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Section A

Question			Answers	Notes	Total
1.	a		<p>«theory suggests» $P_1 - P_0$ is proportional to $\frac{1}{R}$ ✓</p> <p>graph/line of best fit is straight/linear «so yes»</p> <p>OR</p> <p>graph/line of best fit passes through the origin «so yes» ✓</p>	<p><i>MP1: Accept 'linear'</i></p> <p><i>MP2 do not award if there is any contradiction eg: graph not proportional, does not pass through origin.</i></p>	2
1	b	i	<p>gradient = «4γ» = 0.10</p> <p>OR</p> <p>use of equation with coordinates of a point ✓</p> <p>$\gamma = 0.025$ ✓</p>	<p><i>MP1 allow gradients in range 0.098 to 0.102</i></p> <p><i>MP2 allow a range 0.024 to 0.026 for γ</i></p>	2
1	b	ii	<p>kg s^{-2} ✓</p>	<p><i>Accept $\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}^2}$</i></p>	1

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1	b	iii	straight line, gradient greater than line of best fit, and within the error bars ✓ 		1

Question			Answers	Notes	Total
1	b	iv	<p>«15% of 0.025» = 0.00375</p> <p>OR</p> <p>«15% of 0.030» = 0.0045 ✓</p> <p>rounds uncertainty to 1sf</p> <p>±0.004</p> <p>OR</p> <p>±0.005 ✓</p>	<p><i>Allow ECF from (b)(i)</i></p> <p><i>Award [2] marks for a bald correct answer</i></p>	2
1	b	v	<p>Experimental value matches this/correct, as expected value within the range ✓</p> <p>OR</p> <p>experimental value does not match/incorrect, as it is not within range ✓</p>		1

Question		Answers	Notes	Total
2.	a	<p>In order to draw a graph « of W versus $\frac{1}{T^2}$ »</p> <p>OR</p> <p>to confirm proportionality between « W and T^{-2} »</p> <p>OR</p> <p>to confirm relationship between « W and T »</p> <p>OR</p> <p>because W is the independent variable in the experiment ✓</p>	OWTTE.	1
2	b	<p>ALTERNATIVE 1</p> $W + \text{friction} = \frac{4\pi^2 mr}{T^2}$ <p>OR</p> <p>centripetal force is larger «than W» / W is smaller «than centripetal» ✓</p> <p>«so» experimental mr is smaller «than calculated value» ✓</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE 2 (refers to graph)</p> <p>reference to «friction force is» a systematic error «and does not affect gradient» ✓</p> <p>«so» mr is the same ✓</p>	<p><i>MP2 awarded only with correct justification. Candidates can gain zero, MP1 alone or full marks.</i></p> <p>OWTTE</p>	2

Question			Answers	Notes	Total
2	c	i	mention of mean/average value «of T » ✓ this reduces uncertainty in T / result OR more accurate/precise ✓	Reference to “random errors average out” scores MP1 Accept “closer to true value”, “more reliable value” OWTTE for MP2	2
2	c	ii	systematic errors «usually» constant/always present/ not influenced by repetition ✓	OWTTE	1

Section B

Option A — Relativity

Question			Answers	Notes	Total
3.	a		mention of electric AND magnetic fields ✓ OR mention of electromagnetic radiation/wave/fields ✓		1
3	b		the laws of physics are the same in all «inertial» frames of reference/for all «inertial» observers ✓	<i>OWTTE</i>	1
3	c	i	magnetic ✓		1
3	c	ii	«In observer frame» protons «in the two wires» move in same/parallel direction ✓ these moving protons produce magnetic attraction ✓ there is also a smaller electrostatic repulsion due to wires appearing positive due to length contraction «of proton spacing» ✓	<i>OWTTE</i>	3

Question			Answers	Notes	Total
4.	a		constancy of time OR speed of light > c is possible ✓	OWTTE.	1
4	b	i	$\gamma = 1.15$ ✓ length = 6.9 «m» ✓	Allow length in the range 6.7 to 7.0 m. Allow ECF from wrong γ Award [2] marks for a bald correct answer in the range indicated above.	2
4	b	ii	8.0 m / measurement made on the probe ✓ the measurement made by an observer at rest in the frame of the probe ✓		2
4	c		$u = \frac{0.5c + 0.8c}{1 + \frac{0.5c \times 0.8c}{c^2}}$ ✓ $u = 0.93c$ ✓	Allow all negative signs for velocities Award [2] marks for a bald correct answer	2

