

Marking Guidelines for Interim & Final Reports of Physics Projects

Classification	Mark	Descriptor
Excellent	96	Exceptional work of the highest quality, demonstrating outstanding knowledge and understanding of the subject, objective analysis, excellent organisation, accuracy, relevance, presentation and appropriate skills. Such work should be of a publishable standard.
First		Very high quality work demonstrating excellent knowledge and understanding, objective analysis, organisation, accuracy, relevance, presentation and appropriate skills. Work that must extend existing understanding or interpretation in the field. Explanations must be argued very clearly and succinctly.
High 1st	89	All of these points must have been achieved.
Mid 1st	81	Almost all points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of very high quality.
Low 1st	74	Most of points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of very high quality.
Upper Second		High quality work demonstrating good knowledge and understanding, analysis, organisation, accuracy, relevance, presentation and appropriate skills. Explanations must be clear and not verbose.
High 2:1	68	All of these points must have been achieved.
Mid 2:1	65	Almost all points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of high quality.
Low 2:1	62	Most of points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of high quality.
Lower Second		Competent work, demonstrating reasonable knowledge and understanding, some analysis, organisation, accuracy, relevance, presentation and appropriate skills.
High 2:2	58	All of these points must have been achieved.
Mid 2:2	55	Almost all points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of competent.
Low 2:2	52	Most of points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of competent.
Third		Work of limited quality, demonstrating some relevant knowledge and understanding. There must be some attempt at explaining and interpreting the results.
High 3rd	48	All of these points must have been achieved.
Mid 3rd	45	Almost all points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of limited quality.
Low 3rd	42	Most of points must have been achieved with the remainder just falling short of limited quality.
Fail		
High Fail	38	Work does not meet standards required for the appropriate stage of an Honours degree. There may be evidence of some basic understanding of relevant concepts and techniques.
Mid Fail	25	Poor quality work below the standards required for the appropriate stage of an Honours degree.
Low Fail	12	Very poor quality work well below the standards required for the appropriate stage of an Honours degree.
Zero		Work of no merit or absent, work not submitted, penalty in some misconduct cases.