

# MARK SCHEME

# GCSE

## PHYSICS

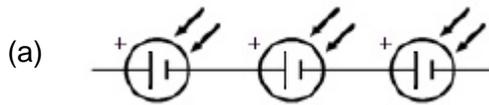
## AQA - TRIPLE SCIENCE

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P2 - TEST 4  
ELECTRICITY  
Intermediate

## Mark schemes

1.



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(b)  $\text{current} = \frac{0.70}{2.5}$

1

current = 0.28 (A)

*an answer of 0.28 (A) scores 2 marks*

1

(c) 0.60 (V)

1

product of potential difference and current gives highest value

1

(d)  $\text{efficiency} = \frac{\text{useful power output}}{\text{total power input}}$

1

(e)  $0.20 = \frac{\text{useful power output}}{2.4}$

1

useful power output =  $0.20 \times 2.4$

1

useful power output = 0.48 (W)

*an answer of 0.48 (W) scores 3 marks*

1

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2.

(a) brown

1

(b) outside / case is plastic / an insulator  
*accept is double insulated*  
*accept non-conductor for plastic*  
*do not accept it / hairdryer is plastic*

1

(c) (i) (1) S<sub>1</sub>  
*and no other*

1

(2) S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>3</sub>  
*both required, either order*

1

(ii)  $S_1$  must be ON (for either heater to work)  
*do **not** accept reference to 'fan' switch*

1

$S_1$  switches the fan on

1

(d) 1495

*allow **1** mark for correct substitution  
ie,  $6.5 \times 230$*

2

watt(s) or W

*an answer of 1.495 kW gains **3** marks  
although the unit is an independent mark for full credit  
the unit and numerical value must be consistent  
accept joules per second or J/s*

1

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3.

(a) decreases

1

(b) a filament bulb

*allow bulb*

1

an LED

1

- (c) Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Communication (QoC) as well as the standard of the scientific response.

**0 marks**

No relevant content.

**Level 1 (1–2 marks)**

There is a basic description of the method. This is incomplete and would not lead to any useful results.

**Level 2 (3–4 marks)**

There is a description of the method which is almost complete with a few minor omissions and would lead to some results.

**Level 3 (5–6 marks)**

There is a detailed description of the method which would lead to valid results. To gain full marks an answer including graph, or another appropriate representation of results, must be given.

**examples of the physics points made in the response:**

- read V and I
- read temperature
- apply heat
  - allow hot water to cool*
- read V and I at least one other temperature
- determine R from  $V / I$
- range of temperatures above 50 °C

extra detail:

- use thermometer to read temperature at regular intervals of temperature
- remove source of heat and stir before taking readings
- details of attaining 0 °C or 100 °C
- last reading taken while boiling
- graph of R against T
- at least 3 different temperatures

6

- (d) (i) Q

1

- (ii) (80, 3.18)

1

- (iii) any **one** from:

- measurement of V too small
- measurement of I too big
- incorrect calculation of R
- thermometer misread

*allow misread meter*

*ignore any references to an error that is systematic*

1

(iv) any **two** from:

- not portable  
*allow requires a lot of equipment allow takes time to set up*
- needs an electrical supply
- cannot be read directly  
*accept it is more difficult to read compared to liquid-in-glass*

2

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4.

(a) electrons transfer / removed

*do **not** accept negatively charged atoms for electrons  
this only scores if first mark given*

1

to the rod / from the cloth

*this does not score if there is reference to any original charge on  
cloth or rod*

*'it' refers to the rod*

*accept negative charge transfer to rod / removed from cloth for 1  
mark*

*transfer of positive charge / positive electrons scores zero*

1

(b) (i) rods / charges repel

1

creating downward / extra force (on the balance)

*accept pushing (bottom) rod downwards*

*do not accept increasing the weight / mass*

*charges attracting scores zero*

1

(ii) the (repulsion) force increases as the distance between the charges  
decreases

*accept there is a negative correlation between (repulsion) force and  
distance between charges*

**or**

*(repulsion) force and distance between charges are inversely  
proportional*

*for both marks*

*examples of 1 mark answers*

*force increases as distance decreases*

*force and distance are inversely proportional*

*negative correlation between force and distance*

*repels more as distance decreases*

*if given in terms of attracting or attraction force this mark does not  
score*

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5.

