Hypotheses Mark Scheme

Q1.

| Question | Scheme | Mai | rks |
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| (a) | It is a question (not a hypothesis) | B1 | |
| (b) | Temperature Altitude / height (above sea level) | B1 B1 | (1) |
| | Notes | | |
| (a) | B1 for recognising that a question is not acceptable as a hypothesis | | |
| (b) | B1 for temperature o.e. e.g. '°C' or 'how hot it is' B1 but e.g. 'weather' is B0 B1 for altitude/height o.e. e.g. 'metres above sea level' Accept temperature/height seen within a sentence. Two correct answers may be seen on one line. | | |

Q2.

| Question | Answer | Additional guidance | Mark |
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| | Boys at the school do more exercise than girls There is no difference between the amount of exercise boys and girls at the school do | B1 any sensible hypothesis about boys and girls and exercise (B0 for a question) | (1) |

Q3.

| Question | Answer | Additional guidance | Mark |
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| | B1 eg Longer films have higher box office takings / make more money | B1 for any appropriate hypothesis relating box office takings to film runtime. | (1) |

Q4.

| Question | Scheme | Ma | rks |
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| (a) | e.g. Newer books are borrowed for longer than older books. | B1 | |
| (b) | Age of book, and length of loan (o.e.) | B1 | (1) |

| | Notes |
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| (a) | Allow equivalent or converse statements regarding age and length of loan, but must not be a question. |
| (b) | Accept equivalent descriptions for the correct pair of variables (both needed) Condone 'age' for age of book, but units or 'time' alone for either variable is B0 |

Q5.

| Question | Scheme | Marks |
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| (a) | e.g. Rich countries win more medals than poor countries. | B1 |
| | or, The richer the country the more medals they win. | |
| | | (1) |

| | Notes | |
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| (a) | Any sensible hypothesis (not a question) which implies wealth as a cause and | |
| | medals as response. (Must mention 'medals' here.) | |
| | Accept converse. (e.g. Poorer countries win more medals) | |
| | Condone "number of medals is affected by wealth" | |
| | B0 for a question | |

Q6.

| | 5ST1H_01 Scheme | Marks | |
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| |)A relevant hypothesis relating to books | В1 | |
| L | | | (1) |
| | Notes | | |
| | B1 e.g. Students buy less ebooks than books from shops or More students buy ebooks than books from shops or The amount spent on ebooks is the same as the amount spent on books at shops (B0 for a question) | | |

Q7.

| 5ST1F_01 Mark Scheme | Marks | |
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| Using the new fertiliser gives a heavier crop (than if the previous/no fertiliser is used) oe. | В1 | |
| | | (1) |
| Notes | | |
| Must be a statement, not a question. | | |
| Other hypotheses possible and converses acceptable. | | |
| Must mention new fertiliser and wheat/crop AND imply a comparison. | | |
| Condone 'wheat grows faster with new fertiliser' | | |
| e.g. 'new fertiliser produces a <u>higher</u> crop' B1 | | |
| BUT 'new fertiliser produces a <u>high</u> crop' B0 (no comparison) | | |
| 'Will new fertiliser produces a higher crop' BO (a question) | | |
| 'He will find out if the new fertiliser produces a higher crop' B0 (an aim not a hypothesis about what will | | |
| (h)(i) happen) | | |

Q8.

| Question | Scheme | Marks |
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| | e.g. people feel less (or more) safe in the evening, OR older people feel less (or more) safe than younger people. | B1 |
| | | (1) |
| | Notes | |
| | Many hypotheses are possible but must refer to idea of <u>safety</u> AND to <u>age</u> and/or <u>time of day</u> . (Allow equivalent wording if meaning is clear.) Condone prefixed with 'I believe that' etc BUT must be a statement NOT a question. | |
| | Allow 'more people feel safe in the a.m.' or 'more old people feel unsafe' etc | |

Q9.

| Question | Scheme | Ma | rks |
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| (a) | e.g. longer concerts are more expensive | B1 | |
| | | | (1) |
| (b) | <u>Length of concert / number of hours / number of songs</u> | В1 | |
| | Cost, or price (of ticket) | B1 | |
| | | | (2) |
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Q10.

| Question | Scheme | Marks |
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| ,) | Any relevant hypothesis relating to height and time/speed | B1 (1) |

Q11.

| Question | Answer | Additional guidance | Mark |
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| .) | B1 e.g. Students who score highly in GCSE Mathematics also score highly in A-level Mathematics | B1 for a suitable hypothesis regarding relative performance in the two exams | (1) |

Q12.

| Question | Answer | Additional guidance | Mark |
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| | the hypothesis should be a statement not a question time intervals are not exhaustive (e.g. there is no option for 0 or 7+) time intervals need to be longer as many students are likely to spend more than 6 hours a week a scatter graph is not appropriate (as horizontal axis is not numerical data) it might be difficult for students to know the times as they might go on social media multiple times a day for short periods it is not necessary to know the name of the student he has not planned to collect the relevant information for a time series graph calculating estimates of the means is sensible finding the gender of the student is relevant | B1 for each correct comment on the appropriateness of the hypothesis or plans for collecting, processing and presenting the data | (5) |