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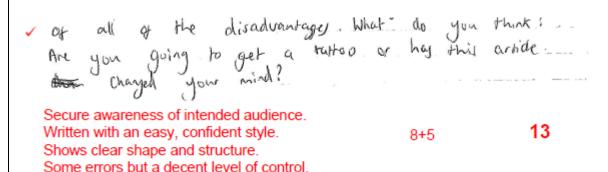
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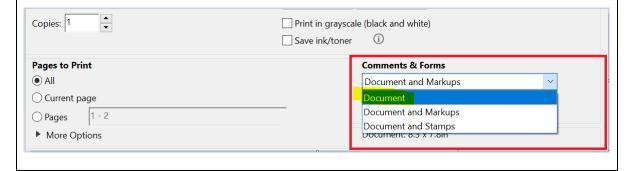
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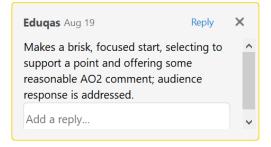
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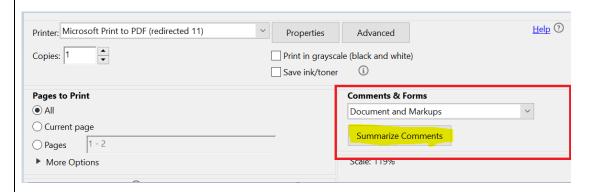
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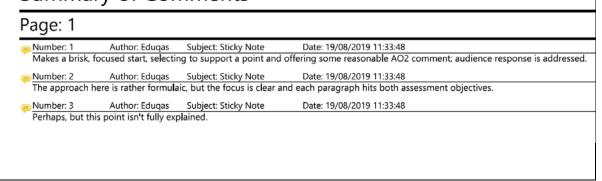
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UNIT 1 PRODUCT DESIGN

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Q1	Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacture (CAD/CAM) is a common method of designing and manufacturing products used by many companies.			nethod
		AO3	AO4	Mark
(a)	Explain the basic principle used by the two CAM machines named below.		✓	4
	Each response must have a brief explanation of the CAM process.			
	Guidance to markers			
	Incorrect/no response.	0	Mark	
	Brief explanation of process.	1	Mark	
	Detailed explanation of processes.	2 N	Marks	
	Example: Laser cutter/engraver. A laser cutter/engraver uses a laser light (1) focused on a material material at a high temperature (1).	to vapor	ize	
	3D printer. A 3D printer constructs a solid object from thousands of slices (1). Those layers bonded together to form a solid object (1).			
	Accept any other appropriate responses. i.e. particle dust.			

		AO3	AO4	Mark		
(b)	State an appropriate CAM machine for the batch manufacture of this decoration and explain the advantages and disadvantages of your selected machine.		✓	4		
	The response must name a CAM machine and explain advantages disadvantages of the selected CAM machine.	and				
	Guidance to markers					
	Incorrect/no response.	0	mark			
	Candidates need to address both advantages and disadvantages to marks.	achiev	e full			
	If a candidate lists each response you may award.	1	mark			
	If a candidate elaborates each response you may award.	s each response you may award. 2 marks				
	Maximum of 3 marks if the advantages or disadvantages are solely listed.					
	Laser Cutter (one advantage and one disadvantage 1 mark for elements are produced little waste material reducing material costs Laser will accurately produce the desired design. Laser produces a burnt edge that will need further finishing When programmed lasers can reproduce the same shape no relatively quickly.	before				
	OR					
	CNC Router (one advantage and one disadvantage 1 mark for e A router will produce a decoration with clean edges saving f A router will produce more waste in the form of sawdust inc material costs. A router will have a radius on all internal corners and is less When programmed routers can reproduce the same shape	inishing reasing accura	ite.			
	Accept any other appropriate response.					

Answer all questions.

- 1. Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacture (CAD/CAM) is a common method of designing and manufacturing products used by many companies.
 - (a) Explain the basic principle used by the two CAM machines named below.
 - (i) Machine: Laser cutter

 Principle: The basical principal of a laser cutter is to

 cut through a engrave a pointer material. Also Doing so using
 a concentrated beam of light/heat. It can be used

 to make details details on products
 - (ii) Machine: 3D printer is a CAM machine that

 Principle: A 3D printer is a CAM machine that

 building layering a up a certain material life ABC for example

 It is usefull to make models as its quich & so simple
 - (b) The CAD drawing below shows a proposed design for a wooden hanging decoration. The decoration will be manufactured from 3 mm plywood.

