

Functional Skills in Mathematics Level 2 – Mark scheme

Sample Assessment Materials - Paper: RFSML2SAM01

Task 1 NC	Process (Task description)	Total mark	Mark allocation	Comments	PS or US	Subject content
Question 1	Correct addition of fractions	2	1 mark: Correct addition of two or more fractions or mixed numbers, eg $1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = 2\frac{1}{4}$		US	7b
	Correct mileage		1 mark: Calculate total mileage ie $4\frac{1}{6}$ miles	Accept 4.16, 4.17	US	7b
Question 2	Correct order	1	1 mark: $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{5}{8}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{7}{6}$, $\frac{4}{3}$	Do not accept largest to smallest. Accept $1\frac{1}{6}$ and $1\frac{1}{3}$.	US	7a
Question 3	Correct division	1	1 mark: $273696 \div 24 = 11404$		US	2
Question 4	Use formula to calculate surface area	2	1 mark: $15 \times 15 = (225)$ $225 \times 6 = (1350)$		US	17b
	Correct answer with units		1 mark: 1350cm^2	Must show units	US	17b
Question 5a	Use scale accurately	2	1 mark: Valid method to calculate length, eg $7.5 \times 1500 = (11250)$ OR $1.5 \times 7.5 = (11.25)$ OR Other valid method	May be implied if 11.25 seen	PS	18a
	Correct length in metres		1 mark: correct length shown ie 11.25 (m)	Units not required	PS	18a
Question 5b	Method to find area of patio	3	2 marks: Valid method to find the area of the trapezium eg $\frac{1}{2} (8.4 + 6.6) \times 4 = (30)$ OR $(8.4 \times 4) - (1/2 \times 1.8 \times 4)$ OR $(6.6 \times 4) + (1/2 \times 1.8 \times 4)$ OR Other valid method	Award 1 mark for correct area of triangle, 3.6m^2	PS	16b
	Correct area of patio		1 mark: Overall area of patio, ie 30m^2	Units required	PS	16b

Question 5c	Calculate amount of dry mixture	4	1 mark: Calculate total amount of dry mixture required, eg $30 \times 20\text{kg} = 600\text{kg}$.	Allow FT for their area.	PS	11a
	Understanding of ratio shown		1 mark: Evidence of understanding of correct use of ratio, eg 1 in 6 OR $1/6^{\text{th}}$ OR 6 parts seen OR $20/6$ OR other valid calculations of ratio.	Award if 3.33 seen Award if 100 seen	PS	11a
	Method to calculate number of bags of cement		1 mark: Method to calculate no of bags of cement, eg $(600 \times 1/6) \div 25$ OR $600 \div 6 \div 25$ OR 3.33×30 AND $99.99 \div 125$ OR equivalent valid calculation.	Allow FT for their amount of dry mix.	PS	11a
	Correct number of bags of cement		1 mark: Correct answer, ie 4 bags.	Allow FT for their amount of dry mix	PS	11a

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Question 6	Calculate total budget for house	5	1 mark: $((28\ 145 \times 3.5) + 4\ 875) = (\pounds)103\ 382.50$	Accept 103 382.5	PS	2
	Method to convert distance		1 mark: $0.6\ (m) \times 1.6 = (0.96\ km)$	Accept any valid method to convert distance from miles to km Implied if 0.96 seen	PS	14a
	Interpret scatter graph		1 mark: Identify cost of available house at required distance from station =	Allow between 105 000 and 107 000 Award mark if implied by explanation.	PS	28b
	Correct final answer and reason		1 mark: No (with valid calculations) 1 mark: for valid reason, eg because he needs $\pounds 105\ 000$ but he can only afford $\pounds 103\ 382.50$	Accept second mark for reason on FT if a correct reason is given based on their calculations.	PS	28b
Question 7	Find the mode	1	1 mark: Correct mode, ie 11		US	23b
Question 8	List in order of size	2	1 mark: Correct order ie: 9 9.5 10 10.5 11 12 15 23		US	23a
	Correct median		1 mark: Correct median, ie 10.75.		US	23a
Question 9	Calculate time taken to walk	2	1 mark: Correct calculation of the time to walk to the station, eg $2\ miles\ at\ 3mph = 2 \div 3 \times 60 = 40\ mins$	Accept 0.66 hours.	PS	15a
	Correct time for leaving house		1 mark: Correct time to leave home, ie 9.22(am)		PS	15a

