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H414/02: Scientific literacy in geology

Advanced GCE

Mark Scheme for June 2019

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Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
DO NOT ALLOW	Answers which are not worthy of credit
IGNORE	Statements which are irrelevant
ALLOW	Answers that can be accepted
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit
_	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark
ECF	Error carried forward
AW	Alternative wording
ORA	Or reverse argument

Marking Annotations

Annotation	Use
BOD	Benefit of Doubt
CON	Contradiction
×	Cross
ECF	Error Carried Forward
GM	Given Mark
~~~	Extendable horizontal wavy line (to indicate errors / incorrect science terminology)
I	Ignore
	Large dot (various uses as defined in mark scheme)
	Highlight (various uses as defined in mark scheme)
NBOD	Benefit of the doubt not given
<ul> <li>Image: A set of the set of the</li></ul>	Tick
<b>^</b>	Omission Mark
BP	Blank Page
L1	Level 1 answer in Level of Response question
L2	Level 2 answer in Level of Response question
L3	Level 3 answer in Level of Response question

Question			Answer			Mark	Guidance					
1	(a)							Name of diageneticExplanprocess-Cementation•	<ul><li>Explanation of process</li><li>minerals added from</li></ul>		4 <b>MUST</b> state either source of cement <b>OR</b> use technic	MUST state either source of cement OR use technical
				circulating water / pore fluid OR minerals crystallise /	$\checkmark$		terms e.g. crystallise / precipitate / infill / pores					
				precipitate in pore spaces <b>OR</b> infill of pore space by mineral cement			or matrix					
			Compaction	sediment squeezed by weight of overlying sediment; porosity and	✓							
			Recrystallisation	crystals change in size and shape	$\checkmark$							
			<ul> <li>Pressure solution</li> <li>OR <u>dis</u>solution</li> </ul>	minerals dissolve where grains press into each other.	$\checkmark$							
	(b)	(i)	<u>24</u> (°C km⁻¹) ✓✓			2	ALLOW 23 to 25					
			(220 – 50) / 7				MAX 1 for correct answer to incorrect sig figs					
	(b)	(ii)	<b>ANY</b> range between 4 to	6.5 (km) ✓		1	<b>MUST</b> state both lower and upper limit of range within tolerance					
							<b>ALLOW</b> subtraction of bottom of range from top of range if correct working shown, e.g. $6.5 - 4 = 2.5$					

1	(c)*	Refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question. Level 3 (5–6 marks) Describes in detail how a range of the key diagnostic properties of colour, composition, grain size, grain shape and sorting are used to classify siliciclastic rocks AND gives a comprehensive range of named examples linked to their properties. There is a well-developed explanation / description which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated with examples. Level 2 (3–4 marks) EITHER Describes in outline most of the key diagnostic properties OR Describes in detail some of the key diagnostic properties AND gives a suitable range of named examples. The explanation / description of properties shows some structure. The information presented is relevant and gives some examples. Level 1 (1–2 marks) States some appropriate diagnostic properties AND limited named examples may be given. There is an attempt at a logical structure. The information is in the most part relevant but lacking in range and detail. 0 marks No response or no response worthy of credit.	6	<ul> <li>Key scientific indicative points include: AO 2.1a Applies knowledge and understanding of diagnostic properties needed to classify siliciclastic rocks and AO 3.1b Interprets geological information, ideas and evidence to classify / give examples of the different siliciclastic rocks</li> <li>grain size <ul> <li>coarse OR &gt; 2mm = rudaceous / conglomerate / breccia</li> <li>medium OR 2 - ¹/₁₆ / 0.0625 mm = arenaceous / sandstone / named sandstone</li> <li>fine OR &lt; ¹/₁₆ / 0.0625 mm = argillaceous / shale / mudstone / clay / siltstone</li> <li>grain shape / roundness / sphericity</li> <li>angular clasts = breccia / greywacke / arkose</li> <li>rounded clasts = conglomerate / orthoquartzite / desert sandstone</li> <li>high sphericity = desert sandstone</li> <li>poorly sorted = breccia / greywacke</li> <li>moderately sorted = arkose</li> <li>well sorted = orthoquartzite / desert sandstone</li> <li>mainly quartz OR &gt; 90% quartz = orthoquartzite</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<b>0 marks</b> No response or no response worthy of credit.		