

# Cambridge International AS Level

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**GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES & RESEARCH****9239/03**

Paper 3 Team Project: Presentation and Reflective Paper

**February/March 2025****MARK SCHEME**Maximum Mark: 40

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**PUBLISHED****Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptions for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:**

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:**

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:**

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:**

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:**

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

**PUBLISHED****Social Science-Specific Marking Principles  
(for point-based marking)****1 Components using point-based marking:**

- Point marking is often used to reward knowledge, understanding and application of skills. We give credit where the candidate's answer shows relevant knowledge, understanding and application of skills in answering the question. We do not give credit where the answer shows confusion.

From this it follows that we:

- a** DO credit answers which are worded differently from the mark scheme if they clearly convey the same meaning (unless the mark scheme requires a specific term)
- b** DO credit alternative answers/examples which are not written in the mark scheme if they are correct
- c** DO credit answers where candidates give more than one correct answer in one prompt/numbered/scaffolded space where extended writing is required rather than list-type answers. For example, questions that require *n* reasons (e.g. State two reasons ...).
- d** DO NOT credit answers simply for using a 'key term' unless that is all that is required. (Check for evidence it is understood and not used wrongly.)
- e** DO NOT credit answers which are obviously self-contradicting or trying to cover all possibilities
- f** DO NOT give further credit for what is effectively repetition of a correct point already credited unless the language itself is being tested. This applies equally to 'mirror statements' (i.e. polluted/not polluted).
- g** DO NOT require spellings to be correct, unless this is part of the test. However spellings of syllabus terms must allow for clear and unambiguous separation from other syllabus terms with which they may be confused (e.g. Corrasion/Corrosion)

**2 Presentation of mark scheme:**

- Slashes (/) or the word 'or' separate alternative ways of making the same point.
- Semi colons (;) bullet points (•) or figures in brackets (1) separate different points.
- Content in the answer column in brackets is for examiner information/context to clarify the marking but is not required to earn the mark (except Accounting syllabuses where they indicate negative numbers).

**3 Calculation questions:**

- The mark scheme will show the steps in the most likely correct method(s), the mark for each step, the correct answer(s) and the mark for each answer
- If working/explanation is considered essential for full credit, this will be indicated in the question paper and in the mark scheme. In all other instances, the correct answer to a calculation should be given full credit, even if no supporting working is shown.
- Where the candidate uses a valid method which is not covered by the mark scheme, award equivalent marks for reaching equivalent stages.
- Where an answer makes use of a candidate's own incorrect figure from previous working, the 'own figure rule' applies: full marks will be given if a correct and complete method is used. Further guidance will be included in the mark scheme where necessary and any exceptions to this general principle will be noted.

**4 Annotation:**

- For point marking, ticks can be used to indicate correct answers and crosses can be used to indicate wrong answers. There is no direct relationship between ticks and marks. Ticks have no defined meaning for levels of response marking.
- For levels of response marking, the level awarded should be annotated on the script.
- Other annotations will be used by examiners as agreed during standardisation, and the meaning will be understood by all examiners who marked that paper.

**Annotations guidance for centres**

Examiners use a system of annotations as a shorthand for communicating their marking decisions to one another. Examiners are trained during the standardisation process on how and when to use annotations. The purpose of annotations is to inform the standardisation and monitoring processes and guide the supervising examiners when they are checking the work of examiners within their team. The meaning of annotations and how they are used is specific to each component and is understood by all examiners who mark the component.

We publish annotations in our mark schemes to help centres understand the annotations they may see on copies of scripts. Note that there may not be a direct correlation between the number of annotations on a script and the mark awarded. Similarly, the use of an annotation may not be an indication of the quality of the response.

**PRESENTATION****AO1 Research, analysis and evaluation**

Examiners should award up to 16 marks for AO1.

