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Key to mark scheme abbreviations

I	М	Mark is for method
I	m	Mark is dependent on one or more M marks and is for method
	A	Mark is dependent on M or m marks and is for accuracy
I	В	Mark is independent of M or m marks and is for method and accuracy
I	E	Mark is for explanation
√c	or ft	Follow through from previous incorrect result
(CAO	Correct answer only
(cso	Correct solution only
1	AWFW	Anything which falls within
	AWRT	Anything which rounds to
1	ACF	Any correct form
	AG	Answer given
ę	SC	Special case
(De	Or equivalent
1	A2, 1	2 or 1 (or 0) accuracy marks
-	- <i>x</i> EE	Deduct <i>x</i> marks for each error
I	NMS	No method shown
I	PI	Possibly implied
	SCA	Substantially correct approach
(sf	Significant figure(s)
(dp	Decimal place(s)
I	SW	Ignore subsequent working

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
1(a)	Exponential	B1	
		1	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
1(b)	$\left[\frac{1}{\frac{1}{7}}\right] 7$	B1	
		1	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
1(c)	$\begin{bmatrix} P(X < 7) - P(X < 2) \end{bmatrix}$ $= \left(1 - e^{\frac{-1}{7} \times 7}\right) - \left(1 - e^{\frac{-1}{7} \times 2}\right)$	М1	PI Attempts to find correct probability using cdf of exponential or integration of pdf
	= 0.3836	A1	AWRT 0.384
		2	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
1(d)	$\left[P(X < a) = 0.8\right] = \left(1 - e^{-\frac{1}{7}a}\right) = 0.8$	М1	oe, Pl
	= 11.27	A1	AWRT 11.3
		2	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
1(e)	$\left[P(X > 8 X > 5) = P(X > 3) = \right] e^{\frac{1}{7} \times 3}$	M1	oe, Pl
	= 0.6514	A1	CAO
		2	

Question 1 Total 8

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
2(a)	$H_0: \mu = 300$ $H_1: \mu > 300$	B1	
	$\overline{X} \sim N\left(300, \frac{40^2}{200}\right)$	B1	PI by correct standardisation formulae
	$z = \frac{306 - 300}{\frac{40}{\sqrt{200}}}$	M1	$z = \frac{306 - 300}{\text{their } \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}$ PI by correct <i>z</i> or probability
	<i>z</i> = 2.1213	A1	AWRT 2.12 or exact value $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$
	$z_{\rm critical} = 2.0537$	B1	or $P(z > 2.1213)$ AWFW 0.0169 to 0.0170 or comparison of probability 0.0169 to 0.0170 < 0.02
	Reject H ₀ as $z_{critical} < z$ or 2.0537 < 2.1213or $ z > 2.0537$	A1ft	Allow 'Accept H_1 ' Comment about H_0 and comparison 0.0169 to 0.0170 < 0.02 Correct conclusion based upon ft their <i>z</i>
	There is sufficient evidence to support the claim that the average time for which the app is used has increased since the new version was released [at the 2% level of significance]	E1	Correct statement must be in context and must follow from fully correct solution Condone definite statement
		7	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
2(b)	Central limit theorem (CLT) states that [when the sample size is large enough], the sample mean will be approximately normally distributed	B1	
	A sample of 200 is large enough for the CLT to apply	B1	Allow $n \ge 30$
		2	

Question 2 Total	9
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Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
3(a)	$\left[\int_{0}^{1} \frac{x^2}{8} dx\right] = \left[\frac{x^3}{24}\right]_{0}^{1}$	М1	PI Correct integration and limits
	$=\frac{1}{24}$	A1	oe in exact form
		2	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
3(b)	$\frac{1}{24} + \int_{1}^{6} \left(k(x-1) + \frac{1}{8} \right) dx = 1$	B1	Setting an integral and fraction summing to 1 oe PI
	$\frac{1}{24} + \left[\frac{k(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{8}x\right]_1^6 = 1$ $\frac{1}{24} + \left(\frac{25k}{2} + \frac{3}{4}\right) - \left(0 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = 1$	М1	For correct integration with attempt to substitute limits
	$\frac{25k}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$		oe
	$k = \frac{2}{75}$	A1	AG must be convincingly shown
		3	