<ul> <li>mainly quartz OR &gt; 90% quartz = orthoquartzite</li> <li>mainly quartz OR &gt; 90% quartz AND iron oxide / haematite cement = desert sandstone</li> <li>quartz and feldspar OR &gt; 25% feldspar = arkose</li> <li>lithic / rock fragments = greywacke / conglomerate / breccia</li> <li>&gt; 15% clay / matrix = greywacke</li> <li>monomictic / polymictic = conglomerates</li> <li>colour</li> </ul>
				<ul> <li>pink = arkose</li> </ul>

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			<ul> <li>grey = greywacke         others         <ul> <li>e.g. layered / fissile / laminated / fossil content /             plasticity</li> <li>A labelled flow diagram would be appropriate, although             not a requirement, to help the interpretation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Total	13	

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
2 (a) i	<ul> <li>Earth structure ANY 1 from:</li> <li>Earth contains a very dense core / core has density greater than 5.5 g cm⁻³ ✓</li> <li>must be high density material at depth to get a mean of 5.5 cm⁻³ ✓</li> <li>(low density surface rocks must be balanced by) high density material at depth ✓</li> <li>processes of formation ANY 1 from:</li> <li>differentiation occurred ✓</li> <li>more dense elements settled to form core ✓</li> <li>elements partitioned on the basis of Goldschmidt classification ✓</li> <li>separation into layers based on density / gravity settling ✓</li> </ul>	1	<b>ORA</b> for less dense elements
(a) ii	<ul> <li>Earth structure ANY 1 from:</li> <li>Earth's surface consists of (lithospheric) plates ✓</li> <li>(zones of) earthquakes / seismic activity / epicentres mark plate boundaries ✓</li> <li>middle of plates are aseismic ✓</li> <li>lithosphere is rigid / brittle ✓</li> <li>internal processes ANY 1 from:</li> <li>ridge push OR slab pull processes (drive lithospheric plate movements) ✓</li> <li>magma rises / rifting occurs / new (oceanic) crust / lithosphere forms at mid ocean ridges / divergent plate boundaries ✓</li> <li>crust / lithosphere is destroyed / subducted at subduction zones / convergent plate margins ✓</li> <li>brittle failure in rigid lithospheric plates create earthquakes ✓</li> <li>lithosphere is moving on deformable plastic / rheid asthenosphere ✓</li> <li>lithospheric plates move as they are the cold thermal upper boundary of mantle convection cells ✓</li> <li>(internal) heat drives the movement ✓</li> </ul>	1	ALLOW AW ALLOW AW ALLOW convection (currents / cells in mantle) move (lithospheric) plates

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2	(b)	))				Location The Andes in South America	Type of plate boundary <u>oceanic-continental</u> <b>AND</b> convergent / subduction zone	Type of volcanic activity (more) explosive <b>OR</b> stratovolcanoes / composite cones / calderas <b>OR</b> infrequent	Composition of magma silicic / rhyolitic <b>OR</b> intermediate / andesitic	Example of rock type rhyolite / andesite	4	<ul> <li>ANY 1 or 2 marking points for 1 mark</li> <li>ANY 3 or 4 marking points for 2 marks</li> <li>ANY 5 or 6 marking points for 3 marks</li> <li>ANY 7 or 8 marking points for 4 marks</li> <li>ALLOW both types of plate margin given as convergent with no qualification for 1 marking point</li> </ul>
			Indonesia	oceanic-oceanic AND convergent / subduction zone / island arc	(less) explosive OR stratovolcanoes / composite cones / calderas OR infrequent	intermediate / andesitic <b>OR</b> (intermediate / andesitic to) mafic / basaltic	andesite / basalt		<ul> <li>ALLOW destructive as an alternative to convergent</li> <li>ALLOW any correct named example of pyroclastic rock for either location, e.g., tuff / agglomerate / ignimbrite</li> <li>DO NOT ALLOW rhyolitic / andesitic / basaltic as rock names</li> </ul>			

