

GCSE DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Mark scheme

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Level of response marking instructions

Level of response mark schemes are broken down into levels, each of which has a descriptor. The descriptor for the level shows the average performance for the level. There are marks in each level.

Before you apply the mark scheme to a student's answer read through the answer and annotate it (as instructed) to show the qualities that are being looked for. You can then apply the mark scheme.

Step 1 Determine a level

Start at the lowest level of the mark scheme and use it as a ladder to see whether the answer meets the descriptor for that level. The descriptor for the level indicates the different qualities that might be seen in the student's answer for that level. If it meets the lowest level then go to the next one and decide if it meets this level, and so on, until you have a match between the level descriptor and the answer. With practice and familiarity you will find that for better answers you will be able to quickly skip through the lower levels of the mark scheme.

When assigning a level you should look at the overall quality of the answer and not look to pick holes in small and specific parts of the answer where the student has not performed quite as well as the rest. If the answer covers different aspects of different levels of the mark scheme you should use a best fit approach for defining the level and then use the variability of the response to help decide the mark within the level, ie if the response is predominantly level 3 with a small amount of level 4 material it would be placed in level 3 but be awarded a mark near the top of the level because of the level 4 content.

Step 2 Determine a mark

Once you have assigned a level you need to decide on the mark. The descriptors on how to allocate marks can help with this. The exemplar materials used during standardisation will help. There will be an answer in the standardising materials which will correspond with each level of the mark scheme. This answer will have been awarded a mark by the Lead Examiner. You can compare the student's answer with the example to determine if it is the same standard, better or worse than the example. You can then use this to allocate a mark for the answer based on the Lead Examiner's mark on the example.

You may well need to read back through the answer as you apply the mark scheme to clarify points and assure yourself that the level and the mark are appropriate.

Indicative content in the mark scheme is provided as a guide for examiners. It is not intended to be exhaustive and you must credit other valid points. Students do not have to cover all of the points mentioned in the Indicative content to reach the highest level of the mark scheme.

An answer which contains nothing of relevance to the question must be awarded no marks.

Qu	Pa	Art Marking guidance	Total marks	AO							
	SECTION A										
1		D Motion sensor	1 mark	AO4							
2		C 99.9 x 101.07mm	1 mark	AO4							
3		A Compression	1 mark	AO4							
4	4 C Low carbon steel 1 mark										
5		D Just in Time Manufacturing	1 mark	AO4							
6		A Cotton	1 mark	AO4							
7	1	C A material that reacts to changes in the environment	1 mark	AO4							
7	2	Possible answers may include: Shape memory alloy Photochromic dyes Thermochromic material One mark for any response worthy of credit	1 mark	AO4							
8		B Planned obsolescence	1 mark	AO4							
9		C A type of polymer	1 mark	AO4							
10		D 40mm	1 mark	AO4							

11		C Pine	1 mark	AO4
12	1	 1 mark for correct answer. Expected answers include: MDF (Medium Density Fibreboard) GRP (Glass Reinforced Plastic) Credit should be given for other acceptable responses. 	1 mark	AO4
12	2	 1 mark for each property correctly identified up to a maximum of 2 marks. Indicative content: Properties of MDF include: smooth surface easy to paint no natural grain being porous. Properties of GRP include: high strength to weight ratio temperature resistance easy to form complex shapes. As with 12.1, credit should be given to other acceptable responses that do not relate MDF or GRP. 	2 marks	AO4
13		 1 mark for each correct reason stated up to a maximum of 2 marks. Expected answers include: Strength to weight ratio Low cost in comparison to other packaging materials Can be printed on Rigidity Thermal properties. 	2 marks	AO4

14	1	1 mark for a correct answer.	1 mark	AO4			
		Credit should be given for any fossil fuel. Possible answers include: • Oil • Gas • Coal.					
		Reward any other correct response.					
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14	2	1 mark for each correct reason stated up to a maximum of 2 marks.	2 marka	AO4
		 Expected answers include: Use of finite resources which cannot be replaced The process of extracting the materials can be detrimental to the environment The process can be expensive Burning fossil fuels can cause pollution. 	marks	
		Reward for any other correct response.		

