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HOME SCIENCE PAPER 2 MARKING SCHEME

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24.12.2 Home Science Paper 2 (441/2)

SCORE

1. *Presentation*

- a) Work well pressed and well folded.
- b) Label firmly stitched on single fabric.
- c) Pins, tacking threads and unnecessary threads removed.
- d) Made up for the right half.

(2 marks)
(2 marks)
(1½ marks)
(1 mark)

2. *Cutting Out*

- a) All 7 pieces cut out.
- b) Smooth cutting of the CF and cut on straight grain to within 3 mm.
- c) Smooth cutting of the CB and cut on straight grain to within 3 mm.
- d) Smooth cutting of the dress lower edge front and back.
- e) Front facing smoothly cut at CF and cut on straight grain.
- f) Back facing smoothly cut at CB and cut on straight grain.
- g) Sleeve binding cut on bias.

(3½ marks)
(2½ marks)
(2½ marks)
(3 marks)
(1½ marks)
(1½ marks)
(1 mark)

3. *Shoulder Seam – French seam*

If not French seam award zero from (a-h).

- (a) Seam well trimmed, no threads on the R.S.
- (b) Straight stitching.
- (c) Seam well knife-edged.
- (d) Evenness of seam.
- (e) Correct size (6 mm) to within 2 mm (4 – 8 mm).

(1 mark)
(1 mark)
(1 mark)
(1 mark)
(1 mark)

	(f) Seam pressed towards the back at armhole and at neck line.	SCORE (1 mark)
	(g) Flatness of seam at armhole R.S. and W.S.	(1 mark)
	(h) Flatness of seam at neckline R.S. and W. S.	(1 mark)
4.	Side Seam – Open Seam If not an open seam award zero from (a-e).	
	(a) Seam joined with straight stitching.	(1 mark)
	(b) Well neaten raw edges.	(4 marks)
	(c) Evenness of seam allowance.	(1 mark)
	(d) Correct size of each seam allowance (1 cm) to within 2 mm (0.8 – 1.2 cm).	(1 mark)
	(e) Seam pressed open and flat at armhole.	(2 marks)
5.	Underarm Seam – Open Seam If not an open seam award zero from (a-f).	
	(a) Seam joined with straight stitching.	(1 mark)
	(b) Well neaten raw edges.	(1 mark)
	(c) Evenness of seam allowances.	(1 mark)
	(d) Correct size (1 cm) to within 2 mm (0.8 – 1.2 cm).	(1 mark)
	(e) Seam pressed open and flat at armhole.	(2 marks)
	(f) Seam pressed open and flat at sleeve binding.	(2 marks)
6.	Faced-Sleeve Opening If not a faced opening, award zero from (a - j).	
	(a) Facing attached with straight stitching and well knife-edged.	(2 marks)
	(b) No pleats at the base of the opening.	(1 mark)
	(c) Facing well neaten along the free edge.	(3 marks)
	(d) Correct size of facing at the sleeve base (4.5 cm) to within 1 cm (3.5 - 5.5 cm).	(2 marks)
	(e) Correct length of facing, (exclude binding) (9 cm) to within 5 mm (8.5 - 9.5 cm).	(1 mark)
	(f) Correct position of opening.	(1 mark)
	(g) Lower edge of facing concealed in the binding.	(1 mark)
	(h) Equal length of both sides of the faced opening.	(1 mark)
	(i) Correct depth of opening (5 cm) to within 5 mm (4.5 cm – 5.5 cm).	(1 mark)
	(j) Facing secured to sleeve at the upper corners.	(1 mark)
7.	Sleeve Binding and Ties	
	(a) Binding attached with straight stitching.	(1 mark)
	(b) Quality of stitches at the sleeve (accept hemming and machine stitches).	(1 mark)
	(c) Raw edges well tucked under.	(1½ marks)
	(d) Evenness of binding (R.S.).	(2 marks)
	(e) No gathers formed on sleeve where binding is attached.	(1 mark)
	(f) Equal length of both ties.	(1 mark)
	(g) Sharp points at the end of ties.	(2 marks)
	(h) Flatness of binding.	(1 mark)
8.	Sleeve	
	(a) Good hang.	(1 mark)
	(b) Gathers well distributed at the crown.	(2½ marks)
	(c) Armhole seam made with straight stitching.	(1 mark)
	(d) Notches matched at the armhole seam.	(1 mark)
	(e) Side seam and underarm seam matching to within 2 mm.	(1 mark)

SCORE**9. Neck Facing**

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| (a) Back and front facing joined with straight stitching, seam trimmed, pressed open and un neatened. | (2 marks) |
| (b) Facing attached to neckline with a smooth curve. | (1 mark) |
| (c) Seam trimmed and snipped. | (2 marks) |
| (d) Facing understitched. | (1 mark) |
| (e) Facing seam and shoulder seam matching to within 2 mm at Neckline. | (1 mark) |
| (f) Free edge of facing well neatened, close to the edge and held at the shoulder seam. | (3 marks) |
| (g) CF of dress and CF of facing matching to within 2 mm. | (1 mark) |
| (h) CB of dress and CB of facing matching to within 2 mm. | (1 mark) |