2	(c)	(i)	<ul> <li>ANY 3 from:</li> <li>rock / lava containing magnetic minerals / iron minerals / magnetite OR mafic rock OR basalt ✓</li> <li>unpaired electrons in the outer shell of Fe atoms (forming Fe minerals) in magma spin parallel to the Earth's magnetic field ✓</li> <li>minerals align with the Earth's magnetic field at the time OR minerals align in direction of the Earth's magnetic field OR minerals show alignment with respect to the poles at the time ✓</li> <li>magnetic inclination is the dip of the Earth's magnetic field ✓</li> <li>magnetic inclination varies with latitude OR magnetic inclination gives palaeolatitude ✓</li> <li>magnetism is preserved as remanent magnetism ✓</li> </ul>	3	<b>ALLOW</b> when minerals cool below <u>Curie</u> point the magnetism is fixed permanently
	(c)	(ii)	<ul> <li>ANY 3 from:</li> <li>show the two continents were moving North OR show the changes in latitude ✓</li> <li>before 200Ma / beginning of Cretaceous the curves are parallel to each other / match each other so the two continents were joined together / moving together ✓</li> <li>at 200Ma / during Cretaceous the curves diverge / differ so the continents split apart / moved separately / moved independently ✓</li> <li>at 50 Ma the two continents collided / joined as the curves match ✓</li> </ul>	3	ALLOW AW ALLOW general statement that matching curves show the continents were joined OR diverging curves show the continents were moving independently for 1 mark
			Total	14	

Ques	tion		Answer	Mark	Guidance
3	(a)		ANY TWO descriptions AND matching explanations from: description 1: cut-off curtain OR construct barrier beneath dam AND explanation 1: impermeable OR to prevent leakage under the dam ✓ description 2: clay or plastic / geomembrane lining AND explanation 2: impermeable barrier to prevent leakage OR because the rocks are permeable ✓ description 3: grouting OR drilling holes and pumping in liquid cement AND explanation 3: to reduce permeability OR to make the limestone / sandstone impermeable OR to seal the faults / prevent leakage through the faults OR to seal joints in the limestone / prevent leakage through joints in the limestone OR to strengthen the underlying rocks ✓	2	each marking point <b>MUST</b> contain a description <b>AND</b> a matching explanation <b>ALLOW MAX 1</b> for two correct descriptions with no or incorrect explanations <b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> stops leakage with no qualification for explanation
	(b)	(i)	ANY 2 from: granite and basalt are competent rocks (so strong) ✓ crystalline / made of interlocking crystals ✓ no <u>pore</u> space ✓ no bedding planes which form planes of weakness ✓	2	DO NOT ALLOW discussion of hardness MUST refer to rock, not minerals in the rock ALLOW lack of foliation / any correct named type of foliation as an alternative to bedding
	(b)	(ii)	compressive strength is resistance to stresses / forces acting towards each other / pushing / squeezing / crushing AND tensile strength is resistance to stresses / forces pulling apart / stretching / extension ✓	1	ALLOW AW

3	(b)	(iii)	<ul> <li>ANY 2 from:</li> <li>rock (beneath dam) may not be able to support weight of dam / added load pressure OR rock beneath dam may fail / collapse due to added weight of dam ✓</li> <li>(mass of) water / reservoir / increased hydrostatic pressure adds weight / compresses underlying rock ✓</li> <li>added mass / weight / compression could reactivate faults OR cause seismic activity ✓</li> <li>added mass / weight could cause subsidence as sink holes are present suggesting underground caves ✓</li> <li>differential subsidence may occur OR if rock / strength varies subsidence could occur ✓</li> </ul>	2	ALLOW AW
	(b)	(iv)	$\frac{47.4}{8} \text{ OR } \underline{32.1} \text{ of } \checkmark \checkmark$ correct use of means of ranges: limestone (250+30)/2 = 140 <b>AND</b> sandstone (170+20)/2 = 95 (140-95)/95 x 100 = 47.4% <b>OR</b> (140-95)/140 x 100 = 32.1% $\underline{31.8} \text{ OR } \underline{46.7} \text{ of } \checkmark \checkmark$ correct use of mid-point of ranges: limestone (250-30)/2 = 110 <b>AND</b> sandstone (170-20)/2 = 75 (110-75)/110 x 100 = 31.8% <b>OR</b> (110-75)/75x100 = 46.7% $\underline{48.5} \text{ of } \checkmark \checkmark$ lower end of range 30/20 = limestone is 50% stronger than sandstone $\checkmark$ upper end of range 250/170 = limestone is 47% stronger than sandstone $\checkmark$ (50+47)/2 = 48.5%	2	<ul> <li>MAX 1 for correct answer given to more than one decimal place</li> <li>MAX 1 for correct working shown with incorrect answer</li> <li>2 MARKS for correct answer of percentage strength difference based on a valid comparison of the ranges of strength of the two rocks</li> </ul>

