaurs and birds ✓ but pterosaurs had teeth / had skin-like membranes held up by wing fingers ✓ but birds have complex flight feathers ✓ 	4	3.1c	

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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION FOR MARKING

RM ASSESSOR

- 1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: RM Assessor Online Training; OCR Essential Guide to Marking.
- 2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit.
- 3. Log-in to RM Assessor and mark the **required number** of practice responses ("scripts") and the **required number** of standardisation responses.

MARKING

- 1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
- 2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
- 3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the RM Assessor 50% and 100% (traditional 50% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
- 4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone, email or via the RM Assessor messaging system.
- Work crossed out:

Crossed Out Responses

Where a candidate has crossed out a response and provided a clear alternative then the crossed out response is not marked. Where no alternative response has been provided, examiners may give candidates the benefit of the doubt and mark the crossed out response where legible.

Rubric Error Responses – Optional Questions

Where candidates have a choice of question across a whole paper or a whole section and have provided more answers than required, then all responses are marked and the highest mark allowable within the rubric is given. Enter a mark for each question answered into RM assessor, which will select the highest mark from those awarded. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate has penalised themselves by attempting more questions than necessary in the time allowed.)

Multiple Choice Question Responses

When a multiple choice question has only a single, correct response and a candidate provides two responses (even if one of these responses is correct), then no mark should be awarded (as it is not possible to determine which was the first response selected by the candidate). When a question requires candidates to select more than one option/multiple options, then local marking arrangements need to ensure consistency of approach.

Contradictory Responses

When a candidate provides contradictory responses, then no mark should be awarded, even if one of the answers is correct.

Short Answer Questions (requiring only a list by way of a response, usually worth only **one mark per response**)

Where candidates are required to provide a set number of short answer responses then only the set number of responses should be marked. The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered. The remaining responses should not then be marked. Examiners will have to apply judgement as to whether a 'second response' on a line is a development of the 'first response', rather than a separate, discrete response. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate is attempting to hedge their bets and therefore getting undue benefit rather than engaging with the guestion and giving the most relevant/correct responses.)

Short Answer Questions (requiring a more developed response, worth **two or more marks**)

If the candidates are required to provide a description of, say, three items or factors and four items or factors are provided, then mark on a similar basis – that is downwards (as it is unlikely in this situation that a candidate will provide more than one response in each section of the response space.)

Longer Answer Questions (requiring a developed response)

Where candidates have provided two (or more) responses to a medium or high tariff question which only required a single (developed) response and not crossed out the first response, then only the first response should be marked. Examiners will need to apply professional judgement as to whether the second (or a subsequent) response is a 'new start' or simply a poorly expressed continuation of the first response.

6. Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the

candidate has continued an answer there then add a tick to confirm that the work has been seen.

- 7. Award No Response (NR) if:
 - there is nothing written in the answer space

Award Zero '0' if:

• anything is written in the answer space and is not worthy of credit (this includes text and symbols).

Team Leaders must confirm the correct use of the NR button with their markers before live marking commences and should check this when reviewing scripts.

8. The RM Assessor **comments box** is used by your Team Leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**

If you have any questions or comments for your Team Leader, use the phone, the RM Assessor messaging system, or email.

9. Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.

10. For answers marked by levels of response:

Read through the whole answer from start to finish, using the Level descriptors to help you decide whether it is a strong or weak answer. The indicative scientific content in the Guidance column indicates the expected parameters for candidates' answers, but be prepared to recognise and credit unexpected approaches where they show relevance. Using a 'best-fit' approach based on the skills and science content evidenced within the answer, first decide which set of level descriptors, Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3, best describes the overall quality of the answer.

Once the level is located, award the higher or lower mark:

The higher mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced and all aspects of the communication statement (in italics) have been met.

The lower mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced but aspects of the communication statement (in italics) are missing.

In summary:

The skills and science content determines the level.

The communication statement determines the mark within a level.

Level of response questions on this paper are 1ci and 3e.

11. Annotations available in RM Assessor

Annotation	Meaning
✓	Correct response
X	Incorrect response
^	Omission mark
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
RE	Rounding error
SF	Error in number of significant figures
ECF	Error carried forward
L1	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
I	Ignore
BP	Blank page

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

Annotation	Meaning
DO NOT ALLOW	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

13. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

C	Question		Answer			Marks	AO element	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	 A Desiccation cracks ✓ B Ripples / ripple marks C Salt / halite pseudomo 			3	AO2.1a	1 mark for each correct answer DO NOT ALLOW mudcracks for A ALLOW symmetrical OR asymmetrical ripple marks OR cross laminations for B
1	(a)	(ii)	Sedimentary structure A B C	Way up √ or X ✓ ✓ ✓ OR X	Palaeocurrent direction vor X X X	3	AO1.1d	1 mark for each correct row

C	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
1	(a)	(iii)	 Any one from: Offshore transition from coarse to fine sediment ✓ Coarse-grained sediments / pebbles / gravel / sand AND on beach / near shore / in shallow water / high energy ✓ Fine-grained sediment / mud / clay AND offshore / in deep water / low energy ✓ Pebbles / gravel / sand on beach may contain shell lags / wood fragments (due to high energy storms) ✓ Sediment type are usually rounded sand grains with high quartz content / may contain glauconite ✓ Any one from: (Symmetrical) ripples formed in sands / on beach / in shallow water / from bi-directional currents ✓ Laminations in muds / below wave base / in deep water 	2	AO1.1c	1 mark for discussion regarding sediments AND 1 mark for sedimentary structures ALLOW correct named rocks for sediment ALLOW asymmetrical ripples if associated with rip current or longshore drift OR herringbone cross bedding OR subaqueous
			/ low energy ✓ • Bioturbation / burrows ✓			dunes ALLOW correct any correct named burrow
1	(b)	(i)	 Braided river facies described as (wide shallow) channels and islands / bars / eyots ✓ States a (conformable) vertical sequence is produced by lateral facies changes / lateral environments OR uses Walther's Law to explain that 3D geometry results from sediments deposited at the same time in different places ✓ 	duced OR results		Mark diagrams as text MAX 2 if describes meandering river system
			 Deposition occurs on inside of bends / bars / islands / eyots AND where current velocity is low / reduces ✓ Erosion occurs on outside of bends OR where current velocity is high ✓ Deposition / erosion causes channel migration OR deposition may block channels OR deposition may divert channels ✓ 			ALLOW any correct named subenvironment where velocity is low for deposition ALLOW any correct named subenvironment where velocity is high for erosion

C	Question				Answer			Marks	AO element	Guidance
1	(b)	(ii)	FIRST CHEC		_	ANSWER	LINE	4	AO2.1b	1 mark for expected row 10,10,10,10 1 mark for O – E row 1 mark for correctly completing rest of table
				Angular	Sub angular	Sub rounded	Rounded			1 mark for correct calculation
			Observed (O)	20	10	7	3			
			Expected (E)	10	10	10	10			
			0 – E	10	0	-3	-7			
			(O – E) ²	100	0	9	49			
			(O – E) ² E	10.0	0.0	0.9	4.9			
			Σ <u>(O – E)</u> ² Ε	= 15.8 ✓			√√ √			
1	(b)	(iii)	Degrees of free Value is great AND (Result in hypothesis cannot random ✓	er than the s) statistica n be reject	critical val	lue e to chance		2	AO3.1c AO3.1b	ECF on calculated chi square value

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			element	
1 (c) (i)*	Refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Uses detailed evidence from the table and knowledge of deltaic sequences to correctly link different beds to all parts of a delta. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) Uses evidence from the table to interpret the sequence as a deltaic environment OR Identifies cyclical deposition where the coal indicates swamp / land and the mudstone is a return to marine environments. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Some relevant information / evidence used from the table is correctly linked to an environment for at least one bed, but the sequence is not recognised as a deltaic environment OR Discusses changes in depth of water or energy levels correctly linked to different beds in the sequence.	6	AO3.1b, AO3.1c AO3.1e	Indicative points may include: AO3.1b Interpret geological information ideas and evidence Describes cyclical sedimentation Describes coarsening upwards sequence Links beds / rock types / evidence to different positions on a delta Discusses evidence of changing energy levels Discusses fossil evidence AO3.1c Evaluate geological information. ideas and evidence Links erosional channel fills with meandering rivers / distributary channels / channel switching on delta top / topset beds Links coal formation and rootlets to land and swamp on delta top / topset beds Links the cross bedded sandstone to the delta front / delta slope / foreset beds Recognises that mudstone containing bivalves is marine / prodelta / bottomset beds Subsidence / sea level change linked to cyclicity AO3.1e Draws conclusions Identifies a prograding delta front Identifies changing sea level

C	luest	ion	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
			There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. O marks No response or no response worthy of credit.			
1	(c)	(ii)	Cement / Matrix ✓ Grain size ✓ Textural maturity ✓ Sorting ✓ Grain shape / Roundness ✓	max 2	AO2.1b	ALLOW friability / description of how rock breaks ALLOW fossil content ALLOW grain sphericity
1	(c)	(iii)	Measure thickness of a bed at the base / a bed that can be reached (using a tape measure) and use this to visually determine bed thicknesses up the cliff face OR Makes comment about estimating true thicknesses from apparent thicknesses due to dip ✓ OR Place a (fiduciary) scale or an object of known size next to the cliff ✓	1	AO3.1f	ALLOW use of photography to estimate thickness of higher beds DO NOT ALLOW a suggestion that would be unsafe
1	(c)	(iv)	 Danger of falling rocks from rock face AND must wear a hard hat / keep away from loose areas ✓ Slip / trip hazards on uneven / slippery rock surfaces AND must wear stout footwear ✓ Cut off by the tide AND check tide times / plan in advance ✓ Inclement weather conditions where safety is compromised AND check weather conditions / wear suitable clothing for weather conditions / describes appropriate precautions for the weather ✓ 	max 2	AO3.1f	DO NOT ALLOW general health and safety issues not relevant to sedimentary logging ALLOW 1 mark for a list of 2 safety issues without mitigations suggested ALLOW use of acid to test rocks OR use of geological hammer to take specimens OR sharp rocks cutting hand with correct mitigation for 1 mark

