

GCSE

Design and Technology: Electronics and Control Systems

Unit **A515/01**: Sustainability and technical aspects of designing and making electronics

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Annotation	Meaning
BP	Blank Page – this annotation must be used on all blank pages within an answer booklet (structured or unstructured) and on each page of an additional object where there is no candidate response.
L1	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
₩	Tick

SECTION A

Qu	estion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
1		A	1	
2		A	1	
3		В	1	
4		D	1	
5		A	1	
6		Reduction in the amount of waste materials	1	Allow other valid responses related to less environmental pollution.
7		Reduction in emissions of carbon dioxide or greenhouse gases made in order to compensate for an emission made elsewhere.	1	
8		 Use less energy / power Last longer Easier recycling process and less waste 	1	
9		 The colour red is often used in warning and hazard signs It symbolises danger It stands out against other colours It is a very visible colour in daylight 	1	
10		Refuse	1	
11		True	1	
12		True	1	
13		False	1	
14		False	1	
15		False	1	

Qı	uestio	n	Answer	Marks	Guidance
16	(a)		 Any of the following: Spring loaded Quick lock and release button - allow 'control button' Comfortable (ergonomic) handle Flexible lead Clip is attached easily to dog's collar. Durable / tough plastic case 3 x 1 marks 	3	Accept any other valid response. Do not allow 'extendable', 'portable' or 'ergonomic' with no link to a feature.
	(b)		 Batteries have limited life / need to be replaced No harm to the environment No batteries to dispose of No additional expense e.g. battery disposal 2 x 1 marks 	2	Accept any two answers or other valid response
	(c)		Simple statement e.g: its properties can change. (Does not state how the change is triggered) 1 mark. A material whereby its properties can be changed by external stimuli, such as stress, temperature, moisture, pH, electric or magnetic fields, 1 mark	2	
	(d)		Both features included in the redesign 2 x 1 mark Specific materials identified 1 mark Components identified 1 mark Helpful annotation to explain thinking 1 mark	5	

Question	Answer		Guidance
(e)	 Low cost to manufacture Easy to work / shape / form Can be recycled / made from recycled materials Biodegradable Print directly to surface / decorate Protect contents Durable / strong Lightweight and easy to transport 2 x 1 marks 	2	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance		
			Content	Levels of response	
(f)*	Advantages Improved living standards Increase in public health benefits Interconnected nations share best practice. Kyoto Protocol, for example. Larger markets, create more jobs Ease of internet purchase			Level 3 (5-6 marks) Thorough explanation, with examples, showing a clear understanding of how globalisation affects the environment. There may be three or more clearly identified and explained points. Specialist terms will be used appropriately and correctly. The information will be presented in a structured format. The candidate will demonstrate the accurate use of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	
	 Disadvantages Worldwide shortages of finite materials Worker exploitation (ETI) Increased energy consumption impact on carbon footprint transportation impact 			Level 2 (3-4 marks) Adequate explanation, possibly with examples, showing a sound understanding of how globalisation affects the environment. There will be some use of specialist terms, although these may not always be used appropriately. The information will be presented	

	 toxic waste in relation to production & manufacture Changes to social and spiritual well being Spread of human, animal and plant diseases 		for the most part in a structured format. There may be occasional errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation. Level 1 (1-2 marks) Basic explanation, possibly without examples, showing some understanding of how globalisation affects the environment. There will be little or no use of specialist terms. Answers may be ambiguous or disorganised or 'list like'. Errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling may be intrusive.
		[6]	(0) Response worthy of no marks.
	TOTAL	[15]	

SECTION B

C	Questi	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
17	(a)	(i)	8mm	[1]	
		(ii)	 Description of how hole centre could be marked on panel 1 mark e.g. Scriber, marker pen, masking tape and pencil Description of use of centre punch before drilling 1 mark 	[2]	Tools must be named for full marks
		(iii)	 Manufacturing precaution to achieve a high quality drilled hole 1 mark Explanation of how the precaution helps 1 mark e.g. Clamp workpiece to avoid damage Use sacrificial backing piece to reduce burrs Feed slowly to reduce burrs Start with small drill then enlarge to ensure correct centring 	[2]	
		(iv)	Bezel shown correctly in hole 1 mark Split washer beneath panel 1 mark M8 nut below split washer 1 mark	[3]	Allow marks if bezel is not assembled but understanding is shown of the process to assemble on the panel
	(b)	(i)	 Any two valid reasons, e.g. Different colours help identify LEDs/polarity All wires neatly joined into a single cable Cable can be 'zipped' down to width required Flexible stranded wire used 	[2]	
		(ii)	Wires shown attached to each leg 1 mark Suitable method of preventing short circuit 1 mark e.g. wires soldered on and heat shrink sleeving used	[2]	Allow mark for heat shrink even if no referent to soldering
	(c)		Named method e.g. tool/equipment 1 mark Description of how the method achieves accuracy in line 1 mark How method achieves repeatability over 20 panels 1 mark	[3]	

	 e.g. Use of CNC drilling/routing machine Use of template Use of drilling jig 		
	Total	[15]	