SECTION B

15	1	1 mark for correct response.	1 mark	AO4	
		Stock Form	Raw Material		
		Acrylic rod	Oil		
		Corrugated card	Trees/wood		
		Aluminium sheet	Bauxite		
		Wool yarn	Animal fleece		
		Medium Density Fibreboard (MDF)	Any of the following are acceptable: • Wood/ • Trees/wood shavings/paper/sawdust • Glue – Urea formaldehyde.		

3-4 marks	Complete of understand	description that ling of how raw	is accurate and materials are pr	shows rocessed.	marks			
1-2 mark	Simple des misunderst	cription with so anding of how	me errors and raw materials ar	e				
0 marks	Nothing wo	orthy of credit						
Each stage must be Indicative content: The following are no may be explored. C Acrylic rod	e relevant to th ot model answ Credit both diag	e stock form se ers but show so grams and deso Aluminium	elected. ome areas of the cription. Wool varn	e answer that				
···· , ·····	card	sheet						
Crude oil is extracted from the ground	• Trees are cut down and	 The bauxite is mined 	 Sheep are sheared to remove the 	 Trees are cut down and then 				
 Oil is transported by a tanker to an oil refinery Oil is put 	 Timber is chipped and water 	from the ground • This material is	 wool fleece The fleece is then cleaned 	debarked • The wood is then chipped				
On is put through a distillation process where boow crude	and chemical s are	then washed to remove	sometimes using an acid bath	into small pieces • They are				
oil is separated into groups called 'fractions'.	 create pulp The pulp is then 	 the clay Aluminium oxide is then 	to remove oils and dirt • The wool is then dried	then cleaned and pulped turning				
 Polymerisation takes place Plastic is then extruded and 	washed, refined cleaned and	extracted from the bauxite	and teased/pick ed	softwood chips in to wood fibros				
then cut into small pellets.	sometime s bleached • Water is	refining.Aluminium is then	 The wool is then combed in a process 	 Urea formaldehy de is 				
	then drained out and the paper	created from an electrolyti	called'carding'The wool is	added to the mixture and the material is				
	is heated and dried. It is then	The liquid aluminium is cast	and often twisted to make	pressed into sheets				
	wound onto	into	useable varn.	sheets are then dried,				

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For each of the two descriptions award up to 2 marks as follows:						
2 m	arks	Complete description demonstrating both knowledge and understanding of how materials and/or products are strengthened or reinforced.	marks			
1 m	ark	Simple description with some errors and misunderstanding of how materials and/or products are strengthened or reinforced.				
0 m	arks	Nothing worthy of credit.				
Indie	ative content:					
Cano ansv each acce	lidates will draw ver the question. point to access ptable if adequa	on their own experience of different material areas to For each example, candidates should fully explain full marks. Both materials and products are ately explained.				
The be g	following are positiven credit where	ssible examples answers but any other examples must e correct.				
•	Plywood is cre Plywood layers ensures the we	ated in layers to strengthen the material. s are laid with the grain in different directions. This eak lines of the grain are strengthened.				
•	Many buildings use reinforced concrete to improve the tensile strength of the material.					
•	Reinforced cor the tensile stre building mater	ncrete uses the compressive strength of concrete and angth of steel combined to make a more suitable ial.				
•	Interfacing car Laminating of	h be used to stiffen the collar of a cotton shirt. fabrics can be used to stiffen and strengthen.				