State an appropriate CAM machine for the batch manufacture of this decoration and explain the advantages and disadvantages of your selected machine. [4]



Name of CAM machine: 2D design

2D design comes with multiple advantages, for example it allows the user to design advantages, for example it allows the user to design and the save the trained to use it which will take time o wise conditions.

As you can come back to it as well as send it would have any where.

However 2D design can can be expensive as a program and the designer has to be trained to use it which will take time o wise condition.

Q2	Working in a manufacturing environment can be a hazardous activity and as a result suitable safe working practices must be employed.						
		AO3	AO4	Mark			
(a)	Explain the meaning of the sign shown below.		✓	2			
	The response must state that the yellow triangle is a warning sign. The flames indicate a flammable material.						
	Incorrect/no response.	0	Mark				
	Identification of the warning sign.	1	Mark				
	Identification of flammable material.	1	Mark				
		AO3	AO4	Mark			
(b)	Write a detailed risk assessment for a machine or piece of equipment you have used.		√	6			
	The response must state the equipment or machine being used.						
	Guidance to markers						
	Incorrect/no response.	0	mark				
	One mark can be awarded if the candidate mentions the use of or rethe five step risk assessment.		e to mark				
	Identify the hazard Examples: Hand contact with sanding belt when in use. Entanglement in belt when in use. Dust. Material Jamming/wedging in moving parts.	1	mark				
	Decide who might be harmed Examples: User/Individual operating the equipment. Individuals in close proximity of the equipment.	1	mark				
	Evaluate the risk and establish precautions/best practice	1	mark				
	Examples: Chance of hand contact, Individuals given clear instructions and demonstrations. Face guards to be used. Entanglement when in use, Individual use PPE, Hair tied back, items removed. Material jamming, Individuals given clear instruction on the safe practice with machine.	d jeweller	ry/lose				
	 Record any significant findings Examples: Identify any issues following the assessment being carried out of Linisher/Sander. Complete a record of any incidents that have occurred on the linisher/Sander. 		mark				
	Review the risk assessment and update if required Review use of linisher/sander annually. Review use of linisher/sander following an accident. Accept any other appropriate response.	1	mark				

- Working in a manufacturing environment can be a hazardous activity and as a result suitable safe working practices must be employed.
 - (a) Explain the meaning of the sign shown below.

[2]



Heroaulde



This sign indicates a warning of a flameable object or right of fire, you can see this from the picture, of a flame and because A a black triangle and yellow fell inside tho sign indicates warning

(b) Write a detailed risk assessment for a machine or piece of equipment you have used. [6]

Name of machine or piece of equipment:

littly you need to first look for any hazards it will have for example if the safte safety stop buttom is learly visible and working. You would also need to check that the drill bit is in securly and all mechanisms are in working order. Other assessments would be checking that theres open space around the drill to prevent some one from humping into to the user another rish that would need checking in the quality of the machine, are the drill bits sharp and rotating hardle isn't stiff. Assessments should also be in place to warn about about wearing of PPE such as gogles & a apron. Any rishs that have been noticed need to be written down and made aware of to boss teacher as well as assessed on how hazardous the rish is.

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Turn over.

