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Paper 5 (Practical), maximum raw mark 45

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- 1 (a) (i) barley grains drawn in both dishes ; [1]
- (ii) drawings of both dishes ;
dish **A** shows brown/orange/yellow and blue/black areas labelled
AND
no brown in dish **B** ; [2]
- (iii) brown/orange/yellow colour around where the barley grains were ;
(allow no starch where grains were) [1]
- (iv) (enzyme from the) barley grains breaking down/digesting the starch ;
(allow area below grains no longer contains starch) [1]
- (v) control/shows that breakdown depends on living barley grains; [1]
- (b) (i) all four sections of the table filled in ;
first row shows Benedict's solution blue ; [2]
- (ii) tube **B**: (reducing) sugar present/not present ; (conclusion must match observation)
because starch digested to sugar/sugar absorbed by seed/other good explanation ; (reason must match conclusion) [2]
- tube **D**: (reducing) sugar not present ;
because seeds are dead / starch not digested ; [2]
- (c) improved reliability/because one seed might not be active/owtte ; [1]
- (d) (i) larger brown areas/less starch present ; [1]
- (ii) smaller brown areas/more starch present ; [1]

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- 2 (a) (i) reading for x when $d = 55$ cm to nearest mm ; [1]
- (ii) note reading on either side of mass and find the mean value/measure mass and divide by 2 to find centre mark ; [1]
- (iii) complete set of x values ;
 x values increasing down the table ; [2]
- (b) (i) axes labelled with units ;
suitable choice of scales (points use at least 8 cm \times 8 cm of grid) ;
at least 4 points correct to half a small square ;
good best fit straight line judgement ; [4]
- (ii) indication on graph of how data obtained
AND
at least half of line used ;
correct calculation from triangle method using data from graph (at least 2 significant figures) ; [2]
- (c) correct calculation of m (from candidate's gradient value, to 2/3 significant figures)
AND
correct rounding required ; [1]
- (d) (i) both values present, and realistic ;
both values to nearest millimetre ; [2]
- (ii) correct calculation of density (from candidate's values and at least 2 significant figures) ;
accuracy mark: value within ± 0.1 of Supervisor's value ; [2]

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3 Table 3.1

<i>test</i>	<i>observation</i>	<i>conclusion</i>
(a) (i) dilute nitric acid	no reaction / nothing / paler solution ;	no carbonate / no CO_3^{2-} ;
(ii) barium chloride solution	ppt of stated colour ;	sulfate / SO_4^{2-} ;
(iii) silver nitrate solution	white ppt ;	chloride / Cl^- ;

[6]

Table 3.2

<i>test</i>	<i>observation</i>	<i>conclusion</i>
(b) (i) sodium hydroxide solution	brown / orange / red-brown / yellow-brown AND ppt / residue ; colourless filtrate ;	iron(III) / Fe^{3+} ;
(ii) ammonia solution	brown / orange / red-brown / yellow-brown AND ppt residue ; <u>dark</u> blue filtrate ;	iron(III) / Fe^{3+} ; copper(II) / Cu^{2+} ;
(iii) sodium carbonate solution	brown ppt ;	

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(c) iron(III) chloride **AND** copper(II) sulfate / iron(III) sulfate **AND** copper(II) chloride ;
(allow any three or all four compounds but not a list of the ions)

[1]

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