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

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		dge IGCSE – May/June 2				
(a)	20.5 15.5 10.5 all three averages correct	t;			[1]	
(b)	axes labelled with units; vertical axis linear; points plotted correct \pm has best fit straight line going ecf on (a)	alf small square ; through the origin \pm half s	mall square ;	[4]		
(c)	lines on graph; correct reading from grap	$ extstyle h \pm extstyle h \pm extstyle half small square ; eco$	F	[2]		
(d)	potato will take longer to OR	rise/there will be fewer bu	bbles ;	[1]		
	OK					
	potato will not rise/no bubbles;					
(e)	glowing splint; relights;			[2]		
				[Total: 10]		
(a)	(i) (dilute) hydrochloric a carbon dioxide ;	acid ;		[2]		
	(ii) limewater; white ppt/milky; allow ecf for incorrect gas in (a)(i).			[2]		
(b)	sodium chloride ;			[1]		
(c)_						
		С	D			
	barium chloride solution	white ppt AND	white ppt; [1]			
	ammonia solution	white ppt; [1] dissolves (in excess);[1]	blue ppt; [1] (dissolves in excess to) deep blue solution; [1]			

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[Total: 10]

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(a)	17	(mm) ;		[1]
(b)	13	and 10 ;		[1]
(c)		7, 1.00, 0.76, 0.59, 0.47 ; results to 2 dp ;		[2]
(d)	(i)	plots correct \pm 1/2 square ; ecf straight line of best fit ;		[2]
	(ii)	<u>clear</u> indication of use of graph (triangle at least 1/2 of graph); correct value 0.07;		[2]
	(iii)	14.3 (ecf from gradient value);		[1]
(e)	use on len	y one from: e of darkened room/mark position of centre of lens in holder/place menth/clamp ruler in position or keep in same position/ensure the centre and the object are the same height above bench/card or lens or sopendicular to table;	entre of	[1]
				[Total: 10]
(a)	(i)	repeats;		[1]
	(ii)	(experiment 1 is) anomalous result/one result is different from the others/one result doesn't fit the pattern/range is high(est)/range 1 very high;	and 2	[1]
	(iii)	do not include experiment 1 in average/carry out 4 th experiment/re again;	peat	[1]
(b)	cor	ntrol/baseline/normal rate/needed for comparison/normal habitat;		[1]
(c)	(i)	increases heart rate ;		[1]
	(ii)	agree – similar/close to pond water result/removal of anomaly give of 306 OR disagree – 304 is an increased heart rate to 275;	s mean	[max 1]
(d)		es labelled with units ; for each solution with heights correct ;		[2]

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	(e)		80 (mm) ;		[1]
		(ii)	2 (mm);		[1]
					[Total: 10]
5	(a)	•	mp) red litmus paper ;		[2]
		turi OR	ns blue ;		
		hyd	Irogen chloride ;		
		WII	ite fumes/smoke;		
	(b)		versal indicator/litmus;		[2]
		(tui	rns) red/pink;		
	(c)	two	properties of non-metals from :		[1]
		dul	I/brittle/low density/low melting point/poor conductor of heat;		
	(d)	(i)	circuit including a cell and a lamp/ammeter;		[2]
			metal in circuit/some means of connecting a metal in ;		
		(ii)	use of water or steam (before acid) ; use of acid ;		[3]
			comparing rate of gas evolved with other metals ; OR		
			add bismuth to salts of other metals;		
			in solution ; if displaces it is more reactive ORA ;		
					[Total: 10]
6	(a)	tim	e x swings and divide by x ;		[1]
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	(b)	104	l.5 ;		[1]
	(c)		effect) (very) close together;		[2]
		no	trend or pattern ;		
	(d)	103	3.7 ;		[1]
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	(e)	9;			[1]

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(f) one result/61 cm obviously wrong;others show a trend;shorter the thread shorter the period;

(g) repeat experiment (at each length) and take average; [max 1] or repeat the 61 cm length (as anomalous reading); use different (specified in numbers) lengths;

[Total: 10]