C	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance
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2	(a)	(i)	Fit of continents' coastlines / edge of continental shelf / jigsaw fit, e.g., South America and Africa ✓	max 4	AO1.1a AO1.1c	MAX 3 if specific named example is not included as evidence
			Rock types of the <u>same age</u> AND <u>same type</u> OR matching rocks on different continents OR matching Precambrian cratons OR matching continent flood basalts ✓			IGNORE discussion of radiometric dating or palaeomagnetism
			Matching mountain chains / orogenic belts on different continents OR have same age and trend OR that can be joined, e.g., Precambrian aged mountain ranges on South America and Africa ✓			
			Matching fossils which lived on land / shallow sea / freshwater / couldn't cross a wide ocean found on different continents, e.g., <i>Mesosaurus</i> / <i>Glossopteris</i> for Gondwanaland OR trilobites of Scotland and England / Wales OR fossil corals / plants suggesting continent was at the Equator at the time so must have moved to present day position ✓			ALLOW any correct named land-dwelling fossil, e.g., plants / ferns
			Matching deposits from glaciation (tillites) / glacial striations suggesting continents were joined, e.g., those found in South Africa and parts of South America ✓			
			(Palaeoclimatic) evidence in sedimentary rocks suggesting a continent was in a different climatic zone / latitude than it is today so must have moved to present day position, e.g. coal / tillites / evaporites / red sandstone / limestones ✓			ALLOW ANY correct named example of a sedimentary rock linked to correct latitude of deposition

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2	(a)	(ii)	Ridge push (divergent margins) AND (sea floor cools and thickens causing) gravitational sliding away from the MOR OR rising magma pushes the plates apart \checkmark Slab pull (convergent margins) AND (cold / dense) lithosphere sinks into ocean trenches \checkmark Convection currents in the mantle OR mantle plumes act as the active / rising limb at divergent margins / transfer energy to spreading centres \checkmark	max 2	AO1.1c	ALLOW 1 mark if sea floor spreading is discussed ALLOW 1 mark if ridge push AND slab pull listed DO NOT ALLOW statement of tensional / compressional forces as only explanation
2	(a)	(iii)	Density of oceanic plate is greater than continental (which explains why oceanic plates are subducted) OR Density of oceanic plate is 2.9 gcm⁻³ whilst continental plate is 2.7 gcm⁻³ ✓ Oceanic composition is basaltic / mafic / contains more mafic minerals AND continental composition is granitic / silicic / intermediate / contains more felsic / silicic minerals OR Oceanic crust is almost entirely igneous AND continental crust can be igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic / more varied composition OR Oceanic bulk composition contains less SiO₂ than continental crust ✓	2	AO1.1c	1 mark for density and 1 mark for composition ORA ALLOW correct named minerals in each ORA

C	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
2	(b)	(i)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 47% award 2 marks Indicates maximum value is 280 AND minimum value is 190 ✓ Change = max value - min value x 100 min value = 280 - 190 x 100 190	2 AO2.1b		ALLOW ANY correctly rounded number,
			= 47% (increase) ✓			e.g., 47.4 or 47.37
2	(b)	(ii)	 Contribution of vulcanicity / volcanic gases ✓ No organisms able to <u>photosynthesise</u> to take out CO₂ from atmosphere ✓ Great Oxygenation Event had not occurred ✓ No ozone layer so no life on land / plants had not evolved ✓ 	max 2	AO1.1b AO2.1a	
2	(b)	(iii)	Cycles of volcanic activity OR Icehouse / Greenhouse cycles / cycles of Snowball Earth OR Changes in Earth's tilt / orbit / Milankovitch Cycles ✓	max 1	AO3.1d	MUST have idea of periodicity ALLOW changes in obliquity / eccentricity / precession ALLOW changes in the distribution of continents / changes in ocean circulation
2	(c)	(i)	Anthropocene ✓	1	AO1.1a	

Q	Question		Answer		AO element	Guidance
2	(c)	(ii)	 Rate of biological change is high / (mass) extinction is occurring ✓ Rate of environmental change is high / increased global warming / increased greenhouse effect due to Human activity OR increased levels of anthropogenic carbon dioxide / anthropogenic greenhouse gases in atmosphere OR CO₂ has risen to over 400 ppm ✓ Man-made chemicals, e.g., plastics, are widely distributed in the environment ✓ Mass extinctions / environmental changes were used to draw boundaries between geological periods ✓ A global marker horizon / GSSP / golden spike can be identified ✓ 	max 3	AO2.1b	ALLOW agriculture changing soils ALLOW widely spread chicken bones (in landfill) ALLOW suggestion of a specific named marker, e.g.,1950s – Atomic age / global increase in radionuclides

Q	uesti	ion	Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	 Metamorphic rock has same (bulk) composition as the original / parent rock ✓ No gases / elements / ions / atoms lost OR gained ✓ No melting OR stays solid ✓ 	max 2	AO1.1a	DO NOT ALLOW no change in minerals
3	(a)	(ii)	Metamorphism that occurs as temperature / pressure / grade decreases (over time) ✓ Provides a suitable example of changing rocks such as gneiss metamorphosed / recrystallised into a schist OR discusses correct higher grade index mineral being replaced by lower grade index mineral OR olivine is changed to serpentine / chlorite OR provides suitable example of a retrograde metamorphic reaction such as hydration / carbonation / oxidation ✓	max 2	AO1.1d	ALLOW metamorphism caused by uplift / removal of overlying rock DO NOT ALLOW reference to different zones in a metamorphic aureole / Barrovian zones
3	(b)		bt ms fd qx fd qx ms ch fd qx ms ch fd qx ms ch fd qx	2	AO2.1b	2 marks if all three isograds are correct 1 mark if one OR two isograds are correct isograds should not cross

Q	Question			Answer		Marks	element	Guidance
3	(c)	Identification	Parent rock	Metamorphic rock	4	AO3. 1b	1 mark for each correct box	
			Α	Sandstone / Orthoquartzite	Metaquartzite			
			В	Shale / Mudstone / Clay / Argillite / Argillaceous rock	Gneiss			ALLOW slate / schist as parent rock for gneiss
					/ / / /			
3	(c)	(ii)	 Interlocking cry 	 Equidimensional texture shown / labelled ✓ Interlocking crystals shown / labelled ✓ Correct scale drawn and labelled to match crystal size ✓ 			AO2.1b	MAX 2 if no labels IGNORE reference to mineralogy / composition
3	(d)	(i)	Labelled line slopin	ng gently downwards	through hornfels ✓	1	AO2.1a	MUST be mostly in hornfels facies MUST be shown as a path not a zone
3	(d)	(ii)	Amphibolite ✓			1	AO3.1b	
3	(d)	(iii)	from 200-300 to 80	00-900 MPa ✓		1	AO3.1b	MUST include units for mark

Question	Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance
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3 (e)	Refer to the marking instructions on page 5 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Gives detailed description and explanation of prograde regional metamorphism, using correct textural terms linked to correct regional metamorphic rock types (slate / phyllite, schist, gneiss) at all grades AND Describes correct index minerals that recrystallise and become stable at the different temperatures and pressures. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) Good description of prograde regional metamorphism, using correct textural terms and mineralogical changes in some named regional metamorphic rocks linked to correct grades There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Describes prograde regional metamorphism as a change in texture or foliation using some correct terminology such as foliation, cleavage, schistosity or gneissose banding OR	6	AO2.1a AO1.1c	Indicative points may include: AO1.1c Demonstrate understanding of geological ideas AO2.1a Apply knowledge and understanding of geological ideas Increased pressure and temperatures enable recrystallisation to occur New minerals recrystallise at specific temperature and pressure regimes as old minerals leave their stability fields Slate / phyllite, schist and gneiss are order of metamorphism Increased movement of ions / particles / atoms during recrystallisation / due to higher temperatures results in wider bands of like minerals Presence of water accelerates the process Coarser crystals = higher grade metamorphism Porphyroblasts described, e.g., garnet in schist Foliation / cleavage formed by preferred alignment of recrystallised minerals perpendicular to applied pressure Cleavage only forms in platy minerals / at low grade Crenulation cleavage may be evident if stress directions change / commonly occurs in phyllite

Q	uestion	Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance
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		during regional metamorphism There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. O marks No response or no response worthy of credit.			 Schistosity and gneissose banding occur due to increasing separation of mafic and silicic minerals / at higher grades Stable minerals include chlorite / biotite mica in slate / muscovite mica in slate or phyllite / garnet and micas in schist / kyanite and sillimanite in gneiss
3	(f)	Competent rocks / rocks containing equidimensional / hard minerals such as quartz in sandstone don't easily deform OR are more likely to fail in a brittle manner / fault / joint (than fold) OR bed thickness will stay the same (during folding) OR tension joints will develop OR boudinage may form ✓ Incompetent rocks / rocks containing platy minerals / clay minerals / mica deform easily OR will undergo ductile / plastic deformation / will fold OR bed thickness will change (during folding) OR cleavage will develop (during folding)	2	AO2.1a	ALLOW if suitable correct named rock examples have been explained MUST use correct technical terms

C	Question		Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance
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4	(a)	(i)	 Any two from: Pannotia was a supercontinent (which formed during the Precambrian) ✓ Break up of supercontinent / Pannotia formed smaller / microcontinents OR led to the formation of Gondwana 	max 3	AO2.1a	MAX 2 for descriptions with no tectonic event described
			 Gondwana remained around the South Pole ✓ Laurentia, Baltica and Siberia separated from each other ✓ Iapetus Ocean opened between Laurentia and Gondwana / Avalonia OR Scotland and England / Wales were separated by Iapetus OR Scotland was located in Laurentia, whilst England and Wales were in Avalonia / close to Gondwana ✓ 			MUST give at least two for marking point 4
			Any one tectonic event from: Rifting OR mantle plume OR formation of mid-ocean ridge OR ridge push OR Wilson Cycle described ✓			DO NOT ALLOW tensional forces with no discussion
4	(a)	(ii)	Centre of basin / deep marine during Cambrian ✓ Turbidites / greywacke / (dark) shales / (dark) mudstones / clay deposited ✓ OR Margins of basin / shallow marine / platform / shelf during Cambrian ✓	2	AO1.1a	1 + 1 for correct sediment type linked to correct palaeoenvironment
			Cambrian Conglomerates / (ortho)quartzites / glauconitic sandstones / green feldspar-rich sandstones / pebbly sandstones / medium-coarse grained clastic rocks / gritstones / reef or thin limestones / red shales deposited ✓			DO NOT ALLOW sandstone or limestone without correct descriptor

