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These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(a)	iodine (solution) ;	1	
1(b)	(add) Benedict's, solution / reagent ; heat ;	2	
1(c)	to remove contamination / to remove any starch (solution) / amylase (solution) / to remove the solutions (from the outside of the dialysis tubing bag) ;	1	
1(d)(i)	table drawn with (at least) three columns and a line separating headings from data ; suitable headings ; eight colours recorded correctly ;	3	
1(d)(ii)	starch absent / negative starch test in, bag 1 / test-tube 1 / test-tube 2 ; starch present / positive starch test, in bag 2 ; (reducing) sugar present / positive (reducing) sugar test, in bag 1 ; (reducing) sugar absent / (reducing) sugar test negative, in bag 2 / test-tube 2 ; starch cannot pass / diffuse, through the tubing bag ; (reducing) sugars can pass / diffuse, through the tubing bag ; amylase / enzyme, breaks down starch ; water does not break down starch ;	3	
1(e)	<i>any two from:</i> volume of starch (solution) ; volume of amylase (solution) ; (total) volume of solution (in dialysis tubing bags) ; volume of water (in test-tubes); time (dialysis tubing bags left in test-tubes) ; temperature ;	2	

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1(f)	<p>(at least) two different temperatures used ; method of maintaining constant temperatures ;</p> <p><i>max two from given method ;;</i> add enzyme (solution) to starch (suspension) in dialysis tubing rinse tubing and place in test-tubes with distilled water testing with iodine / Benedict's solution same volume of enzyme / amylase same volume of substrate / starch same volume of (distilled) water in test-tubes</p> <p><i>new method:</i> same, enzyme / amylase solution concentration ; same. substrate / starch suspension concentration ; performing each temperature at different times ; testing for results at set time intervals ; use of spotting tile ;</p> <p>two more repeats (for each temperature) ; use of gloves / goggles / tongs / test-tube holders ; AVP ;</p>	6	
1(g)	<p>biuret (solution / reagent) ; (positive test gives) colour change to lilac / purple / mauve ;</p>	2	

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2(a)(i)	(leaf 6) 26, (leaf 7) 31, (leaf 8) 26 ;	1	all ± 1 mm
2(a)(ii)	28 ;	1	ecf 2(a)(i)
2(a)(iii)	<i>axes labelled with units:</i> average (maximum) leaf width / mm AND light intensity with low medium high ; <i>scale and size:</i> even scale AND plotting area to fill at least half the available grid in both directions ; <i>plots and bars:</i> three bars accurately plotted and of the same width with at least one small square wide gaps between each bar ;	3	
2(a)(iv)	value 12 circled for medium light intensity leaf 7 ; result is different from other results / it does not fit the pattern / AW ;	2	
2(b)(i)	light intensity ;	1	
2(b)(ii)	(maximum) leaf width / AW ;	1	
2(c)(i)	<i>lines:</i> all clear, single continuous ; <i>size:</i> minimum 82 mm wide ; <i>details:</i> at least three layers plus stele ; indented shape of central vascular tissue (see examples);	4	
2(c)(ii)	<i>length of AB:</i> 81 (mm) ± 1 (mm) ; <i>magnification:</i> (\times) 40–41 ;	2	ecf

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