17	1	For each feature	2 x 2 marks	AO4		
		2 marks	Complete desc and understan suitable for ma	cription demonstrating both knowledge ding of how product/component is ass production.		
		1 mark	Simple descrip misunderstand for mass produ	otion with some errors and ling of how product/component is suitable uction.		
		0 marks	Nothing worthy	/ of credit.		
		Indicative conte				
		Product		Features suitable for mass production		
				Steel is bought in rolls which enables large amounts to be stored easily. The material is press formed into shape which is an automated method of manufacture. Spot welding of attachment points etc. can be automated and flexible manufacturing is used to ensure parts are moved and welded		
		Steel car	door	with the same machinery.		
		Polymer to	by musical ment	Injection moulded which ensures ease of repetition and reduced cost when mass produced. Use of plastic which can be bought in granulated form and then injection moulded. Plastic comes in a range of colours which enables products to be made in a range of colours. Injection moulding ensures reduced assembly after production. Complex shapes can be produced. Injection moulding allows pigments to be put into the plastic pre-production rather than having to apply a colour or finish to the product after it is made.		
		Newspa	aper	Paper can be bought in large pieces or rolls so that designs can be nested together to ensure less waste. Lithography is used for printing on to the product. This process is quick and ensures repetition		

NEWS anna mana	Lithography is a high quality and cheap process when producing many of the same	
Newspaper (continued)	A guillotine is used when cutting out the shape of the product. This is a continuous process.	
	This ensures products are all the same and reduces the amount of assembly necessary at the end of production. Manufacture can be mainly automated.	
	Cotton is a natural material that is readily available in large quantities.Products can be nested together on large sheets of cotton to minimise waste.Automated machines can cut patterns in material to ensure repeatability and consistency.Simple design ensures many products can	
Cotton T–shirt	be sold to customers. Several layers can be cut at the same time. Screen printing allows T shirts to be printed on and then the same design to be used multiple times.	
Printed circuit board	Automation is used to ensure precise soldering. This allows very intricate detail that if done by hand would not work. ICs are used to make complex tasks completed with the smallest space necessary. Components are designed to fit into a standard module.	
	allow for easy assembly. PCB's are printed rather than using wires. Flat manmade boards such as MDF, Plywood and chipboard are often used to	
	ensure a uniform board. Computer Aided Manufacture such as CNC routers are used to ensure repeatability. Products can then be cut and holes etc. can be located exactly so that minimal work is needed in assembly.	
Flatpack furniture	Holes etc. are positioned so that alternative features can be added and the furniture becomes flexible in terms of its function.	

2	1 mark for a	correctly ident	ifying an appr	opriate 'main'	industrial proc	cess.	5	AO4
	Award up to	4 marks for	explaining the	process as f	ollows:		marks	
	4 marks	Thorc accur Thorc diagra	ough detailed o ate with all sta ough understai am or good no	description of ages present a nding of the p tes to explain	a process that and in correct o rocess with a la the process.	is mostly order. abelled		
	3 marks	Metho in the under diagra key p	odical descript correct order standing of th am or good no oints.	ion of most si with some ina e process wit tes. Respons	ages of the pro accuracies. So h a mainly corr e may lack sor	ocess, usually ound rect labelled me important		
	2 marks	Proce some vague proce	ess described gaps. Some u diagram or w ss.	using mostly a understanding <i>i</i> ith some sho	appropriate ter demonstrated rt description o	minology with d either with a of the		
	1 mark	Basic with e namir	description of errors. May be ng the process	the process, with a vague	missing some diagram witho	stages and out actually		
	0 marks	Nothi	ng worthy of c	redit.				
	Expected processes include:							
	Steel car	Polymer	Newspaper	Cotton T-	Printed	Flatpack		

door	Polymer toy musical instrument	Newspaper	shirt	circuit board	Flatpack furniture
Press Forming Spot Welding	Injection Moulding	Lithography	Sewing Screen Printing/Dye Sublimation	Soldering	CNC Router

Indicative content:

The following descriptions of possible processes are not exhaustive and other points can be used to gain maximum marks. Notes should be supported with labelled diagrams.

Car Door – Press Forming

A punch and die is used to press sheet metal into shape. This means using a ductile material as the process is done at room temperature. Holes can be cut at the same time as shapes are pressed in to the metal.

