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for the guidance of teachers**

**0653 COMBINED SCIENCE**

**0653/61**

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

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- 1 (a) (i) 57 ; 63 ; 53 ; (no tolerance) [3]
- (ii) oxygen ; [1]
- (iii) 57.7 ; [1]
- (iv) boiled gives no reaction and raw gives more bubbles/faster reaction ;  
(boiling) denatures enzyme / catalase ; [2]
- (b) (i) not heated fully through/long enough/not all enzyme denatured/some enzyme still present ; [1]
- (ii) surface area of liver ;  
temperature ;  
pH ;  
detergent ;  
concentration of hydrogen peroxide solution ; [max 2]
- [Total: 10]**
- 2 (a) (i) 37 s ; 52 s ; 19 s ; (no tolerance) [3]
- (ii) C  
A  
B (correct order) ; [1]
- (b) (i) filter funnel showing filter paper and vessel to collect filtrate ; (labels not required) [1]
- (ii) copper hydroxide ; [1]
- (iii) copper oxide ; [1]
- (c) more bubbles from magnesium than from zinc ;  
no bubbles from metal X ; [2]
- (d) the carbonate of the more reactive metal does not decompose as easily / owtte ; [1]
- [Total: 10]**

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- 3 (a) (i) 45      60      75  
11.3 ; 11.2 ; 11.7 ; (1 mark for each pair) [3]
- (ii) all values correct (line 2 divided by 10) ; (allow 1 error) (allow e.c.f. from 3(a)(i)) [1]
- (iii) 1.14 ; (e.c.f.) [1]
- (b) (no), all results are within experimental error/close together/no correlation/trend/pattern ;  
**OR**  
(yes), because all results are not the same ; [max 1]
- (c) repeat (each part of the experiment several times) and find the average ; [1]
- (d) 0.3 ; [1]
- (e)  $g = \frac{3.95 \times 0.3}{1.14^2}$  ; (e.c.f.)  
= 9.1 (m/s<sup>2</sup>) ; [2]

**[Total: 10]**

- 4 (a) brown ;  
blue/black ; [2]
- (b) (i) 135 ; 105 ; (no tolerance) [2]
- (ii) plotting correct (allow e.c.f.) ;  
curve drawn ; [2]
- (iii) pH 6–7 ; [1]
- (c) (i) use pH values between 6 and 7/owtte ;  
take samples more frequently ; [2]
- (ii) would find activity/more information about intermediate values ;  
**OR**  
may find endpoint at a time between 15 s intervals ; [max 1]

**[Total: 10]**

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- 5 (a) (i) water enters the gas-jar ; [1]
- (ii) air pressure pushes the water from the bowl into the gas-jar/air pressure greater outside (the jar) ;  
**OR**  
water enters to take the place of the dissolved gas ; [max 1]
- (b) add named indicator ;  
*result for acid:* colour to match indicator ;  
*result for alkali:* colour to match indicator ; [3]
- (c) place glowing /lit splint into gas ;  
*result:* splint bursts into flame /relights /burns brighter ; [2]
- (d) place burning splint into gas ;  
*result:* gas burns accept 'pop' ; [2]
- (e) ammonia and sulfur dioxide (any order) ; [1]
- [Total: 10]**
- 6 (a) 12.1 cm ;  
10.1 cm ; (both  $\pm 1$  mm) [2]
- (b) (i) **A** and **V** in correct places ; (no mark if reversed) [1]
- (ii) 4.5V ; 0.3A ; (no tolerance) [2]
- (iii)  $R = V/I$  ;  
 $R = 4.5/0.3 = 15(\text{ohms})$  ; (e.c.f.) [2]
- (c) (i) column 1 shows the data for wire **X** ;  
column 2 shows data for wire **Y** ; [1]
- (ii) The thinner the wire, the greater the resistance/owtte ;  
The longer the wire, the greater the resistance/owtte ;  
(allow cross-sectional area for thickness of wire.) [2]
- [Total: 10]**