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Text Instructions

1. **Annotations and abbreviations**

Annotation in RM assessor	Meaning
✓and ✘	
BOD	Benefit of doubt
FT	Follow through
ISW	Ignore subsequent working
M0, M1	Method mark awarded 0, 1
A0, A1	Accuracy mark awarded 0, 1
B0, B1	Independent mark awarded 0, 1
SC	Special case
^	Omission sign
MR	Misread
BP	Blank Page
Seen	
Highlighting	
Other abbreviations in mark scheme	Meaning
dep*	Mark dependent on a previous mark, indicated by *. The * may be omitted if only one previous M mark
cao	Correct answer only
oe	Or equivalent
rot	Rounded or truncated
soi	Seen or implied
www	Without wrong working
AG	Answer given
awrt	Anything which rounds to
BC	By Calculator
DR	This question included the instruction: In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

2. Subject-specific Marking Instructions for A Level Mathematics A

a   Annotations must be used during your marking. For a response awarded zero (or full) marks a single appropriate annotation (cross, tick, M0 or ^) is sufficient, but not required.

For responses that are not awarded either 0 or full marks, you must make it clear how you have arrived at the mark you have awarded and all responses must have enough annotation for a reviewer to decide if the mark awarded is correct without having to mark it independently.

It is vital that you annotate standardisation scripts fully to show how the marks have been awarded.

Award NR (No Response)
- if there is nothing written at all in the answer space and no attempt elsewhere in the script
- OR if there is a comment which does not in any way relate to the question (e.g. 'can't do', 'don't know')
- OR if there is a mark (e.g. a dash, a question mark, a picture) which isn't an attempt at the question.

Note: Award 0 marks only for an attempt that earns no credit (including copying out the question).

If a candidate uses the answer space for one question to answer another, for example using the space for 8(b) to answer 8(a), then give benefit of doubt unless it is ambiguous for which part it is intended.

b   An element of professional judgement is required in the marking of any written paper. Remember that the mark scheme is designed to assist in marking incorrect solutions. Correct solutions leading to correct answers are awarded full marks but work must not always be judged on the answer alone, and answers that are given in the question, especially, must be validly obtained; key steps in the working must always be looked at and anything unfamiliar must be investigated thoroughly. Correct but unfamiliar or unexpected methods are often signalled by a correct result following an apparently incorrect method. Such work must be carefully assessed. When a candidate adopts a method which does not correspond to the mark scheme, escalate the question to your Team Leader who will decide on a course of action with the Principal Examiner.

If you are in any doubt whatsoever you should contact your Team Leader.

c   The following types of marks are available.

M

A suitable method has been selected and *applied* in a manner which shows that the method is essentially understood. Method marks are not usually lost for numerical errors, algebraic slips or errors in units. However, it is not usually sufficient for a candidate just to indicate an intention of using some method or just to quote a formula; the formula or idea must be applied to the specific problem in hand, e.g. by substituting the relevant quantities into the formula. In some cases the nature of the errors allowed for the award of an M mark may be specified.

A method mark may usually be implied by a correct answer unless the question includes the DR statement, the command words "Determine" or "Show that", or some other indication that the method must be given explicitly.

A

Accuracy mark, awarded for a correct answer or intermediate step correctly obtained. Accuracy marks cannot be given unless the associated Method mark is earned (or implied). Therefore M0 A1 cannot ever be awarded.

B

Mark for a correct result or statement independent of Method marks.

Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, e.g. wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored. Sometimes this is reinforced in the mark scheme by the abbreviation isw. However, this would not apply to a case where a candidate passes through the correct answer as part of a wrong argument.

d   When a part of a question has two or more 'method' steps, the M marks are in principle independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly where there are several B marks allocated. (The notation 'dep*' is used to indicate that a particular mark is dependent on an earlier, asterisked, mark in the scheme.) Of course, in practice it may happen that when a candidate has once gone wrong in a part of a question, the work from there on is worthless so that no more marks can sensibly be given. On the other hand, when two or more steps are successfully run together by the candidate, the earlier marks are implied and full credit must be given.

e   The abbreviation FT implies that the A or B mark indicated is allowed for work correctly following on from previously incorrect results. Otherwise, A and B marks are given for correct work only – differences in notation are of course permitted. A (accuracy) marks are not given for answers obtained from incorrect working. When A or B marks are awarded for work at an intermediate stage of a solution, there may be various alternatives that are equally acceptable. In such cases, what is acceptable will be detailed in the mark scheme. If this is not the case please, escalate the question to your Team Leader who will decide on a course of action with the Principal Examiner.

Sometimes the answer to one part of a question is used in a later part of the same question. In this case, A marks will often be 'follow through'. In such cases you must ensure that you refer back to the answer of the previous part question even if this is not shown within the image zone. You may find it easier to mark follow through questions candidate-by-candidate rather than question-by-question.

f   We are usually quite flexible about the accuracy to which the final answer is expressed; over-specification is usually only penalised where the scheme explicitly says so.

- When a value **is given** in the paper only accept an answer correct to at least as many significant figures as the given value.
- When a value **is not given** in the paper accept any answer that agrees with the correct value to **3 s.f.** unless a different level of accuracy has been asked for in the question, or the mark scheme specifies an acceptable range.
NB for Specification B (MEI) the rubric is not specific about the level of accuracy required, so this statement reads "2 s.f".

Follow through should be used so that only one mark in any question is lost for each distinct accuracy error.

Candidates using a value of 9.80, 9.81 or 10 for g should usually be penalised for any final accuracy marks which do not agree to the value found with 9.8 which is given in the rubric.

g   Rules for replaced work and multiple attempts:

- If one attempt is clearly indicated as the one to mark, or only one is left uncrossed out, then mark that attempt and ignore the others.
- If more than one attempt is left not crossed out, then mark the last attempt unless it only repeats part of the first attempt or is substantially less complete.
- if a candidate crosses out all of their attempts, the assessor should attempt to mark the crossed out answer(s) as above and award marks appropriately.

h   For a genuine misreading (of numbers or symbols) which is such that the object and the difficulty of the question remain unaltered, mark according to the scheme but following through from the candidate's data. A penalty is then applied; 1 mark is generally appropriate, though this may differ for some units. This is achieved by withholding one A or B mark in the question. Marks designated as cao may be awarded as long as there are no other errors.

If a candidate corrects the misread in a later part, do not continue to follow through. Note that a miscopy of the candidate's own working is not a misread but an accuracy error.

i   If a calculator is used, some answers may be obtained with little or no working visible. Allow full marks for correct answers, provided that there is nothing in the wording of the question specifying that analytical methods are required such as the bold "In this question you must show detailed reasoning", or the command words "Show" or "Determine". Where an answer is wrong but there is some evidence of method, allow appropriate method marks. Wrong answers with no supporting method score zero. If in doubt, consult your Team Leader.

j   If in any case the scheme operates with considerable unfairness consult your Team Leader.

