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# 2023 Fashion and Textile Technology

## National 5

### Finalised Marking Instructions

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## General marking principles for National 5 Fashion and Textile Technology

*Always apply these general principles. Use them in conjunction with the detailed marking instructions, which identify the key features required in candidates' responses.*

- (a) Always use positive marking. This means candidates accumulate marks for the demonstration of relevant skills, knowledge and understanding; marks are not deducted for errors or omissions.
- (b) If a candidate response does not seem to be covered by either the principles or detailed marking instructions, and you are uncertain how to assess it, you must seek guidance from your team leader.
- (c) Marks for each candidate response must always be assigned in line with these general marking principles and the specific marking instructions for the relevant question.
- (d) For marks to be awarded, responses must relate to the question asked. Where candidates give points of knowledge without specifying the context these should be awarded marks unless it is clear that they do not relate to the context of the question.
- (e) There are four types of question used in this question paper. Each assesses a particular skill, namely:
  - A State/give/name/identify
  - B Describe
  - C Explain
  - D Evaluate.

For each question type, the following generic marking instructions provide an overview of the marking principles and an example of their application.

### A Questions that ask candidates to state/give/name/identify.

Candidates should list a number of relevant items or facts. These must relate to the context of the question and do not need to be in any particular order, up to the total mark allocation.

Up to the total mark allocation for this question:

- award **1 mark** for each accurate relevant point of knowledge linked to the context of the question.

#### For example

**Question** – Name two fabrics that would be suitable for a winter coat.

**Answer** – Wool. (1 mark for correct identification of a fabric suitable for a winter coat.)



**B Questions that ask candidates to describe.**

Candidates should define or give an account of points which must relate to the question.

They do not need to be in any particular order. Candidates may provide a number of straightforward points or a smaller number of developed points, or a combination of these.

Up to the total mark allocation for this question:

- award **1 mark** for each accurate relevant point of knowledge linked to the context of the question.

**For example**

**Question** – Describe two ways of embellishing a top to be worn for sport.

**Answer** – Piping in a fabric that is a contrasting colour to the top could be added to the seams. (1 mark for correct description of way of embellishing a sports top.)

**C Questions that ask candidates to explain.**

Candidates should make the relationship between points clear, for example by giving accurate relevant points, showing connections between these and the context of the question. Candidates may provide a number of straightforward explanations or a smaller number of developed explanations, or a combination of these.

Up to the total mark allocation for this question:

- award **1 mark** for each accurate relevant point.

**For example**

**Question** – Explain two benefits of using a multi-sized paper pattern.

**Answer** – Can ensure a good fit/fewer pattern adaptations will be required/can use a combination of different sized pattern pieces, so useful for people who are not a standard size. (1 mark for accurate relevant point linked to the use of a multi-sized paper pattern.)

**D Questions that ask candidates to evaluate.**

Candidates should make a number of evaluative comments which make a judgement based on the information provided, related to the context of the question. Candidates may provide a number of straightforward observations or a smaller number of developed observations, or a combination of these.

Up to the mark allocation for this question:

- award **1 mark** for each relevant evaluative comment linked to the context of the question
- award a **second mark** for any evaluative comment that is developed.

**For example**

**Question** – Evaluate the suitability of 95% cotton/5% elastane fabric for a sports top.

**Answer** – Cotton is very absorbent, and this fabric will soak up sweat which may occur during exercise. (1 mark for comment) This will keep the sportsperson more comfortable. (a further mark for the development of the comment.)

Marking instructions for each question

Question		Expected response	Max mark	Additional guidance
1.	(a)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• viscose</li> <li>• rayon</li> <li>• acetate</li> <li>• triacetate</li> <li>• modal</li> <li>• tencel</li> <li>• lyocel</li> <li>• bamboo.</li> </ul> <p><b>Or any other valid response.</b></p>	1	<p>Candidates should be given <b>1 mark</b> for correctly identifying a regenerated fibre which could be used to manufacture the fitness top.</p>
	(b)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• highly absorbent so will absorb perspiration</li> <li>• highly absorbent so will accept dye</li> <li>• washable so dress can be washed easily</li> <li>• soft/smooth to touch so comfortable to wear/won't irritate wearer</li> <li>• drapes well so dress retains smart appearance</li> <li>• comfortable to wear as fabric will move with wearer</li> <li>• breathable so will wick perspiration away from the skin/making the dress comfortable to wear in warm weather</li> <li>• eco-friendly so will appeal to environmentally conscious consumers</li> </ul> <p><b>Or any other valid response.</b></p>	2	<p>Candidates should describe <b>two</b> properties/characteristics of their chosen fibre which make it suitable for the maxi dress.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for each relevant property/characteristic linked to the context of the question.</p> <p>Do not award marks for general comments about properties/characteristics of the fibres.</p>

