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5054 PHYSICS

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Paper 4 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 30

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- 1 (a) accurate horizontal line from object to centre of lens
and labelled u or 15 cm B1 [1]
- (b) (i) move screen (along ruler) B1 [1]
(ii) raise object B1 [1]
- (c) (i) 45.1 cm cao unit required B1 [1]
(ii) 30.1 cm ecf (c)(i) – 15.0 B1 [1]
- (d) (i) 15.0 and (c)(ii) inserted into top line of table B1 [1]
(ii) axes: correct way round, labelled quantity and unit B1
scales: more than $\frac{1}{2}$ grid, linear, not awkward B1
y-axis e.g.: 2 cm \equiv 5 cm x-axis e.g.: 2 cm \equiv 5 cm
points plotted accurately within $\frac{1}{2}$ small square B1
neat crosses or small points (in circle)
smooth curve of best fit drawn B1 [4]
- (e) any two from:
repeat (the measurement of v) and average
avoid parallax in **reading** ruler **or**
eye line/line of sight perpendicular to scale/reading **or**
lens or screen close to ruler **or**
mark centre of lens on base of holder
use of set-square described
check for zero error on ruler
use darkened room
clear explanation of focussing
e.g. move screen from left, then from right
move through focussed image from both directions, then stop B2 [2]
- (f) 9.8 to 10.0 cm ecf graph unit required B1 [1]

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2	(a)	(i)	line from (5, 500) to (15, 1000)	B1	
			line to (22, 1000) or	B1	
			line horizontal for 7 minutes at 1000 m	B1	[3]
		(ii)	1500 m or 1.5 km cao unit required	B1	[1]
	(b)		use of pedometer measure one pace and count paces tape measure with repeated use described use of trundle wheel	B1	[1]
	(c)		find/measure gradient and where steepest/largest gradient	B1	[1]
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3	(a)	(i)	using measuring cylinder	using displacement can	
			measuring cylinder stated	measuring cylinder stated	B1
			initial reading	fill can to spout	
		+ immerse object	+ immerse object	B1	
		new reading + find difference	find volume of water collected	B1	[3]
		(ii)	sensible suggestions e.g. repeat (measurement of volume) and average avoid parallax reading measuring cylinder or eye line/line of sight perpendicular to scale/reading view level with lower meniscus avoid splashing	B1	[1]
	(b)		mass cao and balance	B1	[1]
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- 4 (a) (i) circuit diagram containing only solar cell, voltmeter and switch in series B1 [1]
- (ii) voltmeter terminals to wrong terminals of cell
current in voltmeter in wrong direction
voltmeter has polarity B1
- reverse connections to voltmeter
reverse connections to cell
connect red/+ve terminal of voltmeter to red/+ve terminal of cell B1 [2]
- (iii) needle drawn from centre to 0.96 V B1 [1]
- (b) (movement of) head/body reduces amount of light falling on solar cell B1
head/body not between window (light source) and cell
- sensible suggestion e.g.
position of solar cell/other light sources considered B1 [2]

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