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| | Skill & Problem Solving | Communication |
| Level 1 | Is able to follow a method. | Writes their answers only. Working out is done separately. |
| Level 2 | Copies and/or uses a given method accurately. | Shows the main steps of their method. |
| Level 3 | Selects and uses an appropriate method, due to their understanding of the concept(s). | Shows the main steps of their method in a logical, easy to follow order. Includes units where appropriate. |
| Level 4 | Applies prior knowledge to a problem, selecting and extending a known method. | Shows all the steps of their method logically, including all appropriate detail. |
| Level 5 | Synthesises information from different branches of mathematics to form their own method and solve a problem. | Clearly explains their reasoning and produces a succinct solution. |