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(c)	<p>Candidates responses could include:</p> <p><b>Advantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• elastane would improve elasticity of fibres making fabric of dress slightly stretchy/more comfortable to wear</li> <li>• elastane would improve shape retention allowing dress to retain shape</li> <li>• elastane allows fabric to mould to body so would allow dress to fit more closely around bust area.</li> <li>• elastane is abrasion resistant and helps prevent pilling of fabric thus retaining smart appearance</li> <li>• elastane is breathable a making the dress comfortable to wear in warm weather.</li> </ul> <p><b>Disadvantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• elastane is heat sensitive so care must be taken when washing/drying to ensure elastane is not damaged – loses its stretch</li> <li>• elastane yellows with age so unsuitable for use in white items as it will ruin the appearance.</li> <li>• elastane traps odours</li> </ul> <p><b>Or any other valid response.</b></p>	<b>2</b>	<p>Candidates can give a combination of advantages/disadvantages up to the maximum marks.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for each advantage/disadvantage of elastane.</p>

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(d)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <p><b>Advantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as the flexibility/stretch of knitted fabrics will make the dress comfortable to wear.</li> <li>• suitable as knitted fabrics drape beautifully therefore dress will sit well against the body</li> <li>• suitable as knitted fabrics have excellent drape so skirt will move well when worn</li> <li>• suitable as knitted fabrics are soft so it will therefore be comfortable to wear</li> <li>• suitable as the knitted fabric will trap air so will keep the wearer warm if dress is worn on cold summer evening</li> <li>• suitable as knitted fabric is more absorbent so will absorb moisture/perspiration from the consumer keeping them comfortable if dress is worn in warm weather</li> <li>• knitted fabrics crease less so dress will retain smart appearance during wear</li> <li>• crease resistant therefore will not need ironing after laundering so less time consuming.</li> <li>• knitted fabrics can be fully fashioned meaning there are less seams which could rub against the skin making the dress more comfortable to wear.</li> </ul> <p><b>Disadvantages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• knitted fabrics may run or ladder if caught detracting from appearance of dress/offering less value for money.</li> <li>• less suitable as the knitted fabric will stretch, so the dress may not retain a good shape/have dimensional stability</li> <li>• less suitable as the fabric will could distort/twist, so the dress may not withstand agitation of washing.</li> </ul>	3	<p>Candidates should make a number of evaluative comments related to the context of the question.</p> <p>Candidates must make evaluative comments on the suitability of knitted fabrics for the maxi dress.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for each relevant evaluative comment linked to the context of the question.</p> <p>Award marks for each response that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identifies a relevant property of knitted fabrics</li> <li>• includes an appropriate judgement linked to the requirements of the maxi dress.</li> </ul> <p>Do not award marks for general comments about properties/characteristics of knitted fabric.</p>

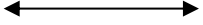
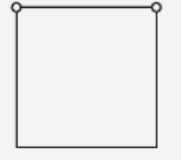
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	(e)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• knitted fabrics curl when cut</li> <li>• weft knitted fabrics can unravel/ladder/fray</li> <li>• fabric can stretch so may be difficult to cut accurate pattern pieces</li> <li>• use a rotary cutter rather than scissors as this allows fabric to remain flat- less stretching.</li> </ul>	2	<p>Candidate must state <b>two</b> factors to consider when cutting knitted fabrics.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for each relevant factor.</p>