- (a) (i) to obtain a range of p.d. values

*accept increase / decrease current / p.d. / voltage / resistance*  
*accept to change / control the current / p.d. / voltage / resistance*  
*to provide resistance is insufficient*  
*a variable resistor is insufficient*  
*do **not** accept electricity for current*

1

- (ii) temperature of the bulb increases

*accept bulb gets hot(ter)*  
*accept answers correctly*  
*expressed in terms of collisions between (free) electrons and ions / atoms*  
*bulb gets brighter is insufficient*

1

- (iii) 36

*allow 1 mark for correct substitution, ie  $12 \times 3$  provided no subsequent step shown*

2

watt(s) / W

*accept joules per second / J/s*  
*do **not** accept w*

1

- (b) Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response. Examiners should also refer to the information in the [Marking guidance](#), and apply a 'best-fit' approach to the marking.

**0 marks**

No relevant content.

**Level 1 (1-2 marks)**

There is a basic comparison of either a cost aspect or an energy efficiency aspect.

**Level 2 (3-4 marks)**

There is a clear comparison of either the cost aspect or energy efficiency aspect

**OR**

a basic comparison of both cost and energy efficiency aspects.

**Level 3 (5-6 marks)**

There is a detailed comparison of both the cost aspect and the energy efficiency aspect.

For full marks the comparisons made should support a conclusion as to which type of bulb is preferable.

**Examples of the points made in the response:**

**cost**

- halogen are cheaper to buy  
*simply giving cost figures is insufficient*
- 6 halogen lamps cost the same as one LED
- LEDs last longer
- need to buy 18 / more halogen lamps to last the same time as one LED
- 18 halogens cost £35.10
- costs more to run a halogen than LED
- LED has lower maintenance cost (where many used, eg large departmental store lighting)

**energy efficiency**

- LED works using a smaller current
- LED wastes less energy
- LEDs are more efficient
- LED is 22% more energy efficient
- LED produces less heat
- LED requires smaller input (power) for same output (power)

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6.

- (a) (i) friction between the beads and pipe  
*accept beads rub against the pipe*

1

(cause) electrons to transfer  
*accept electrons are lost/gained*  
*do **not** accept negatively charged atoms for electrons*  
*3<sup>rd</sup> mark point only scores if 2<sup>nd</sup> mark scores*

1

from the pipe

do **not** accept from the (negatively) charged pipe

**or**

to the beads

do **not** accept to the (positively) charged beads

accept negative charge transfer to the beads for 1 mark provided

2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> marking point not awarded

mention of positive charge transfer negates last 2 marking points

1

(ii) volume of beads

accept (75)cm<sup>3</sup>

**or**

length of pipe

accept use the same pipe

**or**

speed the beads are poured

poured the same way is insufficient

**or**

angle of pipe

1

(b) (i) the larger the beads the less charge

do **not** accept inversely proportional

negative correlation is insufficient

1

(ii) (total) charge decrease

results would be lower/smaller would be insufficient

1

beads in contact with pipe (walls) for less time

accept less contact (between beads and pipe)

accept beads in pipe for less time

**or**

smaller surface area (to rub against)

accept less pipe to rub against

less friction is insufficient

1

(c)	(i)	(pumping very) fine powders <i>reason only scores if (very) fine powders given</i>	
		greater charge (build up) <i>accept more static (electricity)</i> <i>accept an answer that correctly relates back to the experimental data</i>	
		<b>or</b> higher pd/voltage <b>or</b> greater energy <i>accept larger surface area to volume (ratio)</i>	1
	(ii)	idea of earthing (the pipe) <i>accept use metal pipes</i> <i>do <b>not</b> accept use larger particles</i>	1
(d)		to compare (the relative risks) <i>fair test is insufficient</i> <i>you can only have one</i> <i>independent variable is insufficient</i>	
		<b>or</b> different conditions change the MIE value <i>accept different conditions change the results</i> <i>do <b>not</b> accept avoid bias</i>	1
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<b>7.</b>	(a)	ammeter and voltmeter symbols correct	1
		voltmeter in parallel with wire	1
		ammeter in series with wire	1
	(b)	<b>Level 3:</b> The method would lead to the production of a valid outcome. All key steps are identified and logically sequenced.	5–6
		<b>Level 2:</b> The method would not necessarily lead to a valid outcome. Most steps are identified, but the method is not fully logically sequenced.	3–4
		<b>Level 1:</b> The method would not lead to a valid outcome. Some relevant steps are identified, but links are not made clear.	1–2
		<b>No relevant content</b>	0