Question 10	Method to calculate compound interest	5	1 mark: Correct calculation of interest 1.75% of £8500 eg $0.175 \times 8500 = (\pounds)148.75$ for Money Saver	Award if 8648.75 or 8954.10 seen	PS	13a
	Correct interest after 3 years for Money Saver		2 marks: Correct calculation for compound interest used to find Money Saver balance after 3 years, eg Correct amount after 1 year ie $8500 + 148.75 = (\pounds)8648.75$ then Correct amount after 2 years ie $8648.75 + 151.35 = (\pounds)8800.10$ then Correct amount after 3 years ie $8800.10 + 154.00 = (\pounds)8954.10$	Award 1 mark for correct balance of Money Saver account after 2 years. Award 2 marks if 8954.10 seen. Award 1 mark for correct method. Allow FT for their interest. Units not required.	PS	13a
			Correct interest for Bonus Saver	1 mark: Correct answer for Bonus Saver ie $(\pounds)8946.25$	Units not required	PS
	Difference in total balances		1 mark: £7.85		PS	13a
Task 3	Process (Task description)	Total mark	Mark allocation	Comments	PS or US	Subject content
Question 11	Correct substitution	3	1 mark: Correct substitution into formula.		US	3
	Correct answer to part in brackets		1 mark: 0.2 OR 1/5 OR 1/25 seen.	May be implied if 4 seen	US	12
	Correct % given		1 mark: 4	% sign not required	US	12
Question 12a	Method to calculate sun hours in 2017	3	1 mark: Valid method to calculate 2017 sun hours from the given mean, eg 94.5×12 months = 1134	May be implied if 31 seen.	PS	25
	Find total sun hours except Dec 2017		1 mark: Add $47 + 61 + 119 + 128 + 214 + 108 + 144 + 126 + 94 + 56 + 6 (= 1103)$	May be implied if 31 seen.	PS	25
	Subtraction		1 mark: $1134 - 1103 = 31$ OR Other valid calculation method AND 'Yes, Raheema is correct'	Do not award if 31 not seen.	PS	25

Question 12b	Correct year identified by comparing ranges	1	1 mark: 2017 Eg $206 - 21 = 185$ AND $214 - 6 = 208$	Do not award if no supporting calculations of range.	PS	25
Question 12c	Correct kWh calculated	3	1 mark: Correct number of kWh ie. $1.225 \div 1.09 = 1.123853211009174$	Award for rounding to 2 or 3 dp, ie 1.12 OR 1.124	PS	10d
	Correct kWh per month		1 mark: Correct number of kWh in June, ie $1.123853211009174 \times 108 = 121.376146789$	Allow FT from their number of kWh Allow FT for rounded figures, eg $1.124 \times 108 = 121.392$ $1.12 \times 108 = 120.96$	PS	10c
	Correct cost of electricity		1 mark: Correct cost of electricity, ie $121.376146789 \times 0.143 = (\pounds)17.35$ OR $\pounds 17.36$	Allow FT for rounded figures to 2 or 3 dp, eg $120.96 \times 0.143 = (\pounds)17.29$ OR 17.30 $121.392 \times 0.143 = (\pounds)17.36$ $121.4 \times 0.143 = 17.36$ Allow for rounding. Do not award for more or less than 2 dp.	PS	10c

Question 12d	Method to calculate volume	5	1 mark: Valid method $3.14 \times 0.4 \times 0.4 \times 1 = (0.5024)$	Must be consistent units. Do not award for use of diameter.	PS	17a
	Correct volume		1 mark: Correct answer = 0.5024 Accept 0.502 – 0.503 <i>Can use range of 3.14 to 3.142 for pi.</i>	May be implied if 0.5024 seen.	PS	17a
	Method to convert volume to gallons		1 mark: Method to convert volume to gallons, eg 0.5024×219.97	Allow FT for their volume. May be implied if 110.51 gallons seen.	PS	14c
	Correct number of gallons		1 mark: Correct number of gallons = 110.51 (gallons)		PS	14c
	Valid explanation given		1 mark: Valid explanation, eg “Yes, she is correct, the container will hold more than 100 gallons”.	Accept other valid answers. Do not accept ‘yes’ without supporting calculations. Allow FT for incorrect volume or number of gallons.	PS	17a
Task 4	Process (Task description)	Total mark	Mark allocation	Comments	PS or US	Subject content
Question 13	Plot coordinate on grid	1	1 mark: Point plotted correctly on graph		US	19
Question 14	Calculate the decimal	2	1 mark: correct calculation of decimal, ie $(144 \div 240 = 0.6)$ converted to $6/10$		US	8
	Convert to fraction in simplest form		1 mark: $3/5$		US	8

