Practice Question Set For GCSE

**Subject: Physics** 

Paper-1 Topic: 7\_ Astronomy



Name of the Student:\_\_\_\_\_

Max. Marks: 18 Marks

Time: 18 Minutes

Mark Schemes

Q1.

Answer	Acceptable answers	Mark
A description including the following stages (up to 3 marks) Protostar (1) Main sequence star (1) (super) red giant (1) supernova (1) neutron star (1) (even more massive star can become) black hole (1) more massive stars have shorter life (1) Three stages in the correct sequence (1)		(4)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An explanation to include any three from:  nebula as a cloud of gas/dust (1)		(3)
	gas / atoms pulled together / towards each other (1)	density increase	
	by gravitational force (1)	gravity (acting)	
	temperature increase (1) hot enough for nuclear fusion (1)	(resultant) heating s	

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	A description to include:		(2) AO1
	wavelength (of the light) (1)	Red shift/Doppler effect	
	appears to increase (1) [increase must be linked with wavelength]	(Red shift) shows galaxy moving away	
		accept answers in terms of frequency	

Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
(there is) an increase in wavelength (of light) (1)	allow wavelength stretches allow red shift ignore shift to red end of spectrum	(2) AO1
shows galaxies are moving away (from Earth) (1)	ignore objects / stars / planets	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	An explanation that combines identification – understanding (1 mark) and reasoning/justification – understanding (2 marks):  • at the time, there was only naked eye evidence (1)  • which indicated Sun/Moon/planets appear to move across the sky (1)  • in the same direction, same motion each day (1)	allow valid alternatives, e.g. references to comets	
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Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
	Any two of the following  1. mass (1)		(2) AO2
	2. radius (1)		
	3. density (1)	allow made of different substance/ material	
		if no other mark awarded, allow 1 mark for (Moon is ) smaller or Earth is bigger	

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number	an explanation linking any <b>two</b> from  improves clarity (of images) (1)  light (from distant objects) is (very) faint (1)  idea that atmosphere absorbs/scatters light (1)  (HST) is above the atmosphere	accept air for atmosphere	2 AO1.1
	(1) light pollution (on/from Earth) (1)		