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	_		Section A	
Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
1	а		Alternative Lamp Symbols as shown only	1 mark
			$\bigotimes \Phi$	
			Buzzer symbol as shown only	1 mark
				Total (2 marks)
1	b			
			Note: No marks for simply describing function of component. Lamp	
			Advantages: 1 mark for each point made	1-2 marks
			Low cost / relatively small size / widely available / can be replaced easily when in use/ low weight/ audibly impaired/ suitable responses	
			Buzzer: 1 mark for each point made Advantages	1-2 marks
			easier to identify in fog or low light or when visually obstructed/ alternative back up to visual device/ visually impaired/suitable responses	
				Total (4 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
1	с		Drawings and notes should indicate each of the following:	
			Casing and Construction – A maximum of 3 marks. 1 mark each for each material, process or construction feature.	
			 Materials used HIPs, Acrylic, EVA, PVC (Foam) Depron or similar Line Bent, vacuum formed/ mould/ Press Formed (Plug and yoke) rebated edge, mitred corners, prepared shapes and joints Features included mechanical joints screws, rivets, Tensol cement or other suitable fastening/fixing Reference to dimensions 	1-3 marks
			Control and light positions – maximum of 2 marks.	
			A suitable position for the on/off switch drawn or labeled. 1 mark	1-2 marks
			 A suitable position for the light output drawn or labeled. 1 mark 	
			Means of attachment – maximum of 2 marks	
			The diagram or notes should indicate attachment to a model aircraft using any of the following:	1-2 marks
			Magnets, plastic clips, adhesive, screwed connection/fixture of a mechanical fixing eg: nut/bolt, self tapping screw, cable tie, velcro, rubber loops and pins or a design feature eg: dovetail slot, key hole slot or similar.	
			1 mark for drawing and 1 mark for labelled feature	
			Visual Appeal – maximum of 2 marks	
			The appearance, shape and construction should show some aesthetic and or aerodynamic quality.	1-2 marks
			1 Mark for a simple response 2 Marks for justified or explained	
				Total
				(9 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
1	d		 Drawing should indicate each of the following either in one coherent diagram/drawing or separate ones: Means of fixing and controls for light or lights A suitable method to secure the visual output. Eg, Bezel,Clip, MES A suitable method to secure the on/off switch. Eg nut and washer, interference fit 1 mark (Note: If surface mounted visibility or access to switch required) Further labelling and annotation gains an additional mark 1 mark 	1-3 marks
			 Battery fixing and access A diagram showing a battery/batteries/compartment 1 mark An access lid or cover with hinge/sliding/rotary feature 1 mark A pen cell battery box holder, clip or fixture, cable tie, snap connector, Velcro fastener or button cell holder 1 mark 	1-3 marks
			 Circuit fixing and wiring Reference to a PCB or other wired circuit eg: veroboard/matrix board 1 mark Circuit fastened to case with screws, stand offs, or suitable clip or fixture 1 mark Wiring detail shows: edge connector, flying leads connector pins, shrink wrap, terminal blocks or similar 1 mark 	1-3 marks
				l otal (9 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
1	е	i	INPUT - PROCESS- OUTPUT	
			Written in INPUT BOX	
			Sensor or suitable other input transducer / switch / PTM / Rotary SW / Slide SW / Toggle SW / SPST / membrane SW/Tilt switch	1 mark
			Written in PROCESS BOX	
			Oscillator / PIC/ Microcontroller / Astable / 555 IC or other suitable device	1 mark
			Written in OUTPUT BOX	
			LED(s) / LAMPS / EL wire / EL panel or similar	1 mark
				Total (3 marks)
1	e	ii	 A diagram and notes featuring circuit components about how the process block controls the flashing output. Basic explanation no details: eg: 'it sends/receives a signal' or 'it provides power' 1 mark Additional technical detail referring to named process i.e. Astable/Oscillator/Frequency generator/555 or similar response 1 mark High level response including circuit diagram and or control programme (1-2 marks) Clear supporting and relevant sketches 1 mark 	1 -5 marks Total (5 marks)

			Section B	
Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
2	а		LED connection details Indication that it is the flat on case Indication that it is the short leg	1 mark 1 mark
