## Cambridge International AS Level

## MATHEMATICS

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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.

## Mathematics Specific Marking Principles

1 Unless a particular method has been specified in the question, full marks may be awarded for any correct method. However, if a calculation is required then no marks will be awarded for a scale drawing.

2 Unless specified in the question, non-integer answers may be given as fractions, decimals or in standard form. Ignore superfluous zeros, provided that the degree of accuracy is not affected.

3 Allow alternative conventions for notation if used consistently throughout the paper, e.g. commas being used as decimal points.
4 Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, e.g. wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored (isw).
5 Where a candidate has misread a number or sign in the question and used that value consistently throughout, provided that number does not alter the difficulty or the method required, award all marks earned and deduct just 1 A or B mark for the misread.

6 Recovery within working is allowed, e.g. a notation error in the working where the following line of working makes the candidate's intent clear.

## Mark Scheme Notes

The following notes are intended to aid interpretation of mark schemes in general, but individual mark schemes may include marks awarded for specific reasons outside the scope of these notes.

## Types of mark

M Method mark, awarded for a valid method applied to the problem. Method marks are not 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. Correct application of a formula without the formula being quoted obviously earns the M mark and in some cases an M mark can be implied from a correct answer.

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).

B Mark for a correct result or statement independent of method marks.
DM or DB When a part of a question has two or more 'method' steps, the M marks are generally independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly, when there are several B marks allocated. The notation DM or DB is used to indicate that a particular M or B mark is dependent on an earlier M or B (asterisked) mark in the scheme. When two or more steps are run together by the candidate, the earlier marks are implied and full credit is given.

FT Implies that the A or B mark indicated is allowed for work correctly following on from previously incorrect results. Otherwise, A or B marks are given for correct work only.

- A or B marks are given for correct work only (not for results obtained from incorrect working) unless follow through is allowed (see abbreviation FT above).
- For a numerical answer, allow the A or B mark if the answer is correct to 3 significant figures or would be correct to 3 significant figures if rounded (1 decimal place for angles in degrees).
- The total number of marks available for each question is shown at the bottom of the Marks column.
- Wrong or missing units in an answer should not result in loss of marks unless the guidance indicates otherwise.
- Square brackets [ ] around text or numbers show extra information not needed for the mark to be awarded.


## Abbreviations

AEF/OE Any Equivalent Form (of answer is equally acceptable) / Or Equivalent
AG Answer Given on the question paper (so extra checking is needed to ensure that the detailed working leading to the result is valid)
CAO Correct Answer Only (emphasising that no 'follow through' from a previous error is allowed)
CWO Correct Working Only
ISW Ignore Subsequent Working
SOI Seen Or Implied
SC Special Case (detailing the mark to be given for a specific wrong solution, or a case where some standard marking practice is to be varied in the light of a particular circumstance)