<b>AO1a Individual analysis of the team's problem</b>	<b>AO1b Range of research undertaken</b>	<b>AO1c Evaluation of sources to support the research</b>	<b>AO1d Justification for the individual solution which is proposed</b>
Develops a <b>sustained analysis</b> of the team's <b>problem</b> , <b>consistently supported by relevant details</b> <b>4 marks</b>	Uses <b>sustained research</b> from a <b>variety</b> of contexts which <b>consistently supports</b> the focus of the presentation <b>4 marks</b>	Engages in <b>sustained evaluation and synthesis</b> of sources <b>4 marks</b>	<b>Demonstrates the effectiveness</b> of the chosen solution using <b>consistently relevant and detailed evidence</b> <b>4 marks</b>
<b>Analyses</b> the team's <b>problem supported by relevant details</b> <b>3 marks</b>	Uses <b>detailed research</b> which <b>supports</b> the focus of the presentation <b>3 marks</b>	Shows <b>some evaluation and some synthesis</b> of sources <b>3 marks</b>	<b>Shows some justification</b> for the chosen solution with <b>detailed evidence</b> in support <b>3 marks</b>
<b>Discusses</b> the team's <b>problem supported by relevant details</b> <b>2 marks</b>	Has done <b>research</b> which <b>supports</b> the focus of the presentation <b>2 marks</b>	<b>Begins to evaluate</b> some sources <b>2 marks</b>	<b>Develops</b> a solution which is <b>supported by evidence</b> <b>2 marks</b>
<b>Identifies</b> the team's <b>problem</b> but <b>lacks detail</b> <b>1 mark</b>	<b>Identifies some research</b> but <b>lacks links</b> to the focus of the presentation <b>1 mark</b>	<b>Identifies</b> some sources but <b>lacks</b> any evaluation <b>1 mark</b>	<b>Identifies a possible solution</b> but <b>lacks support</b> for this <b>1 mark</b>
No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>	No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>	No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>	No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>

**AO3 Communication**

Examiners should award up to 14 marks for AO3.

<b>AO3a Production of a structured argument</b>	<b>AO3b Presentation of visual information to support an argument</b>	<b>AO3c Use of language to address an audience</b>
Uses a <b>logical structure</b> to deliver a <b>sustained argument</b> with <b>consistently well-argued</b> points <b>5 marks</b>	<b>Effectively selects a variety of methods</b> of visual representation to <b>precisely support</b> the arguments and evidence <b>5 marks</b>	
Presents a <b>well-structured argument</b> to make <b>well-argued points</b> <b>4 marks</b>	<b>Effectively selects methods</b> of visual representation to <b>support</b> the arguments and evidence <b>4 marks</b>	Uses language to <b>effectively engage</b> its audience with a <b>well-selected variety</b> of sentence forms <b>4 marks</b>
Presents an argument with <b>some structure</b> to make <b>some well-argued points</b> <b>3 marks</b>	Uses <b>relevant methods</b> of visual representation to provide <b>some support</b> for the arguments and evidence <b>3 marks</b>	Uses language to <b>consistently address</b> the audience using a <b>variety</b> of sentence forms <b>3 marks</b>
Presents an argument with <b>limited structure</b> to make <b>some relevant points</b> <b>2 marks</b>	<b>Applies relevant methods</b> of visual representation to the <b>problem</b> <b>2 marks</b>	Uses language to <b>consistently address</b> the audience <b>2 marks</b>
Makes <b>some points</b> and the argument <b>lacks structure</b> <b>1 mark</b>	Uses some visual representation, but <b>lacks relevance to the problem</b> <b>1 mark</b>	<b>Lacks awareness</b> of the audience <b>1 mark</b>
No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>	No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>	No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>



**REFLECTIVE PAPER****AO2 Reflection**

Examiners should award up to 10 marks for AO2.

<b>AO2a Reflection on the effectiveness of collaboration</b>	<b>AO2b Reflection on learning</b>
Shows <b>sustained and structured evaluation</b> of the effectiveness of collaboration with others <b>5 marks</b>	Shows <b>sustained and structured evaluation</b> of the learning achieved in undertaking the project <b>5 marks</b>
Makes a range of <b>detailed evaluative points</b> about the effectiveness of collaboration with others <b>4 marks</b>	Makes a range of <b>detailed evaluative points</b> about the learning achieved in undertaking the project <b>4 marks</b>
<b>Provides some evaluation</b> of the effectiveness of collaboration with others <b>3 marks</b>	<b>Provides some evaluation</b> of the learning achieved in undertaking the project <b>3 marks</b>
<b>Describes in detail</b> some of the collaborative activities which have been undertaken <b>2 marks</b>	<b>Describes own view</b> of the team's <b>problem in detail</b> <b>2 marks</b>
Makes some <b>limited reference</b> to collaborative activities <b>1 mark</b>	<b>Identifies</b> their view of the team's <b>problem</b> <b>1 mark</b>
No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>	No creditable response <b>0 marks</b>