				Total (2 marks)
2	b		Advantages of a 7 segment display compared with separate LEDs Advantages: maximum of 3 marks Simple point – 1 mark each Justified or explained – 2 marks Single package Simpler to assemble Enables a numerical value to be read off up to 9 Has a decimal point built in Available in different sizes Looks better Other suitable responses	1-3 marks
			 Disadvantages : maximum of 3 marks Simple point – 1 mark each Justified or explained – 2 marks More difficult to repair or replace than LEDs Needs a display driver More complicated to drive than LEDs More difficult to design the PCB Needs to be mounted on PCB rather than flying leads Limited LED colour LEDs are more readily available LEDs are easily replaced separately LEDs can be mounted on flying leads away from PC Harder to fit to a case Other suitable responses 	1-3 marks
				Total (6 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
2	C		 State formula used : 1 mark for V=IR or 'Ohms Law' or any variation V/I=R or V/R=I 1 mark for 2 (volts) 1 mark for recognition of 20/1000 (amps) 1 mark for correct answer with units – 100R or Ω or ohms 	Total (4 marks)
2	d		 Explanation of points number of LEDs in series voltage drop across each LED at around 2 volts The need for a resistor to also drop some voltage. The estimated minimum operating voltage of around 4x 2volts. The limited supply voltage available for the number of LEDs Basic/ limited statement with 1 point made 1 mark OR Detailed (2 points) or justified response 2 marks 	Total (2 marks)
2 3	e a		Resistor Colour Code Bands Band 1 Blue Band 2 Grey Band 3 Brown Correctly identifying the two time delay components Components	1 mark 1 mark 1 mark Total (3 marks)
			Components circled Capacitor Resistor	1 mark 1 mark Total (2 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
3	b	i	Correctly identify circuit schematic as a:	
			Monostable	1 mark
				Total (1 mark)
3	b	ii	Explained functions of each part of the timer circuit	
			A- Trigger / PTM to start timer function / Pull up resistor with switch to create negative spike/ pull down PTM	1-2 marks
			 B - 1 mark for recognising that they are timing components or naming them as resistor and capacitor. 1 mark for creates time delay 	1-2 marks
			C - 1 mark for the timer chip with some reference to pin 3 goes high when pin 2 goes low and 1 mark for pin 3 returns low at the end of the time period.	1-2 marks
				Total (6 marks)
3	b	iii	Calculation of time delay for RC 1 mark for formula T = R x C or R x C 1 mark for 100 000 or similar 1 mark for 1000/ 1000 000 or similar 1 mark for correct answer with units (100s) Accept 0.1MΩ x 1000F for 2 marks	1-4 marks
				Total (4 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
4			QWC question This question is about soldering components; the process and health and safety issues	
			6 marks for technical content (1 mark for each point made up to a maximum of 6) which could include some reference to several of these key words:	
			Copper tip, Tin /lead composition, melting point, heat sink, cleaning tip, holding tools, de-soldering, braid, lead free solder, work mat, tweezers, tinning, fume extraction, cold soldering, reflow, flux, multicore, solder side, component side, goggles or safety spectacles, burns, aprons, reference to populating,	
			Or other suitable technical responses	
			4 marks for QWC as follows	
			4 marks Outstanding written response with good grammar, spelling and punctuation.	
			3 marks for good use of space available with minor errors	
			2 marks for limited coverage and some grammatical errors	
			1 mark for poor coverage and/ or significant errors	Total (10 marks)
5	а	-	Give 2 detailed reasons for using microcontrollers:	
			Reason 1 basic 1 mark detailed or justified 2 marks Reason 2 basic 1 mark detailed or justified 2 marks	1-2 marks 1-2 marks
			Responses from the list below	
			 Wide range of functionality Programmable Re-programmable to upgrade or optimise over time Adaptive inputs and outputs It can monitor analogue and digital inputs High speed calculations/operation of device Single chip solution to replace complex circuit Smaller PCB size possible Replace less reliable logic or complex circuits Or other suitable responses 	Total (4 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance		Marks
5	b		1 mark for stating purpose		
			1 mark for explaining why important		
			E.G.		