Q		Answer		Marks	Comments
3(d)	$\frac{x^3}{24}$			B1	
	$\int_{1}^{x} \left(\frac{2(x-75)}{75} - \left[\frac{(x-75)}{75} \right] \right)$	$\frac{(1)}{5} + \frac{1}{8} dx + \frac{1}{24}$ $\frac{(1)^2}{5} + \frac{1}{8} x \Big]_1^x + \frac{1}{24}$		М1	Correct integration condone omission of $\frac{1}{24}$
	$=\frac{(x-1)^2}{75} + \frac{1}{8}x - \frac{1}{12}$			A1	$F(x) = \frac{1}{75}x^{2} + \frac{59}{600}x - \frac{7}{100}$ from $f(x) = \frac{2}{75}x + \frac{59}{600}$
	F(x) = c	$\begin{cases} 0 \\ \frac{x^{3}}{24} \\ \frac{(x-1)^{2}}{75} + \frac{1}{8}x - \frac{1}{12} \\ 1 \end{cases}$	$x < 0$ $0 \le x < 1$ $1 \le x \le 6$ $x > 6$	А1	oe Fully correct F(<i>x</i>)
				4	

Question 3 total	12	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
4(a)	B(100, 0.05)	B1	Condone F
	It is the only one with large n and small p	B1	If B0 B0 , then allow SC1 for comparing means and variances
		2	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
4(b)(i)	$P(X=3) = \frac{e^{-1.8} \times 1.8^3}{3!}$	М1	PI
	= 0.161	A1	AWRT 0.161
		2	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
4(b)(ii)	$\lambda \left[= \frac{1.8}{3} \right] = 0.6$	B1	PI
	$P(1 < X < 4) = P(X \le 3) - P(X \le 1)$	M1	PI At least one correct probability or finds $P(X = 2)$ and $P(X = 3)$
	= 0.9966 - 0.8781	M1	Correct method
	= 0.119	A1	AWRT 0.119
		4	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
4(c)(i)	$\lambda = 1.8 + 2.7 = 4.5$	B1	
		1	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
4(c)(ii)	P(G < 8) = 0.9134 < 0.95	M1	Sight of at least relevant probability statement
	P(G < 9) = 0.9597 > 0.95	A1	Sight of both probabilities and comparison to 0.95
	Hence $a = 9$	B1	
		3	

Question 4 Total 12	2
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Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
5(a)	$H_0: \mu = 13$ $H_1: \mu \neq 13$	B1	Both hypotheses
	$\overline{x} = \frac{129.5}{10} = 12.95$	B1	
	$s^2 = \frac{1}{10 - 1} \left(1677.05 - \frac{129.5^2}{10} \right)$	М1	Attempt at variance formula Condone one error PI by correct answer
	$=\frac{1}{360}=0.002\dot{7}$	A1	AWRT 0.00278 Accept <i>s</i> = 0.0527[0462767]
	$\overline{X} \sim N\left(13, \frac{0.002\dot{7}}{10}\right)$	М1	$\overline{X} \sim N\left(13, \frac{s^2}{10}\right)$ PI
	$t = \frac{12.95 - 13}{\sqrt{\frac{0.0027}{10}}}$	М1	Calculates z with their s^2
	= -3	A1	
	$v = 9 \Longrightarrow t_{\text{critical}} = \pm 3.250$	B1	or sight of p=0.00747
	Do not reject H_0 as $ t < 3.250$	A1ft	oe Follow through their <i>t</i> and t_{crit} provided signs are consistent Implied by correct conclusion in context (or comparison of p to 0.005)
	Insufficient evidence to suggest that Alice's mean maximum exposure time has changed at the 1% level of significance	E1	Must be in context, must not be definite and all the previous 9 marks must have been awarded
		10	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
5(b)	He uses a different significance level		
	or	E1	A correct suggestion
	He uses a one-tailed test		
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Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
6(a)	$\overline{V} \sim N\left(502, \frac{2.7^2}{30}\right)$	B1	PI
	$P(\overline{V} < 501) = P\left(z < \frac{501 - 502}{\frac{2.7}{\sqrt{30}}}\right)$ $P(z < -2.0286)$	М1	PI
	=1-0.97882 [from tables]	М1	Calculator method gives $1 - 0.97875$ PI $1 - p'$ where <i>p</i> is from a standardised value using $n = 30$
	= 0.0212 (to 4 dp)	A1	AWFW 0.02118 to 0.0213 SC1 AWFW 0.355 to 0.356
		4	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
6(b)	$P(V > 496) = P\left(z > \frac{496 - 502}{2.7}\right)$	M1	PI
	= P(z > -2.22)		
	= 0.98679 [from tables]	A1	AWRT 0.987 PI
	$= P(all 30) = 0.98679^{30}$	m1	p^{30}
	= 0.671	A1	AWFW 0.671 to 0.673
		4	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
6(c)	Let $M = V + W + W + Y$ $M \sim N(502 + 251 + 251 + 503,$ $2.7^2 + 1.5^2 + 1.5^2 + 2^2)$	M1	Correct method for finding the mean or variance of M PI by sight of 1507 or 15.79
	$M \sim N(1507, 15.79)$	A1	PI Fully correct distribution for M
	P(M > a) = 0.95 z = -1.6449	B1	Allow $\pm z$ value to at least 4sf
	$\frac{a-1507}{\sqrt{15.79}} = -1.6449$	M1	PI Standardising with compatible signs and use of their σ
	<i>a</i> = 1500 [grams]	A1	САО
		5	