Q3	Products are often manufactured from a range of individual components. Study the photographs below of a stackable chair.			
		AO3	AO4	Mark
(a)	State a possible method of manufacture for the seat and shaping the legs.		✓	2
	Each response must name a process used: 1 mark for each approresponse.	priate		
	Guidance to markers			
	Incorrect/no response.	0	mark	
	Seat Responses may include injection moulding or compression mouldi	ng. 1	mark	
	Shaping the legs.			
	Responses may include: Bent around former or jig.	1	mark	
	Accept any other appropriate response.			
		AO3	AO4	Mark
(b)	The seat and frame will need to be joined to form a functioning chair. Using notes and sketches explain and justify a suitable fixing method.		✓	6
	Response must demonstrate a clear understanding of a suitable m joining dissimilar materials together, suitable illustrations and justificomments. i.e. riveting, mechanical nut and bolt, self-tapping screw. Guidance to markers		ot	
	No supporting illustration/sketch max 3 Marks.			
	Brief description: The mild steel legs could be attached to the plastic seat using a se these could be quickly and easily used in the assembly line/proces Simple diagram with no supporting notes.	ries of i	/larks rivets,	
	More Detailed description: The plastic/polymer seat could be attached to the formed mild stee series of cold/Pop rivets. This semi-permanent method/process is because it could be carried out on a production/Assembly line by u workers and is a quick easy method to attach dissimilar materials u standard fixing components. Simple diagram with supporting notes.	el legs u suitable inskilled		
	Detailed and justified description: The plastic/polymer seat could be attached to the formed mild stee series of cold/pop rivets. This semi-permanent method/process is a because it could be carried out on a production/Assembly line by u workers and is a quick easy method to attach dissimilar materials a standard fixing components. Using this method avoids the use of a heat which could melt a thermoplastic seat. A semi-permanent join rivet is suitable as it will allow for replacement either the chair or le if they are damaged or fail during the life of the product.	el legs u suitable inskilled using any addi nt like a	tional pop-	

3. Products are often manufactured from a range of individual components. Study the photographs below of a stackable chair.





- (a) State a possible method of manufacture for the seat and shaping the legs.
 - (i) Seat: Injection moulding [1]
 - (ii) Shaping the legs: Literation Forging [1

The seat and frame will need to be joined to form a functioning chair. Using notes and sketches explain and justify a suitable fixing method.

To join the legs to the chair a suitable method could be having joints on in the base of chatir chair that the legs could slot into for example

> This could be done easily when the chair is being made, adding! the justifying the would or way

allow it to the easily and be supported

using this method the legs can be taken out and replaced as well if they break.

> - For extra support the allong the extra joints/slotes the legs could be glued or screwed in, to prevent them Comming out

Q4	Polymers are materials that are widely used in many every day products and toys.			
		AO3	AO4	Mark
	Evaluate the characteristics and physical properties of ABS and rubber that make it suitable for the toy shown in the photographs above.	✓		8
	Guidance to markers			
	Focus of the response should be on the characteristics and proper and rubber and their relevance to the function and form of the lego			
	Characteristics are the elements a designer can influence or change product/material.	ge in the	e	

ABS

- ABS liquefy which allows it to be easily manufactured through an injection moulding process and then subsequently recycled.
- Complex shapes can be formed.
- Self-finished face, the surface is as good as the mould no secondary finishing needed.

Rubber

- Can be moulded into a suitable shape.
- Has a high level of surface friction.

Property is the distinguishing features of a materials behavior.

ABS

- Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS) is an opaque thermoplastic.
- ABS are impact resistance and toughness.
- Easy to colour, bright colours make it suitable for a child's toy.
- Flexible and will allow for the friction fit.
- ABS is durable, the bricks can be repositioned many times without being damaged.
- Non-toxic.
- Water proof.

Rubber

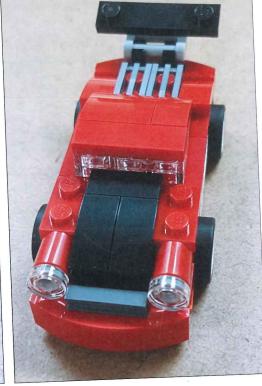
- Tensile strength it can be stretched over the wheel.
- Elasticity it will return to its original shape without heating.
- It is durable.
- Water proof.

PC (polycarbonate) for transparent bricks, as ABS can't be made transparent. Polycarbonate parts on the other hand have too much friction when in contact with other polycarbonate parts, making them extremely hard to disassemble.

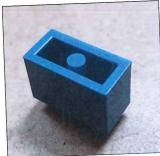
Both materials must be addressed for the full 8 marks.

4. Polymers are materials that are widely used in many every day products and toys.









Evaluate the characteristics and physical properties of ABS and rubber that make them suitable for the toy shown in the photographs above. [8]

thermo plastic which means it can be easily heated and made into this shape. ABS can also be injection moulded well to produce the shape. It can also come in a range of colours and doesn't need a finish so it won't be harmfull if a child puts it in their mouth. Having a choich of colours also govers a better range providing for a larger audience. Platsher is also good for thus as it provides eyep making the tou tires for the toy more stable and more suitable for a car, Rubber can also be made easily into the stap shape of the wheel. How of being them are also hard waring allowing the product to last conger. Rubber is elastic aswell sto can tightly fit to wheelonger.

