
GCSE Mathematics

Volume of Spheres, Cones & Pyramids

Mark Scheme - GCSE Maths Practice

M = method mark, A = accuracy mark (dependent on the preceding M mark), B = independent mark.

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Edexcel-style questions

Q1 Grade 6 Edexcel style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times 6^3$	M1
(a)	$288\pi \text{ cm}^3$	A1

Q2 Grade 6 Edexcel style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\frac{1}{3} \times 6^2 \times 8$	M1
(a)	96 cm^3	A1

Q3 Grade 6 Edexcel style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$4 \times \pi \times 5^2$	M1
(a)	$100\pi \text{ cm}^2$	A1

Q4 Grade 6 Edexcel style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	full sphere volume = $\frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times 6^3 = 288\pi \text{ cm}^3$	M1
(a)	hemisphere volume = $288\pi \div 2 = 144\pi \text{ cm}^3$	A1

Q5 Grade 7 Edexcel style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	cone volume = $\frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times 3^2 \times 8 = 24\pi \text{ cm}^3$	M1
(a)	hemisphere volume = $\frac{2}{3} \times \pi \times 3^3 = 18\pi \text{ cm}^3$	M1
(a)	total volume = $24\pi + 18\pi = 42\pi \text{ cm}^3$	A1

AQA-style questions

Q6 Grade 6 AQA style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\frac{4}{3} \times 3.14 \times 3^3$	M1
(a)	113.04 cm ³	A1

Q7 Grade 6 AQA style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	base area = $5 \times 8 = 40 \text{ cm}^2$	M1
(a)	$\frac{1}{3} \times 40 \times 12$	M1
(a)	160 cm ³	A1

Q8 Grade 6 AQA style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$4 \times 3.14 \times 4^2$	M1
(a)	200.96 cm ²	A1

Q9 Grade 7 AQA style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$36\pi = \frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times r^3$	M1
(a)	$r^3 = 36 \times 3 \div 4 = 27$	M1
(a)	$r = 3 \text{ cm}$	A1

Q10 Grade 8 AQA style

Total: 4

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	volume of one marble = $\frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times 1.5^3 = 4.5\pi \text{ cm}^3$	M1
(a)	total volume of 8 marbles = $8 \times 4.5\pi = 36\pi \text{ cm}^3$	M1
(a)	$36\pi = \frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times 3^2 \times h$	M1
(a)	$h = 36 \times 3 \div 9 = 12 \text{ cm}$	A1

OCR-style questions

Q11 Grade 6 OCR style**Total: 2**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times 6^2 \times 10$	M1
(a)	$120\pi \text{ cm}^3$	A1

Q12 Grade 7 OCR style**Total: 3**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	base area = $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 8 = 24 \text{ cm}^2$	M1
(a)	$\frac{1}{3} \times 24 \times 9$	M1
(a)	72 cm^3	A1

Q13 Grade 7 OCR style**Total: 3**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	curved surface area = $\pi \times 3 \times 5 = 15\pi \text{ cm}^2$	M1
(a)	base area = $\pi \times 3^2 = 9\pi \text{ cm}^2$	M1
(a)	total = $15\pi + 9\pi = 24\pi \text{ cm}^2$	A1

Q14 Grade 7 OCR style**Total: 2**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$100\pi = \frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times 5^2 \times h$	M1
(a)	$h = 100 \times 3 \div 25 = 12 \text{ cm}$	A1

Q15 Grade 8 OCR style**Total: 3**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	setting the volumes equal: $\frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times r^3 = \frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times r^2 \times h$	M1
(a)	dividing both sides by $\frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times r^2$: $h = 4r$	M1
(a)	with $r = 5 \text{ cm}$, $h = 4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ cm}$	A1

Teachably-style questions

Q16 Grade 6 Teachably style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\frac{1}{3} \times 3.14 \times 4^2 \times 9$	M1
(a)	150.72 cm ³	A1

Q17 Grade 7 Teachably style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	base area = $5^2 = 25 \text{ cm}^2$	M1
(a)	$100 = \frac{1}{3} \times 25 \times h$	M1
(a)	$h = 100 \times 3 \div 25 = 12 \text{ cm}$	A1

Q18 Grade 7 Teachably style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	slant height = $\sqrt{6^2 + 8^2} = \sqrt{100} = 10 \text{ cm}$	M1
(a)	$3.14 \times 6 \times 10$	M1
(a)	188.4 cm ²	A1

Q19 Grade 8 Teachably style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	curved surface area = $2 \times 3.14 \times 7^2 = 307.72 \text{ cm}^2$	M1
(a)	flat circular face = $3.14 \times 7^2 = 153.86 \text{ cm}^2$	M1
(a)	total = $307.72 + 153.86 = 461.58 \text{ cm}^2$	A1

Q20 Grade 8 Teachably style

Total: 4

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	the cylinder has radius 6 cm and height 12 cm (the sphere's diameter)	M1
(a)	cylinder volume = $\pi \times 6^2 \times 12 = 432\pi \text{ cm}^3$	M1
(a)	sphere volume = $\frac{4}{3} \times \pi \times 6^3 = 288\pi \text{ cm}^3$	M1
(a)	empty space = $432\pi - 288\pi = 144\pi \text{ cm}^3$	A1

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