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MARK SCHEME

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Generic Marking Principles

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.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	pipette	1
	burette	1
1(b)	methyl orange **or** phenolphthalein	1
	yellow to orange / pink / red **or** pink to colourless	1
1(c)	initial burette reading	1
	final burette reading	1
1(d)	values should be same	1
	moles / amount of sodium hydroxide added still same	1

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	table of results for Experiment 1 temperature boxes completed correctly 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 27, 26	2
2(b)	table of results for Experiment 2 temperature boxes completed correctly 21, 15, 12, 11, 10, 10, 11	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)	all points plotted correctly	1
	two smooth line graphs	1
	both labelled	1
2(d)(i)	initial temperature minus 3 °C, 18 °C	1
	value from graph	1
	with clear indication	1
2(d)(ii)	graph for Experiment 1 extended downwards	1
	correct temperature value	1
2(e)	endothermic, temperature decreases	1
2(f)	two sources of error: e.g. heat losses / use of a measuring cylinder / imprecise thermometer / temperature not accurate / experiment only done once / readings taken every 30 s	2
	two improvements: e.g. use a lid / lag the apparatus / use a pipette / burette / use more accurate / precise thermometer / repeat and average / compare / take readings at shorter intervals to get smoother graph	2

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	blue-green	1
3(b)	blue precipitate	1
3(c)(i)	blue precipitate	1
3(c)(ii)	deep / royal blue	1
	solution / dissolves / soluble	1
3(d)	litmus / pH paper	1
	turns blue / pH > 7	1
3(e)	potassium	1
	bromide	1

Question	Answer	Marks
4	any six from: • add dilute nitric acid to the mixture • in named container • stir • until reaction stops / fizzing stops / excess acid • filter • wash residue with water • dry residue between pressed filter papers / drier	max 6