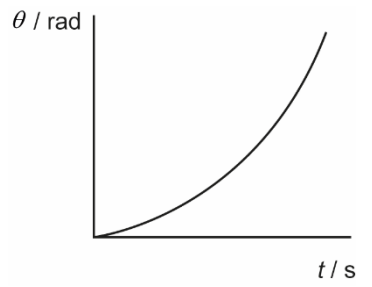
Question			Answers	Notes	Total
5.	a	i	0.6c ✓	Accept $1.8 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ if unit given.	1
5	a	ii	line through origin and through (5, 3) ± one small square at this coordinate ✓ 	Answers shown for 5(a)(ii) and (b)(i) and (b)(ii).	1
5	b	i	X value of E at 4 «ly» ✓ Y value of E at 5 «y» ✓		2

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Question			Answers	Notes	Total
5.	b	ii	light cone from E «crosses ct at 9 so» intersection on $ct' = 5.6 \pm 0.2$ y «on ct scale» ✓ $\gamma = 1.25$ ✓ so $t' = \frac{5.6}{1.25} \Rightarrow 4.5$ «y after leaving Earth» ✓	MP1 accept use of linear equations to find $t = 5.625$ Allow ECF from (b)(i) and (a)	3

Option B — Engineering

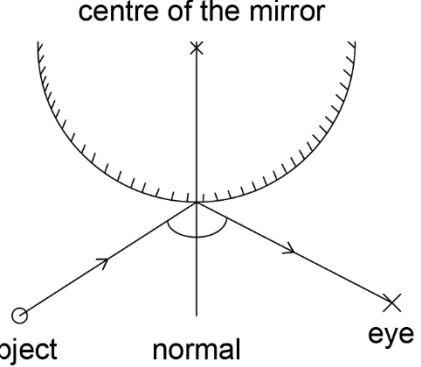
Question		Answers	Notes	Total
6.	a	$\omega_f^2 = 0 + 2 \times 0.110 \times 6 \times 2\pi \checkmark$ $\omega_f = 2.88 \text{ «rad s}^{-1}\text{»} \checkmark$	<i>Other methods are possible.</i> <i>Answer 3 given so look for correct working</i> <i>At least 2 sig figs for MP2.</i>	2
6	b	concave up from origin \checkmark 		1
6	c	$\Gamma = \alpha I$ so $\Gamma = 0.110 \times 0.0216 \Rightarrow 2.38 \times 10^{-3} \text{ «N m»} \checkmark$		1
6	d	$\alpha = \frac{2.9^2}{2 \times 2\pi \times 30} = \text{OR } -0.022 \text{ «rad s}^{-2}\text{} \checkmark$ $t \text{ «} = \frac{\omega_f - \omega_i}{\alpha} = \frac{-2.9}{-0.0220} \text{»} = 130 \text{ «s»} \checkmark$	<i>Other methods are possible.</i> <i>Allow 131 s if 2.88 used</i> <i>Allow 126 s if 3 used</i> <i>Award [2] marks for a bald correct answer</i>	2