WWW Without Wrong Working

AWRT Answer Which Rounds To

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Substitute $x=-2$ and equate to 33 | M1 | OE (long or synthetic division). <br> Note: Long division and synthetic division give a <br> remainder of $8 a+14-5$. <br> Allow one sign error for M1. |
|  | Obtain $-8 a+16 a+14-5=33$ and hence $a=3$ | $\mathbf{A 1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
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| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
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| 2 | Attempt to express equation in terms of $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$ only, using a correct identity and $\sec \theta=\frac{1}{\cos \theta}$ | M1 |  |
|  | Obtain $\cos \theta \cos 60+\sin \theta \sin 60=4 \cos \theta$ | A1 | OE |
|  | Either divide by $\cos \theta$ to find value of $\tan \theta$ or use another correct method to find $\sin \theta$ or $\cos \theta$ | M1 | May still involve $\cos 60$ and $\sin 60$. |
|  | Obtain $\tan \theta=\frac{7}{\sqrt{3}}$ or $\tan \theta=4.04 \ldots$ or $\sin \theta=\frac{7}{\sqrt{52}}$ or $\sin \theta=0.970 \ldots$ or $\cos \theta=\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{52}}$ or $\cos \theta=0.240$... | A1 |  |
|  | Obtain -103.9 and 76.1 | A1 | Or greater accuracy; and no others between -180 and 180. |
|  |  | 5 |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3(a) | Differentiate to obtain form $k \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} x}$ | M1 | For any non-zero $k$ except 6. |
|  | Substitute $x=2$ to obtain $-3 \mathrm{e}^{-1}$ or $-\frac{3}{\mathrm{e}}$ | A1 |  |
|  |  | 2 |  |
| 3(b) | Integrate to obtain $-12 \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{-1}{2} x}$ | B1 | OE |
|  | Use limits 0 and 2 correctly to an integral of the form $k \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{x}{2}}$, retaining exactness | M1 | For any non-zero $k$ except 6 or equivalent perhaps involving integration of $6-6 \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} x}$ |
|  | Subtract from 12 to obtain final answer $12 \mathrm{e}^{-1}$ or $\frac{12}{\mathrm{e}}$ | A1 |  |
|  |  | 3 |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4(\mathrm{a})$ | Draw V-shaped graph with vertex on positive $x$-axis | B1 |  |
|  | Draw (more or less) correct graph of $y=9-2 x$ with steeper negative <br> gradient | B1 | Dependent on first B mark, appropriately positioned <br> with respect to first graph. |
|  |  | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4(b) | Solve linear equation or inequality with signs of $x$ and $2 x$ different | M1 |  |
|  | Obtain critical value 4 | A1 |  |
|  | Conclude $x>4$ only | A1 | 6 must be discounted. |
|  | Alternative Method for Question 4(b) |  |  |
|  | State or imply non-modulus equation (or inequality) $(3-x)^{2}=(9-2 x)^{2}$ | B1 |  |
|  | Attempt solution of three-term quadratic equation (or inequality) | M1 | Dependent on previous B1. |
|  | Conclude $x>4$ only | A1 | 6 must be discounted. |
|  |  | 3 |  |
| 4(c) | State or imply ( $3 x-10) \ln 2<\ln 500$ | B1 | Or equivalent perhaps involving different logarithm base. |
|  | Obtain critical value 6.32 | B1 |  |
|  | Obtain $x<6.32$ | B1 | Or greater accuracy. |
|  |  | 3 |  |
| 4(d) | State 5 and 6 only | B1 |  |
|  |  | 1 |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5(a) | Carry out division at least as far as $3 x^{2}+k_{1} x$ | M1 | OE (e.g. by inspection). |
|  | Obtain quotient $3 x^{2}-4 x-10$ | A1 |  |
|  | Confirm given result of remainder is 6 with sufficient detail | A1 | AG <br> SC If remainder $=6$ shown using remainder theorem allow B1. |
|  |  | 3 |  |
| 5(b) | Integrate to obtain at least $x^{3}$ and term of form $k_{2} \ln (2 x+1)$ | *M1 | In term must be added. |
|  | Obtain $x^{3}-2 x^{2}-10 x+3 \ln (2 x+1)$ | A1 |  |
|  | Apply limits correctly to expression with four terms | DM1 |  |
|  | Apply appropriate logarithm properties correctly to obtain the form $k_{3} \ln a$ | DM1 |  |
|  | Obtain $195+\ln 27$ | A1 |  |
|  |  | 5 |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6(a) | Obtain $\frac{\mathrm{d} x}{\mathrm{~d} t}=\frac{6}{2 t-3}$ | B1 |  |
|  | Use product rule to find $\frac{\mathrm{d} y}{\mathrm{~d} t}$ | M1 | Allow unsimplified. |
|  | Obtain $\frac{\mathrm{d} y}{\mathrm{~d} x}=\frac{(4 \ln t+4)(2 t-3)}{6}$ | A1 | OE |
|  | Attempt to find $t$ corresponding to point $A$ using a complete and correct method | M1 |  |
|  | Obtain $t=2$ and hence gradient is $\frac{2}{3} \ln 2+\frac{2}{3}$ | A1 | Or exact equivalent. |
|  |  | 5 |  |
| 6(b) | Equate $\frac{\mathrm{d} y}{\mathrm{~d} x}$ to 12 and attempt rearrangement to $2 t-3=\frac{k}{4 \ln t+4}$ | M1 |  |
|  | Confirm given result $t=\frac{9}{1+\ln t}+\frac{3}{2}$ with sufficient detail | A1 | AG |
|  |  | 2 |  |
| 6(c) | Use iteration process correctly at least once | M1 | Need to see 4.9626 . |
|  | Obtain final answer 4.96 | A1 | Answer required to exactly 3 s.f. |
|  | Show sufficient iterations to 5 sf to justify answer or show sign change in interval [4.955, 4.965] | A1 |  |
|  |  | 3 |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
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| 7(a) | Attempt to express LHS in terms of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ only | M1* |  |
|  | Obtain $2 \cos ^{2} x+6 \sin ^{2} x$ | A1 | OE |
|  | Use relevant identities to express in terms of $\cos 2 x$ only | DM1 |  |
|  | Confirm given result $4-2 \cos 2 x$ with sufficient detail | A1 | AG |
|  |  | 4 |  |
| 7(b) | Substitute $x=\frac{1}{12} \pi$ and attempt exact value of $\frac{4-2 \cos 2\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)}{\sin 2\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)}$ | M1 |  |
|  | Obtain $2\left(4-2 \cos \frac{1}{6} \pi\right)$ or equivalent and hence $8-2 \sqrt{3}$ | A1 |  |
|  |  | 2 |  |
| 7(c) | Differentiate to obtain $4 \sin 2 x$ | B1 | B2 if both limits obtained by symmetry or observation. |
|  | Equate to 4 and obtain limits $\frac{1}{4} \pi$ and $\pi$ | B1 |  |
|  | Integrate to obtain $4 x-\sin 2 x$ | B1 |  |
|  | Use limits their $a$ and $b$ to find exact value for integral of form $k_{1} x+k_{2} \sin 2 x$ | M1 | Angles must be in radians in terms of $\pi$. |
|  | Obtain $4 \pi-\sin 2 \pi-\left(\pi-\sin \frac{1}{2} \pi\right)$ and confirm given result $3 \pi+1$ with sufficient detail | A1 | AG |
|  |  | 5 |  |