Polymer toy Musical Instrument – Injection Moulding

A polymer is placed in the hopper and enters the chamber of the injection moulding machine. The chamber is heated until the plastic melts. The plastic is then forced in to a mould where it cools to create the shape of the object.

Newspaper – Lithography Aluminium plates are exposed to UV light and then put on rollers. The rollers pick up ink where the plate has been exposed and water elsewhere. The rollers then transfer the image on to the paper that passes through.

T – Shirt – screen printing

This is a low cost process where mesh is used to transfer ink on to the fabric. Areas are blocked out with a stencil where the ink should not go. A blade or squeegee is moved across the screen to fill the open mesh apertures with ink.

Printed Circuit Board – Soldering

The circuit board is passed over a pan of molten solder in which a pump produces an upwelling of solder. As the circuit board makes contact with this wave, the components become soldered to the board. Sometimes, the components are glued onto the surface of a printed circuit board (PCB) before being run through the molten solder wave.

Flatpack Furniture – CNC Router Items are secured in place on the router using clamps or a vacuum bed. The file is sent to the router and different lines are set to different depths of cuts. The router then cuts the lines drawn at varying depths and with great accuracy.

award zero marks.		
Indicative content:		
Material	Characteristics/Properties	
Polypropylene	 Can be heated and remoulded as it is a thermoplastic Comes in a wide range of bright colours Can be recycled It is flexible and less brittle than other plastics such as acrylic Deteriorates in UV light. 	
Foam Core Board	 Stiff structure which is good for model making Composite material which is difficult to recycle Thin outside layer which can be scored. 	
Brass	 Non corrosive Good thermal and electrical conductivity Orange/gold bronze colour. 	
Mahogany	 Light natural wood Easy to work with Cheap and easily accessible Can split easily or warp if not in stable humidity Can be attacked by fungi or insects. 	
Silk	 Easily dyed Lightweight Resistant to shrinking and stretching Sun resistant. 	

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		8	AO3
9 – 10 marks	A fully coherent and logical discussion which features a	marks	
	range of points with excellent understanding of issues		
	suffounding the selection of materials, detailed analysis	2	AO4
	and evaluation of these issues and reasoned	marks	
7 9 marka	A lorgely experient and logical discussion which includes		
r = 0 marks	A largery conference and logical discussion which includes		
	good understanding of the issues suffounding the		
	well analysed and evaluated points and some		
	conclusions drawn as to why they are seen as othical		
5 6 marks	Posponso shows some understanding of the issues		
J = 0 marks	surrounding the selection of materials demonstrating a		
	range of points with some analysis/evaluation Argument		
	may lack some coherency and conclusions drawn may		
	be unsubstantiated.		
3 – 4 marks	Some understanding of the issues and some worthy		
	discussion. Limited analysis and evaluation, lacking		
	coherency and limited conclusions which may also be		
	unsubstantiated.		
1 – 2 marks	One or two brief valid points or one point with some		
	explanation. Answer shows limited understanding of the		
	issues with no coherent argument. Analysis only rather		
	than evaluation. No conclusions drawn.		
0 marks	Nothing worthy of credit.		
ndicative conten	t:		
he indicative cont	tent below is intended to illustrate points that students may		
nake with regard t	to the examples given in the question, which would		
lemonstrate their	understanding of why these materials are seen as ethical.		
students may disc	uss some or all of these examples or may bring other materials		
nto their answer.	i nere is no requirement for them to discuss the examples		
jiven. You should	award marks for anything worthy of credit.		

Biodegradable Plastic

- Decomposes much more quickly so that less waste is left in landfill
- Does not use up as many finite resources such as oil
- Is not as harmful to the environment when extracted
- They require less energy to process into a useable material
- They are easier to recycle/use less energy to recycle
- They are non-toxic when they break down
- Biopolymers reduce our reliance on foreign oil.

