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Generic Marking Principles

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GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded positively:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

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GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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Question	Answer			Marks
1(a)(i)	(J + H) white ppt.;			2
	ppt. disappears / changes to colourless solution ;			
1(a)(ii)	(K + J) white ppt.;			2
	(all other pairs) no reaction / remains colourless / no change ;			
1(b)(i)	H and J/J and H;			1
1(b)(ii)	K and J/J and K;			1
1(b)(iii)	H is sodium hydroxide AND J is zinc sulfate AND K is barium chloride AND L is hydrochloric acid;			1
1(c)(i)	1 mark for all four underlined responses ;			5
	solution	observation when silver nitrate added	observation when copper sulfate added	
	Н	brown (ppt.)	blue ppt. ;	
	J	slight white ppt. / no ppt. / remains colourless / no change	no reaction / remains clear / colourless / blue solution	
	К	white ppt.;	white ppt ;	
	L	white ppt.;	no reaction / remains clear / blue solution	
1(c)(ii)	H confirmed as sodium hydroxide as gives blue ppt. with copper sulfate (solution);			
	L confirmed as hydrochloric acid as gives positive chloride test with silver nitrate (solution);			
	K confirmed as barium chloride as gives positive sulfate test with copper sulfate (solution);			

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Question	Answer	Marks	
2(a)(i)	l_0 recorded to the nearest 0.1 cm AND equal to or between 1.0 and 5.5 cm;		
2(a)(ii)	sensible distance, carefully marked as a straight line ;		
2(a)(iii)	value of l recorded in the table AND > l_0 ;		
2(a)(iv)	all readings present;		
	all lengths increasing ;		
2(b)	 one from use of set square / fiducial aid clamp rule vertically ruler close to spring avoidance of parallax and explanation any other sensible precaution; 	max 1	
2(c)(i)	suitable choice of scales using ≥ half the grid AND starting from (0,0);	2	
	4 plots correct to half a small square ;	1	
2(c)(ii)	good best-fit straight line judgement ;		
2(c)(iii)	<i>l</i> ₀ correctly read from graph ;		
2(d)	any difference accounted for by reference to experimental error ;		
2(e)(i)	l _A present ;		
2(e)(ii)	weight read correctly from graph;		
2(f)(i)	$l_{W} < l_{A}$;		
2(f)(ii)	value of $ ho$ between 1.5 and 4 g / cm 3 ;	1	

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