Q5	The phrase 'Form follows Function' has become the belief of m and 21st century.	any desigr	ners in th	ne 20 th
	· ·	AO3	AO4	Mark
	Discuss this statement with reference to the work of James Dyson.		√	8
	Student response must demonstrate understanding of the work and how it relates to the question.	of James	Dyson	
	Responses must make reference to at least one of Dysons produced	ducts.		
	 Examples: James Dyson's upright vacuum cleaner and air blade were developments in the market and displayed this with new a forms, these forms helped to identify the different elements products. Simple elements used in the development of his CSYS tase. The use of the cyclone technology was his big innovation a celebrated in the design in the form of a clear collection to user to see the cyclone in action. The shape of the air blade required users to place hands vair flow. With the original Dyson DC01 the general form for the vact traditional with a round cylindrical body containing the cycle wedge-shaped head with small wheels at the back. Many elements that were later to be celebrated were hidden. The use of bright colours allowed Dyson to visually break what was a more traditional looking product i.e. Vacuum, the Machine, Air blade. The use of injection moulding ABS polyolycarbonate parts has allowed Dyson to develop and grainitial design a range whose forms respond to the function component parts, and this is emphasized by his use of brig colours as in his vacuum, air blade and hair care products. The cyclone that developed the powerful suction was hous of filters that help deposit the dust and dirt into a clear transpile. 	nd innovates and functions and functions and functions was represented by the formulation and eatily refine of the ght eye-cares and above	ive tions of as g the to the more flat tioning n of g this tching	
	 of filters that help deposit the dust and dirt into a clear trancylindrical chamber. The user is able to see when the dust chamber is full and emptied this allows the vacuum to function as efficiently as 	needs to b	e	
	 providing the user is prepared to empty it. The functioning elements of the vacuums have become m Dyson has developed his range. With the Dyson Ball the fulfferent elements in the vacuum have been reflected in the vacuum as a whole and the smaller components, the large the vacuum to be much more manoeuvrable as well as low of gravity (the whole form looks heavy at the bottom with the base). 	unction of the form of the ball has a vering the	the he allowed centre	
	 Using the ball in the base allows improved function as the increased the manoeuvrability of the vacuum and the use of smaller cyclones has been reflected in the cluster of cyclonetric cyclonetric. 	of a large i clones at th	ne top	
	The cyclones responsible for its powerful, suction remain he filters and deposit dust and dirt into the ever-present clear chamber. The cyclones responsible for its powerful, suction remain he filters and deposit dust and dirt into the ever-present clear chamber.	transpare	nt	
	 The Dyson vacuum cleaner, air blade, Fans, hair care and functional aesthetic that looks interesting and highlights th functional elements in the design. 		nave a	

Guidance to markers

Focus of the response should be on James Dyson products their function and form.

Incorrect/no response.

0 Mark

Level 1 1-2 Marks

- The candidate has a simplistic knowledge of the issues associated with the question.
- Limited use of terminology and technical language.
- The candidate has limited knowledge of the aesthetic qualities of the product and/or consideration for the user in their design.
- The candidate will express basic ideas clearly, if not always fluently.
 Answers may deviate from the question or not be relevant.
- Grammar, punctuation and spelling may be weak impacting on effective communication.

Level 2 3-4 Marks

- The candidate has a basic understanding of the issues associated with the question.
- Satisfactory use of terminology and technical language.
- The candidate has some general knowledge of the aesthetic qualities and consideration for the user in the design aspects, but they are not always considered in detail.
- The candidate will express straightforward ideas clearly, if not always fluently. Answers may deviate from the question or be weakly presented.
- There may be some errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling but is still able to communicate the issues.

Level 3 5-6 Marks

- The candidate demonstrates a clear understanding of the issues associated with the question.
- Good use of terminology and technical language.
- The candidate has demonstrated real knowledge about the aesthetic qualities, linked to James Dyson's philosophies. There are descriptive comments about some elements of the needs of the end user.
- The candidate will express moderately complex ideas clearly and fluently, through well-linked sentences and paragraphs. Answers will be generally relevant and structured.
- There may be occasional errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling.