3	(c)*	<ul> <li>Refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question.</li> <li>Level 3 (5–6 marks)</li> <li>Uses a good balance of information / evidence given in the text, maps and table 3.1 to evaluate and make detailed judgements of the pros and cons of building a dam on the proposed site. Gives a</li> </ul>	6	Indicative points include: AO 3.1c Evaluates information from (cross sections and) maps for evidence to help in decision and AO 3.1d Makes judgements in terms of the pros and cons faults
		clear decision as to whether the site is appropriate or not. There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.		<ul> <li>present</li> <li>zones of permeability / allow leakage of water</li> <li>may be reactivated / move</li> <li>could cause engineering problems</li> </ul>
		Level 2 (3–4 marks) Uses some of the information / evidence given in the text, maps and table 3.1 to evaluate and make judgements of some of the pros and cons of building a dam on the proposed site. The decision as to whether the site is appropriate may not be explicit. There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence.		<ul> <li>could weaken dam foundations</li> <li>juxtapose different rock types</li> <li>strength of rocks</li> <li>compressive strength of underlying rocks is high OR underlying rocks are competent so can support mass of dam / reservoir / water</li> <li>(compressive) strength of underlying rocks is variable</li> </ul>
		Level 1 (1–2 marks) Some information / evidence is lifted from the text, maps and table 3.1 to identify some of the pros and / or cons of building a dam on the proposed site. A judgement may be attempted. There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant.		<ul> <li>lowest / bottom of range of (compressive) strength values should be considered as are minimum strengths</li> <li>differential subsidence could occur</li> <li>reservoir is on two different rock types of differing strengths / could affect stability</li> <li>IGNORE discussion of tensile and shear strength</li> </ul>
		No response or no response worthy of credit.		<ul> <li>limestone</li> <li>limestone may be permeable so could get leakage</li> <li>limestone may be uncemented so could get leakage / weakens rock</li> <li>limestone underlying dam / reservoir may jointed so could get leakage / weakens rock</li> <li>limestone contains sink holes / caves / cavities which weakens rock / may cause collapse /</li> </ul>

		<ul> <li>subsidence</li> <li>limestone is chemically reactive</li> <li>sandstone</li> <li>sandstone may be permeable so could get leakage</li> <li>sandstone may be uncemented so could get leakage</li> <li>sandstone underlying dam / reservoir may be jointed so could get leakage / weakens rock</li> <li>sink holes</li> <li>could allow leakage / collapse</li> <li>construction considerations</li> <li>material for facing and core locally available / transport costs will be low</li> <li>filling of reservoir could encroach on / cut off road</li> <li>local workforce readily available / local employment opportunities / reduces costs</li> <li>water is needed for expanding local industry</li> <li>catchment considerations</li> <li>narrow valley allows relatively small dam</li> <li>several rivers flowing into proposed site / good catchment area / high rainfall</li> </ul>
Total	15	<ul> <li>narrow valley allows relatively small dam</li> <li>several rivers flowing into proposed site / good catchment area / high rainfall</li> </ul>
Iotal	15	

Ques	stion		Answer	Mark	Guidance
4	(a)	(i)	<ul> <li>ANY 2 from:</li> <li>high temperature minerals are mafic / ferromagnesium-rich OR low temperature minerals are felsic / silica-rich ✓</li> <li>early formed / high temperature mafic / ferromagnesium minerals are low in silica OR only incorporate a small amount of silica (in their structure) ✓</li> <li>magmatic differentiation / fractional crystallisation / fractionation occurs ✓</li> <li>mafic / ferromagnesium minerals are dense and undergo gravity settling ✓</li> <li>removal of mafic / ferromagnesium minerals from the magma increases the relative amount of silica / SiO₂ ✓</li> </ul>	2	ALLOW correct named mafic mineral, e.g., olivine, pyroxene / augite