Fairtrade Cotton

- Cotton farmers are paid a living wage which allows them to survive and earn enough money to feed their families
- Fairtrade protects workers from exploitation

٠	Communities are often given help in setting up local amenities such as schools wells etc
•	It gives smallscale farmers access to global markets
٠	Buying this product shows your support for these communities.
Recyc	led Components
•	Components often contain valuable materials such as gold, copper, aluminium
•	These materials are difficult to extract and take a large amount of energy to extract and refine
•	These materials are non-renewable and are becoming more difficult and costly to find
•	Many components contain harmful materials that should not be left in landfill
•	Saves landfill space.

SECTION C

20 1 2 marks Identify intended target market and demonstrate understanding of why. 1 mark Intended target market identified but lacks understanding. 0 mark Nothing worthy of credit. Indicative content: • Intended target market identified eg teenagers, adults etc • Qualified response e.g. young people aged between 11 and 18 as these chairs are often seen in schools.	2 narks	AO4
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2 Award up to 4 r	narks for each of the t	hree parts of the que	stion as follows:	12 marks
3 – 4 marks	Well described and more points and cor	justified analysis exp ntaining full evaluatio	laining two or n.	
1 - 2 marks	Brief points mention present but no evalu	ed but not fully explain uation / conclusions of	iined. Analysis Irawn.	
0 marks	Nothing worthy of cr	redit.	·	
following types as each is expla	of answer. Two of the ained.	ese statements would	I merit full marks	
Indicative con	tent:	Radio	Dress	
Suitability for the user	 Easy to wipe clean which may be useful in a school environment The correct size for the target market of teenagers which makes it comfortable to sit in 	 Soft handle suggesting that the radio can be carried Aerial retracts to make it more compact when not needed Screen to make it easy to see the 	 The correct size to fit the consumer Comes in a range of sizes Zip down side to ensure secure and easy 	

Aesthetic Quality	 school Stackable so that they can be put away and areas cleared for other tasks. Blue in colour which will be appealing to children who tend to like primary colours A common colour for the school environment so it will match the classrooms A plain colour that will not date/go out of fashion and appropriate for a wide range of settings More pattern/colour could be applied to make it more interesting. 	 Simple colour scheme that will fit in with a wide range of users Geometric shapes used in the design which makes the product look simple and functional. 	 to wear Easy to wash and line dry. Black in colour which is liked by a wide variety of users and goes with a range of accessories Classic shape of dress unlike more fashionable designs which may have a smaller market. 	
Environment	 Oil based plastic seat which is a finite resource and may run out Difficult to separate the steel legs with the plastic seat so more difficult to recycle 	 Metals such as copper are used in the electronic circuitry of the radio These are a finite resource which may run out Their extraction is 	 Some synthetic materials such as polyester used which impact the environmen t. This dye used is synthetic which can 	

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marks.	מות זטו במכוו אמונו באמוווטוב פואפוו, ען		marks
Award 1 m	ark for each valid explanation up to	a maximum of 2 marks.	
Possible ar any other v	iswers are given below but this is not a alid responses.	n exhaustive list. Reward	
Product	Anthropometric data	How it is used in the design of your product	
Chair	The measurement of the person's leg from the bottom of their feet to the back of the knee when sitting.	This should be used to decide on the height of the seat of the chair.	
Chair	The width of the average person when sitting.	To ensure the seat is wide enough to be comfortable.	
Radio	The size of the average person's fingertip.	To ensure that the buttons are the correct size or that they are spaced far enough apart so that you don't press the wrong button.	
Radio	The length of the thumb.	So that buttons are in reach while the radio is held.	
Dress	The height of the consumer	To ensure that the dress is the correct length for the user.	
Dress	The size of the waist.	To ensure that the waist fits snugly and	

22	1	1 mark for each corre 105/250 X 100 = 42 30/250 X 100 = 12	ect percenta	nge.		2 marks	AO4
			Number of children	Percentage of total			
		Pastel Colours	55	22			
		Primary Colours	105	42			
		Fluorescent Colours	50	20			
		Subtle Colours	30	12			
		Metallic Colours	10	4			
		Total	250				
22	2	1 mark for correct sc 1 mark for accurate c % of children wh like different cold	aling. drawing of th	astel Primary Fluorescer lours Fluorescer	nt Subtle Metallic colours	2 marks	AO4