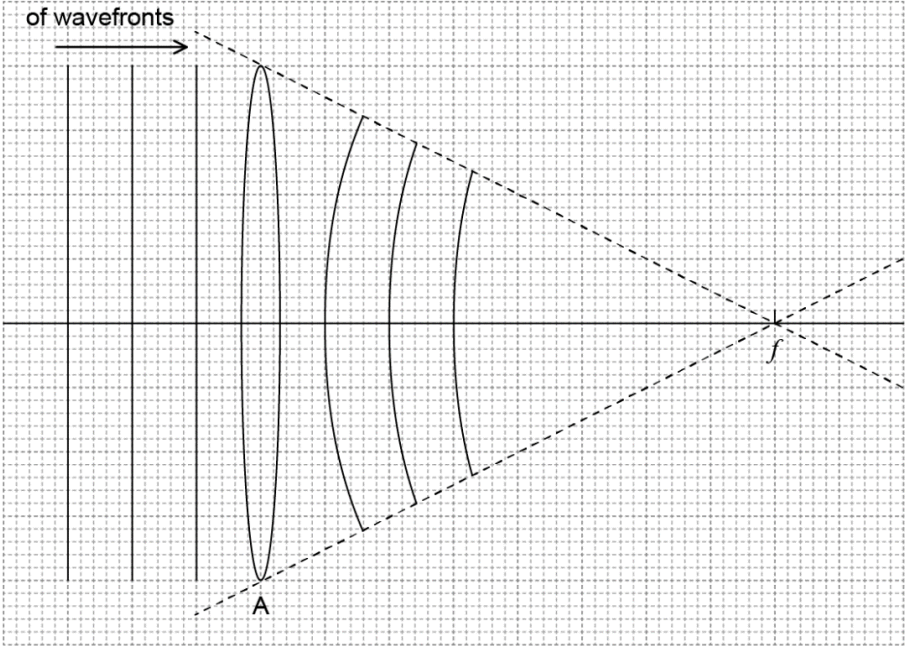
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7.	a	«person rotates» anticlockwise ✓ the person gains angular momentum «in the opposite direction to the new wheel motion» ✓ so that the total angular momentum is conserved ✓	OWTTE Award [1 max] for a bald statement of conservation of angular momentum.	3
	b	the rotational kinetic energy has increased ✓ energy is provided by the person doing work «flipping the wheel» ✓	OWTTE	2

8.		conservation of rotational and linear energy OR $mgh = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 \quad \checkmark$ using $I = \frac{2}{5}mr^2$ AND $\omega = \frac{v}{r} \quad \checkmark$ with correct manipulation to find the requested relationship ✓		3
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Question			Answers	Notes	Total
9.	a	i	«-» 3×10^3 «J» ✓		1
		ii	0 «J» ✓	OWTTE	1
	b	i	use of $PV^{\frac{5}{3}}$ is constant « $4.0 \times 10^5 \times (2.0 \times 10^{-2})^{\frac{5}{3}} = P_2 \times (5.0 \times 10^{-2})^{\frac{5}{3}}$ » ✓ $P_2 = 8.7 \times 10^4$ «Pa» OR 87 «kPa» ✓	Award [2] marks for a bald correct answer	2
		ii	adiabatic means no transfer of heat in or out of the system ✓ should be fast ✓ «can be slow if» the system is insulated ✓	OWTTE	2 max

Option C — Imaging

Question	Answers	Notes	Total
10. a	<p>attempt to connect object and eye with ray showing equal angles of reflection such that reflection occurs within 1 hatch mark of position shown ✓</p> <p>construction showing normal at point of reflection ✓</p>  <p>centre of the mirror</p> <p>object normal eye</p>	<p><i>Allow rays that are drawn freehand without a ruler - use judgement.</i></p>	2
10 b	<p>light rays do not pass through the image</p> <p>OR</p> <p>do not form an image on a screen</p> <p>OR</p> <p>appear to have come from a point</p> <p>OR</p> <p>formed by extension of rays ✓</p>	<p><i>OWTTE.</i></p>	1

Question	Answers	Notes	Total
<p>11. a</p>	<p>wavefront separation identical and equal to separation before the lens ✓ wavefronts converging, approximately centered on f ✓</p> <p>direction of travel of wavefronts</p> 	<p><i>By eye.</i> <i>Dotted construction lines are not required, allow wavefronts to extend beyond or be inside the dotted lines here.</i> Allow [1max] if only two wavefronts drawn.</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>11 b</p>	<p>$\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{4.00} - \frac{1}{4.50}$ ✓ $v = 36.0$ «cm» ✓</p>		<p>2</p>

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Question		Answers	Notes	Total
11.	c	$A: \frac{1}{-2.0} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{u} \checkmark$ $u = -1.6 \text{ «cm» } \checkmark$ distance necessary = «36.0-1.6 =» 34.4 «cm» \checkmark	Allow [2 max] for ECF for no negative in MP1. Gives $u=2.7$ and distance of 38.7«cm» Allow ECF from (b) in MP3.EG use of 0.4m / 40cm.	3
11	d	$\text{« } m = -\frac{i}{o} = \frac{-36}{4.5} \text{ for A or } \frac{-8}{-1.6} \text{ for B »}$ $m_A = \text{«-» } 8 \text{ OR } m_B = \text{«+» } 5 \checkmark$ total magnification = «-» 40 \checkmark	Allow [2] marks for a bald correct answer Allow ECF from (b) and (c). Eg if $u=2.7\text{cm}$ in (c) then $m_B = 3$ and total $m=24$	2