Question 15a	Correct entry fees and percentage	4	1 mark: Complete entry fees in table, ie £300 and 25%	May be implied if 1200 or 228 or 384 or 108 or 180 seen.	PS	11b
	Calculate the ratio		1 mark: Find appropriate ratio, ie £:% as 300:25 OR 12:1 or 300×4 .	May be implied if 1200 or 228 or 384 or 108 or 180 seen.	PS	11b
	Calculate total income		1 mark: Find total income, ie (£) 1200.	Units not required.	PS	11b
	Calculate total profit		1 mark: Calculate total profit, ie $1200 - 175 - 85 = (£) 940$	Allow FT using their total income figure. Units not required.	PS	11b
Question 15b	Correct circumference	5	1 mark: Correct circumference of a cake, eg $2 \times 80 \times 3.14 = 502.4\text{mm}$, accept 502 - 503mm	May be implied if 502-503 seen. May use metres or cm eg 8cm or 0.08m	PS	16a
	Correct ribbon length for 15 cakes		1 mark: Calculate ribbon length for 15 cakes, ie $502.4 \times 15 = 7536\text{mm}$	Alt method 12.5% first then $\times 15$	PS	16a
	Calculate extra 12.5%		1 mark: Calculate 112.5%, eg 7536×1.125 OR equivalent = 8478(mm) Accept 8475 – 8481(mm).	Award if correct answer seen	PS	6
	Rounded length		1 mark: 9(m) required	Units not required.	PS	6
	Calculate cost		1 mark: correct calculation of cost, eg $9(\text{m}) \times £4.95 = £44.55$	Award if correct answer seen	PS	6

Question 15c	Probability of winning a prize and of spin made by a girl	3	1 mark: Correct probability of a spin winning a prize given, eg $\frac{1}{3}$ OR $\frac{4}{12}$ AND Correct probability of a spin being made by a girl, ie $\frac{1}{2}$ or 0.5	May be implied if $\frac{1}{6}$ th seen.	PS	27a			
	Method to calculate probability of 2 events		1 mark: Method to calculate probability of a person being a girl and winning a prize, ie $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} =$ OR $0.5 \times 0.33 =$				Allow FT for their two individual probabilities. May be implied if $\frac{1}{6}$ th seen.	PS	26
	Correct probability of 2 events		1 mark - Correct probability of 2 events, ie $\frac{1}{6}$ OR 0.166 OR 16.6%				Allow FT for their two individual probabilities.	PS	26

Annotation notes:

Annotation	Meaning
US	Underpinning skills
PS	Problem solving skills
FT	Follow through
(...)	Information that is not required for the mark point

Functional Skills in Mathematics Level 2 – Mapping matrix

Paper number (Sample Assessment Material)	RFSML2SAM01									
Task number	T1		T2		T3		T4		Total	%
Total number of marks per task	15		15		15		15			
Problem Solving (PS) maximum marks	9		12		12		12		Total no of sub-elements mapped = 28	
Underpinning skills (US) maximum marks	6		3		3		3			
Tick the boxes to confirm that T2, T3 and T4 contain a 5-8 mark question reflecting a multi-step calculation.			✓		✓		✓			
Level 2 Subject Content	PS	US	PS	US	PS	US	PS	US		
1a. Write positive and negative numbers of any size										
1b. Order and compare positive and negative numbers of any size										
2. Carry out calculations with numbers up to one million including strategies to check answers including estimation and approximation		1(Q3)	1(Q6)						2	
3. Evaluate expressions and make substitutions in given formulae in words and symbols						1(Q11)			1	
4. Identify the equivalence between fractions, decimals and percentages										
5a. Work out percentages of amounts										
5b. Express one amount as a percentage of another										
6. Calculate percentage change (any size increase and decrease), and original value after percentage change							3(Q15b)		3	
7a. Order and compare amounts or quantities using proper and improper fractions and mixed numbers		1(Q2)							1	
7b. Add amounts or quantities using proper and improper fractions and mixed numbers		2(Q1)							2	
7c. Subtract amounts or quantities using proper and improper fractions and mixed numbers										
8. Express one number as a fraction of another								2 (Q14)	2	
9a. Order and compare decimals										
9b. Approximate decimals										

