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**for the guidance of teachers**

**0653 COMBINED SCIENCE**

**0653/63**

Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 60

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- 1 (a) (i) 37 °C ;  
body temperature / optimal for enzymes / owtte ; [2]
- (ii) 205, 217, 185 ;; [2]
- (iii) 202 s ;  
(allow 1 mark max in parts (i) and (ii) if times only given in minutes) [1]
- (b) pink due to sodium carbonate ;  
fat is digested / broken down ;  
fatty acids neutralise the alkali ;  
causing phenolphthalein to change colour / neutralise ; [max 2]
- (c) to ensure contents / tubes reach the temperature / all tubes the same temp / body temp ; [1]
- (d) **EITHER**  
repeat with boiled / heated / denatured lipase (demonstrates it is an enzyme) ;  
no change in pink colour / no reaction / very long time to change colour ;  
**OR**  
repeat with different types of fat or named fat (demonstrates it breaks down fats) ;  
reaction works as before / owtte ; [max 2]
- [Total: 10]**
- 2 (a) 13.7 ; [1]
- (b) (i) length (**l**) = 7.8 ;  
external diameter, (**d<sub>e</sub>**) = 2.5 ;  
internal diameter, (**d<sub>i</sub>**) = 1.8 ; [3]
- (ii)  $2.5^2 - 1.8^2$  ; (allow ecf)  
= 3.01 ; [2]
- (iii)  $-\text{(V)} = 3.14 \times 3.01 \times 7.8 \div 4 =$  ; (allow ecf)  
(between) 18.1 and 18.5 ; [2]
- (c) (formula used) density = mass / volume ;  
0.74 ; (allow ecf from incorrect values, but **not** from incorrect formula) [2]
- [Total: 10]**

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3 (a) 20.0 ; 47.5 ; 43.5 ; (no tolerance) [3]

(b) (i) axes correct and both labelled with units ;  
points correctly plotted ;  
smooth curve through points ;  
maximum ; [4]

(iii) from graph (should be about 34 but accept 32) ; [1]

(iii) substitution  $25 \times 4.2 \times \text{ans (b)(iii)}$  ;  
correctly worked out if use 34 = 3360 ; [2]

**[Total: 10]**

4 (a) (i) correct answers in column 3 ; [1]

| time after<br>drinking<br>coffee / min | number of<br>beats in 30 s | number of beats<br>per min |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 0                                      | 36                         | 72                         |
| 5                                      | 39                         | 78                         |
| 10                                     | 42                         | 84                         |
| 15                                     | 45                         | 90                         |
| 20                                     | 45                         | 90                         |
| 25                                     | 37                         | 74                         |
| 30                                     | 36                         | 72                         |

(ii) suitable axes (scale and labels) ;  
plotting correct ;  
decent curve drawn ; [3]

(iii) correct estimate from graph (about 17.5) ; (do **not** allow range) [1]

(b) (i) exercise causes heart rate to increase (therefore not a fair test) ; [1]

(ii) volume of coffee ;  
concentration of coffee ;  
(amount of / quantity of coffee – max 1) [2]

(iii) take readings more frequently (e.g. every 2 minutes) ;  
would see more clearly the peak in heart rate ;  
more readings between 15 and 20 minutes ; [max 2]

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- 5 (a) (i) 9 (cm) ; [1]
- (ii)  $9 \times 30 = 270$  ;  
 $\times 2 = 540$  (m) ; [2]
- (iii) allow any sensible idea, e.g. distracted / forgot / not concentrating / didn't hear correct sound owtte ;  
**(NOT)** just timing / experimental error [1]
- (iv) 1.76(5) ; (allow 1.76 or 1.77) [1]
- (v) using their value from above  $\div$  their distance ;  
answer ;  
e.g.  $540 \div 1.765 = 306$  [2]
- (vi) must comment on their value, e.g. accurate as values are close together /  
inaccurate as values far apart ; [1]
- (b) any two of the following:  
longitudinal wave ;  
(requires) molecules / particles ;  
closer together ; [max 2]

**[Total: 10]**

- 6 (a) lighted splint ;  
pops / small explosion etc ; [2]
- (b) (i) bubbles / gas / hydrogen floats Mg to surface / owtte ; [1]
- (ii) (copper) doesn't react with acid ; [1]
- (c) magnesium + copper produces hydrogen faster / steeper graph ;  
copper acts as a catalyst / hydrogen given off faster (if say steeper graph) ; [2]
- (d) some magnesium / solid remains ; [1]
- (e) sketch below others ;  
(and) reaches same level ; [2]
- (f) connected to a syringe (labelled or graduations shown) ; [1]

**[Total: 10]**