Question		Answers	Notes	Total
12.	a	the final image lies at the near point «often assumed to be 25 cm» ✓		1
12	b	<p>any 2 correct rays from O for objective lens ✓</p> <p>forming an intermediate image at approximate position shown</p> <p>OR</p> <p>use of image from objective lens as object for eyepiece lens ✓</p> <p>any 2 correct rays for eyepiece lens from intermediate image ✓</p> <p>ray extension to form a final image ✓</p>	<p><i>Allow ECF for MP2, MP3 & MP4 for badly drawn rays.</i></p> <p><i>MP4 allow final image to be off the page</i></p>	4

Question	Answers	Notes	Total
13.	mention of attenuation ✓ mention of dispersion or pulse broadening ✓ gives explanation for at least one of above ✓		3

Option D — Astrophysics

Question			Answers	Notes	Total
14.	a		AU: «average» distance from the Earth to the Sun ✓ ly: distance light travels in one year ✓		2
14	b	i	made of ice «and dust» ✓ «highly» eccentric/elliptical orbit around the Sun ✓ formed in the Oort Cloud ✓		1 max
14	b	ii	star / named star / stellar cluster/ galaxy/ constellation ✓	Answer may be indicated on the photograph. .	1
15.	a		substitution of $L = \sigma AT^4$ into $b = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2}$ giving $b = \frac{\sigma AT^4}{4\pi d^2}$	Removal of constants σ and 4π is optional	1
15	b		equation applies to Sirius/stars that are luminous/emit light «from fusion» ✓ but Venus reflects the Sun’s light/does not emit light «from fusion» ✓	OWTTE	2

Question		Answers	Notes	Total
16.	a	$\left\langle \frac{R_0}{R} = \right\rangle$ $\frac{1}{1.11}$ OR 0.90 OR 90%✓		1
16	b	«Hubble's » measure of v/recessional speed uses redshift which is z OR redshift (z) of galaxies is proportional to distance «from earth» OR combines $v = Hd$ AND $z = \frac{v}{c}$ into one expression, e.g. $z = \frac{Hd}{c}$. ✓	OWTTE	1

Question		Answers	Notes	Total	
17.	a	$\left\langle \frac{L}{L_{\odot}} = \frac{M^{3.5}}{M_{\odot}^{3.5}} = 5.70^{3.5} = \right\rangle 442 \checkmark$ <p>the luminosity of Eta ($2630 L_{\odot}$) is very different «so it is not main sequence» \checkmark</p>	<p>Allow calculation of $L^{\frac{1}{3.5}}$ to give $M = 9.5 M_{\odot}$ so not main sequence</p> <p>OWTTE</p>	2	
	b	i	$d \left\langle = \frac{1}{2.36 \times 10^{-3}} \right\rangle = 424 \text{ «pc»} \checkmark$	1	
	b	ii	<p>Use of $d = \sqrt{\frac{L}{4\pi b}}$ \checkmark</p> $= \sqrt{\frac{2630 \times 3.83 \times 10^{26}}{4\pi \times 7.20 \times 10^{-10}}} \checkmark$ $\left\langle = \frac{1.055 \times 10^{19}}{3.26 \times 9.46 \times 10^{15}} \right\rangle = 342 \text{ «pc»} \checkmark$	<p>Award [3] marks for a bald correct answer between 340 and 344 «pc»</p>	3

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Question		Answers	Notes	Total
17.	c	parallax angle in milliarc seconds/very small/at the limits of measurement ✓ uncertainties/error in measuring L or b or θ ✓ values same order of magnitude, so not significantly different ✓	Accept answers where MP1 and MP2 both refer to parallax angle OWTTE	2 max
	d	reference to change in size ✓ reference to change in temperature ✓ reference to periodicity of the process ✓ reference to transparency / opaqueness ✓		3 max