10a. Add decimals up to three decimal places										
10b. Subtract decimals up to three decimal places										
10c. Multiply decimals up to three decimal places					2(Q12c)				2	
10d. Divide decimals up to three decimal places					1(Q12c)				1	
11a. Calculate using ratios	4(Q5c)								4	
11b. Calculate using direct proportion							4(Q15a)		4	
11c. Calculate using inverse proportion										
12. Follow the order of precedence of operators, including indices						2(Q11)			2	
Total: Number and number system									24	40
13a. Calculate compound interest			4(Q10)						4	
13b. Calculate percentage increases, decreases and discounts including tax and simple budgeting			1(Q10)						1	
14a. Convert between metric and imperial units of length, using i) a conversion factor ii) a conversion graph			1(Q6)						1	
14b. Convert between metric and imperial units of weight using i) a conversion factor ii) a conversion graph										
14c. Convert between metric and imperial units of capacity using i) a conversion factor ii) a conversion graph					2(Q12d)				2	
15a. Calculate using compound measures including speed			2(Q9)						2	
15b. Calculate using compound measures including density										
15c. Calculate using compound measures including rates of pay										
16a. Calculate perimeters including triangles and circles and composite shapes including non-rectangular shapes (formulae given except for triangles and circles)							2(Q15b)		2	
16b. Calculate areas of 2-D shapes including triangles and circles and composite shapes including non-rectangular shapes (formulae given except for triangles and circles)	3(Q5b)								3	
17a. Use formulae to find volumes of 3-D shapes including cylinders (formulae to be given for 3-D shapes other than cylinders)					3(Q12d)				3	

17b. Use formulae to find surface areas of 3-D shapes including cylinders (formulae to be given for 3-D shapes other than cylinders)		2(Q4)							2			
18a. Calculate actual dimensions from scale drawings	2(Q5a)								2			
18b. Create a scale diagram given actual measurements												
19. Use coordinates in 2-D, positive and negative, to specify the positions of points								1(Q13)	1			
20. Understand and use common 2-D representations of 3-D objects												
21. Draw 3-D shapes to include plans and elevations												
22. Calculate values of angles and/or coordinates with 2-D and 3-D shapes												
Total: Measure, shape and space									23	38		
23a. Calculate the median of a set of quantities				2(Q8)					2			
23b. Calculate the mode of a set of quantities				1(Q7)					1			
24. Estimate the mean of a grouped frequency distribution from discrete data												
25. Use the mean, median, mode and range to compare two sets of data						3(Q12a) 1(Q12b)			4			
26. Work out the probability of combined events, including using diagrams and two-way tables								2(Q15c)	2			
27a. Express probabilities as fractions								1(Q15c)	1			
27b. Express probabilities as decimals												
27c. Express probabilities as percentages												
28a. Draw scatter diagrams												
28b. Interpret scatter diagrams			3 (Q6)						3			
28c. Recognise positive and negative correlation												
Total: Handling data									13	22		
Total Mark	PS/US	Total %	9	6	12	3	12	3	12	3	60	100

Problem solving and decision making requirements: Indicate the question numbers where this is required	Task 1		Task 2		Task 3		Task 4	
Read, understand, and use mathematical information and mathematical terms	Q5a, 5b, 5c		Q6, 10		Q12a, 12b, 12c, 12d		Q15a, 15b, 15c	
Address individual problems based on a combination of the knowledge and/or skills from the mathematical content areas (number and the number system; measures, shape and space; information and data). Some problems draw upon a combination of all three mathematical areas and require learners to make connections between those content areas.	Q5c		Q6, 10		Q12c, 12d		Q15a, 15b	
Use mathematical information and terms in a problem	Q5a, 5b		Q6, 10		Q12a, 12b, 12c, 12d		Q15a, 15b, 15c	
Use knowledge and understanding to a required level of accuracy	Q5a, 5b, 5c		Q6, 10		Q12c, 12d		Q15a, 15b	
Identify suitable operations and calculations to generate results	Q5a, 5b, 5c		Q6, 10		Q12a, 12b, 12c, 12d		Q15a, 15b, 15c	
Analyse and interpret answers in the context of the original problem			Q6, 10		Q12a, 12c, 12d		Q15a, 15b, 15c	
Check the sense and reasonableness of answers	Q5a, 5b, 5c		Q6, 10		Q12d, 12e		Q15a, 15b	
Present and explain results clearly and accurately demonstrating reasoning to support the process and show consistency with the evidence presented.			Q6		Q12d			