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MARK SCHEME

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Generic Marking Principles

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

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

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

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

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

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

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

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

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

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

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

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

Performance description tables

Each question contains some marks which are awarded using the following performance description tables.

Communication of ideas

Part (c)	Mark	Performance description
	5–6	Ideas are communicated with precision and clarity through the use of sketches/accurate drawings and reasoned annotations linked to most of the requirements.
	3–4	Ideas are displayed with some clarity through sketches/clear drawings supported by annotations referring to some of the requirements.
	1–2	Simple sketches/drawings and limited annotations show little understanding of the requirements.
	0	No creditable response.

Suitable designs

Part (c)	Mark	Performance description
	5–6	Creative solutions which fully meet the requirements. Designs showing most aspects of construction detail.
	3–4	Sensible solutions that mostly meet the requirements. Designs with moderate construction detail.
	1–2	Solutions do not meet many of the requirements. Simplistic designs with little construction detail.
	0	No creditable response

Quality of drawing

Part (e)	Mark	Performance description
	4	High standard of line quality, use of colour and proportions. Appropriate techniques used that show clearly all detail.
	2–3	Good line quality, use of colour and proportions. Most of the detail presented.
	1	Poor line quality and proportions. Little detail presented.
	0	No creditable response.

Construction details

Part (e)	Mark	Performance Description
	5–6	All construction detail clear with good annotations and/or additional detail drawings as necessary.
	3–4	Most construction may be obvious from overall views or with some annotation.
	1–2	A simplistic design; little or no detail of construction used.
	0	No creditable response.

Guidance on using the performance description tables

Marking should be positive, rewarding achievement where possible but clearly differentiating across the whole range of marks available.

In approaching the assessment process, examiners should look at the work and then make a 'best fit' judgement as to which level statement it fits. In practice the work does not always match one level statement precisely so a judgement may need to be made between two or more level statements.

Once a 'best fit' level statement has been identified the following guide should be used to decide on a specific mark:

- Where the candidate's work **convincingly** meets the level statement, the highest mark should be awarded
- Where the candidate's work **adequately** meets the level statement, the most appropriate mark in the middle of the range should be awarded
- Where the candidate's work **just** meets the level statement, the lowest mark should be awarded.

Candidates answer **one** question, **either 1 or 2 or 3**.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(a)	Accept any four additional specification points – easy to clean, boots easily accessible, easy to move, robust, accommodate different sizes of boot, resist damage from dirt and water, allow mud and water to be collected, base should be resistant to muddy ground, could incorporate other features, for example, a seat or other storage feature, fits in with environment. [1 × 4]	4	Each specification point – 1 mark No repeats from question, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • must hold eight pairs of boots • placed outside the farmhouse • method of removing excess amounts of mud • protect boots from the weather Any other valid response
1(b)	Accept drawings of any two methods: roof, container, box, tarpaulin, awning or protective coating to a product, such as varnish [2 × 2]	4	Maximum of 2 marks for each method: Appropriate method named/shown with notes – 1 mark Clear drawing – 1 mark Any other valid response
1(c)	Any three suitable ideas. Award up to 6 marks for communication of ideas using the 'Communication of ideas' table. Award up to 6 marks for suitable designs using the 'Suitable designs' table.	12	At least three different ideas for maximum marks. Pro rata if fewer.
1(d)	Award up to 6 marks for evaluation of the ideas: Evaluation [2 × 3] e.g. Advantage + disadvantage explained for each idea Selection [1] Justification[1]	8	Simple repeats of same points for each idea not rewarded. Specific not generic justification Award maximum marks if only either advantage or disadvantage given for each as long as it includes reasoning.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(e)	<p>Award up to 4 marks for quality of drawing using the 'Quality of drawing' table.</p> <p>Award up to 2 marks for dimensions:</p> <p>2 or 3 overall dimensions only – 1 mark Additional detail dimensions – 1 mark</p> <p>Award up to 6 marks for construction detail using the 'Construction details' table.</p>	12	Additional detail dimensions might show thickness of materials, diameters, etc.
1(f)	<p>Accept any two suitable specific materials. [1 × 2]</p> <p>Accept any appropriate reason for choice of each material [1 × 2]</p>	4	<p>Each suitable specific material – 1 mark</p> <p>Generic terms such as wood, metal, plastic not accepted.</p> <p>Appropriate reason for each material – 1 mark</p> <p>Materials must be appropriate for the design shown in (e)</p>
1(g)	<p>Accept any suitable manufacturing process/sequence of stages. [1 × 1]</p> <p>Award up to 3 marks for description of process.</p> <p>Award up to 2 marks for names of tools and/or equipment used.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>3</p> <p>2</p>	<p>Process must be appropriate for design in (e).</p> <p>Detailed description for 3 marks</p> <p>Not just basic tools such as pencil, rule, etc.</p>

