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**0653 COMBINED SCIENCE**

**0653/61**

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

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1 (a) batch **A** mass 8.8 g ;  
batch **B** mass 8.3 g ; [2]

(b) average mass for batch **A** time 0 = 0.88  
1 = 1.74  
4 = 2.57  
7 = 3.26  
average mass for batch **B** time 0 = 0.83  
1 = 1.68  
4 = 3.22  
7 = 4.20  
(allow ecf) (all correct 2 marks, 1 error 1 mark) [2]

(c) scale correct ;  
plotting of points for both batches correct ;  
reasonable curve(s) drawn ;  
(if a non-linear scale only curves can score) [3]

(d) (i) (seed / seedlings) took up / absorbed water ; [1]

(ii) seedlings will die ;  
cannot photosynthesise / have used up stored energy ;  
(ignore references to water) [2]

**[Total: 10]**

2 (a) (i) 1.55 ; 1.6(0) (no tolerance) ; (allow 1 mark if reversed) [2]

(ii)  $1.55 \times 0.25 = 0.39$  (ecf) ;  
 $1.6 \times 0.12 = 0.19(2)$  (ecf) ; [2]

(iii) Watt(s) / W ; [1]

(b) (i) diagram shows 2 lamps in parallel ; [1]

(ii) 0.48 (+/- 0.01) ; [1]

(iii)  $0.48 \times 1.5 = 0.72$  (allow 0.705 to 0.74) (ecf); [1]

(c) both statements are true / statement 1 is true and statement 2 is true but not as accurate ;  
(allow statement(s) is / are false if justified) [1]

(d) clock / watch / timer ; [1]

**[Total: 10]**

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- 3 (a) blue ;  
ammonia ;  
ammonium (accept  $\text{NH}_4$ ) ; [3]
- (b) (i) iron(II) ;  
iron(III) ; (allow 1 mark if oxidation state missing or reversed)  
oxidation ; [3]
- (ii) barium chloride (nitrate) ;  
white precipitate / ppt. / solid / residue ; [2]
- (iii) nitric ; (**must** score before award of next mark)  
silver nitrate / lead nitrate ; [2]
- [Total: 10]**
- 4 (a) 23.2 °C ;  
44.8 °C ; (no tolerance) [2]
- (b) 95.8 g ;  
97.9 g ; (no tolerance) [2]
- (c)  $97.9 - 95.8 = 2.1 \text{ g}$  (ecf) ; [1]
- (d)  $44.8 - 23.2 = 21.6 \text{ °C}$  (ecf) ; [1]
- (e) (i) condensation / condensing ; [1]
- (ii) molecules (particles) / gas lose energy / move more slowly / forms bonds ;  
on changing from gas to liquid / owtte ;  
(**not** molecules / particles come closer together)  
(e.g. gas molecules lose energy when they become liquid = 2 marks) [2]
- (f) some (2.1 g) water / steam cools (from 100 °C to 44.8 °C); [1]
- [Total: 10]**

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- 5 (a) **C and E** purple ;  
**A, B and D** blue ; [2]
- (b) **B** blue / black ;  
**C and D** brown / yellow ; (ignore colours in other boxes) [2]
- (c) tube **D** ;  
(Benedict's solution) changes (from blue) to red / shows a positive test ; [2]
- (d) put starch / solution **B** into two test-tubes ;  
add protein solution to each / use **C** and **E** ;  
allow to react / leave for some time ;  
at a temperature of 35 °C (allow 30 °C to 40 °C) / warming ;  
test-tubes with Benedict's solution ;  
positive result with amylase ; [max 4]
- [Total: 10]**
- 6 (a) (i) (dark) red or red-brown (**do not** accept 'brown' on its own) ; [1]  
(ii) black ; [1]
- (b) litmus (turns red and then) is bleached / loses colour ; [1]
- (c) (i) blue-black colour (accept 'blue' or 'black') ; [1]  
(ii)  $Cl_2 + 2KI \rightarrow 2KCl + I_2$   
all formulae correct ;  
balanced ; [2]
- (d) (i) ethene ; [1]  
(ii) unsaturated / (molecules) contain a double bond / C=C ; [1]
- (e) (i) purple ; [1]  
(ii) sublimation / subliming ; (ignore reverse) [1]

**[Total: 10]**