### Indicative content

- length measured
- length varied
- current measured
- potential difference measured
- repeat readings
- calculate resistance for each length
- $\text{resistance} = \frac{\text{potential difference}}{\text{current}}$
- plot a graph of resistance against length
  
- hazard: high current
- may cause wire to melt / overheat
- may cause burns (to skin)
- use low currents

(c) the temperature of the wire would not change

1

(d) the accuracy of the student's results would be higher

1

the resolution of the length measurement would be higher

1

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8.

(a) filament bulb

1

(b) (i) 6 V

1

(ii) 3  $\Omega$  or their  $\frac{(i)}{2}$  correctly calculated  
*allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie*  
 $6 = 2 \times R$   
*or their (i) = 2  $\times$  R*

2

(iii) 1 A

1

(iv) 6  $\Omega$  or their (i) / their (iii) correctly calculated

1

(v)

Decrease	Stay the same	Increase
	✓	
✓		
✓		

1  
1  
1

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9.

- (a) pin  
made from brass because it is (hard and) a (good electrical) conductor  
*accept copper for brass*  
*metal is insufficient*  
*heat conductor on its own negates*

1

outer case  
plastic/rubber because it is a (good electrical) insulator  
*heat insulator on its own negates*

1

- (b) (i) live

1

- (ii) makes it hot/warm  
*melts is insufficient*

1

- (iii) 8.7

*accept an answer that rounds to 8.7*  
*allow 1 mark for correct substitution ie  $2000 = 230 \times I$*   
*an answer of 0.0087 or 0.009 or 3.0(4) or 5.65 or 5.7 gains 1 mark*

2

- (c) a (large) current goes from the live wire to the earth wire  
*accept metal case for live wire*  
*accept a current goes from live to earth*  
*do not accept electricity for current*

1

(which causes) the fuse to (overheat and) melt  
*accept blow for melt*  
*break is insufficient*  
*do not accept snap / blow up for melt*

1

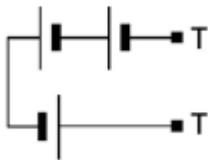
- (d) reduce chance of an electric shock  
*accept to reduce the risk of an accident*  
*accept prevent electric shock*  
*accept prevent electrocution*  
*accept prevent or reduce the risk of an (electrical) fire*  
*accept an electric shock can kill you*  
*accept it can kill you*  
*accept so you can use it safely*

1

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10.

- (a) 3<sup>rd</sup> box from the left ticked



1

- (b) correct symbol drawn in series with other components  
*symbol must have upper case A*

1

- (c) (i)  $9 + 3 = 12V$   
*reason only scores if this mark scored*

1

pd of battery is shared between the variable resistor and fixed resistor  
*accept  $V_1 + V_2 = pd$  of the battery*  
*accept p.d. is shared in a series circuit*  
*accept voltage for p.d.*

1

- (ii) 600  
*reason only scores if this mark scored*

1

p.d. of supply shared equally when resistors have the same value  
**or**  
 ratio of the p.d. is the same as the ratio of the resistance

1

(iii) 0.015

**or**

their (c)(i)  $\div$  (their (c)(ii) + 200) correctly calculated

*allow 2 marks for correct substitution ie  $12 = I \times 800$*

**or**

*their (c)(i) =  $I \times$  (their (c)(ii) + 200)*

*allow 1 mark for total resistance = 800 ( $\Omega$ ) or their (c)(ii) + 200*

**or**

*allow 1 mark for a substitution of  $12 = I \times 200$*

**or**

*their (c)(i) =  $I \times 200$*

**or**

*alternative method using the graph*

$$V = 3 V (1)$$

$$3 = I \times 200 (1)$$

3

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**11.**

(a)  $V = 0.10 \times 45$

1

4.5 (V)

1

(b)  $R = 12 / 0.10$

1

total resistance = 120 ( $\Omega$ )

1

$$R = 120 - 105 = 15 (\Omega)$$

1

(c) (total) resistance decreases

1

(so) current increases

1

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