

2019 Summer Highlights

Things that went well

- There were very few no responses.
- Evidence of good knowledge of the specification.
- There was an improvement in extended response questions and many were very well structured.
- Increase in use of appropriate terminology.

Exam Tips

- Section A consists of three questions that are scenario based. Candidates should refer to the scenario when answer the questions.
- Section B consists of three questions that are fact and knowledge based and do not relate to particular situations or scenarios.
- Use of timed tests will reduce candidates rushing questions towards the end of the paper.

Areas for improvement

- Hazards. In this paper candidates were asked to 'identify hazards'. Although identify can be a one word response, for hazards these will not be one word answers: e.g. a window isn't a hazard unless it is an open window, a plug socket isn't a hazard unless it is an uncovered plug socket. Candidates must be taught to give specific responses. A one word response would be considered vague.
- Explain: candidates seemed unable to provide explanation where the question required it. Being taught that with explain they should automatically include a connective in their response such as because, therefore, so etc. will help to develop their answer.