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Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 60

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- 1 (a) plant **A** shown as brown (red-brown-orange) middle and at least one other (not yellow or brick-red alone) ;
 plant **B** shown as brown in covered regions ;
 blue / black elsewhere (either or both regions) ; [3]
- (b) (i) to kill / soften the leaf ; [1]
- (ii) to remove chlorophyll / (green) colour / allow iodine colour to be seen ; (**do not** accept chloroplast) [1]
- (c) (i) cover other areas / whole leaf with glass / transparent material ; [1]
- (ii) removes the variable of different plants (e.g. genes) ORA (e.g. no other factors affecting plant) / more reliable / one plant may react or behave or photosynthesise differently / more / less ; [1]
- (d) use a plant with variegated leaves (or description) ;
 destarch / keep in dark before starting, (then leave in the light) ;
 test leaf for starch / use iodine test ;
 description of the two results ;
 (if two leaves used 2 marks max) [max 3]

[Total: 10]

- 2 (a) (i) 21 ;
 15 ; [2]
- (ii)

height, <i>h</i> / cm	time for 20 swings / s	time, <i>T</i> for one swing / s	T^2 / s^2
10.0			
20.0			
25.0	(21)	1.05	1.10
30.0			
40.0	(15)	0.75	0.56

column 3 both correct (ecf) (2 decimal places) ; [1]

- (iii) column 4 both correct (ecf) (2 decimal places) BUT only penalise once in (ii) or (iii) ; [1]

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- (b) (i) 5 points correct (by eye) ;
straight line of best fit ; [2]
- (ii) evidence on graph ;
gradient = 0.035 to 0.04 ; (ignore any sign) [2]
- (iii) allow 2 to 2.15 (ecf) ; [1]
- (iv) $2.05 / 0.04 = 51.25$ cm (allow 50.00 to 53.75) (ecf) ; [1]

[Total: 10]

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	aqueous sodium hydroxide	aqueous ammonia	dilute hydrochloric acid	dilute sulfuric acid	
(a) 3 drops of universal indicator are added	purple (allow blue)	purple (allow blue) both ; [1]	red / pink (not orange)	red / pink both ; [1]	[max 2]
(b) an equal volume of silver nitrate solution is added	brown ppt	no change	white ; ppt/solid ; [2]	no change	[max 2]
(c) an equal volume of barium chloride solution is added	no change	no change	no change ; [1]	white ppt	[max 1]
(d) copper sulfate solution is added slowly until the test-tube is half full	blue ppt / solid ; [1]	blue ppt / solid ; [1] (dark) blue soln ; [1] (allow ppt soluble in excess)	no change	no change	[max 3]
(e) a 2 cm length of magnesium ribbon is added and any gas evolved tested with a lighted splint.	no change	no change	bubbles / fizzing / effervescence	bubbles etc. all 4 ; [1]	[max 2]
			pops	pops both ; [1]	

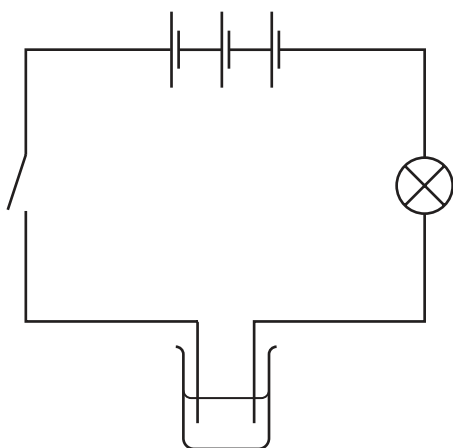
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- 4 (a) (i) 0.2 mol/dm³ 10 mm ;
0.8 mol/dm³ -11 mm ; [2]
- (ii) scale and label (allow 'concentration') and units entered on horizontal axis or bottom of graph ;
correct plotting by eye (allow ecf) ;
smooth curve drawn ; [3]
- (iii) 6 mm ; [1]
- (iv) evidence on graph ;
correct value read from students graph (approximately 0.35 mol / dm³) ; [2]
- (b) water has left dandelion / cell(s) / stalk (by osmosis) / cells go flaccid / plasmolysed ;
from (a region of) high (water) concentration (cortex cells) to (region of) low (water) concentration (sucrose solution) / from a higher concentration (of water) / to a lower concentration (of water) ORA ;
(do not allow references to sucrose moving) [2]

[Total: 10]

5 (a) (i)



- electric symbols correct ;
their circuit diagram, no gaps or short circuits, but ignore key (or lack of) ; [2]
- (ii) 14.35 ;
11.27 ; [2]
- (iii) points by eye (first point **MUST** be correct) ;
line of best fit straight ; [2]
- (iv) from graph ecf (6.7 hours / 6 hours 42 mins) ± a square ;
(do not award mark if no line extension or over 7) [1]

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(b) copper ions leave solution (and not replaced) (allow losing copper ions) ;
(reject if key mentioned but ignore references to chlorine / chloride) [1]

(c) ions ;
move (in aqueous) ; (ignore electrons but allow electrons move for max 1) [2]

[Total: 10]

6 (a) table e.g. (answers can be in any 'correct order')

(gas)	test	result
carbon dioxide	limewater	white ppt
hydrogen	lighted splint	pops
oxygen	glowing splint	relights

table format (any) drawn with a ruler ;
headings must have 3 columns (or rows if table drawn the other way) ;
all three gasses correct (max 1 for one gas correct) ; [4]

(b) any named (acid) and any named (carbonate) (**but not** sulfuric/ calcium) – both ;
(allow e.g. hydrochloric and calcium (as acid and carbonate in question)) [1]

(c) reaction vessel ;
any workable collection with gradations e.g. syringe / measuring cylinder etc. ;
at least two valid labels (ignore reagents) ;
would it work / airtight etc. ; [4]

(d) named metal Mg to Fe ; [1]

[Total: 10]