	(a)	(ii)	magma with high silica content has a high viscosity <b>OR</b> magma with low silica content has a low viscosity ✓ magma at divergent plate boundaries is mafic / has low silica content / is fluid so volcanic landforms are fissure volcanoes / shield volcanoes / volcanoes have shallow(er) angled sides ✓ magma at convergent plate boundaries is silicic / intermediate / has high silica content / is viscous so volcanic landforms are stratovolcanoes / volcanoes have steep(er) angled sides ✓	1	<ul> <li>ALLOW correct numerical values for silica content</li> <li>ALLOW correct description of silica content and viscosity within discussion of plate boundaries for first marking point</li> <li>ALLOW calderas for convergent plate margins</li> </ul>
	(b)	(i)	the students should not have excluded any of the values <b>OR</b> the mean value of 60 seconds they calculated is incorrect $\checkmark$ the mean is calculated by adding together the results and dividing by the number of values <b>OR</b> correct working of mean shown <b>OR</b> they should have calculated the mean value as 63 seconds $\checkmark$	1	ALLOW students (incorrectly) excluded 71 seconds / repeat test 3

4	(b)	(ii)	$\frac{90}{90} + -1 \text{ OR } \frac{86}{86} + -1 \text{ (Pa.s) } \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ conversion of time to velocity: EITHER 0.25 ÷ 63 OR 0.25 ÷ 60 = 4.00 x 10 ⁻³ OR 0.004 OR 3.97 x 10 ⁻³ OR 0.00397 OR 4.17 x 10 ⁻³ OR 0.00417 ms ⁻¹ ✓ substitution in equation: = $2 \times 9.8 \times (6.6 \times 10^3) \times (2.5 \times 10^{-5}) \checkmark$ 9 x calculated velocity	3	<ul><li>MAX 2 for correct answer not given to 2 or 3 sig figs</li><li>ALLOW ECF of velocity for remaining calculation</li></ul>
	(c)	(i)	suitable labelling of both axes with distance as x axis and depth as y axis AND use of graph area (at least 2/3) $\checkmark$ correct plotting of points $\checkmark$ sensible choice of line of best fit $\checkmark$ $\int_{0}^{0} \int_{0}^{100} \int_{0}^{10} \int_{0}^{10} \int_{0}^{10} \int_{0}^{10} \int_{0}^{10} \int_{$	3	ALLOW if drawn upside down – i.e. depth zero and distance zero bottom left           ALLOW one incorrect point           Distance (km)         Depth of focus (km)           100         20           180         35           260         45           390         30           420         100           900         200           1000         230           1100         310           1200         230           1600         350
4	(c)	(ii)	Distance from colliding plate margins/km point inside the Earth at which the earthquake originates <b>OR</b> point	1	

		inside the Earth where the fault ruptures <b>OR</b> point below the surface where the earthquake occurs <b>OR</b> point along the fault where it slips / ruptures $\checkmark$		
(c)	(iii)	<b>description:</b> earthquakes are generated along Benioff Zone <b>OR</b> the further from the trench the deeper the subducted plate <b>OR</b> as distance from the plate boundary increases, the depth of earthquake foci increase $\checkmark$	1	<b>MUST</b> describe the positive correlation
		<b>explanation:</b> the inclined zone of seismicity / Benioff Zone marks the top of the subducted plate / is the result of subduction <b>OR</b> plates are prevented from moving by friction <b>OR</b> stored stress is released as seismic waves when the plates move ✓	1	
		e.g.	1	MARK labels as text
		Total	17	

Ques	tion		Answer	Mark	Guidance