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Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
7(a)	$\frac{d}{dx}F(x) = \frac{4}{x^3}$ or $\frac{d}{dx}F(x) = \frac{x}{48} + \frac{1}{32}$	B1	
	$E(X) = \int xf(x)dx$ = $\int_{2}^{4} \frac{4}{x^{2}}dx + \int_{4}^{8} \left(\frac{x^{2}}{48} + \frac{x}{32}\right)dx$	М1	Correct integration with correct limits of their $xf(x)$
	$= \left[\frac{-4}{x}\right]_{2}^{4} + \left[\frac{x^{3}}{144} + \frac{x^{2}}{64}\right]_{4}^{8}$ $= 1 + \frac{139}{36}$ $= 175$	A1	
	$= \frac{1}{36}$ $E(X^{2}) = \int x^{2} f(x) dx$ $= \int_{2}^{4} \frac{4}{x} dx + \int_{4}^{8} \left(\frac{x^{3}}{48} + \frac{x^{2}}{32}\right) dx$ $= \left[4\ln(x)\right]_{2}^{4} + \left[\frac{x^{4}}{192} + \frac{x^{3}}{96}\right]_{4}^{8}$	М1	correct integration with correct limits of their $x^2 f(x)$ oe
	$=4\ln(2)+\frac{74}{3}$	A1	
	$E(X^{2})-E(X)^{2} = 4\ln(2)+\frac{74}{3}-\left(\frac{175}{36}\right)^{2}$	M1	correct use of their $E(X^2)$ and $E(X)^2$
	$=4\ln(2)+\frac{1343}{1296}$	A1	AG Must be convincingly shown
		7	

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
7(b)	$4 \operatorname{Var}(X) + 9 \operatorname{Var}(Y)$	M1	
	$= 4 \times 3.81 + 9 \times 2.5^{2}$		
	= 71.5	A1	AWRT
		2	

Question 7 Total 9

Q	Answer	Marks	Comments
8	$H_0: p = 0.5$ $H_1: p \neq 0.5$	B1	Hypotheses that model the situation
	$X \sim B(20, 0.5)$	B1	PI by correct probability or $X \sim B(20, p)$
	$P(X \ge 15) = 1 - P(X \le 14)$	M1	
	= 0.0207	A1	AWFW 0.0206 to 0.0207 or a CR= {0,1,2,3,4, 16,17,,20}
	0.0207 > 0.015 Do not reject H ₀	B1ft	Compares their probability with 0.015 (allow comparison to 0.03 if their alternative hypothesis is 1 tailed) Or compares 15 to a correct CR
	There is sufficient evidence at the 3% level to suggest that the student has randomly selected their answers	E1ft	Cannot be definitive Must follow a full hypothesis test ft their conclusion consistent with their model
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Question 8 Tot	al 6	
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