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2.	(a)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <p><b>Felled seam:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• strong seam which will withstand wear and tear of frequent use by child so dungarees will last</li> <li>• seam lies flat against the skin so less rubbing-comfortable for child to wear</li> <li>• all raw edges are enclosed so seam is less likely to fray/come undone making the dungarees more durable during play.</li> </ul> <p><b>Adjustable straps:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• allow straps to be adjusted to fit the child making them more comfortable to wear</li> <li>• allows straps to be extended as child grows enabling the dungarees to be worn for longer</li> <li>• easy for the child to undo on their own so giving child some independence.</li> </ul> <p><b>Patch pocket on front bib:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• provides storage for small items/toys which a child may want to carry</li> <li>• provides a decorative feature where embellishment could be applied to make it more appealing to the child,</li> </ul> <p><b>Popper studs on side waist opening:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• easy for child to open and close encouraging independent dressing</li> <li>• coloured poppers could be used to compliment embellishments/enhance the design and make it more eye catching for the child.</li> </ul> <p><b>Or any other valid response.</b></p>	4	<p>Candidate should give <b>one</b> explanation as to why each construction technique is appropriate linked to the context of the question.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for each explanation linked to the requirements of the children's dungarees.</p>

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(b)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <p><b>65% cotton</b></p> <p><b>Strong/abrasion resistant:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as it will withstand the wear and tear, necessary as the dungarees may be worn frequently</li> <li>• suitable as will withstand the agitation/high temperature that washing of children’s clothes requires</li> <li>• suitable as the dungarees will be durable, so will withstand play/will not need replaced often/may be more cost effective.</li> </ul> <p><b>Strong when wet:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as the dungarees may be soiled/stained/children may be messy, so will withstand agitation required to get the dungarees clean</li> <li>• suitable as the dungarees will withstand machine washing</li> <li>• less suitable as the dungarees may shrink, so may not fit properly after washing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Absorbent:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as the dungarees will absorb perspiration, so will be more comfortable for the child to wear/it will be warm in summer</li> <li>• suitable as the dungarees will absorb dye easily, so will maintain their colour/will be less likely to fade</li> <li>• less suitable as it will take a long time to dry, so will be more difficult to care for/may be required soon.</li> </ul> <p><b>Crease resistance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• less suitable as the dungarees will not shed creases readily, so may look untidy</li> <li>• less suitable as the dungarees creases easily, so will require more ironing/be more difficult to care for.</li> </ul>	<b>4</b>	<p>Candidates should explain <b>four</b> advantages/disadvantages of using a cotton/polyester fabric to make the Child’s dungarees.</p> <p>Candidates can give advantages/disadvantages of either fibre or of a polycotton blend.</p> <p>Candidates can give any combination of advantages/disadvantages up to the maximum marks available.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for each relevant explanation linked to the context of the question.</p> <p>Award marks for each response that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identifies a relevant property of cotton/polyester or polycotton blend</li> <li>• includes an appropriate judgement about the identified fabric property</li> <li>• is specifically linked to the requirements of the child’s dungarees.</li> </ul> <p>Do not award marks for general comments about properties/characteristics of any fibre.</p>

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	<p><b>35% polyester</b></p> <p><b>Durable/abrasion resistance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable durable/withstand wear and tear, necessary as dungarees may be worn frequently</li> <li>• suitable as will withstand frequent washing as dungarees may be soiled/stained so will withstand agitation required to remove stains.</li> </ul> <p><b>Crease resistance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as sheds creases easily dungarees will require little ironing to maintain appearance</li> <li>• less suitable as permanent creasing occurs if washed at high temperatures/spun at high speeds so dungarees will not look smart.</li> </ul> <p><b>Absorbency:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as low absorbency which means dungarees will be quick drying, so will be ready to wear again</li> <li>• less suitable as will not absorb perspiration, so will be uncomfortable to wear</li> <li>• less suitable as dye may fade when washed, so the colour of the dungarees may be less appealing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Elasticity:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as does not stretch so dungarees will retain their shape well so will maintain a smart appearance</li> <li>• less suitable as there will be no movement in the fabric, so dungarees may be less comfortable to wear.</li> </ul>		