Question			Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
1			$2(2)^3 + 2k - 4 = 0$ $k = -6$	M1 A1 [2]	1.1 1.1	Sets $f(2)$ equal to 0	Or any other **complete** method
2			$y \le -2x + 4$ $y \ge x^2 - 4$ $x \ge 0$ [3]	B1 B1 B1	1.1 1.1 1.1		**SC** All 3 but with (correct) **strict** inequalities **B2** Only 2 but with (correct) **strict** inequalities **B1**
3	(a)		$V = at + b$ $2375 = 6a + b, \ 2825 = 12a + b$ $V = 75t + 1925$	M1* M1dep* A1 [3]	3.3 3.1a 1.1	Using a linear model to set up two equations with the values given Solving their two equations to find a linear model, possibly **BC** cao	Or: correct attempt to find gradient Using *their* gradient to find a linear model
3	(b)		When $t = 0$, $V = 1925$ Compare *their* "1925" with 1900 and make a sensible comment about whether the straight-line model in part **(a)** is supported or not [2]	B1ft B1ft	3.4 3.5a	Uses model and states initial investment is their 'b'	Only ft a linear model from part **(a)**
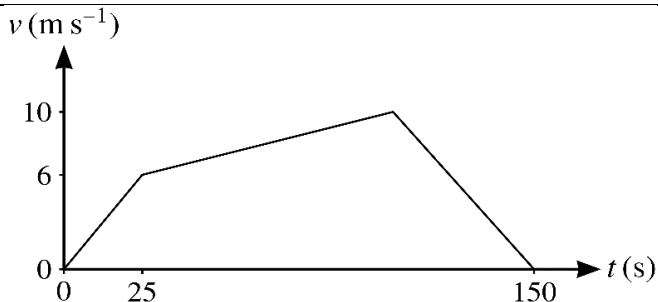
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4	Considers $\dfrac{f(2+h)-f(2)}{h}$	**B1**	**2.1**	Or considers $\dfrac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ with $x = 2$ substituted at some point	
	$f(2+h)=2(2+h)^2-3$ $\qquad = 2h^2+8h+8-3$	**M1**	**1.1**	Considers $f(2+h)$ and attempts to expand	Or considers $f(x+h)$ and attempts to expand
	$f(2+h)-f(2)=\left(2h^2+8h+5\right)-5=2h^2+8h$	**A1**	**1.1**	Correct simplified expression for $f(2+h)-f(2)$	Correct simplified expression for $f(x+h)-f(x)$
	$\dfrac{f(2+h)-f(2)}{h}=2h+8$	**A1**	**1.1**	Correct simplified expression for $\dfrac{f(2+h)-f(2)}{h}$	Correct simplified expression for $\dfrac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$
	$f'(2)=\lim\limits_{h\to 0}\dfrac{f(2+h)-f(2)}{h}=8$	**A1**	**2.2a**	cao – must be explicit that the limit (and not simply $h = 0$) is considered	
		[5]			

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5	(a)		$2\cos x \tan^2 x = 3(1+\cos x)$	M1	3.1a	Replaces $\tan^2 x$ with $\dfrac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}$	
			$2\cos x \dfrac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} = 3(1+\cos x)$				
			$2\cos x\left(\dfrac{1-\cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x}\right) = 3(1+\cos x)$	M1	3.1a	Replaces $\sin^2 x$ with $1-\cos^2 x$	
			$2(1-\cos^2 x) = 3\cos x(1+\cos x)$				
			$2 - 2\cos^2 x = 3\cos x + 3\cos^2 x$				
			$5\cos^2 x + 3\cos x - 2 = 0$	A1	2.1	**AG** – correct working throughout	Must show enough working to justify the given answer
				[3]			
5	(b)		**DR**				
			$(5\cos 3\theta - 2)(\cos 3\theta + 1) = 0$	M1	1.1a	Attempt to solve 3-term quadratic	
			$\cos 3\theta = -1$ and $\cos 3\theta = \tfrac{2}{5}$	A1	2.1	May be implied	
			$\theta = \tfrac{1}{3}\arccos(-1), \theta = \tfrac{1}{3}\arccos\left(\tfrac{2}{5}\right),$	M1	1.1	Correct order of operation to find one value of θ (or all values of 3θ correct)	$(3\theta =) 66.42...,$ $180, 293.57...$
			60	A1	1.1		
			22.1	A1	1.1	Correct value (to at least 1 dp)	
			97.9	A1	1.1	Correct value (to at least 1 dp)	Any additional values in the range loses final A mark if earned
				[6]			