Level 4 7-8 Marks

- The candidate demonstrates a specific ability to analyse questions, takes into account a wide range of factors and has a clear understanding of the issues associated with the question.
- Very good use of terminology and technical language.
- The candidate has demonstrated detailed knowledge about the aesthetic qualities, linked to James Dyson's philosophies. There are detailed descriptive comments about specific elements of the needs of the end user.
- The candidate will express complex ideas extremely fluently. Sentences and paragraphs will follow on from each other smoothly and logically. Answers will be consistently relevant and structured.
- There will be few, if any, errors of grammar, punctuation and spelling.

The phrase 'Form follows Function' has become the belief of many designers in the 20th and 21st century.

Discuss this statement with reference to the work of James Dyson.

[8]

Marks will be awarded for content of the answer and the quality of written communication.

The statement Euggests that the way the product is nade and quality of it is better thus having a product that does something perus. For example James Dyson didn't try and make a new product he tried to improve on all ready existing products (mainly horses). He was the first to create bargless horses and created dual cyclone technology to improve horses not make a new max product. He always to tried to nake Sure his product were up to clarified to make Sure they always worked, not to make noney but to improve the including. He also put goon fure when he redeased part for his product instead of trying to yet people to buy know ones which is why his product use to well prical because he parts form is front of



Q6	Household appliances often reflect the audience they have been designed for. Study th two images below.							
		AO3	AO4	Mark				
(a)	The starting point for a designer is a product analysis. Write a critical analysis of one of the products pictured above, justify each observation.	√		8				
	The response must contain justified observations.							
	Incorrect/no response.		0 Mark					
	Identification of suitable comments.							
	Telephone A							
	Handset is attached to the telephone so the user cannot move away from the phone when using it.							
	Limited number of functions on the telephone so the user would padditional units for the caller display, answer phone.	ourchase)					
	Good contrast between buttons and telephone so it could be use sighted person.	d by pari	tially					
	Large buttons for functions and numbers would allow for use by e	elderly.						
	Limited range of functions would make it easy to use.							
	Dated design, would not appeal to younger 'on trend' individuals.							
	OR							
	Telephone B							
	Handset is not attached to the telephone so the user can move a phone when using it.	way fron	n the					
	Wide number of functions on the telephone so no requirement for purchase additional units for the caller display, answer phone.	r the use	r to					
	Button light when using the phone buttons so it could be used by sighted person.	partially						
	Small buttons for functions and numbers could be difficult for eldeusers.	erly of dis	sabled					
	Wide range of functions some of which may be difficult to set up	and use.						
	Maximum of 4 marks for 4 points only.							
	Accept any other appropriate response.							

		AO3	AO4	Mark
(b)	Write four fully justified specification points that will ensure the requirements of the user are met.		✓	8
	The response must use four justified points:			
	 Examples; The handset must have good colour contrast for the ease of unisually impaired user. The hand set must look modern and stylish to allow the user to trend' items in their home. The handset must clearly identify the key interfaces of mouth piece to avoid any confusion when answering the phone. Comfortable to hold while it is in use so it can be used for long time. The device must be suitable for both left and right-handed used cheaper for the manufacturer and does not discriminate between The device must be suitable for mass production to allow for the manufactured. The device must be designed using standard parts to reduce of Guidance to markers Minimum of 4 specification points explained. 	o have 'c piece and per period ers this w een users housand	on d ear ds of ill be s.	
	It must or It should or It could Accept any justified specification point that is relevant.			
	Incorrect/no response.		0 mark	
	A relevant point that has not been justified.		1 mark	
	A Justified specification point that is relevant.	2	marks	
	Accept any other appropriate response.			

