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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	Axes correctly labelled: surface area and cm ² and distance / d and cm ;	4
	Suitable linear scale using at least half the grid ;	
	All 4 points plotted correctly ± half small square ;	
	Best fit straight line through origin ;	
1(a)(ii)	More enzyme, faster reaction ORA ;	1
1(a)(iii)	Correct reading from graph ;	2
	Lines on graph to show working ;	
1(b)	Any two from temperature; pH; pieces from same potato; concentration of peroxide;	2
1(c)	Glowing splint and relights ;	1

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Question	Answer		Marks	
2(a)(i)	HEAT limewater apparatus; H or limewater label and 'HEAT'	·		2
2(a)(ii)	to prevent suckback / to stop cold liquid hitting hot solid / to prevent glassware cracking;			1
2(a)(iii)	carbon dioxide (gas) ;			1
2(a)(iv)	H is a carbonate;			1
2(a)(v)	zinc carbonate / ZnCO ₃ ;			1
2(b)(i)	white ;		1	
2(b)(ii)	(white) ppt;		1	
2(c)(i)	(test / reagent) barium nitrate solution silver nitrate solution ;	(observation) no reaction yellow ppt.		1
2(c)(ii)	iodi de / I ⁻ / not sulfate / not SO ₄ ²⁻	not chloride / not Ct / not	promide / not Br ⁻ ;	1

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)(i)	59.8 (cm);	1
3(a)(ii)	29.8 (cm);	1
3(a)(iii)	1. <u>0</u> and 1.7 ;	1
3(a)(iv)	2.0 and 2.7 ;	1
3(b)(i)	plots correct to half a small square, at least 4 correct;	2
	good best fit line judgement ;	
3(b)(ii)	indication on graph of how data obtained AND at least half of line used;	2
	correct calculation for triangle method using data from graph ;	
3(b)(iii)	(15.0 ± 1.0) 2/3 s.f. only;	1
3(c)	any one from move screen slowly to / fro until sharpest focus obtained; object / lens / screen perpendicular to bench; object and lens same height above the bench; carry out experiment away from other bright light sources / darkened room;	1

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4(a)	(Placed in a suitable dish with) water ;	2
	(Kept in a) warm (place) / suitable temperature ;	
4(b)	shorter shoot in A;	2
	taller shoot in C ;	
4(c)	Heat;	3
	Benedicts solution ;	
	Yellow / green / orange / red ;	
4(d)	Lighting from one side ;	3
	Control – even light / in the dark ;	
	More than one seedling (in each condition) ;	

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5(a)(i)	alkali / hydroxide ion / OH ⁻ ;	1
5(a)(ii)	green and ppt.;	1
5(a)(iii)	aqueous Fe ³⁺ / dissolve / react with acid ;	3
	add (excess) sodium hydroxide solution / ammonia solution ;	
	red-brown and ppt.;	
5(b)(i)	oil on top label;	2
	boiled water label ;	
5(b)(ii)	all nails made of iron / steel;	1
5(c)	need to show that water alone does not cause rusting as in L ; need to show that air alone does not cause rusting as in J ;	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)(i)	4.2;	2
	13.0;	
6(a)(ii)	1,4,6,8 ; all use brick / same block ; all have different surfaces / all surfaces ;	3
6(a)(iii)	sand carpet wood glass;	1
6(b)	difficult to judge the first pull / accuracy / minimise errors / lessens effects of anomalies AVP;	1
6(c)	would be difficult to stop / slip / slide etc. ;	1
6(d)	sand / gravel / very rough tarmac; high resistance to movement / would slow / stop car quickest / big(gest) resisting force / large(st) friction;	2

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