C	Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
4	(b)	(i)	 Lots of thoracic segments / pleurae (means many limbs / gills / appendages) AND for walking on seafloor / swimming / (nekto-)benthonic lifestyle OR allowed trilobite to enrol for protection ✓ Elongate / streamlined body AND for crawling on seafloor / swimming / (nekto-)benthonic lifestyle ✓ Crescent-shaped / compound / complex eyes AND for good vision suggesting a hunter OR allowed it to see predators / prey OR gave it good all round 360° vision for benthonic lifestyle OR allowed it to see forwards and upwards suggesting benthonic lifestyle ✓ Long genal spines AND spreads mass on seafloor OR for stability in water column ✓ (Dorsal) exoskeleton / exoskeleton (made of chitin) / genal spines / thoracic spines AND protected it (from predators in water column above) ✓ 	max 3		Must use correct morphological terms for marks
4	(b)	(ii)	Graptolites OR corals ✓	1	AO1.1b	ALLOW brachiopods OR correct named reef-building organism OR hyolithids

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	AO element	Guidance
5	(a)	(i)	Sapropel ✓	1	AO1.1a	
5	(a)	(ii)	Kerogen ✓	1	AO1.1a	
5	(a)	(iii)	50 to 200 °C ✓	1	AO1.1c	MUST include units for mark ALLOW range from 50-70 to 180-200 °C
5	(a)	(iv)	FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 1.7 (km) to 6.7 (km) award 2 marks $50^{\circ}\text{C} = 50/30 = \underline{1.7} \text{ km} \checkmark$ $200^{\circ}\text{C} = 200/30 = \underline{6.7} \text{ km} \checkmark$	2	AO2.1b	ALLOW maximum 1 mark if correct answers not to 2 sig. fig. ALLOW ECF from part (iii) ALLOW 1.6 recurring and 6.6 recurring if clearly shown
5	(a)	(v)	Biogenic gas normally escapes / seeps to the surface due to shallow burial ✓	1	AO2.1a	MUST recognise biogenic gas is very shallow
5	(b)	(i)	 (High) porosity / large volume of pore space / well rounded / well sorted grains AND can store significant quantities of oil ✓ (High) permeability / lack of matrix / lack of cement / good interconnections between the pore spaces / jointing / faulting / bedding planes AND allows oil to migrate in / allows oil to be extracted / yields oil ✓ 	2	A02.1a	MAX 1 if state porous AND permeable not explicitly linked to matching explanations
5	(b)	(ii)	 Permeable rocks / joints / faults provide a pathway between source and reservoir rocks ✓ Oil migrates down the pressure gradient from high to low pressure (usually upwards) ✓ 	max 2	A02.1a	

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			 Oil is less dense than the water in the pore spaces OR oil is under hydrostatic pressure (so percolates upwards above the water) ✓ At higher temperatures, the viscosity of the oil is lower so it flows more easily ✓ 			DO NOT ALLOW less dense than rock
5	(b)	(iii)	 Diagram(s) showing: growth / development of fault OR shows fault becoming curved / listric / detached at base OR shows increasing throw with depth ✓ correct indication of oil trapped in dipping beds adjacent to fault OR in roll-over anticline adjacent to fault ✓ correct labelling of the source rock / reservoir rock / cap rock ✓ correct directional arrows on fault(s) to indicate direction of movement ✓ 	max 3	A02.1b	MAX 2 if diagram does not show synsedimentary fault(s) OR the development / growth of fault(s) AFTER FAULTING sedimentary faults form continued sedimentarian in trapped outruped there outruped there outruped

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5	(c)	(i)	Interpretation Shale Porous sandstone Well cemented Sandstone Shale Porous sandstone Coil most likely here Lowermost porous sandstone bed indicated ✓	1	A03.1d	
5	(c)	(ii)	(Presence of oil in the pores spaces leads to a) high resistivity ✓	1	A03.1b	
5	(c)	(iii)	Seismic (reflection) survey / seismic tomography AND waves are reflected at layer boundaries OR oil traps / correct named trap / folds / faults / unconformities can be identified OR depth to reservoir rock identified OR seismic wave velocities can be used to identify reservoir rock (containing oil) OR	max 1	A01.b	MUST have technique AND description of how presence of oil / a trap is identified
			Gravity survey AND positive anomaly due to excess of mass / anticline trap / uplifted block OR negative anomaly due to deficit of mass / a salt dome trap ✓			ALLOW fold

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks		Guidance
5	(d)	(i)	B – Anticline / antiform trap AND C – Salt dome trap ✓	1	A02.1a	
5	(d)	(ii)	Spill point correctly labelled on B ✓	1	A03.1d	

Question	Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance
5 (e)	 Max three from: Microfossils can be extracted from drill core / drill chips / recovered during exploration drilling / mud logging can be used ✓ Microfossils are abundant / small / have hard parts so are found in large numbers / intact in drill core / drill chips ✓ Many microfossils were planktonic so are geographically widespread / found in all rock types ✓ Microfossils can be used for biostratigraphy / can be used as zone fossils / same microfossils are found in the same aged rocks / allow rocks to be dated and correlated ✓ Microfossils show rapid evolution OR each genus has a short stratigraphic range ✓ First appearance / last appearance / stratigraphic range of a microfossil species / genus can be used to identify specific time zones / date rocks ✓ Different microfossil assemblages will be found in the reservoir rock compared to the source rock / Kimmeridge Clay OR allow us to find rocks of the correct age for reservoir rocks ✓ MAX two microfossils from: Foraminifera / coccolith(ophores) / radiolaria / dinoflagellates / pollen grains / spores can be used ✓ 	max 4	A02.1b A03.1a A03.1e	MAX 3 if no correct microfossil group named ALLOW any valid Jurassic microfossil ALLOW palynomorphs / conodonts / ostracods / diatoms / acritarchs

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- 1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: *RM Assessor Assessor Online Training*; *OCR Essential Guide to Marking*.
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Crossed Out Responses

Where a candidate has crossed out a response and provided a clear alternative then the crossed out response is not marked. Where no alternative response has been provided, examiners may give candidates the benefit of the doubt and mark the crossed out response where legible.

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Multiple Choice Question Responses

When a multiple choice question has only a single, correct response and a candidate provides two responses (even if one of these responses is correct), then no mark should be awarded (as it is not possible to determine which was the first response selected by the candidate).

When a question requires candidates to select more than one option/multiple options, then local marking arrangements need to ensure consistency of approach.

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When a candidate provides contradictory responses, then no mark should be awarded, even if one of the answers is correct.

Short Answer Questions (requiring only a list by way of a response, usually worth only one mark per response)

Where candidates are required to provide a set number of short answer responses then only the set number of responses should be marked. The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered. The remaining responses should not then be marked. Examiners will have to apply judgement as to whether a 'second response' on a line is a development of the 'first response', rather than a separate, discrete response. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate is attempting to hedge their bets and therefore getting undue benefit rather than engaging with the question and giving the most relevant/correct responses.)

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• anything is written in the answer space and is not worthy of credit (this includes text and symbols).

Team Leaders must confirm the correct use of the NR button with their markers before live marking commences and should check this when reviewing scripts.

- 8. The RM Assessor **comments box** is used by your team leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**If you have any questions or comments for your team leader, use the phone, the RM Assessor messaging system, or e-mail.
- 9. Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.
- 10. For answers marked by levels of response:

Read through the whole answer from start to finish, using the Level descriptors to help you decide whether it is a strong or weak answer. The indicative scientific content in the Guidance column indicates the expected parameters for candidates' answers, but be prepared to recognise and credit unexpected approaches where they show relevance. Using a 'best-fit' approach based on the skills and science content evidenced within the answer, first decide which set of level descriptors, Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3, best describes the overall quality of the answer.

Once the level is located, award the higher or lower mark:

The higher mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced and all aspects of the communication statement (in italics) have been met.

The lower mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced but aspects of the communication statement (in italics) are missing.

In summary:

The skills and science content determines the level.

The communication statement determines the mark within a level.

Level of response questions on this paper are 3(c) and 6(a).

11. Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
✓	Correct response
×	Incorrect response
^	Omission mark
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
RE	Rounding error
SF	Error in number of significant figures
ECF	Error carried forward
ш	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
SEEN	Noted but no credit given

Annotation	Meaning
I	Ignore
BP	Blank page

12. Subject Specific Marking Instructions

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

Annotation	Meaning
1	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
✓	Separates marking points
DO NOT ALLOW	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

13. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
1	(a)		 Any two from: Land which has been built upon OR modified by human activity ✓ Land that has been used for industrial / commercial processes ✓ Has abandoned factories OR has disused buildings / structures OR has old infrastructure ✓ 	2	1.1a	ALLOW old landfill site DO NOT ALLOW waste disposal / mining unqualified
			 Is derelict / disused land ✓ May have ground contamination / pollution ✓ 			ALLOW any correct named contaminant, e.g., asbestos / lead / hydrocarbons / solvents / pesticides
1	(b)	(i)	N A B C S Land surface 100 200 400 500 600 700	3	2.1a	Fault plotted correctly for 1 mark Coal seam X plotted widening to the south for 1 mark Coal seam Y plotted displaced by fault for 1 mark

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
1	(b)	(ii)	 Any two from: Good access to seam X using the shaft close to A (where seam is close to surface) ✓ Seam is dipping gently so will be able to construct transport system / machinery will have easy access ✓ Seam X is wide so room to store waste ✓ Seam X is shallow so easily accessible from surface / less likely to suffer roof collapse ✓ Rocks will absorb radiation ✓ Ready-made void will reduce costs of excavation ✓ Stope extraction means unstable roof / may collapse ✓ Pillars / supports may be in the way (meaning poor access) ✓ Likelihood of fault reactivation (due to increased load) ✓ Possibility of leakage / groundwater contamination Would need lining to contain waste OR surrounding rocks need to be impermeable ✓ Seam Y is too deep OR is offset by fault so would not be suitable ✓ 	2	3.1c, 3.1e	
1	(b)	(iii)	 Any one description of method from: Horizontal levels / roadways / trackways are driven out from the shaft ✓ Coal is removed from the stopes using a shearing / cutting machine OR leaves a cavity / void / cavern ✓ Pillars of coal OR supports OR props OR chocks are left to support the roof ✓ 	1	1.1d, 3.1d	

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
			 Any one problem from: Not all the coal is removed ✓ Supports fail / wooden supports rot ✓ Unstable roof / rocks leads to collapse ✓ Subsidence may occur at the surface ✓ 	1		
1	(c)	(i)	 Any three from: Acid water contaminates drinking water supplies / groundwater / aquifers / surface water ✓ Free H⁺ ions / acidic / low pH water is corrosive OR dissolves compounds (as it moves through old mines) ✓ (Acidified water) contains poisonous / toxic compounds ✓ (Acidified water) may contain heavy metals / lead / arsenic / mercury / cyanide ✓ Poisons wildlife / aquatic species in streams / rivers OR damages habitats / ecosystems / reduces biodiversity ✓ 	3	2.1a, 2.1b	ALLOW kills / harms animals / plants
	(c)	(ii)	 Any one from: Continue pumping out / dewater mine and treat water (after mine closure) ✓ Seal old mine (concrete or clay) to prevent water leakage ✓ Use active treatment OR add calcium carbonate / limestone / lime / sodium carbonate / sodium hydroxide to increase pH ✓ Add agents / oxidants to cause precipitation of metals from water ✓ Use passive treatment / wetlands / shallow ponds / reed beds / phytoremediation ✓ 	1	2.1a	ALLOW use of (bentonite) clay

	Question		Answer				AO Element	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	Morphological feature	Brachiopod ✓ or X	Bivalve ✓ or X	3	1.1b	1 mark for each correct row
			Pedicle foramen	✓	Х			
			A line of symmetry along the hinge line	Х	√			
			Pallial line	Х	✓			
2	(a)	(ii)	Any three from: (Large) pedicle opening / for (large) pedicle for attachme stalk AND to attach to substalk AND to attach to substance of the	nt OR pedicle / trate ✓ strengthens sh mmissure AND is y ng valves AND shell ✓ AND to prevent	fleshy nell reduces stable on	3	1.1a	MAX 1 mark if three adaptations are given with no / incorrect explanations DO NOT ALLOW attached by pedicle foramen OR attached by pedicle opening

Question		n	Answer		AO Element	Guidance
2	(a)	(iii)	 Any two from: Only thick shelled fossils preserved OR shells show evidence of abrasion ✓ Broken / disarticulated shells OR death assemblage ✓ (Broken) shells concentrated in layers ✓ Alignment of shells ✓ Sorting by size ✓ Burrowing / infaunal fossils OR burrows / trace fossils suggesting burrowing ✓ 	2	2.1b	ALLOW Presence of corals
2	(b)	(i)	Cnidaria OR coral ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW Anthozoa
2	(b)	(ii)	 Any three from: Fossil D has mural pores and E does not ✓ Fossil E has a columella and D does not ✓ Fossil E has dissepiments / septa and D does not ✓ Both fossils have tabulae ✓ Both fossils had individual spaces for polyps ✓ Both fossils are colonial / compound / made of corallites ✓ Both have radial symmetry in transverse section ✓ 	3	2.1b	ALLOW E is branching and D is not ALLOW AW ALLOW implicit comparisons
2	(b)	(iii)	Palaeozoic ✓	1	2.1b	
2	(b)	(iv)	Brachiopods OR bivalves OR algal mats ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW any correct named reef-building or reef-dwelling fossil, e.g., crinoid

	Question		Answer		AO Element	Guidance
2	(b)	(v)	 Any four from: At or just below sea level / < 30 metres depth ✓ Clear waters / minimal sediment / low turbidity ✓ In photic zone / abundant sunlight / have symbiotic algae ✓ High energy / (well) oxygenated water / nutrient upwelling ✓ Fully marine / salinity of 30 to 40 parts per thousand ✓ Temperature between 23 and 29°C / tropical waters ✓ Sessile / attached / epifaunal / benthonic mode of life ✓ Filter feeders / have nematoblasts / stinging cells / tentacles to catch food ✓ May be solitary or colonial / compound ✓ 	4	2.1a, 3.1b	ALLOW any range between 23 and 29°C OR optimum temperature 25 / 26 / 27°C
2	(c)	(i)	Pterosaurs OR some groups of plants / insects ✓	1	1.1a	
2	(c)	(ii)	Mammals ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW birds
			 Any one explanation from: Allowed <u>diversification</u> / radiation into new niches / niches previously occupied by dinosaurs ✓ Allowed increase in size ✓ Allowed increase in number of species ✓ Burrowing / aquatic mammals were not affected as much ✓ Mammals had a more varied diet ✓ 	1		Explanation marking point is dependent on MP1 ALLOW rapid evolution of mammals occurred

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
2	(c)	(iii)	 Any two from: Large crater (offshore) at Chicxulub AND is 66 Ma / right age OR is site of impact ✓ Impact site AND identified by gravity surveys / inverted sequences / brecciated rock ✓ Iridium (concentrated in clays at boundary) AND originated from outside the Earth / found in meteorites / asteroids ✓ (Widespread) clay layer AND fallout of pulverised meteorite / asteroid / rock from impact ✓ Shocked quartz grains found at boundary AND evidence of impact due to stress / high pressure / shock metamorphism ✓ Spherules / tektites found near crater AND result from melting of rock on impact ✓ (Widespread) tsunami deposits AND as impact caused a tsunami OR as a result of impact in ocean ✓ Soot layer AND caused by wildfires triggered by the impact ✓ 	2	2.1a	MAX 1 if two pieces of evidence listed without explanations ALLOW Yucatan Peninsula / Mexico for Chicxulub

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	 Any two from: Positions of continents have changed over time ✓ Continents have moved together OR have moved apart OR supercontinents have existed in past ✓ Jigsaw fit of continents is evidence ✓ Wegener's other evidence included matching rocks / fossils / geological structures / evidence of glaciation on different continents ✓ No explanation OR no mechanism was given at the time ✓ 	2	1.1a	ALLOW AW
3	(a)	(ii)	 Any two from: Active mantle convection relies on a conveyer belt model where convection cells move plates ✓ Active convection cells in mantle are not large enough / do not have enough energy to move plates ✓ No correlation between movement of mantle and movement of plates ✓ No correlation between plate area and velocity of plate movement ✓ Good correlation between the edge of the subducting plate and the velocity of plate movement ✓ Drag of mantle may slow the movement of plates ✓ Asthenosphere is too plastic / flexible / not enough friction to move the plates along ✓ 	2	1.1c, 2.1a	

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
3	(a)	(iii)	Ridge push ✓ Buoyant upwelling of mantle elevates lithosphere at MOR OR gravity sliding acts on MOR moving lithosphere away OR lithosphere is pushed apart by rising magma at MOR / divergent plate boundaries ✓ OR Slab pull ✓ Negative buoyancy pulls subducting oceanic plate into the mantle (at convergent plate boundaries) OR cold / dense lithosphere sinks down at ocean trenches / convergent plate boundaries / subduction zones OR subducting plate is pulled down by gravity ✓	2	1.1c	
3	(b)	(i)	Low velocity zone labelled where P and S wave velocities drop close to Earth's surface (approximately 75-250 km depth) ✓ Gutenberg discontinuity labelled at 2900 km, where S waves stop and P wave velocity drops ✓ Outer core marked in area of 2900 – 5100 km depth, where there are no S waves, and the velocity of P waves drops ✓	1 1	2.1b	

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
3	(b)	(ii)	 Any one description from: S wave velocities generally get faster with depth in mantle ✓ No S waves are transmitted through outer core OR S wave velocity drops to zero at outer core / Gutenberg discontinuity ✓ S waves reappear in inner core / at inner - outer core boundary / at Lehmann discontinuity ✓ 	1	3.1a	
			 Any one explanation from: S wave velocities are dependent on the rigidity / density of the rock ✓ Liquids have zero rigidity so S waves cannot be transmitted through liquids / through the outer core ✓ S waves are generated by P waves in the inner core ✓ 	1		
3	(b)	(iii)	Correctly read off graph: P wave velocity at 1000km = any value between 11.3 to 11.7 km s ⁻¹ P wave velocity at 2900km = any value between 13.4 to 13.8 km s ⁻¹ % change = final value – initial value x 100 ✓ Initial value Correct answer based on correct values used ✓	2	2.1b	ALLOW MAX 1 for correct calculation based on incorrect P wave velocities

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
3 (c)*	Refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Uses a good balance of detailed evidence for the structure and composition of the Earth including density AND gravity or magnetism There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated Level 2 (3–4 marks) Good evidence for the structure and composition of the Earth is described including density OR gravity OR magnetism. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Some evidence for the structure or composition of the Earth is described. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant.	6	1.1b, 2.1a, 2.1b	AO1.1b Demonstrate knowledge and geological skills and techniques – geophysical surveying AO2.1a Apply knowledge and understanding of geological ideas – inferring direct evidence for structure and composition AO2.1b Apply knowledge and understanding of geological skills and techniques – inferring indirect evidence for structure and composition Density Gained from rock samples from deep mines / boreholes / deep ocean drilling / ophiolites / mantle xenoliths Gives density of oceanic crust average 2.9 g cm ⁻³ / continental crust average 2.7 g cm ⁻³ / Mantle xenoliths average 3.3 g cm ⁻³ Meteorites give evidence for the density of the mantle / core Mass / density of whole Earth is 5.5 g cm ⁻³ / too great to be composed of only crust and mantle rocks, so the core must be higher density or Fe / Ni have correct density

