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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.

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

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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.

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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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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).

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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)	nucleus labelled; cytoplasm labelled;	2
1(b)	presence of cell wall; presence of chloroplasts; presence of (permanent) vacuole;	max 2
1(c)	from higher concentration (outside the cell) to lower concentration (inside the cell); by (molecules) random movement;	2
1(d)	glucose / oxygen;	1

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Question	Answer	
2(a)	J too great a proportion of other gases / too little oxygen; K nitrogen and oxygen the wrong way round;	2
2(b)(i)	incomplete combustion of hydrocarbons / fuel;	1
2(b)(ii)	toxic;	1
2(b)(iii)	argon / Ar;	1
2(b)(iv)	it is inert / does not react in the body;	1
2(c)(i)	(label to either N_2 or O_2) only one type of atom;	1
2(c)(ii)	(label to H ₂ O) water molecules contain two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom;	1
2(c)(ii)	cobalt chloride (paper); turns from blue to pink;	2

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Question	Answer	
3(a)	X-rays – viewing bones / images of internal structures;	
3(b)	(more likely to be affected by) ionising radiation; named effect of ionising radiation on body cells;	
3(c)(i)	number of oscillations / vibration per second / per unit time;	
3(c)(ii)	any value above 20 000 Hz; maximum value for human hearing is 20 000 Hz;	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	65 (b/p/m);	1
4(a)(ii)	10 (minutes);	1
4(a)(iii)	X anywhere on 35 minutes;	1
4(b)	heart (muscle) contracts / pumps, more / faster;	1
4(c)	aorta;	1
4(d)	red blood cells circled;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)(i)	Cu K;	2
	29 19;	
5(a)(ii)	(copper) ref. to the equality of numbers of protons and electrons;	1
5(a)(iii)	(total of the) protons plus neutrons (in the nucleus of an atom);	1
5(b)	potassium is too malleable / weak; potassium reacts with water;	2
5(c)(i)	copper carbonate → copper oxide + carbon dioxide;	1
5(c)(ii)	thermal decomposition;	1
5(c)(iii)	turns milky;	1
5(c)(iv)	coloured;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)	all symbols correct; lamps in parallel; switch in correct place; fuse in correct place;	4
6(b)	R = V/I or 12/16; = 0.75; Ω;	3
6(c)	kinetic; gravitational (potential);	2
6(d)	upright; laterally inverted;	2
6(e)(i)	opposite charges attract;	1
6(e)(ii)	like charges repel;	1

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Question	Answer					Marks
7(a)(i)	homozygous; dominant;				2	
7(a)(ii)	dd;					1
7(b)			D	d		1
		D	DD	Dd		
		d	Dd	dd		
7(c)	(phentoype) affected by environment; named example;					2
7(d)(i)	nuclei; sperm and egg;					2
7(d)(ii)	male chromosomes are XY, female chr	romos	omes are XX	ζ.		1

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Question	Answer	Marks
8(a)(i)	making, lime / calcium oxide; neutralisation of, acidic industrial waste / acidic soil; used in blast furnace / for iron extraction; AVP;	
8(a)(ii)	in atom number of protons = number of electrons; in calcium ion there are fewer electrons than protons;	2
8(b)(i)	calcium chloride;	1
8(b)(ii)	(pH decreases) the gas / CO ₂ reacts with the water; turning it acidic; reference to non-metal oxide;	max 2
8(b)(iii)	increase acid concentration; increase (acid) temperature; use powdered calcium carbonate / increase surface area of calcium carbonate	max 2

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Question	Answer	Marks
9(a)(i)	600 (s);	1
9(a)(ii)	speed = distance / time; 11250 / 600 = 18.8 (m / s)	2
9(b)	chemical;	1
9(c)(i)	coal, natural gas, peat;	1
9(c)(ii)	solar/wind/waves/HEP/geothermal/tides;	1
9(d)(i)	Q;	1
9(d)(ii)	R;	1
9(d)(iii)	opposite directions; Q greater than S ;	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
10(a)	A hair; B sweat gland;	2
10(b)(i)	sweating; vasodilation / more blood goes to surface of the skin; goes red / gets hot; hair lies flat;	max 3
10(b)(ii)	maintenance of constant internal environment;	1
10(c)	ref to central nervous system (CNS); sensory → relay → motor; ref to effector / muscle / gland;	3

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Question	Answer	Marks
11(a)(i)	methane / CH ₄ ;	1
11(a)(ii)	water;	1
11(a)(iii)	exothermic;	1
11(b)(i)	the larger the molecules the higher the boiling point;	1
11(b)(ii)	A B C; boiling point is below 20 °C / at 20 °C they will have boiled;	2
11(c)	ethane H H H C C C H C C C C C C C C C C C C	3
11(d)(i)	orange / brown / yellow;	1
11(d)(ii)	unsaturated / contain double (C to C) bonds;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
12(a)(i)	conduction;	1
12(a)(ii)	convection current drawn;	1
12(a)(iii)	convection;	1
12(b)(i)	railway tracks / overhead power cables;	1
12(b)(ii)	thermostat / thermometer;	1
12(c)	surface most fall 1 or 2 correct; 3 correct;	2
12(d)	temperature at which a liquid changes into a gas;	1
12(e)	iron loses magnetism quicker than steel steel is magnetised more slowly than iron;	1
12(f)(i)	box to the left of radio waves;	1
12(f)(ii)	radio waves;	1

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Question	Answer			Marks
13(a)(i)	diges	stion process	example of this process in the human body	2
	chem	nical digestion	enzymes in the stomach breaking food down	
	mech	nanical digestion	food chewed / ground by teeth owtte	
13(a)(ii)	(across wall of) small intestine; into the blood;			2
13(b)(i)	fa o	nutrient ats and oils oroteins	glucose glycerol and fatty acids	2
13(b)(ii)	carbon, hydrogen and oxygen circled;			1
13(c)	(diet contains) all required nutrients; in sufficient / correct proportions;			2

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