| Question number | Answer | Notes | Marks |
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| 8 (a) (i) (ii) | idea that star A is closer (to Earth than star C); star D; | allow RA | 1 |
| | (because) it (is the only star that) has a mass (much) larger than the mass of the Sun; (because) it has a much lower value of absolute magnitude; | dependent on 1st mark being awarded dependent on 1st mark being awarded allow lowest value of absolute magnitude 2 marks max. if answer suggests that colour/temperature is relevant | |
| (b) | any three from: MP1. (hydrogen) fusion stops (in core); MP2. core collapses; MP3. (which) restarts fusion (in core); MP4. star becomes red supergiant; MP5. fusion of heavier elements stops (in core); MP6. star explodes (as supernova); | allow runs out of hydrogen allow core contracts allow idea that fusion of heavier elements starts allow super red giant allow planetary nebula formed | 3 |
| (c) (i) | evaluation of change of wavelength; substitution into $\Delta\lambda/\lambda = v/c$; rearrangement; evaluation of speed; e.g. $\Delta\lambda = (7.780\text{-}7.774) = 6 \times 10^{-10} \text{ (m)}$ $6 \times 10^{-10} / 7.774 \times 10^{-7} = v / 3.0 \times 10^{8}$ $v = 6 \times 10^{-10} / 7.774 \times 10^{-7} \times 3.0 \times 10^{8}$ $(v =) 2.315 \times 10^{5} \text{ (m/s)}$ MP1. nearby galaxies show smaller {red-shift / change in wavelength}; MP2. nearby galaxies are travelling slower than further galaxies; | -1 if 7.780 × 10 ⁻⁷ used as λ 2.314 × 10 ⁵ (m/s) gets 3 marks only allow 2.3 × 10 ⁵ allow RA allow RA | 4 |
| | MP3. (all light red-shifted) suggests universe is expanding; MP4. suggesting universe was once at a single point; | allow (all) galaxies are moving away from each other | |