5	(a)	(i)	<ul> <li>ANY 4 from:</li> <li>rapid flow / avalanche of sediment down (continental) slope ✓</li> <li>turbidity current / powerful current scours / erodes base / produces flute casts ✓</li> <li>heavier coarse material deposited first as energy starts to drop ✓</li> <li>graded bedding / parallel laminations / fining upwards sequence suggests decreasing current velocity / energy reduction / laminar flow ✓</li> <li>greywacke / sandstone is the result of deposition from the turbidity current ✓</li> <li>ripples and cross bedding suggest lower velocity / reduction in current OR unidirectional current OR form on a flatter seafloor ✓</li> <li>silts and muds suggest no / little current OR are deposited in low energy conditions OR result from suspension settling OR are interturbidites OR are deposited in normal / deep marine conditions ✓</li> <li>low energy conditions allow the fossils (at the top of the sequence) to be preserved ✓</li> <li>the sequence repeats as the next turbidity current occurs OR turbidite and interturbidite deposits are repeated ✓</li> </ul>	4	<ul> <li>MAX 2 if interpreted as a fluvial / river sequence</li> <li>MAX 3 if explained in reverse age order</li> <li>ALLOW 1 MARK for description of fining upwards sequence from oldest to youngest if no other marks awarded</li> </ul>
	(a)	(ii)	<ul> <li>at least 4 correct compass labels / bearings labelled ✓</li> <li>correct plotting of data ✓</li> <li>direction of flow is in one direction – shown on diagram OR described in text ✓</li> <li>direction of flow is towards west south west / WSW ✓</li> </ul>	4	<b>ALLOW</b> west <b>OR</b> towards 241 to 270° <b>ALLOW ECF</b> for current direction if rose diagram is incorrect

5 (	(b)	<ul> <li>ANY 4 from:</li> <li>description of difference(s) between graphic logs – west graphic log has less greywacke units / thicker shales beds ✓</li> <li>rose diagram – flute casts / turbidity flows / sediments moved / transported from the east OR to the west ✓</li> <li>graphic logs – greater thickness of shales suggest deeper / lower energy conditions to the west ✓</li> <li>more greywacke units / thinner shales suggest higher energy conditions / currents flowing more rapidly to the east ✓</li> <li>overall suggests land / shallow water / proximal to east OR deeper marine / deeper water / distal to west ✓</li> <li>thicker greywacke units in east suggest continental shelf / land (mass) / source of sediment is from the east ✓</li> <li>more turbidity currents reached the east OR not all the turbidity currents reached the west (as there are less greywacke units) ✓</li> <li>repeated units show cycles of deposition OR repeated turbidity currents OR conditions alternated from turbidite to interturbidite / higher energy to lower energy √</li> </ul>	4	ORA
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5	(c)	<ul> <li>ANY 5 from:</li> <li>biostratigraphic correlation is main method used ✓</li> <li>requires use of (zone) fossils ✓</li> <li>correlation is done using first appearance OR stratigraphic ranges OR extinction OR fossil assemblages OR matching fossils mean beds are the same age ✓</li> <li>zone fossils must show rapid evolution / rapid morphological changes OR have short stratigraphic ranges ✓</li> <li>uses pelagic / planktonic / nektonic fossils OR fossils must have a wide distribution ✓</li> <li>correlation could use graptolites OR graptolites are zone fossils for the Lower Palaeozoic ✓</li> <li>graptolites could be preserved in shale ✓</li> <li>correlation could also use trilobites / corals OR there are diachronous beds / lateral variation / different numbers of beds / couldn't match up the greywacke / shale units as there are different numbers to west and east ✓</li> <li>chronostratigraphic correlation / radiometric dating would not be possible because there is a lack of suitable elements / minerals for radiometric dating OR ash / tuff bands in the Welsh Basin have been used to attempt radiometric dating / chronostratigraphic correlation / could not be possible because there is a lack of suitable elements / minerals for radiometric dating OR ash / tuff bands in the Welsh Basin have been used to attempt radiometric dating / chronostratigraphic correlation ✓</li> </ul>	5	ALLOW conodonts
	1	Iotal	16	

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6	(a)	(i)	ANY 2 for 1 mark from: Arthropoda / Brachiopoda / Mollusca / Hemichordata ✓	1	<b>DO NOT ALLOW</b> if any soft bodies organisms are included in list