			 Notch locates some compone Notch indicates top of chip fo Notch helps identify pin 1 on 	ents for placing r pin numbering chip	
					Total
					(2 marks)
5	с		Drawn input details		
			1 mark for each correct point		
			 Push to make switch (PTM) or roll and input wire 	connected to supply	1 mark
			 Resistor connected to PTM/ir 	nput wire and 0 rail	1 mark
			Correct PTM and Resistor sy	mbols used	1 mark
					Total
					(3 marks)
5	d		Micro controller program alternatives for seconds.	1Hz flashing LED for 5	
			Solution could be basic or flowchart or si	imilar	
			Decision on input	1 mark	
			Yes path	1 mark	
			No path loops back	1 mark	
			LEDs/ outputs ON	1 mark	
			Wait for a time	1 mark	
			LEDs / Outputs OFF	1 mark	
			Wait for a time	1 mark	
			Wait times correct to give 1Hz	1 mark	
			Flashing sequence runs for 5 seconds	1 mark	
			Loop back to beginning	1 mark	T -(-)
					(10 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
6			Batteries	
			Three separate simple statements 1 mark each	
			Or three detailed and justified responses 2 marks each.	
			Any reference to the following:	
			Harmful to the environment when disposed of	
			Metals leach into soil and watercourses	
			Use a lot of energy to manufacture	
			Use scarce chemical resources in manufacture	
			Unused batteries left in products leak	
			Direct human health hazard	
				Total (6 marks)
7	а		 On the diagram diode to be drawn in series with the circuit facing clockwise. 1 mark 	
			 Correct Diode symbol used 1 mark (Note: Award mark with or without circle) 	Total (2 marks)
7	b		1 mark for describing diode behaviour	
			2 nd mark for saying how this diode behaviour protects the circuit if the battery is connected the wrong way round.	Total (2 marks)

Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking C	Guidance					Marks
8	а		Corre	ectly identify:					
			AND	, AND gate					
									Total (1 mark)
8	b		Correctly co	mplete truth	table as b	pelow			3 marks
				В	A	Z			
				0	0	0			
				0	1	0			
				1	0	0			
				1	1	1			
									Total
									(3 marks)
9	a		Using CAD: 3 separate From the list A single sim Detailed res • 2 • 3 • 2 • F • F • S • C • M • T • C	responses re t below each ple response ponse justifie D drawing for D visualisatio D files to ger CB layout CB productio CB productio CB production CB produ	equired response ed or qual or product on sign irtual testi or enclo velopmen ead board er- rt design hing langu hing chips	e can be: lified. tion or too AM progra ing- no da sure mod nt time ding	oling ammes amage delling	1 mark 2 marks	Total (6 marks)

Marking Guidance	N	larks
Marking Guidance Vacuum forming process: Single point made Detailed and justified response Detailed response including at least two points NOTE- Do not accept an unqualified 'quick, ear • Reduced production time • Lower costs/ investment required • Improve accuracy/ tolerances • Improve repeatability • Utilises less skilled labour • To form complex shapes more easily • Forming is generally lower cost than fat • Simpler moulds possible • Various self-finished colours possible • Other auitable reappages	1 mark 2 marks 3 marks sy, cheap etc)	farks
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Question	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
Question 9	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance 1 mark for a specific one off product named 1 mark each for points made from the list below, up to 2 marks • Is a single part/product • Often complex and highly specialised • One client • Requires skilled work/workforce • Specialist materials may be required • Expensive to produce in time and tooling • Set up costs and labour costs on one part/product • Bespoke design more customer liaison 1 mark for a specific high volume product named 1 mark each for points made from the list below, up to 2	Marks
			 Expensive to produce in time and tooling Set up costs and labour costs on one part/product Bespoke design more customer liaison 1 mark for a specific high volume product named 1 mark each for points made from the list below, up to 2 marks Tooling required – to allow repeatability Lower unit cost – due to speed of production Design and development cost spread over many units Quality Control Quality Assurance Tolerances – to allow parts and sub-assemblies to fit Less skilled workforce 	
			 Use of jigs and fixtures – as tooling Materials Storage Distribution Packaging requirement Or other suitable factors or criteria 	Total (6 marks)
				TOTAL 120