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6	(a)		$3x^2 + 2 > 0$ for all values of x therefore stationary point is a minimum **[1]**	**B1**	2.4		
6	(b)		$y' = \int\left(3x^2 + 2\right)dx = x^3 + 2x + k$	**M1***	2.1	Attempt to integrate (at least one of the terms in x correct)	Condone with no $+k$
			$y' = 0$ at $x = -1$ $\Rightarrow (-1)^3 + 2(-1) + k = 0$ leading to $k = \ldots$	**M1dep***	1.1	Uses correct conditions to find the value of k (candidates may use the fact that when $x = 0$, $y' = 3$)	If correct $k = 3$
			$y = \int\left(x^3 + 2x + '3'\right)dx = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + x^2 + '3'x + c$	**M1**	1.1	Integrates their y' correctly (allow with $k = 0$)	Condone with no $+c$ (allow use of same letter for second constant)
			$\left(-1, \frac{1}{4}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}(-1)^4 + (-1)^2 + '3'(-1) + c = \frac{1}{4}$ leading to $c = \ldots$	**M1**	1.1	Uses correct conditions to find the value of c	
			$y = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + x^2 + 3x + 2$ **[5]**	**A1**	2.5	cao (must include $y =$)	

Question			Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
7	(a)		$x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 9y + 19 = 0$ $(x-3)^2 - 9 + \left(y + \frac{9}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{81}{4} + 19 = 0$	M1	1.1	$(x \pm 3)^2 \pm \ldots + \left(y \pm \frac{9}{2}\right)^2 \pm \ldots + 19 = 0$	
			$C\left(3, -\frac{9}{2}\right)$	A1	1.1	cao	
			Radius is $\frac{\sqrt{41}}{2}$	A1	1.1	cao (oe)	
				[3]			
7	(b)		$y = \frac{11}{55/4} x - 11 \left(\Rightarrow y = \frac{4}{5} x - 11 \right)$	B1	2.1	Equation of line AB (any equivalent form) – allow unsimplified	
			$x^2 + \left(\frac{4}{5} x - 11\right)^2 - 6x + 9\left(\frac{4}{5} x - 11\right) + 19 = 0$	M1*	3.1a	Substitute equation of line into equation of circle	Or $m_{CD} = -\frac{5}{4}$ (Use of $m_1 m_2 = -1$ with their gradient of AB)
			$\frac{41}{25} x^2 - \frac{82}{5} x + 41 = 0$	M1dep*	1.1	Simplify to three-term quadratic in x (or y)	Equation of CD is $y + \frac{9}{2} = -\frac{5}{4}(x - 3)$ (using their C from **(a)**)
			x-coordinate of D is 5 (or y-coordinate of D is -7)	A1	1.1	**BC**	
			Area of $OBD = \frac{1}{2}(11)('5')$	M1	3.2a	$\frac{1}{2}(11)(x\text{-coordinate of } D)$ or other complete method	Dependent on both previous M marks
			$= 27.5$	A1	1.1		
				[6]			

	Question		Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
8	(a)		$y = 1 - x + \dfrac{6}{\sqrt{x}}$ leading to $y' = \ldots$	M1	2.1	Derivative of the form $-1 + kx^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	
			$y' = -1 - 3x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	A1	1.1		
			At $x = 1, m_T = -4 \Rightarrow m_N = \frac{1}{4}$	M1*	1.2	Substitutes $x = 1$ into their derivative and correct use of $mm' = -1$	
			$y - 6 = \frac{1}{4}(x - 1)$	M1dep*	1.1	Use of $y - 6 = m_N(x - 1)$	
			$-x + 4y = 23$	A1	1.1	oe	
				[5]			
8	(b)		$x = 4, y = 1 - 4 + \dfrac{6}{\sqrt{4}} = 0$	B1	1.1	**AG** – must show sufficient working and must see $= 0$	
				[1]			
8	(c)		**DR** $\displaystyle\int \left(1 - x + \frac{6}{\sqrt{x}}\right) dx =$	M1*	2.1	Attempt to integrate with at least two terms correct	
			$= x - \dfrac{1}{2}x^2 + 12\sqrt{x}$	A1	1.1		
			$\left(4 - \dfrac{1}{2}(4^2) + 12\sqrt{4}\right) - \left(1 - \dfrac{1}{2} + 12\right) = \ldots$	M1dep*	1.1	Use of correct limits (1 and 4)	If correct, then expect to see 7.5
			$\dfrac{1}{2}\left(\dfrac{23}{4} + 6\right)(1)$	B1ft	3.1a	Any correct numerical expression for the area of the trapezium between $x = 0$ and $x = 1$ using their result from **(a)**	
			$\dfrac{107}{8}$	A1	2.2a	Or exact equivalent (e.g. 13.375)	
				[5]			