	(a)	(ii)	<ul> <li>ANY 4 from:</li> <li>deep water / basin AND low energy conditions ✓</li> <li>low energy / no currents AND no fragmentation / abrasion of organisms ✓</li> <li>anaerobic / anoxic conditions AND little decay (of soft material) / no scavenging OR replacement by pyrite / pyritisation occurred ✓</li> <li>fine-grained sediment / carbonate muds AND detail preserved / no crushing / abrasion by coarse grains / have low permeability ✓</li> <li>rapid burial (in mud from carbonate platform) AND no time for breakage / decay / scavenging / preserves organisms ✓</li> <li>early replacement (of original material) AND less alteration / fine detail preserved ✓</li> </ul>	4	each mark is for a suggested condition <b>AND</b> matching explanation <b>MAX 1</b> if 3 conditions described with no explanations
	(a)	(iii)	<ul> <li>ANY 3 from:</li> <li>soft organism / body contains organic carbon ✓</li> <li>organism is buried (by fine sediment) ✓</li> <li>subjected to load pressure OR weight of overburden OR compaction ✓</li> <li>elevated temperatures and pressures ✓</li> <li>volatile components / oxygen / hydrogen / nitrogen / water driven off ✓</li> <li>(reduced volume results in) relative increase in % carbon ✓</li> <li>leaves carbon residue / imprint / is 2D ✓</li> </ul>	3	ALLOW suitable named composition ALLOW any correct named volatile
	(b)	(i)	X <u>0.7</u> +/- 0.1 ✓ ✓	2	ALLOW ECF for 1 mark for correct calculation based on incorrect measurement

6	(b)	(ii)	<ul> <li>epifaunal evidence ANY 1 from:</li> <li>many appendages / legs / limbs / thoracic segments suggest <i>Olenoides</i> walked on the seafloor ✓</li> <li>eyes high on cephalon gives all round 360° vision / upwards and forwards vision ✓</li> <li>genal spines / spines on pleura / thorax / pygidium prevents sinking into soft sediment ✓</li> </ul>	1	ALLOW antennae
			<ul> <li>in-situ evidence ANY 1 from:</li> <li>antennae / appendages / legs / limbs are not disarticulated / broken off ✓</li> <li>cephalon, thorax and pygidium are still articulated OR thoracic segments are not separated ✓</li> </ul>	1	ALLOW AW
	(b)	(iii)	<ul> <li>ANY 2 from:</li> <li>moults / undergoes ecdysis ✓</li> <li>cephalon breaks along the facial suture OR splits along facial suture OR had sutures on face it split along OR free cheeks break away OR fixed cheek remained attached ✓</li> <li>(soft) body exits the carapace / exoskeleton ✓</li> <li>is vulnerable until new carapace / exoskeleton hardens ✓</li> </ul>	2	ALLOW shed their exoskeleton
	(c)	(i)	sudden / rapid increase in (all types of) organisms (during / towards end of Early Cambrian / by Middle Cambrian) ✓	1	ALLOW fossils as alternative to organisms ALLOW alternative words for sudden / rapid DO NOT ALLOW sudden decrease / stop

6 (c)	(ii)	ANY 3 for 1 mark from: ✓	1	ALLOW arrows immediately before or over dips
		PC Combrian Ordovician Sil Devon Carboniferous Perm Trias Jurassic Cretaceous Tertiary PHANEROZOIC		DO NOT ALLOW any incorrect arrows
(C)	(iii)	<ul> <li>ANY 3 from:</li> <li>global cooling / icehouse conditions / glacier formation due to continent / land mass situated over South Pole OR continent / land mass situated over South Pole allowed growth of ice cap ✓</li> <li>loss of continental shelf / shoreline habitat OR increased competition on continental shelf ✓</li> <li>organisms unable to evolve / adapt (fast enough) to changing conditions ✓</li> <li>changes in ocean chemistry OR less nutrients flowing into ocean ✓</li> <li>ocean circulation patterns affected ✓</li> <li>unstable climate / weather patterns caused by unbalanced Earth / concentration of continent / land mass over South Pole ✓</li> <li>global heat transfer affected ✓</li> <li>interior of continent will be cold OR arid OR unsuitable for terrestrial life ✓</li> <li>ice cap on land mass had high albedo / reflectivity causing it to become even colder / a positive feedback / a runaway effect ✓</li> </ul>	3	MAX 2 if not related to the formation of a supercontinent / Gondwanaland

6	(d)	(i)	$I_{\text{alf-lives elapsed}} = 10         $	2	ALLOW 0.4 of half-life labelled on graph or stated in text for 1 mark
	(d)	(ii)	<u>643 to 648</u> Ma ✓✓	2	range allows rounding of $\lambda$
			$N/N_0 = 0.70 = e^{-\lambda t}$		ALLOW 1 mark for any correct working shown
			In 0.70 = -λt		
			$\lambda = 0.693/1250 = 5.544 \times 10^{-4}$		
			t = In 0.70 / λ = 643 Ma		
	(d)	(iii)	loss of argon gas <b>OR</b> incorrect ratio <b>OR</b> too much parent isotope <b>OR</b>	1	
			AND		
			will suggest a <u>younger</u> age <b>UR</b> gives <u>underestimation</u> of age $\checkmark$		
			Total	25	

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