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
	No response or no response worthy of credit.			 Positive gravity anomalies are produced by high density mafic / ultramafic intrusions Negative gravity anomalies are produced by low density silicic intrusions Strong negative gravity anomalies occur across mountain ranges giving evidence that roots of mountains are less dense than mantle Bouguer gravity anomalies shows less dense continental crust pushes down into mantle / forms roots of mountains Evidence asthenosphere is a rheid Magnetism Existence of Earth's magnetic field is evidence that part of the core is liquid / Fe / metal / convecting Electromagnetic (EM) surveys can detect partial melt in upper mantle / below MORs / in the asthenosphere
				Other evidence Rocks from deep mines and boreholes give evidence continental crust is granitic / silicic / intermediate Mantle xenoliths / kimberlite pipes give evidence mantle is peridotite / ultramafic

	Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
					 Ophiolite complexes / deep ocean drilling give evidence for the layered structure of oceanic crust / oceanic crust is mafic / oceanic core complexes Iron meteorites contain Fe-Ni / siderophiles and match the core Stony meteorites contain peridotite / ultramafic rock / olivine and match the mantle / lithosphere
4	(a)	Crystal size description: Sills have medium crystals AND lava flows have fine crystals OR sills have coarser crystals OR lava flows have finer crystals ✓ Any one crystal size explanation from: Sills cooled (more) slowly / more time for crystals to grow / cooled below the surface OR lava flows cooled (more) rapidly / less time for crystals to grow / cooled on the surface ✓ Xenoliths description: Xenoliths found in top and base of sill AND xenoliths are only found at base of lava flow ✓ Any one xenoliths explanation from: Sills had country rock above and below OR lava flows had air / no country rock above	1 1 1	1.1a, 1.1c	
		OR lava flows only had country rock below OR xenoliths are older country rock (incorporated into igneous bodies) OR country rock above a lava flow is younger ✓			

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
4	(b)		Cuts across / through / not parallel to the original beds ✓	1	1.1a	
4	(c)	(i)	X – Olivine ✓ Y – Pyroxene / Augite ✓ Z – Plagioclase / Feldspar ✓	3	2.1a	DO NOT ALLOW Orthoclase OR K feldspar
4	(c)	(ii)	(Olivine) Basalt ✓	1	3.1b	
4	(d)	(i)	FIRST CHECK ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE. If answer is T = 28.46 and S = 69.66 award 2 marks Correct calculation method OR formula recall \checkmark T = 28.46 AND S = 69.66 \checkmark	2	1.1d, 2.1b	ALLOW correct answers written on answer lines or in table ALLOW 1 mark for one correct answer given to 2 decimal places ALLOW 1 mark for 2 correct answers not given to 2 correct decimal places ALLOW 1 mark for 2 correct answers to 2 decimal places if distance has not been converted to mm
4	(d)	(ii)	Velocity increases as temperature increases OR has a positive correlation ✓	1	3.1e	
4	(d)	(iii)	V / vegetable oil AND any one reason from: Fast flowing as composed of mafic lava OR fast flowing as composed of ferromagnesian minerals OR low viscosity so forms shield volcano OR low viscosity as low silica content (45-52% SiO₂) ✓	1	3.1c	ALLOW basic for mafic

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
4	(d)	(iv)	 Any two for one mark from: Risks of glassware breakage Scalding / burns from hot water OR hot substances OR hot glassware Spilled substances / slipping on substances Bungs flying out when heated Danger of electricity (hot water bath) and water mixing √ 	1	3.1f	ANY two for 1 mark ALLOW any reasonable answer DO NOT ALLOW goggles, lab coats, hair, bags
4	(d)	(v)	V flows too fast to time when hot OR viscosity too low when hot OR unable to start timer before liquid reaches bung ✓	1	3.1c	ALLOW any reasonable answer
5	(a)	(i)	Obducted <u>oceanic</u> crust / lithosphere OR sections of <u>oceanic</u> crust / <u>oceanic</u> rocks that have been tectonically moved onto continental crust ✓	1	1.1a	ALLOW AW
5	(a)	(ii)	(Pelagic) Sediments Pillow Basalts (Dolerite) Dykes / Sheeted Dykes Gabbro / Magma Chamber Moho Peridotite / Upper Mantle	3	2.1a, 2.1b	Recognisable sketch showing layered structure through an ophiolite for 1 mark Any 2 labels for 1 mark Any 3 OR 4 labels for 2 marks ALLOW AW for layer names MAX 1 for cross-section showing emplacement of an ophiolite complex

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
5	(b)	(i)	Stress Plastic Failure Strain	3	3.1b	I mark for each correct label Elastic deformation labelled within bracketed area Plastic deformation labelled within bracketed area Failure point labelled correctly
5	(b)	(ii)	 Any two from: Movement along faults is prevented by friction and rock is put under strain / deforms ✓ Stored stress exceeds the strength of the rock, and it fails ✓ Energy is released as rock fractures (breaks) and moves OR energy released as seismic waves OR energy released as vibrations OR energy released causes ground movement ✓ (Elastic) rebound occurs when ground / rocks move back / return to undeformed state ✓ 	2	1.1c	ALLOW stress / pressure instead of energy DO NOT ALLOW tension ALLOW AW MAX 1 if explanation uses plates rather than rocks / faults ALLOW general statement about stress becomes too much and rocks break releasing energy for 1 mark MARK diagrams as text

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
5	(c)	(i)	N ORESIAD Page 18	3	2.1b	ALLOW ±half a division on stereonet DO NOT ALLOW kite plot / rose diagram / circular bar graph 4 points accurate for 3 marks 2 OR 3 points accurate for 2 marks 1 point accurate for 1 mark
5	(c)	(ii)	NW to SE ✓	1	3.1b	ALLOW correct maximum compressional stress stated from one direction
5	(c)	(iii)	No AND Stereonet does not show dip direction OR no dip direction information was provided OR does not show if the limbs are dipping towards each other or dipping away from each other ✓	1	3.1e	

Question Ans	wer Mark	AO Element	Guidance
Refer to the marking instruction scheme for guidance on how be been for guidance on how been for guidance of information the text, map and tables to end judgements of the prostate of the pro	mation / evidence given in valuate and make detailed sof retrofitting. Includes ivil engineering / building ecision as to whether should be mandatory. The of reasoning which is clear information presented is If evidence given in the text, and make judgements of rofitting. Includes seismic ering / building code factors. Etrofitting existing buildings to be explicit. If executed with some essented is relevant and	3.1c, 3.1d, 3.1e	Indicative points include: AO3.1c Evaluates information from tables and maps for evidence to help in decision and AO3.1d Makes judgements in terms of pros and cons, and AO3.1e Draws a conclusion. (HSW 9, 10 and 11) Seismic hazards / risk A hazard exists if there is danger to people or property or Salt Lake City is densely populated Homes, schools and businesses are at risk Faults underlie the basin / relative motion on the faults creates a hazard / fault sections underlie most densely urbanised areas Young / unconsolidated rocks underlie the basin, these absorb (more) energy / amplify seismic waves / ground shaking Liquefaction hazard is likely in saturated / unconsolidated sediments Mass movements / landslides may be triggered in mountainous areas An earthquake prediction could cause a panic evacuation of the city Civil engineering / building codes Earthquakes don't kill people, buildings do

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
	Some information / evidence is lifted from the text, map and tables to identify some of the pros / cons of retrofitting. A judgement as to whether retrofitting existing buildings should be mandatory may be attempted. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. O marks No response or no response worthy of credit.			 Old part / downtown Salt Lake City has many unreinforced / brick buildings Unreinforced masonry / brick / block buildings are most at risk of damage Damage to unreinforced buildings will be 40% at intensity VIII / 80% at IX / 100% at X Damage to reinforced buildings could be as low as 5% at intensity VIII / 13% at IX / 25% at X Natural frequency of tall buildings can put even modern ones at risk A retrofitting programme could include cross-bracing to buildings / base isolators Foundations may be reinforced by pumping in liquid cement Services (gas, electricity, water) can be earthquake proofed Retrofitting of existing buildings Pros - should be mandatory There has been much urban development since 1934 / the last 6.0+ Mw earthquake A retrofitting programme would significantly reduce the seismic risk The return period is only an average and a 6.5 to 7.5 Mw earthquake could occur much sooner than predicted

	Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
					 Retrofitting does not have to be very expensive Risk to human life is significant so a retrofit programme is urgently needed Cons – should not be mandatory Return period for a 5.0 M_W or greater is 15 years, but these are not destructive 6.0 M_W are destructive but only two have occurred in the last 120 years 6.5 to 7.5 M_W very destructive, but return period is 270 years, there may not be another for well over 100 years Who is going to pay for retrofitting / people may not be able to afford retrofitting
6	(b)	FIRST CHECK ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE. If answer is 15 award 2 marks Recall of formula: (n+1) / m (where n is number of years on record and m is number of recorded occurrences) OR correct method of working Correct answer: 15.	2	3.1a	DO NOT ALLOW 15.12

	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
6	(c)		 Any three from: Epicentre likely to have highest intensity OR will be located within the IX isoseismal line ✓ As energy is absorbed further from epicentre there are concentric successively lower intensities ✓ Older / unreinforced masonry / brick and block buildings in downtown Salt Lake City are more likely to be damaged / suffer higher intensity ✓ Highest intensity in downtown Salt Lake City as it is most densely urbanised / has highest population density OR undeveloped land has lower intensity ✓ Newer / reinforced / built to a tighter building code buildings in West Lake City are less likely to be damaged / suffer lower intensity ✓ Higher intensities above faults OR (Buildings in) downtown Salt Lake City have a section of Wasatch fault running below so higher intensity / closer to epicentre ✓ Higher intensity where there are unconsolidated sediments / gravel / sand / clay / lakebed deposits ✓ Mass movements / landslides may occur along margins of mountains ✓ Higher VII zone (within V zone) in the S/SE as the urban area extends to there / there is fault present / landslides may occur ✓ 	3	3.1b, 3.1d	ALLOW AW
6	(d)	(i)	Resonance amplifies oscillations OR sway increases at natural frequency OR at natural frequency sway occurs ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW AW