(c)		AO3	AO4	Mark
	In the space provided produce a possible design for the handset. You are required to use a combination of 2D and 3D freehand drawings.		✓	16
	(i) An annotated design proposed that displays evidence of yo of user interface, function and style. The response must contain a possible design for the hands required to use a combination of 2D and 3D freehand draw with evidence of consideration of user interface, function as	set. You ai ings. Toge	e	
	Incorrect/no response.	() mark	
	D2 or 3D images that have very little detail or supporting annota		marks	
	Idea developed with both 2D and 3D illustrations, some support that is relevant to the user interface, function and style.		tion marks	
	Ideas developed with both 2D and 3D illustrations, supporting a relevant to the design and indicates a clear understanding of the	e problem.	s marks	
	Ideas developed with both 2D and 3D illustrations, supporting a relevant to the designs user interface, function and style which detailed understanding of the problem.	demonstra		
	(ii) Labelling and justifying the use of materials in your design.			
	Polypropylene plastic, ABS, silicon, Poly Carbonate, rubbe	r, etc.		
	Properties/Characteristics: We are expecting the candidates to mention Range of colours. Finishing. Recyclability. Toughness. Electrical insulation. Weight. Flexibility. Resistant to corrosion. Texture.			
	Guidance to markers			
	No mention of specific materials characteristics or properties.	() Mark	
	Very little detail or justification of material selection.		1 Mark	
	Materials named for the product that includes one or two characteristics.		Marks	
	Materials named for the product that includes two or three charaproperties.		or marks	
	Detailed description of named materials for the product that incl characteristics or properties.		or marks	

(iii) The quality/presentation and communication of your 2D/3D drawings. There MUST be a mixture of 2D and 3D design sketches generated. Sketches should include annotation. Candidates are not expected to render, colour or shade your design work.

Guidance to markers

The emphasis is on the quality of communication and presentation of design ideas.

2D or 3D images that have very little detail or supporting annotation. 1 mark

Idea developed with both 2D and 3D illustrations, some supporting annotation that is relevant to the design.

2 marks

Ideas developed with both 2D and 3D illustrations, supporting annotation is relevant to the design and indicates a clear understanding of the problem.

3 marks

Ideas developed with both 2D and 3D illustrations, supporting annotation is relevant to the design and indicates a detailed understanding of the problem.

4 marks

(d)		AO3	AO4	Mark
	Justify how your design meets the four points indicated in your design specification.		✓	8
	Candidates must be able to link the design they have produced to specification.	o their		
	Each specification point must be identified in the design with clea how it meets the design specification.	r explana	ation of	
	The candidate must write four justified points.			
	 Examples: The handset must have good colour contrast for the ease of a visually impaired user This has been carried out through the agrey ABS for the keys in contrast to the white of the hand set. The hand set must look modern and stylish to allow the user a trend' items in their home. The design has been based on the of The handset must clearly identify the key interfaces of mouth piece to avoid any confusion when answering the phone. This achieved through the use of textured surfaces on the area that Comfortable to hold while it is in use so it can be used for long time. This has been achieved through the use of a silicone/ru surface that the user holds when operating the phone. 	use of da to have 'o e work piece an s has bee at is held ger perio	rk on od ear en ds of	
	Guidance to markers			
	Incorrect/no response	(0 mark	
	A relevant point that has not been linked to the design or justified		1 mark	
	A Justified specification point that is linked to the design or justified	ed. 2	marks	

Household appliances often reflect the audience they have been designed for. Study the images below.

Telephone A





Telephone B





The starting point for a designer is a product analysis. Write a critical analysis of one of (a) the products pictured and justify each observation. Telephone: A · large buttons / numbers - This makes it easy for the elderly or visualy be able to see / use. Impaired to · Very basic and simple - This means that it lacks in some more that making it more limited but also simple for modern luxuries the elderly. large Phone grip (no need for answer button) - The Phone is easy to hold to your ear and talk si being guich with no need for a button, es Recially for the old. Connection - The · wired Phone scannot be taken forther than the wire or walked aroun the house, limiting the orea of use, for the elderly this is fine as they are less littlely

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to do this.

Problem

It is important that independent visually impaired persons have access to stylish modern household equipment. A land line phone is important for easy communication and must be easy to operate.

