| <b>Question</b><br><b>Number</b> | Answer   |     | Mark |
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| 2 (a)                            | Measure the length of tube x using a (metre) rule  | (1) |      |
|                                  | Ensure the tube is vertical with a set square <b>Or</b>                                      |     |      |
|                                  | Release the magnet from the top of the tube  | (1) |      |
|                                  | Measure <i>t</i> using a stopwatch [Accept alternative valid timing methods]                 | (1) |      |
|                                  | Repeat measurement of time and calculate a mean  | (1) |      |
|                                  | Repeat for at least 5 values of $x$  | (1) |      |
|                                  | Plot a graph of $t^2$ against x to check the gradient (which is $\frac{1}{2}a$ ) is constant |     |      |
|                                  | Or Plot a graph of $t^2$ against $x$ to check it is a straight line                          | (1) | 6    |
|                                  | Accept alternative graphs. Do not accept gradient = $g$                                      |     |      |
| 2 (b)                            | Any PAIR from:   |     |      |
|                                  | If the magnet is not aligned with the top of the tube when released                          | (1) |      |
|                                  | So the magnet would have a velocity when entering the tube                                   | (1) |      |
|                                  | Or   |     |      |
|                                  | It would be difficult to judge when the magnet is about to leave the tube                    | (1) |      |
|                                  | So this would add to the time  | (1) |      |
|                                  | Or   |     |      |
|                                  | The magnet could touch the sides of the tube and experience friction                         | (1) |      |
|                                  | So the time would increase   | (1) |      |
|                                  | Or   |     |      |
|                                  | The length of the tube may vary around the circumference                                     | (1) |      |
|                                  | So this may introduce random error   | (1) | 2    |
|                                  | Total for question   |     | 8    |