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
OR			
2(a)	Accept any four additional specification points – mobile or collapsible, protects from wind/rain/etc, attached to table top, freestanding, use of colour etc to attract, must sit on a spring, move in the wind, consideration of the fragile nature of eggs. [1 × 4]	4	Each specification point – 1 mark No repeats from question, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • must stand/be placed by the roadside • must advertise/help sell eggs • must have a moving feature • must attract people travelling along the road Any other valid response
2(b)	Accept drawings of any two different methods. Reciprocating feature, circular movement, use of levers, cams, cranks, motors, use of wind power, movement from motor, springs and gears. [2 × 2]	4	Maximum of 2 marks for each method: Appropriate method named/shown with notes – 1 mark Clear drawing – 1 mark Any other valid response
2(c)	Any three suitable ideas. Award up to 6 marks for communication of ideas using the 'Communication of ideas' table. Award up to 6 marks for suitable designs using the 'Suitable designs' table.	12	At least three different ideas for maximum marks. Pro rata if fewer.
2(d)	Award up to 6 marks for evaluation of the ideas: Evaluation [2 × 3] e.g. Advantage + disadvantage explained for each idea Selection [1] Justification[1]	8	Simple repeats of same points for each idea not rewarded. Specific not generic justification. Award maximum marks if only either advantage or disadvantage given for each as long as it includes reasoning

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(e)	<p>Award up to 4 marks for quality of drawing using the 'Quality of drawing' table.</p> <p>Award up to 2 marks for dimensions:</p> <p>2 or 3 overall dimensions only – 1 mark</p> <p>Additional detail dimensions – 1 mark</p> <p>Award up to 6 marks for construction detail using the 'Construction details' table.</p>	12	Additional detail dimensions might show thickness of materials, diameters, etc.
2(f)	<p>Accept any two suitable specific materials. [1 × 2]</p> <p>Accept any appropriate reason for choice of each material [1 × 2]</p>	4	<p>Each suitable specific material – 1 mark</p> <p>Generic terms such as wood, metal, plastic not accepted.</p> <p>Appropriate reason for each material – 1 mark</p> <p>Materials must be appropriate for the design shown in (e)</p>
2(g)	<p>Accept any suitable manufacturing process/sequence of stages. [1×1]</p> <p>Award up to 3 marks for description of process.</p> <p>Award up to 2 marks for names of tools and/or equipment used.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>3</p> <p>2</p>	<p>Process must be appropriate for design in (e).</p> <p>Detailed description for 3 marks</p> <p>Not just basic tools such as pencil, rule, etc.</p>

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
OR			
3(a)	Accept any four additional specification points – needs to be weather proof, capable of being re-set each day, resistant to messy environment, battery or clockwork powered, not hurt the chickens, provide a door, method of lifting or sliding door. [1 × 4]	4	Each specification point – 1 mark No repeats from question, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • release chickens automatically • release chickens from the hen house • operate/release chickens in the morning • opening and closing entrance Any other valid response
3(b)	Accept drawings of any two methods – side/top/bottom hinges, sliding door in guides, use of ramp as door, pulleys with cable/rope to lift door or close ramp, use of pneumatics, levers/motors to close door /ramp.[2 × 2]	4	Maximum of 2 marks for each method: Appropriate method named/shown with notes – 1 mark Clear drawing – 1 mark Any other valid response
3(c)	Any three suitable ideas. Award up to 6 marks for communication of ideas using the ‘Communication of ideas’ table. Award up to 6 marks for suitable designs using the ‘Suitable designs’ table.	12	At least three different ideas for maximum marks. Pro rata if fewer.
3(d)	Award up to 6 marks for evaluation of the ideas: Evaluation [2 × 3] e.g. Advantage + disadvantage explained for each idea Selection [1] Justification[1]	8	Simple repeats of same points for each idea not rewarded. Specific not generic justification. Award maximum marks if only either advantage or disadvantage given for each as long as it includes reasoning.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(e)	<p>Award up to 4 marks for quality of drawing using the 'Quality of drawing' table.</p> <p>Award up to 2 marks for dimensions:</p> <p>2 or 3 overall dimensions only – 1 mark</p> <p>Additional detail dimensions – 1 mark</p> <p>Award up to 6 marks for construction detail using the 'Construction details' table.</p>	12	Additional detail dimensions might show thickness of materials, diameters, etc.
3(f)	<p>Accept any two suitable specific materials. [1 × 2]</p> <p>Accept any appropriate reason for choice of each material [1 × 2]</p>	4	<p>Each suitable specific material – 1 mark</p> <p>Generic terms such as wood, metal, plastic not accepted.</p> <p>Appropriate reason for each material – 1 mark</p> <p>Materials must be appropriate for the design shown in (e)</p>
3(g)	<p>Accept any suitable manufacturing process/sequence of stages. [1×1]</p> <p>Award up to 3 marks for description of process.</p> <p>Award up to 2 marks for names of tools and/or equipment used.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>3</p> <p>2</p>	<p>Process must be appropriate for design in (e).</p> <p>Detailed description for 3 marks</p> <p>Not just basic tools such as pencil, rule, etc.</p>