Question			Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
6	(d)	(ii)	$k = (f \times 2\pi)^2 \times m$ OR $(f / 1 / 2\pi)^2 \times m$ OR $4\pi^2 \times m \times f^2 \checkmark$	1	2.1b	ALLOW any correct formula rearrangement to give <i>k</i>
6	(d)	(iii)	 Any two from: Greater stiffness results in higher natural frequency OR greater mass results in a lower natural frequency A could have most structural integrity as it has greatest stiffness OR B could have least structural integrity because it has the lowest stiffness ✓ B has natural frequency furthest away from the earthquake frequency so could have most structural integrity OR A could have least structural integrity because its frequency is closest to the earthquake frequency ✓ C could have most structural integrity as it has the greatest mass OR B could have least structural integrity because it has the lowest mass ✓ 	2	3.1c	
6	(d)	(iv)	Taller buildings tend to be more flexible / less stiff / less rigid OR taller buildings are likely to have a larger mass (which reduces the natural frequency) ✓	1	1.1c	ORA for shorter buildings

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A Level

Mark Scheme for June 2024

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PREPARATION FOR MARKING RM ASSESSOR

- Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: RM Assessor Assessor Online Training;
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- 2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit. These are posted on the RM Cambridge Assessment Support Portal http://www.rm.com/support/ca
- 3. Log-in to RM Assessor and mark the **required number** of practice responses ("scripts") and the **number of required** standardisation responses.

YOU MUST MARK 10 PRACTICE AND 10 STANDARDISATION RESPONSES BEFORE YOU CAN BE APPROVED TO MARK LIVE SCRIPTS.

MARKING

- 1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
- 2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
- 3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the RM Assessor 50% and 100% (traditional 40% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
- 4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone or the RM Assessor messaging system, or by email.

5. Crossed Out Responses

Where a candidate has crossed out a response and provided a clear alternative then the crossed out response is not marked. Where no alternative response has been provided, examiners may give candidates the benefit of the doubt and mark the crossed out response where legible.

Rubric Error Responses - Optional Questions

Where candidates have a choice of question across a whole paper or a whole section and have provided more answers than required, then all responses are marked and the highest mark allowable within the rubric is given. Enter a mark for each question answered into RM assessor, which will select the highest mark from those awarded. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate has penalised themselves by attempting more questions than necessary in the time allowed.)

Multiple Choice Question Responses

When a multiple choice question has only a single, correct response and a candidate provides two responses (even if one of these responses is correct), then no mark should be awarded (as it is not possible to determine which was the first response selected by the candidate).

When a question requires candidates to select more than one option/multiple options, then local marking arrangements need to ensure consistency of approach.

Contradictory Responses

When a candidate provides contradictory responses, then no mark should be awarded, even if one of the answers is correct.

Short Answer Questions (requiring only a list by way of a response, usually worth only one mark per response)

Where candidates are required to provide a set number of short answer responses then only the set number of responses should be marked. The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered. The remaining responses should not then be marked. Examiners will have to apply judgement as to whether a 'second response' on a line is a development of the 'first response', rather than a separate, discrete response. (The underlying assumption is that the candidate is attempting to hedge their bets and therefore getting undue benefit rather than engaging with the question and giving the most relevant/correct responses.)

Short Answer Questions (requiring a more developed response, worth two or more marks)

If the candidates are required to provide a description of, say, three items or factors and four items or factors are provided, then mark on a similar basis – that is downwards (as it is unlikely in this situation that a candidate will provide more than one response in each section of the response space.)

Longer Answer Questions (requiring a developed response)

Where candidates have provided two (or more) responses to a medium or high tariff question which only required a single (developed) response and not crossed out the first response, then only the first response should be marked. Examiners will need to apply professional judgement as to whether the second (or a subsequent) response is a 'new start' or simply a poorly expressed continuation of the first response.

- 6. Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the candidate has continued an answer there, then add a tick to confirm that the work has been seen.
- 7. Award No Response (NR) if:
 - there is nothing written in the answer space

Award Zero '0' if:

• anything is written in the answer space and is not worthy of credit (this includes text and symbols).

Team Leaders must confirm the correct use of the NR button with their markers before live marking commences and should check this when reviewing scripts.

- 8. The RM Assessor **comments box** is used by your team leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**If you have any questions or comments for your team leader, use the phone, the RM Assessor messaging system, or e-mail.
- 9. Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.
- 10. For answers marked by levels of response:

Read through the whole answer from start to finish, using the Level descriptors to help you decide whether it is a strong or weak answer. The indicative scientific content in the Guidance column indicates the expected parameters for candidates' answers, but be prepared to recognise and credit unexpected approaches where they show relevance. Using a 'best-fit' approach based on the skills and science content evidenced within the answer, first decide which set of level descriptors, Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3, best describes the overall quality of the answer.

Once the level is located, award the higher or lower mark:

The higher mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced and all aspects of the communication statement (in italics) have been met.

The lower mark should be awarded where the level descriptor has been evidenced but aspects of the communication statement (in italics) are missing. In summary:

The skills and science content determines the level.

The communication statement determines the mark within a level.

Levels of response questions on this paper are 2(c) and 5(a)(v).

11. Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
✓	Correct response
×	Incorrect response
^	Omission mark
BOD	Benefit of doubt given
CON	Contradiction
RE	Rounding error
SF	Error in number of significant figures
ECF	Error carried forward
LI	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
I	Ignore
BP	Blank page

12. Subject Specific Marking Instructions

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

Annotation	Meaning
1	alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point
✓	Separates marking points
DO NOT ALLOW	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

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

Q	Question		Answer		AO Element	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	Grain labelled saltating (bouncing or hopping) ✓ Grain labelled in traction (rolling or sliding) ✓ grains of sediment	1 1	1.1a	MAX 1 if river bed is not drawn MAX 1 if two correct diagrams not labelled saltation and traction MUST label or indicate movement of grains IGNORE reference to grain size
1	(a)	(ii)	Different grain shapes (could allow the same size grains to be transported by either saltation or suspension) ✓ Different densities / weights (could allow the same size grains to be transported by either saltation or suspension) ✓ Turbulence during transport could hold a grain in suspension whereas laminar flow would cause the grain to saltate ✓	Max 1	2.1a	ALLOW AW for density / weight ALLOW different compositions
1	(b)		 MAX any two descriptions of differences from: Texturally mature sediment will have: More / well rounded OR more spherical / high sphericity grains ✓ Better / well sorted OR has grains all the same size ✓ Finer (average) grain size ✓ MAX any two explanations from: During transport / higher energy (transport) ✓ Undergoes erosion / abrasion / attrition ✓ 	Max 3	2.1a	ORA for texturally immature MUST use correct descriptive terminology IGNORE weathering

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	AO Element	Guidance
1	(c)	(i)	36 cm s ⁻¹ (Allow 33 to 39) ✓	1	3.1a M3.11	MUST include units for the mark ALLOW cm/s for units
1	(c)	(ii)	0.3 mm (Allow 0.27 to 0.33) ✓	1	3.1a M3.11	MUST include units for the mark
1	(c)	(iii)	 Allows for a wide range of velocities / grain sizes OR the range of velocities / sizes is too large ✓ The axes would be too large if linear scales were used OR to fit on a suitable graph size ✓ Can present data over a very large range ✓ Shows data as a straight line when values increase exponentially ✓ 	Max 1	2.1b M3.6	ALLOW AW
1	(d)	(i)	Name: Compaction / compacted ✓ Explanation: During burial OR overlying sediment accumulates OR weight from overburden OR caused by (load) pressure OR grains move closer / fuse together OR beds become thinner OR dewatering occurs ✓	1	1.1a	ALLOW burial as named process MARK first process and explanation only
1	(d)	(ii)	Name: Pressure solution OR (pressure) dissolution ✓ Explanation: (Load pressure creates stress) at contact between grains AND quartz / grain dissolves OR dissolved minerals move laterally OR minerals are (re)precipitated / (re)crystallised OR grains become fused together ✓	1	1.1c 3.1c	ALLOW stylolitisation / stylolite DO NOT ALLOW melting DO NOT ALLOW discussion of sediment movement / deposition

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	AO Element	Guidance
1	(d)	(iii)	Name: Precipitation / precipitate ✓	1	1.1c	ALLOW crystallisation / recrystallisation / cementation
			Explanation: Dissolved minerals / minerals in solution / minerals in groundwater move through sediment OR dissolved minerals form in pore spaces between grains ✓	1	3.1c	ALLOW correct named mineral DO NOT ALLOW discussion of sediment movement / deposition
1	(d)	(iv)	 Less water can be stored OR capacity of aquifer reduces ✓ Porosity reduces OR volume of pore space reduces ✓ Cement fills the pores OR grains are closer together OR interconnections between pores reduces ✓ Permeability reduces OR less water can pass through OR flow of water reduces ✓ Takes longer for aquifer to recharge OR takes longer to extract the water ✓ Dolomitisation OR atomic substitution of Mg²+ for Ca²+ OR any valid atomic substitution may have occurred ✓ 	Max 3	2.1a 3.1e	ALLOW Porosity / permeability can increase due to further solution OR dolomitisation OR any valid atomic substitution for 1 mark

