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0653/62 Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 60

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1 **(a)** **(i)** length of holly leaf measured as 68 to 69 ;
magnification = ×1.5 ; [2]

(ii) holly leaf has branched veins / grass has parallel veins ;
holly leaf has spikes ;
grass leaf relatively longer / narrower ;
grass leaf does not have a stalk ;
any other correct **visible** comparative (not thick / thin) ; [max 2]

(b) **(i)** faster diffusion of CO_2 / CO_2 present inside leaf ; [1]

(ii) (more) stomata/pores on lower surface ; [1]

(iii) lower surface less exposed to sun / heat ;
so less transpiration / evaporation / water loss ; [2]

(vi) grass leaf shows bubbling from both surfaces / ORA ;
because stomata / pores both on upper and lower surfaces ; [2]

[Total: 10]

2 **(a)** **(i)** 35 degrees ;
50 degrees ; [2]

(ii) 0.57 ;
0.77 ; [2]

(b) **(i)** points correctly plotted ± half square (allow 1 error);
straight line drawn (line crosses at 100 max 2);
extending to sine θ = 1.00 ; [3]

(ii) mass = 104 g (or as candidate's graph) ; [1]

(iii) friction ; [1]

(c) (the results should be the same) because gravity acts equally (on all three masses) ; [1]

[Total: 10]

3 **(a)** *observations*: bubbling is seen ;
gas pops ;
conclusion: hydrogen ; [3]

(b) red **OR** red-brown **OR** brown ; (reject yellow) [1]

(c) **(i)** green ; [1]

(ii) *observation*: green ;
conclusion: iron(II) hydroxide ; [2]

(d) white precipitate ; [1]

(e) magnesium, zinc ; [1]

(f) $FeCl_3$; [1]

[Total: 10]

4 **(a)** **(i)** (dark colours) would interfere with ability to see colour change / owtte ; [1]

(ii) flower **C** because anthers / stigma / are long or hanging outside plant / feathery stigma / pollen easily blown ; [1]

(b) **(i)** grind up flower with water ;
filter or decant (to separate extract from flower material) ;
(add Benedict's solution to extract) heat in hot water bath ; [3]

(ii) same volume of water ;
mass (etc) of flowers ;
volume of Benedicts solution ;
same heating ; [max 2]

(iii) **C B D A** ; [1]

(c) e.g.
either
slide 1 wind-pollinated (no mark)
feature small ;
importance (and easy to be) carried by wind ;
or
slide 2 insect pollinated (no mark)
feature sculptured surface ;
importance helps pollen to attach to insect ; [max 2]

[Total: 10]

5 **(a)** 30° = 13, 42° = 26, 49° = 37 (all 3 for 1 mark) ; [1]

(b) suitable scale chosen, both axes labelled ;
all points plotted correctly (half square tolerance) ;
curve drawn ; [3]

(c) (i) the bubbles will come too quickly for the marks to be made (accurately) ; [1]

(ii) particles have more energy / move faster ;
more (effective) collisions (per unit time) ; [2]

(d) (i) carbon dioxide (or carbonic acid) + calcium hydroxide → calcium carbonate + water ;;
(all four correctly named 2 marks ; two or three correctly named 1 mark) [max 2]

(ii) calcium carbonate is insoluble in water ; [1]

[Total: 10]

6 (a) (i) 113.6 g ; [1]

(ii) 37.8 g ; [1]

(b) (i) 91 cm^3 ; [1]

(ii) 41 cm^3 ; [1]

(c) density = mass / volume or 37.8 / 41;
= 0.9(2) g / cm^3 (ecf) ; [2]

(d) hexane is not as dense as ice ;
hexane melts at a temperature lower than –5 °C ;
hexane does not dissolve / react with ice ; [max 2]

(e) (i) ice floats on the surface **AND** the polar bears can walk on it / so that fish can live under the ice / other suitable answer ; [1]

(ii) the polar ice may melt **AND** the habitat of the polar bear will be destroyed / they may drown / other suitable answer ; [1]

[Total: 10]