C	Question		Answer	Mark	Guidance
18	(a)	(i)	3 0 0 1 1	[1]	Both cells correct for 1 mark
		(ii)	binary outputs A B counter C D AND gate drawn with its two inputs connected to counter outputs B and C	[1]	
	(b)	(i)	Total resistance with SW1 open = 120 + 47 = 167 ohms I = V/R = 12 / 167 I = 0.072 A (72mA)	[3]	Allow two marks max for the answer 0.255A (12/47)
		(ii)	The lamp will be brighter with SW1 closed	[1]	
		(iii)	1 mark for each missing track	[3]	Credit any alternative, correct routing. Collector can go to either end of R2, but lamp must then go to the opposite end of R2

Question	Answer	Marks	Levels of response
(c)*	Discussion should include some but not all of the following points: Advantages: Sustainability – no waste batteries Free energy No mains wires need to be run to product Clean energy – no pollution No maintenance – no bartteries to change Disadvantages: Initial cost No energy at night Reduced energy on cloudy days Limited power/current available Difficult to mount/large Chemicals/energy used in panel manufacture	[6]	Level 3 (5-6 marks) Shows detailed understanding of benefits and drawbacks of solar panels. Suitable examples used. Specialist terms will be used appropriately and correctly. The information will be presented in a structured format. The candidate can demonstrate the accurate use of spelling, punctuation and grammar. Level 2 (3-4 marks) Shows some understanding of benefits and drawbacks of solar panels. There will be some use of specialist terms although theses may not always be used appropriately. The information will be presented for the most part in a structured format. There may be occasional errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar. Level 1 (1-2marks) Shows understanding of benefits and drawbacks of solar panels. No examples used. There will be little or no use of specialist terms. Answers may be ambiguous or disorganised. Errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling may be intrusive. 0 Response worthy of no marks.
	TOTAL	[15]	

	Ques	tion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
19	(a)		Valid warning label e.g. Battery (flammable) warning not suitable for children (small parts) moving parts do not cover laser / radiation Valid information label e.g. any control marking (on/off, tone etc.) battery type / polarity indication mounting point BSI/CE marking RoHS Disposal / recycling info Double insulation WEEE PAT	[2]	Credit sketches of any valid labels 2 x 1 marks Not high voltage Accept other viable answers
	(b)	(i)	Amplifier module increases the level of the audio signal to drive the loudspeaker Allow: makes speaker louder allows sound to be heard makes signal / voltage / current bigger	[1]	Allow any other valid response
		(ii)	Module C	[1]	
		(iii)	One valid reason for choice e.g. • Stereo is not needed – only mono • A supply voltage of 12V (or 6V or 9V) is easily attainable • The highest power (50W) will be needed so the sound can be heard outdoors	[1]	Award mark for a valid reason even if (b)(ii) is incorrect Do NOT credit reference to cost

	(iv)	Steel will rust (oxidise) if left outdoors	[1]	
	(v)	Any suitable method stated e.g. • apply paint • galvanise • powder (plastic) coat • Electroplate	[1]	
(c)	(i)	Suitable plastic 1 mark e.g. HIPS ABS Acrylic Polyester polypropylene Two relevant properties identified can be softened and formed can be drilled/cut available in thin sheets self-finished good aesthetic finish suitable for use outdoors resistant to water electrical insulator	[3]	Do NOT credit reference to cost (cheap) unless explained Allow other suitable property related to the plastic
	(ii)	Shape of former reflects shape of box – 3D or side view 1 mark Former drawn with widest face at bottom 1 mark One feature identified 1 mark e.g. • rounded edges • draft angle	[3]	The quality of sketch will need to be good enough to make the shape and orientation clear for the award of the first two marks.

	mould release ano undercuts	pplied to surface		
(d)	e.g. QTC – resistance d switches in textile p SMA – returns to pr medical applications Thermochromic – co	roperty can be useful in a product 1 mark rops sharply when squeezed – useful for roducts ogrammed shape when heated – useful in	[2]	NO credit for naming the smart material
		Total	[15]	

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