22	3	Marks awarded as f	follows:	3 marks	AO4
		3 marks	Observation showing clear understanding and thorough explanation as to how this data would influence their redesign.		
		2 marks	Observation is correct but may lack understanding. Some explanation of how this data would be used for redesign.		
		1 mark	Observation correct but does not demonstrate understanding. No explanation of how the data would be used.		
		0 marks	Nothing worthy of credit.		
		 Responses may inc The most poly because a logithary If I was to do to make it so used in child The least poly do not use to the solution of the test poly 	clude but are not limited to: opular colour group is bold colours which is likely to be of children like bright things and to make a statement. esign this product I would use bold colours in my design uitable for this target market. Bright colours are often dren's toys etc opular colour group is metallic colours as they don't e-catching to the younger market. I would make sure I hese when designing.		

Suitability of th	The student shows clear understanding of the change of target market and indicates a range of areas where changes have been made due to this. The response is suitable for the user.	12 marks	AO4
2 marks	The student shows some understanding of the change of target market and the response is partially suitable for the user.		
1 mark	The student shows limited understanding of the change of target market.		
0 marks	Nothing worthy of credit.		
Creativity and 3 marks	Innovation – 3 marks. The student demonstrates an imaginative response that is creative and innovative in more than just surface decoration.		
2 marks	The student demonstrates some creativity such as changing shape, size and colour of product in order to make more attractive to user.		
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0	Such as colour.
0 marks	Nothing worthy of credit.
Selection of Ma	iterials – 3 marks.
3 marks	Reference to one or more possible materials with
	good understanding of their properties and how these influence selection.
2 marks	Reference to one or more possible materials with some understanding of properties but lacking understanding of why these influence selection.
1 mark	Reference to a possible material with limited understanding of properties and no link between properties and selection.
0 marks	Nothing worthy of credit.
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3 marks	Clear and engaging presentation of ideas through
3 marks	Clear and engaging presentation of ideas through both notes and sketches. Evidence of good 3D drawing.
3 marks 2 marks	Clear and engaging presentation of ideas through both notes and sketches. Evidence of good 3D drawing. Notes have been presented through notes and sketches, clarity may be lacking.
3 marks 2 marks 1 mark	Clear and engaging presentation of ideas through both notes and sketches. Evidence of good 3D drawing. Notes have been presented through notes and sketches, clarity may be lacking. Some attempt at presenting ideas through notes or sketches.

24	1	1 mark for an appropriate answer.	1 mark	AO4
		Indicative content:		
		Corrugated card		
		Grey board		
		Foam core board		
		Styrofoam, MDF		
		Calico toile		
		Breadboarding.		

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24	2			3	A04
27	2	3 marks	Thorough explanation of why designers create models, including excellent understanding of the purpose of models, Examples given and fully explained.	marks	7.0+
		2 marks	Some explanation of why designers create models, showing good understanding of the purpose of models. Examples given with some explanation.		
		1 mark	Limited explanation for why designers create models, showing basic understanding of their purpose. No examples used.		
		0 marks	Nothing worthy of credit.		
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26	2	1 mark for calculating 1 mark for calculating 1 mark for adding the the area of the rectar Please note if studen be unable to obtain th	g the area of a rectangle. g the area of a triangle. e areas of the triangles together and subtracting from ngle to find wastage. ts has not answered question 26.1 correctly they will ne third mark.	3 marks	AO4
		Award mark for drawing triangles as above even if sides are joined.			
		Calculation			
		Area of rectangle:	$60 \times 40 = 2400$		
		Area of triangle:	½ x 18 x 18 = 162		
		Area of 10 triangles:	162 X 10 = 1620		
		Material wasted:	$2400 - 1620 = 780 \text{mm}^2$		



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