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

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1 (a) 20.5 [1] 15.5

10.5

all three averages correct;

(b) axes labelled with units;
 vertical axis linear;
 points plotted correct ± half small square;

best fit straight line going through the origin \pm half small square ; ecf on (a)

(c) lines on graph; [2] correct reading from graph ± half small square; ecf

(d) potato will take longer to rise/there will be fewer bubbles; [1]

OR

potato will not rise/no bubbles;

(e) glowing splint; [2] relights;

[Total: 10]

- 2 (a) (i) (dilute) hydrochloric acid; carbon dioxide; [2]
 - (ii) limewater;
 white ppt/milky;
 allow ecf for incorrect gas in (a)(i). [2]
 - (b) sodium chloride; [1]

(c)

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	С	D		
barium chloride solution	white ppt AND	white ppt; [1]		
ammonia solution	white ppt; [1] dissolves (in excess);[1]	blue ppt; [1] (dissolves in excess to) deep blue solution; [1]		

[5]

[Total: 10]

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3	(a) 1	7 (mm) ;		[1]
	(b) 1	3 and 10 ;		[1]
		47, 1.00, 0.76, 0.59, 0.47 ; I results to 2 dp ;		[2]
	(d) (i	plots correct ± 1/2 square ; ecf straight line of best fit ;		[2]
	(ii	clear indication of use of graph (triangle at least 1/2 of graph); correct value 0.07;		[2]
	(iii	14.3 (ecf from gradient value);		[1]
	u o le	ny one from: se of darkened room/mark position of centre of lens in holder/place rependence bench/clamp ruler in position or keep in same position/ensure the constant the object are the same height above bench/card or lens or serpendicular to table;	centre of	[1]
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4	(a) (i	repeats ;		[1]
	(ii	(experiment 1 is) anomalous result/one result is different from the others/one result doesn't fit the pattern/range is high(est)/range 1 very high;	and 2	[1]
	(iii	do not include experiment 1 in average/carry out 4 th experiment/reagain;	epeat	[1]
	(b) C	ontrol/baseline/normal rate/needed for comparison/normal habitat;		[1]
	(c) (i	increases heart rate ;		[1]
	(ii	 agree – similar/close to pond water result/removal of anomaly giv of 306 OR disagree – 304 is an increased heart rate to 275; 	es mean	[max 1]
		xes labelled with units ; ar for each solution with heights correct ;		[2]

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	(e)	(i)	80 (mm) ;		[1]
	(-)		2 (mm);		[1]
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5	(a)	•	mp) red litmus paper ;		[2]
		turi O R	ns blue ;		
		hyd	drogen chloride ;		
		wh	ite fumes/smoke;		
	(b)	uni	versal indicator/litmus ;		[2]
	()		rns) red/pink;		
	(c)	two	properties of non-metals from :		[1]
	(-)		//brittle/low density/low melting point/poor conductor of heat ;		1.1
	(d)	(i)	circuit including a cell and a lamp/ammeter;		[2]
	(u)	(')	metal in circuit/some means of connecting a metal in ;		[4]
		(ii)	use of water or steam (before acid);		[3]
			use of acid; comparing rate of gas evolved with other metals;		
			OR add bismuth to salts of other metals ;		
			in solution ; if displaces it is more reactive ORA ;		
					[Total: 10]
6	(a)	tim	e x swings and divide by x ;		[1]
	(b)	104	1 .5 ;		[1]
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	(c)		effect) (very) close together ; trend or pattern ;		[2]
		0			
	(d)	103	3.7 ;		[1]
	(0)	ο.			[4]
	(6)	9;			[1]

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(f) one result/61 cm obviously wrong;others show a trend;shorter the thread shorter the period;

(g) repeat experiment (at each length) <u>and</u> take average; [max 1] or repeat the 61 cm length (as anomalous reading); use different (specified in numbers) lengths;

[Total: 10]