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Paper 5 (Practical Test), maximum raw mark 40

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Abbreviations used in the Mark Scheme

• ; separates marking points

/ alternativesI ignoreR reject

• A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)

• AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)

AVP any valid point

ecf credit a correct statement/calculation that follows a previous wrong response

ora or reverse argument

• () the word/phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context

underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)

max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given

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Q	uestion	Mark scheme	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)	change to blue-black	[1]	
	(b)	 one table with ruled lines for at least 6 rows and 3 columns; a column/row, with header: time/min; two, columns/rows headings as, colour/observation, W/C; correct completion of information into table; W – start is blue-black, gradual change through dark brown to orange-brown; 		R units in any data cell/m for min R if colour and letter not both a 'header'
		6 C – start is blue-black, remains blue-black for longer than W, may turn brown towards the end;	[6]	
	(c)	idea of minimising contamination; to measure simultaneously;	[max 1]	
	(d)	(blue-black shows) starch present at, 0 min/start; (dark brown shows) some starch present at 2 min; (orange-brown shows) no starch present, after 2 min/from 4 min;		
	(e)	<pre>yes: C stayed blue-black for longer/slower colour change ora;</pre>		
		OR no: there is not a large enough range of temperatures;	[max 1]	

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Question	Mark	Mark scheme Mark	Mark	Guidance
(f)	any two errors with two matching	g improvements:		R improvement if it contradicts error
	Source of error	Improvement		Transportation in a sentiadiote error
	experiment was done only once;	repeat entire experiment (at least 3 times in total) to calculate an average;		
	shaking, can cause spillage/inconsistent mixing;	(magnetic) stirrer/glass rod bung/flask to swirl;		
	drops/dropping pipettes, are imprecise/volume of amylase may not be the same;	use syringe/burette/ graduated pipette/measuring cylinder; Accept method without equipment		
	(long) intervals between testing / AW; A reaction finishes between points	test, more often/every minute/30 seconds;		
	colour changes are subjective ; A endpoint hard to judge	colour chart/standards/ control with no starch/ colorimeter;		
	trying to do, W and C simultaneously ;	do W and C separately/ second person to do second tube;		
	(water) temperature changes;	insulate beakers/use (thermostatically controlled) water bath;		
	AVP; e.g. contents in pipette might contaminate spotting tests	AVP ; e.g. use clean pipettes each time		
			[max 4]	

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Question	Mark scheme	Mark	Guidance
(g)	 test at 40 °C; test at least one temperature below 40 °C and one above; use of water bath (to maintain different temperatures)/AW; 4&5 named controlled variables;; measure time taken until iodine becomes orange brown/no longer changes colour; by repeated sampling at interval of less than 2 mins; repeat entire experiment/replicates; relevant stated safety procedure; 	[max 6]	Units must be stated correctly once 4&5 – e.g. equilibration time; pH; volume/concentration, iodine/amylase/starch; I amount/quantity I regular
(h)	Benedict's solution turns (brick) red; with heat;	[2]	A green/yellow/orange for red
		[Total: 24]	
2 (a) (i)	A axes labelled with units, in correct orientation; S linear scale for plotted points to half or more in both dimensions; P all plotted points accurate to ± half small square; L smoothed line passing through all points; L line with no extrapolation;	[5]	A x: distance/cm y: bubbles per min OR bubbles/min R m for min S origin must be stated at least once P R bar chart/histogram L R feathering/thick line
(ii)	line drawn from 6 bubbles to their line, and then to the distance axis; correct reading from their graph;	[2]	ecf for wrong trend line in 2(a)(i) R if wrong units
(iii)	 at higher light (intensity) rate of oxygen production is higher ora at shorter distance from lamp rate of oxygen production is higher; ora comparative data quote with units stated at least once; idea that there is a non-linear relationship/not (directly) proportional; 	[max 2]	A faster photosynthesis for higher rate of oxygen produced.

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(iv)	prevents (lamp) heating up, plant/water;	[1]	I maintain/control, temperature A stops temperature rise/water absorbs heat/lamp releases heat I cooling
(b) (i)	 O – clear outline; S – size larger than Fig. 2.2; D – detail (3 or 4 layers shown) proportions must be: thin → thick → medium moving inwards; 	[3]	O – R any cell detail drawn/feathering/shading/ drawn with a compass S – R if smaller than 8 cm diameter
(ii)	L – stele labelled and label line touches or enters the stele	[1]	
(iii)	69 ±0.5 (mm); (=69/7.5) 9 (times/x);	[2]	A 6.9 cm ecf correct calculation to nearest whole number from wrong measurement R if wrong units stated
		[Total: 16]	