Design Brief

You are asked to design the hand set only for a stand-alone land line phone that is modern in style. The hand set must allow the user to quickly distinguish the mouth piece from the ear piece.

nand	set must allow the dost of the user
(b)	Write four fully justified specification points that will ensure the requirements of the user [8] are met. Point 1: It should allow Buttons should be large, This will allow the user to see them clearly and allow ease of use
	Point 1: It should also such and
	this will allow the user to see the
	allon ease of use
	Point 2: It should be free standing meaning the user doesn't have to look for the base making less of a bassle for someone visually impaired
	the user doesn't have to look for the base
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	Point 3: Ear and mouth piece sond should be clearly presented allowing the user to easily see what end to use again to allow ease of
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	sharp edges of areas to harm as user may not see it and could harm themselves making it
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(c) In the space provided produce a possible design for the handset. You are required to use a combination of 2D and 3D freehand drawings.

Marks will be awarded for:

- (i) An annotated design proposed that displays evidence of your consideration of user interface, function and style. [8]
- (ii) Labelling and justifying the use of materials in your design.

(iii) The quality/presentation and communication of your 2D/3D drawings. You are not expected to render, colour or shade your design work.

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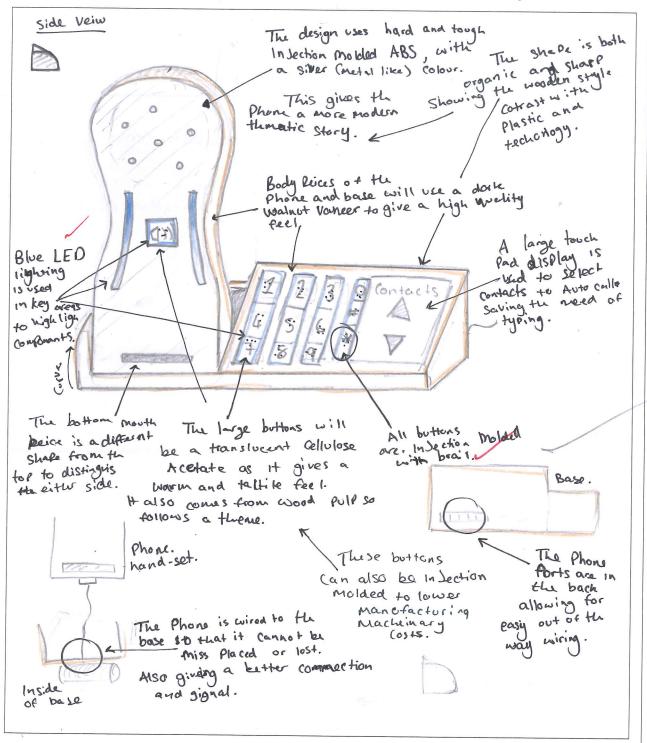


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(d) Justify how your design meets the four points indicated in your design specification. [8]

I was able to design a phone that successfully met build a design specification, for example the buttons are 12 mm in size meaning they're large and can be easily seen by the user. Here being clear & both to make it easier to use. Due to the base being flut with a large surface area it is also free standing flow can support it self uprights. To make the easy of the mouth piece visible. I designed them to be different colours & opisite sides so that that of the numbers so it clear to the user and there easily identible identifyable. The shape of the model is also smobth and counted over so no harm can be done, using injection moulting as well to create M a smobth finish, were

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SUMMARY

Candidates should be advised to read the question carefully in order to ensure that all elements are understood and are also included in their response.

There were a number of instances where the responses throughout were not detailed enough to gain the higher level of marks.

Well-planned and structured responses score well. These responses contain clear, and specific details relating to the question. They also show accuracy in terms of spelling, punctuation and grammar. An increasing number of candidates require more structure and planning in order to organize information clearly and coherently.

Generic terms, particularly in naming materials (together with their characteristics or properties) are still used by candidates and are therefore not given credit. For example: wood, plastic, metal, as opposed to oak, MDF, ABS and steel.

In question 5 responses varied considerably; responses generally require more structure and planning, whilst ensuring that ALL elements of the question are covered. Majority of candidates were able to write about the designer but very few if any really talked about his work in form and function.

Centres should continue to advise candidates to use the mark allocation indicated at the end of each question to guide the depth of response required and manage time effectively.

Centres should also be advised to remind candidates that answers could be amplified with detailed labelled sketches and/or diagrams where appropriate; many of the answers were unfortunately brief with a few words and simple sketches not allowing the candidate to fully explain the response. Quality of the sketches needs to be worked on by centres