Practice Question Set For GCSE

Subject : Physics

Paper-1 Topic : 5_Light and Electromagnetic Spectrum



Name of the Student:

Max. Marks: 17 Marks

Time: 17 Minutes

Mark Schemes

Q1.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	substitution (1) % difference = (240 - 343) ×100 343	OR 343 – 240 in numerator	(2)
	evaluation (1)		
	(-) 30 (%)	award full marks for the correct answer without working	
		allow 1 mark for division by 240 yielding 43%	
		allow one mark for 240 ×100 = 70 % 343	

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(ii)	explanation linking any two of: reaction time is significant (with	accept reaction time is	(2)
	0.5s or less) (1)	large compared with travel time	
	the reaction time will be different for each of the students (1)		
	effects on reaction times (1)		
	students are at different distances (from starting pistol) (1)		
	anticipation of flash / bang (1)	differences in perception / acuity of light and sound	

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(iii)	explanation linking:		(2)
	use a (much) longer distance OR use electronic timer (1) with	all stand the same distance from the starting pistol (1)	
	effect (1)		
	reduces/eliminates the significance/impact of the reaction time OR gives a more manageable time to measure		

Q2.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	Substitution into $v = \frac{s}{t}$ to find v (1)	s is distance	
	$v = \frac{1.5 \times 10^{11}}{500}$ Substitution into $v = f \times \lambda$ and unit conversion (1)	award full marks for correct numerical answer without working	
	$v = \frac{1.5 \times 10^{11}}{500} = f \times 670 \times 10^{-9}$ Transposition (1) Rearrangement (1)	maximum 3 marks if λ in nm	
	$f = \frac{\left(1.50 \times 10^{11}\right)}{500 \times \left(670 \times 10^{-9}\right)}$		
	Answer (1) 4.5 x 10 ¹⁴ (Hz)	4.4776 x 10 ¹⁴ (Hz)	(4)

2	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(i)	calculation of time of travel (1) (120/330 =) 0.36(36) (s) substitution (1) 0.23 x 100	ecf from MP1 for MP2&3	(3) AO2
	0.36(36) evaluation (1) 63 (%)	accept values that round to 64 or 63	
		accept values that round to 0.64 or 0.63 for 2 marks	
		award full marks for the correct answer without working	
	Answer		Mark
(ii)	C Increase the distance between L and M. A, B and D are incorrect as these would not improve the technicians' measurement		(1) AO3

Q4.

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	recall and rearrangement (1)		(3)
	$\lambda = \frac{v}{f}$	3.0 (x 10 ⁸) 97.4 (x 10 ⁶)	
	evaluation (1)		
	3.08 (m)	accept 3.1 (m)	
		award 1 mark for wavelength that rounds to 3.1 to any other power of 10	
	(so) length of aerial = 1.54 m (1)	independent mark. allow ECF from candidate's wavelength	
	check working $\frac{3\times10^8}{2} = 1.5 \times 10^8$ gets only 1 mark for ecf	accept 1.5 (m) award 2 marks for 1.5 to any other power of 10	
		award full marks for the correct answer without working	
		Allow 1.46 rounded to 1.5 for 1 mark only if it is ecf from mp2	