Q	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	Rigid / brittle / broken into (tectonic) plates ✓	1	1.1c	ALLOW solid
2	(a)	(ii)	Seismic waves / seismic surveys / seismic tomography / EM surveys ✓	1	1.1a	ALLOW crosses 1300°C isotherm
2	(a)	(iii)	Description: Rheid OR plastic layer OR is 1-5% melted OR partially / partly melted ✓ Explanation: Allows (lithospheric / tectonic) plates to float / move / slide (over asthenosphere) OR the asthenosphere can flow ✓	1	2.1a	ALLOW convection cells / convection currents OR allows ridge push or slab pull for explanation mark
2	(b)	(i)	 State of equilibrium / balance between Earth's lithosphere and asthenosphere ✓ The lithosphere is buoyant / floats at a height that depends upon its thickness / density / weight / mass OR less dense continents rise to a higher elevation than more dense ocean floors ✓ Pressure exerted by the lithosphere on the underlying asthenosphere is the same everywhere (irrespective of elevation) ✓ Isostatic adjustment / isostatic rebound occurs where the lithosphere and asthenosphere are out of equilibrium OR the asthenosphere flows sideways to compensate for any extra weight / mass of the lithosphere above ✓ 	Max 2	1.1a 1.1c	ALLOW discussion of crust and mantle ALLOW named example of where this occurs, e.g., ice sheets

Qu	Question		Answer		Mark	AO Element	Guidance
2	(b)	(ii)	•	(Gravity anomalies) result from density differences in crustal rocks OR roots of mountains / continental crust is less dense OR oceanic crust is denser OR MOR can have an excess or mass / are hot and less dense ✓ Negative gravity anomalies show rocks are less dense (than expected) OR positive gravity anomalies show rocks are denser (than expected) ✓ (Strong) negative gravity anomalies occur across mountain ranges OR positive gravity anomalies occur over ocean basins OR gravity anomalies over MORs can be positive or negative ✓ (Gravity anomalies) show where the crust and mantle are not in equilibrium OR show where isostatic adjustment / isostatic rebound is occurring ✓ Negative gravity anomalies occur over areas where isostatic rebound is occurring OR show continental crust extends further into mantle than expected (because isostatic rebound hasn't occurred) ✓	Max 2	2.1b 3.1c	ALLOW discussion of lithosphere and asthenosphere

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
2 (c) *	Please refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Describes the geodynamo theory in a detailed and well understood way AND explains the indirect evidence for processes operating within the Earth's core. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) Describes the geodynamo theory in a moderate level of detail AND explains some of the indirect evidence for processes operating within the Earth's core. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Describes the geodynamo theory in a basic way OR describes a property / process operating within the Earth's core. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. O marks No response or no response worthy of credit.	6	1.1a 2.1a 3.1c HSW1	AO2.1a Apply knowledge and understanding of geological ideas AO3.1c Evaluate geological information ideas and evidence Indicative points may include: Geodynamo theory: The Earth's core is made of iron / nickel Outer core is liquid and inner core is solid Forms a permanent magnet Has the appearance of a bar magnet / magnetic field lines are oriented N-S The outer core acts like an electromagnet / self-exciting (dynamo) Flow of molten iron produces electrical currents The electrical currents generate magnetic field lines (perpendicular to them) Variations in magnetic field strength / magnetic reversals occur Reversals occur approx. every 100,000 to 400,000 years The position of magnetic north changes over time Magnetic inclination preserved in rocks provides evidence for the Earth's magnetic field in the past

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
				 Evidence for processes: Inner / solid part of core is above the Curie point / too hot to be a permanent magnet Without a liquid outer core movement / convection would not be possible Changes in Earth's magnetic field strength / magnetic reversals are evidence that convection in the core changes / the self-exciting dynamo runs down Movement is caused / energy comes from formational heat / radioactive decay Heat moves outward in all directions from centre of the Earth The temperature difference between the hot inner and cooler outer core creates convection currents The Coriolis force / the Earth's spin twists the convection currents or aligns the magnetic field N-S Reversals are recorded as remanent magnetism in rocks Magnetic anomalies on the seafloor provide evidence the Earth's magnetic field has changed over time

Q	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
2	(d)	(i)	10 20 30 40 50 200 400 600 800 1000 Region X data plotted correctly ✓ Region Y data plotted correctly ✓ Lines drawn through both sets of points ✓	3	1.1b 2.1b M3.8	IGNORE extrapolation beyond 800°C for Region Y
2	(d)	(ii)	640 (°C) ✓	1	3.1a M3.8	
2	(d)	(iii)	32 ✓ °C km ⁻¹ ✓	2	3.1a M3.10	ALLOW °C/km for units ALLOW ratio for 1 mark

Q	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	Loss of energy OR transfer of energy from seismic waves to rock OR reduction in amplitude (of a wave as it propagates / travels through a material) ✓	1	1.1a	ALLOW AW
3	(a)	(ii)	Higher frequency waves have more oscillations (per second) OR energy is dissipated / transferred / absorbed faster ✓	1	2.1a	ORA
3	(a)	(iii)	Description: Competent / strong rocks have lower intensity / less ground shaking / less damage occurs ✓ Any one explanation from: Competent rocks allow vibrations to pass through easily OR attenuation is low / negligible OR absorb less energy (per unit area) ✓ Incompetent rocks absorb some / more energy ✓ Unconsolidated rocks / sediments vibrate more easily OR have high attenuation OR amplify ground shaking OR undergo liquefaction ✓	1	2.1a 3.1b	ORA for incompetent / weak rocks OR unconsolidated rocks / sediments

C	uestion	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance	
3	(b)	 Any two limitations from: Shows what happened in the past, not what will happen in future OR does not allow prediction of where next earthquake will happen ✓ Next earthquake could occur on a different fault / different section of fault / different depth / not all faults are known / stress can move position after each earthquake ✓ Next earthquake / event could be a different magnitude OR does not allow prediction of magnitude ✓ Information may not be understood by non-specialists / members of the public ✓ 	2	1.1b 2.1b	ALLOW reference to other specific named geological hazard(s), e.g., landslide	
		 Any two strengths from: Shows geological features, e.g., faults / rock type / soil type / steep ground ✓ Areas where earthquakes have happened in the past can be matched up with similar areas where they have not, so can expect similar impact ✓ Shows areas likely to suffer high intensity / landslides / liquefaction / tsunamis ✓ Show areas unsuitable for building OR where building codes need to be enforced OR where built structures need strengthening OR where earthquake-proofing of buildings / infrastructure is needed ✓ Show areas suitable for locating emergency services OR evacuation routes OR places of safety (muster points) ✓ Visual / easy to understand OR helps non-specialists prepare OR helps decision making of government bodies OR allows non-specialists to decide whether to get earthquake insurance / earthquake-proofing ✓ 	2		ALLOW reference to other specific named geological hazard(s)	

Q	uestic	on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
3	(c)		 Lacks a physical OR mathematical basis OR based on probabilities so may not happen ✓ Social consequences can be positive, e.g., saves lives / allows 	Max 3	3.1c 3.1e	
			 people to prepare themselves / prepare their property ✓ Social consequences can be negative, e.g., panic / stress / unnecessary evacuations / loss of business / falling house prices ✓ 			
			Some people will ignore forecast due to false alarms / apathy / complacency ✓			
			 Seismologists need to work without fear of retribution / litigation (if they get it wrong) ✓ 			
			 Can lead to unsafe engineering / building design (not strong enough) √ 			
			 Can lead to overly conservative / expensive engineering / building design ✓ 			
			Involves a degree of subjectivity / may lead to different interpretations of the same data by different seismologists ✓			
			 Problems of misunderstandings between civil engineers / non- specialists / the public AND seismologists / geologists / scientists ✓ 			

Q	uestic	on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
3	(d)	(i)	Kaolinite is 1:1 ✓ Smectite is 2:1 ✓	2	1.1a	
3	(d)	(ii)	Description one: Treat clay with calcium oxide / lime / chloride salt ✓ Explanation one: Reduces ability to expand OR substitutes Ca²+ in place of Na+OR addition of Ca²+ reduces the amount of swelling OR clays containing Na+ can expand up to 1500% compared to ones containing Ca²+ which expand to 100% OR stops clays becoming hydrated ✓ OR Description two: Use bacteria to change chemistry ✓ Explanation two: Reduces ferric / Fe³+ to ferrous / Fe²+ OR increases the negative surface charge OR increases interlayer cation fixation OR makes the clay retain K+ ✓	2	2.1b	ALLOW any one description and one matching explanation for 1 + 1 ALLOW cement

Q	Question		Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
4	(a)	(i)	Both had four fins / limbs ✓ Fins / limbs were in the same position on the body ✓ Skulls / jaws / teeth (morphology) very similar ✓ Early amphibians had some smally bony scales similar to fish ✓	1	1.1c	ALLOW both lack claws or nails ALLOW both laid eggs in water
4	(a)	(ii)	(Late) Devonian OR (early) Carboniferous ✓	1	1.1a	
4	(b)		 Any descriptions from: Fossil A has longer tail OR fossil B has a shorter tail Fossil A has longer / thinner body / is more streamlined OR B has a shorter / wider body Fossil B has a large girdle (and A does not / is smaller) Fossil B has a robust skeleton (and A does not) Fossil A has an elongated / narrower skull OR B has wider skull Fossil B has longer limbs OR Fossil A has shorter limbs ✓✓ Any one explanation for fossil A to support aquatic environment from: Long tail used for swimming ✓ Long thin / streamlined body / narrow skull for swimming / gliding through water ✓ Short limbs reduce drag in water ✓ 	1	2.1a 2.1b	ANY 2 correct descriptions for 1 MARK ANY 3 or more correct descriptions for 2 MARKS ALLOW implicit comparisons ALLOW thicker as AW for robust / wider IGNORE reference to bony tarsals / foot size

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
			 Any one explanation for fossil B to support terrestrial environment from: Short tail used for balance on land ✓ Short / wide body for stability walking on land OR doesn't need to be streamlined ✓ Wide girdle for strong attachment of limb bones for walking ✓ Longer limbs for locomotion on land ✓ 	1		
4	(c)	(i)	Ischium points backwards in both dinosaurs ✓ Ischium is longer in Iguanodon than Tyrannosaurus ✓ Ilium much larger / wider in Tyrannosaurus than Iguanodon OR thicker pubis in Tyrannosaurus than Iguanodon OR bones more robust in Tyrannosaurus than Iguanodon ✓ Pubis points forward in Tyrannosaurs OR is near vertical (reptile hipped) OR Pubis slopes backward / is fore-aft (bird hipped) in Iguanodon ✓	Max 3	2.1a	ALLOW implicit comparisons between the dinosaurs, e.g. longer ischium
4	(c)	(ii)	Ornithischian ✓ Pubis points backwards OR is 'bird hipped' ✓	1	2.1b	ALLOW Ornithipods