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	<p><b>Mix/blend</b></p> <p><b>Strength/abrasion resistance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as both fibres are strong/strength will not be compromised by the mix/blend, will withstand wear and tear well</li> <li>• suitable as dungarees can be machine washed which will save parent time, so dungarees will be ready for wear again quickly</li> <li>• suitable as fabric is unlikely to shrink so dungarees will still fit properly after laundering and will last for a period of time offering value for money.</li> </ul> <p><b>Crease resistance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as cotton can crease badly, polyester will help the fabric to shed creases, so dungarees will be smarter/will need less ironing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Absorbency:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable as 35% polyester will make the dungarees dry quicker/ will be quicker drying than cotton alone, so will be ready for next day</li> <li>• suitable as the 65% cotton will make the dungarees more absorbent, so will be comfortable to wear.</li> </ul> <p><b>Or any other valid response.</b></p>		

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	(c)	<p>Responses could include:</p>  <p>Grain line/place on straight of grain</p> <p>Pocket placement</p> 	2	<p>The candidate must correctly identify the pattern markings.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for correct identification of each pattern marking.</p>

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3.	(a)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• miniskirts - shorter length</li> <li>• geometric, block prints and psychedelic 'Pucci' prints in bold contrasting colours</li> <li>• sleeveless shift</li> <li>• turtle neck</li> <li>• flared trousers</li> <li>• space age white and silver, astronaut inspired</li> <li>• the 'Mod' style of close fitted trousers and fitted jackets</li> <li>• the Parka jacket favoured by 'mods'.</li> </ul> <p>Or any other valid response.</p>	4	<p>Candidates must identify key fashion trends from the 1960's.</p> <p>Award <b>1 mark</b> for each explanation that shows a link between:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a feature of the 1960's fashion trend.</li> </ul>

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(b)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• suitable for manufacturer as they do not incur the cost of having physical premises</li> <li>• suitable as wider audience to sell product to as global audience therefore more likely to attract potential buyers</li> <li>• suitable as convenient for buyers as they can bid on multiple auctions in the same day at a time that is suitable to them</li> <li>• suitable as consumer could get a bargain if there is limited interest in the item enabling consumers to buy an item normally out-with their price range</li> <li>• suitable as consumer may be able to buy product not readily available from other sites increasing consumer choice</li> <li>• suitable as positive reviews may result in increased sales</li> <li>• unsuitable as consumer cannot gauge quality of item and therefore item may be unsuitable/not as expected when it arrives</li> <li>• unsuitable as price bid will not include postage and packing which will increase overall cost</li> <li>• unsuitable as consumers may be reluctant to buy from online auctions due to increased chance of fraudulent companies gaining bank details</li> <li>• unsuitable as technical glitches could occur meaning site crashes or consumers cannot enter auction</li> <li>• unsuitable as manufacturer pays commission to auction site thus increasing costs</li> <li>• unsuitable as seller may not receive full value of item if people are not bidding.</li> </ul> <p><b>Or any other valid response.</b></p>	3	<p>Candidates should make a number of evaluative comments linked to the context of the question.</p> <p>Candidates must make evaluative comments on the suitability of online auction sites for selling the new collection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• award <b>1 mark</b> for each relevant evaluative comment linked to the context of the question.</li> </ul>

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(c)	<p>Possible candidate responses could include</p> <p><b>Style:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• designs should be appropriate for the target age group</li> <li>• designs should appeal to/suit a wide range of body types</li> <li>• should be appropriate/practical to wear</li> <li>• designs in the collection should include related features to encourage sales of more than one item</li> <li>• should be appropriate for the season.</li> </ul> <p><b>Fabrics/embellishments/component to be used:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• should be of sufficient quality to enable the item to be worn/launched repeatedly</li> <li>• should ensure the item is comfortable to wear</li> <li>• should be suitable for the age of the target group/function of item</li> <li>• should ensure the item is easy to care for/does not need specialist cleaning.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cost:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• should not be too expensive as item may be for short-term/special occasion wear</li> <li>• should represent good value for money as may be an item to be worn repeatedly</li> <li>• should be priced to make a profit for the retailer.</li> </ul> <p><b>Or any other valid response.</b></p>	3	Candidate should explain <b>three</b> factors to be considered when designing the collection for teenagers.

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