

# Worshipful Company of Spectacle Makers

## Level 3 Optical Support

Unit 7: The Eye and the Principles of Optics



**Duration: 1.5 hours**

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### Answer ALL Four Questions

Number of Supplementary Sheets used (if any), including graph paper.

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Write short notes on the following:

**(20 marks)**

- a)** Photoreceptors
- b)** The cornea
- c)** The crystalline lens
- d)** The retina
- e)** The ciliary muscle

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**Question 2**

A prism is made from glass **of refractive index 1.56** and has an **apical angle of 20°**. A ray of white light is incident at the first face along a normal to the surface.

Calculate the following:

- a) The angle of incidence at the second face
- b) The angle of refraction at the second face
- c) The deviation of the ray at the second face
- d) Find by calculation an angle of incidence at the first face that would result in the refracted ray at the first face meeting the second face along a normal to its surface.

**(20 marks)**

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**Question 3**

A prism made from glass of refractive index  $n_d = 1.53$  (for yellow light) has an apical angle of  $34^\circ$ . A ray of white light is incident along a normal to the first face of the prism.

- a) If the refractive indices of the glass for red and blue light are respectively  $n_c = 1.52$  and  $n_f = 1.54$  find the angle of refraction at the second face for both the red and blue rays. **(8 marks)**
- b) Calculate the angle between the red and blue refracted rays. **(4 marks)**
- c) What term is used to describe this phenomena? **(4 marks)**
- d) Calculate the **Abbe number** for this glass. **(4 marks)**

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**Question 4**

Write short notes on the following:

- a) Myopia **(5 marks)**
- b) Hypermetropia **(5 marks)**
- c) Astigmatism **(10 marks)**

In each case give a brief description of the condition and explain how it may be corrected using ophthalmic lenses.

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