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Abbreviations used in the Mark Scheme

- ; separates marking points
- / separates alternatives within a marking point
- OR gives alternative marking point
- R reject
- I ignore mark as if this material was not present
- A accept (a less than ideal answer which should be marked correct)
- COND indicates mark is conditional on previous marking point
- owtte or words to that effect (accept other ways of expressing the same idea)
- max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded
- ecf credit a correct statement that follows a previous wrong response
- () the word/phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context
- ora or reverse argument

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(a)	fizzing / bubbles / effervescence;	1	I 'gas made'
1(d)	red; (changes to) pink / orange / yellow / green / blue;	2	pH1 A pH goes up
1(e)	all 8 start/final temperature boxes completed; all temperature differences correct; all temperatures show to same degree of accuracy; all temperature changes with 5 °C of Supervisor's results;	4	
1(f)(i)	y scale – highest temperature above half way up axis and scale linear; all four bars correct height (two marks); bars labelled/key;	4	
1(g)(i)	exothermic;	1	A neutralisation
1(g)(ii)	(D is a) carbonate / carbon dioxide formed;	1	
1(h)	experiment 2/solid E;	1	
1(i)	acid neutralised/pH increased; (so solid G is a) base/alkali;	2	
1(j)	room temperature/initial temperature from table; reaction over;	2	
1(k)	temperature change lower/halved; volume of acid larger/doubled;	2	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(a)	white/yellow/brown/violet/blue/purple;	1	I qualifiers such as "pale" R green
2(b)	melts/dissolves/forms a liquid; condensation/droplets at top of tube OR steam; green/blue/purple OR any pH in range >7 ≤14;	3	A description of steam produced

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2(c)	yellow/orange/brown;	1	R ppt
2(d)	orange/brown/rusty; precipitate/ppt/ppte;	2	I the state I solid
	remains/does not dissolve/no change;	1	A any suitable description of the smell
	strong/pungent/sharp smell; green/blue/purple/any pH in range 8–14;	2	
2(e)	orange/brown/rusty precipitate/ppt/ppte;	1	I solid R if suggestion that precipitate redissolves
2(f)	no change/no precipitate/nothing happens/colourless;	1	R any indication that a change is seen
2(g)	white; precipitate/ppt/ppte;	2	I solid
2(h)	hydrated/contains water; alkaline gas/ammonia (made);	2	R suggestions that the solid is alkaline
2(i)	not a halide/not a named halide;	1	
2(j)	ammonium/NH ₄ ⁺ ; iron(III)/Fe ³⁺ ; sulfate/SO ₄ ²⁻ ;	3	