Q	uesti	on	Answer Mar		AO Element	Guidance
4	(c)	(iii)	Horny (toothless) beak / no predatory teeth / lacks teeth in front of jaw ✓ Used to crop vegetation / unable to tear up meat ✓ OR Had leaf shaped cheek teeth ✓ For mincing vegetation ✓ OR	2	1.1c	ALLOW any one morphological adaptation and one matching explanation for 1 + 1 MARK first adaptation and explanation only
			Hinged jaw / jaw moved from side to side ✓ To chew / grind vegetation ✓ OR Limbs ending in hooves ✓ Not a feature of a predator OR for steady movement ✓			ALLOW Pleurokinetic jaw OR lateral movement of maxilla
			OR Thumb spikes ✓ For gathering vegetation ✓			ALLOW (thumb spike) used for defence
			OR Heavy skeleton OR (mainly) quadrupedal OR able to rear up / become bipedal ✓ Able to run from predators OR (rear up to) reach vegetation ✓			ALLOW <u>walked / moved</u> on 4 legs as AW for quadrupedal ALLOW (bipedal to) rear up for defence
4	(c)	(iv)	Convergent ✓	1	2.1a	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
4	(d)	(i)	Albumen Fatty food store for developing embryo Amnion Separates internal & external env Embryo's water supply	4	2.1a	
4	(d)	(ii)	(Amniotic egg) provided an aquatic / watery environment (for development of embryo) OR can be laid out of water OR did not have to return to water to breed ✓ (Hard shell) provided protection (to the developing embryo) OR prevented desiccation / drying out on land ✓ (Porous shell) allowed for diffusion of (respiratory) gases OR gaseous exchange OR oxygen in OR carbon dioxide out ✓ Contained everything the embryo needed to develop into a miniature adult (able to fend for itself on land) OR didn't need to go through a larval stage ✓	Max 2	1.1d	

Questi	ion	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
5 (a)	(i)	MAX any two descriptions from: Clay / C always had the lowest % transmission OR medium sand / M always had the highest % transmission OR the finer the sediment, the lower the % transmission ✓ Silt / S showed the biggest change in % transmission during the experiment ✓ Clay particles settle out the slowest OR medium sand grains settle out the fastest OR the coarser the grain size the faster the grains settled out ✓ Medium sand grains had high % transmission even at the start of the experiment ✓ MAX any two explanations from: Clay particles are the lightest / most buoyant OR medium sand particles are the heaviest OR description of Stoke's Law ✓ Clay particles remain in suspension ✓ Most medium sand particles had already settled out prior to the start of measuring ✓ Silt has a mixture of particle sizes between the other two, so settle out at different rates ✓	Max 3	2.1b	ALLOW clay flocculates so blocks out light / has lower % transmission

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
5	(a)	(ii)	FIRST CHECK ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE. If answer is 8.78 (%) award 3 marks Recall of percentage change formula OR 80.5 - 74.0 X 100 ✓ 74.0 = 8.783 ✓ = 8.78 (%) Answer to 3 sig figs. ✓	3	3.1b	% Change = final – initial X 100 Initial MAX 2 if answer not given to 3 sig. fig.
5	(a)	(iii)	M AND Largest / coarsest sediment size OR energy is high ✓	1	3.1b	ALLOW C OR S if justified that grains would be held in suspension
5	(a)	(iv)	Care with electrical equipment and water in experiment (electrocution) OR electrical burns ✓ Care with glass breakage and cuts ✓ Care taken with breathing in particulates of sediment (at start of experiment) OR risk to asthma sufferers ✓ Slip hazard from water / sand spillage ✓	Max 1	2.1b	

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
	Please refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Analyses and evaluates (implicitly or explicitly) the experimental procedures in detail AND suggests some improvements with clarity. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated. Level 2 (3–4 marks) Analyses and evaluates (implicitly or explicitly) the experimental procedures OR suggests some improvements. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence. Level 1 (1–2 marks) Analyses at least one experimental procedure in a basic way OR suggests at least one improvement giving basic reason(s). There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant. O marks No response or no response worthy of credit.	6	3.1a 3.1c 3.1.f M2.4 HSW6	AO3.1a Analyse geological information ideas and evidence AO3.1c Evaluate geological information ideas and evidence Indicative points may include: Analysis and evaluation of the experimental procedures • More accurate than estimating transmission by eye • Made 5 measurements of each – allows plotting of line graph • Colorimeter was calibrated at start • Used a colour filter to make the sediment easier to see • Used regular time intervals • Not realistic / representative of environments of deposition • Samples C, S and M will be different masses for the same volume - may influence results • No information if samples have been graded / sieved - may influence results • Does not state if sample C has been crushed (if in lumps will not stay in suspension) • Boiling tubes may not all have the same volume (may differ between C, S and M)

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
				 Sampling (by pipette) at centre of tube is not specific enough No information about shaking time Sampling (by pipette) does not specify volume to sample Any delay in moving cuvette to colorimeter will affect results Human error starting stopwatch No evidence that different filters had been trialled to see if the amber filter was best Time intervals between each measurement were too long AO3.1f Develop and refine practical design and procedures Use mass rather than volume of samples C, S and M Grade / sieve samples to ensure uniform grain size within each sample Try different colorimeter filters to establish most suitable Recalibrate the colorimeter between each experiment run Specify volume of water to add to each boiling tube / use measuring cylinder Shake each boiling tube for the same amount of time / same way Sample with pipette at a specific marked position on each boiling tube Specify volume to sample with pipette

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
						 Repeat experiment several times and find mean / average results Control transfer time from cuvette to colorimeter Use different cuvettes or wash cuvette between experiments Use shorter time intervals between each measurement
5	(b)		MAX any three descriptions of method: Use (glass or transparent sided) flume tank / circular flume / bowl / tray AND line bottom with sand ✓	Max 4	1.1b 2.1b 3.1f	Mark labels on any diagrams as text MAX 3 for description of experiment
			Coloured sand OR dark and light grains will make formation process easier to see ✓		M2.5 HSW4	
			Place tape measure / ruler along / around / up tank ✓			
			Use protractor / clinometer (to measure dip angles) ✓			
			Add flow of water OR stir the water in one direction (to generate current) ✓			ALLOW description of an experiment using dry sand and a fan / hair dryer to create current
			Vary speed of flow / current (for different experimental runs) ✓			
			An electric motor and paddles would give better control ✓			
			Use stopwatch to time (migration / formation) ✓			
			Use photograph(s) / video recording (to show change over time / for measuring purposes) ✓			

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
	MAX any three for data: Measure rate of deposition on lee slope OR rate of erosion of stoss slope OR rate of dune migration ✓			MAX 3 for data collection, sampling and processing
	Measure dune height / wavelength ✓			
	Measure lee slope / foreset dip / angles ✓			
	Use systematic sampling OR measure at set time intervals ✓			
	Repeat experiment and find mean / average / standard deviation ✓			
	Analyse any valid correlation, e.g. dune height to current speed OR use Spearman's rank correlation ✓			

Question		on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
6	(a)	(i)	Continents appeared to be fixed in position ✓	Max 2	3.1a	
			Evidence showed the Earth was cooling (from a molten state)			
			Only movement was thought to be due to cooling of the Earth (which caused contraction) ✓			
			No horizontal crustal movement was thought to occur OR only vertical crustal movement was thought to occur ✓			
			Experiments showed linear ridges form on cooling spheres similar to linear mountain chains ✓			
			Mountain ranges formed as wrinkles as the Earth cooled / contracted ✓			
			Trends of mountain chains correspond with the lines of greatest sediment accumulation (in geosynclines) ✓			
			Rocks in mountain belts contain marine fossils (showing they originated in geosynclines / the rocks had moved upwards) ✓			
			Shrinkage of a few 10s of km could explain mountain building / orogeny ✓			

Question	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
6 (a) (ii)	The text shows that over the past 100 years new theories have built on old theories (geosyncline model / continental drift / seafloor spreading / subduction) ✓ Early ideas / Wegener / Du Toit had no mechanism ✓ The mechanism / understanding of processes was provided by later work / Holmes / Hess / Benioff / Tuzo Wilson / Sykes ✓ Basic model of plate tectonics has been solved ✓ Ridge push / slab pull are relatively recent refinements (to the plate tectonics model) and show ideas are still changing ✓ New evidence is being provided by technological advancements such as seismic tomography / deep sea drilling / supercomputer modelling / basalt geochemistry / isotope geochemistry / radiometric dating ✓ Recent discovery of plates being torn apart away from plate boundaries OR 2021 work OR work by Toronto researchers needs to be explained, so the paradigm isn't completely solved ✓	Max 4	3.1a 3.1b 3.1c	

Question		on	Answer	Mark	AO Element	Guidance
6	(a)	(iii)	Presence of mid / intraplate volcanoes / volcanic islands / atolls / seamounts ✓	Max 1	1.1c	DO NOT ALLOW description of island arcs
			Presence of linear chains of volcanic islands (each one younger than the one before) ✓			ALLOW correct named chain of islands
			High heat flow in areas otherwise aseismic / away from plate boundaries ✓			
			Discovery of core / mantle boundary plumes using seismic tomography / basalt geochemistry ✓			ALLOW any correct geotechnical imaging method
6	(b)		Built on the early ideas of catastrophism / gradualism ✓	Max 2	3.1b	
			Neptunist theory / some geologists suggested all rocks were sedimentary in origin / all formed in the oceans OR plutonism theory / some geologists suggested all rocks were igneous in origin / all formed from magma ✓			
			Recognition that processes operating today are the same as those in the past (identified early) OR observation of present-day processes allowed development of the theory of uniformitarianism ✓			
			Processes were linked together to become the rock cycle model OR processes that formed sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks were linked together ✓			
			Much of the modern rock cycle theory was developed by Hutton (and Lyell) ✓			

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