Question			Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
9			$R(\uparrow): 3F_2 + 30 = F_1$	M1	3.4	Attempt to resolve vertically and horizontally with at least one correct equation seen	
			$R(\rightarrow): 2F_1 + F_2 = 60 + 28$	A1	1.1	Both equations correct	
			$F_1 = 42, F_2 = 4$	A1	1.1	BC	
				[3]			

Question			Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
10	(a)			B1 B1	1.1 1.1	Correct shape Correct labels on axes v, t (or velocity, time), 6, 10, 25 and 150 need to be seen	**Must** be correct shape
				[2]			
10	(b)		0.24 (m s^{-2})	B1	1.1	oe	
				[1]			
10	(c)		$T = 150 - 25 - T_1$ where $T_1 = \dfrac{10-6}{0.05}$	M1	3.1b	Complete method to find T	
			$T = 45$	A1	1.1		
				[2]			
10	(d)		$s = \dfrac{1}{2}(6)(25) + \dfrac{1}{2}(10+6)(T_1) + \dfrac{1}{2}(10)T$	M1*	3.3	Complete method to find total distance travelled	
			Av. Speed $= \dfrac{'940'}{150}$	M1dep*	3.4	Divides their distance travelled by 150	
			$= 6.27$ (m s^{-1})	A1	1.1	cao (oe e.g. exact answer is $\frac{94}{15}$)	
				[3]			

Question			Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
11	**(a)**			**M1**	**3.4**	Use of $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$	
			$12950 = 15t + 0.5(0.01)t^2$ leading to $t = \ldots$	**A1**	**1.1**	Correct equation and attempt to solve	Consistent values used
			11.7 (minutes)	**A1**	**1.1**	**BC** cao (exact value is $11\frac{2}{3}$)	
				[3]			
11	**(b)**		$D - 1250 - 9000 = 70000(0.01)$	**M1**	**3.3**	N2L applied to the whole system, correct number of terms (allow sign errors)	
			10 950 (N)	**A1**	**1.1**	cao	
				[2]			
11	**(c)**		'10950'$- 9000 - T_C = 50000(0.01)$ or $T_C - 1250 = 20000(0.01)$	**M1**	**3.3**	N2L applied correctly to either A or B, correct number of terms (allow sign errors)	
			1450 (N)	**A1**	**1.1**	cao	
				[2]			

Question	Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
12	$-6t + 24 = 0$	**M1**	**3.1b**	Either attempt to differentiate and set $a = 0$ or attempt to complete the square $-3(t-4)^2 + ...$ to find t	Need $bt + 24 = 0$
	$T = 4$	**A1**	**1.1**		
	$\int(-3t^2 + 24t + k)\,\mathrm{d}t$	**M1***	**1.1**	Attempt to integrate v (at least two terms correct)	
	$= -t^3 + 12t^2 + kt\ (+c)$	**A1**	**1.1**		
	$\left(-4^3 + 12(4)^2 + 4k\right) - \left(-1^3 + 12(1)^2 + k\right) = 297$ leading to $k = ...$	**M1dep***	**2.1**	Setting up an equation in k using 297, and $t = 1$ and their $t = 4$ and attempt to solve for k	If correct $k = 60$
	$t^2 - 8t - 20 = 0$ $(t-10)(t+2) = 0$	**M1**	**1.1**	Setting $v = 0$ and attempt to solve three-term quadratic in t (perhaps **BC**)	Dependent on both previous M marks
	As $t \geq 0,\ t \neq -2 \therefore\ t = 10$	**A1**	**2.3**	Must see explicit rejection of negative value of t	
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