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## 0610 BIOLOGY

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Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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## **Abbreviations used in the Mark Scheme**

separates marking points

separates alternatives within a marking point

R reject

ignore mark as if this material was not present

A accept (a less than ideal answer which should be marked correct)
 AW alternative wording (accept other ways of expressing the same idea)
 underline words underlined (or grammatical variants of them) must be present indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded

mark independently
 ecf
 the second mark may be given even if the first mark is wrong credit a correct statement that follows a previous wrong response the word / phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context

ora or reverse argument
 AVP any valid point

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Question	Mark scheme	Mark	Guidance
1 (a) (i)	add water/cut egg white / AW ;		
	(addition of) biuret (solution) ;	[2]	R if heated/acid added
(ii)	(ii) blue to purple (means protein is present);		ignore goes purple alone – needs to be a change of colour
	stays blue/no change means protein is absent;		Coloui
(iii)	(iii) wear a lab coat/use a test-tube rack/ wear gloves ;		ignore goggles
(b) (i)	(i) test-tube <b>B</b> : <u>432</u> (seconds) <b>and</b> test-tube <b>C</b> : <u>266</u> (seconds);		
(ii)	(ii) table with at least two columns and four rows;		
	column headings test-tube or volume of enzyme / cm <sup>3</sup> and time taken/s;		
	observations recorded for three tests;		ecf 1(b)(i)

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(c)	any two from: more enzyme/higher concentration of enzyme means faster change/AW ora;		answer must refer to enzyme
	calculated figures from table ;		e.g. C/10 cm³ enzyme takes 166 second less than B/5 cm³ enzyme ignore figures just quoted from the table
	test-tube <b>A</b> does not / may not change / took the longest time, because no enzyme is present/AW;		
(d)	(idea of) control / for comparison / AW ;		
(e)	two from: temperature affects enzyme activity/specific reference to an effect e.g. high temperatures denature/warmer temperatures speed up the activity/more activity/cooler temperatures slow activity down or there is less activity; temperature is a controlled variable (and must not vary)/AW; if temperature is different in each test-tube, results are less valid/less reliable/AW ora;	max [2]	ignore references to optimum temperature R enzymes killed
(f)	surface area would alter the rate of enzyme activity/AW;	[1]	
(g) (i)	(pH)10;	[1]	
(ii)	pepsin;	[1]	A gastric protease / protease in stomach
		[Total: 16]	

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2	(a)	drawing of outer edge, midrib and main veins uses single clear unbroken lines with no shading anywhere;		
		drawing is larger than the photograph ;		
		<ul> <li>two correct details;</li> <li>e.g.</li> <li>pointed tip with correct shape of tip and leaf (width approximately half the length)</li> <li>veins off the midrib alternate (not paired), extending to outer edge and curving</li> <li>petiole drawn with narrow double line and indent at base</li> </ul>		
	(b) (i)	0.7 ÷ 4.2 × 100		
		16.7 ;;		two marks for correct answer with no working
	(ii)	leaves have different starting masses;		
		means that results (for different leaves) can be compared/AW <b>ora</b> ;	[2]	reliable/more valid/accurate/precise

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(iii)	axes labelled and with an even scale on y-axis, x-axis leaf and letter and y-axis percentage decrease in mass;		
	size bars to fill at least half of the grid in both directions ;		
	plots all accurate ±½ small square ;		A ecf from 2(b)(i)
	bars <b>ruled</b> , of same width, not touching, and spaces between bars, same width as each other;	[4]	
(iv)	lower surface – because less water loss when it is covered ora / Q loses more than R or when lower surface is exposed / R loses less than Q or when the lower surface is covered /AW;	[1]	R lower surface unqualified
(c)	independent variable: temperature; control variable: two from: leaf type/species/similar size/similar surface area		R temperature and mass
	humidity AW/wind speed AW/light (intensity)/time/carbon dioxide concentration ;;  dependent variable:		
	mass/change or decrease in mass;	[4]	A distance moved by bubble/coloured water (in the context of a photosynthometer) ignore rate of transpiration/water loss R dry mass
		[Total: 16]	

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3 (a)	any two features wit	th matching compari	sons:		
	feature	human red blood cell	frog red blood cell		
	shape	round/disc/AW	oval/AW		
	nucleus	absent / not visible	present / visible		
	size	small	large		
	number / concentration /	more	fewer		
	density, of cells	higher	lower		
	one mark for two fea	atures (vertical colun	nn) ;		
	one mark for each o	correct row ;;		[3]	
(b)	measurement mark.	: 80 (mm) ;			<b>A</b> ± 1 (mm)
	formula mark: 80 ÷ 2 calculation mark: (x)			[3]	ecf if original measurement incorrect two marks for correct answer with no working
(c)	mitosis/make protei	ins/control cell activer/AVP;	ity/	[1]	R meiosis/binary fission
				[Total: 7]	