

ZIMBABWE SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

4025/3

BIOLOGY

PAPER 3 Practical Test

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1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the question paper.

Additional materials:

As listed in Instructions to Supervisors

Electronic calculator

Pencil (B or HB is recommended)

Soft clean eraser

ruler (cm/mm)

TIME 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

Answer all questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided on the question paper.

Use a sharp pencil for your drawings.

Coloured pencils and crayons should not be used.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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You are required to investigate properties of enzymes. You are provided with unboiled potato cubes labelled A and a boiled potato cube labelled B, hydrogen peroxide solution, boiling tubes labelled, X, Y and Z.

NB: Caution hydrogen peroxide is harmful to skin.

Pour hydrogen peroxide solution into boiling tubes X and Y to a depth of about 2 cm.

Carefully drop one potato cube A into boiling tube X and one potato cube B into boiling tube Y. Observe the boiling tubes.

(i) Record the observations in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1

tube	observations	
X		
Y		

[2]

(ii) Suggest the purpose of tube Y.

[1]

Pour hydrogen peroxide into boiling tube Z.

Add the other potato cube A into boiling tube Z.

Test the gas produced using a glowing splint.

į.	(a)	(iii)	Describe the observations for the test.	
3				[1]
		(iv)	Identify the gas produced.	[1]
		(v)	Draw a conclusion from the investigation.	
				[2]
		(vi)	Using a labelled diagram, show how you carried the test.	

[3]

(b)	(i)	Design a procedure to investigate the effect of pH on enzyme activity.	Examin Us
				[6]
		(ii)	State any two possible sources of error in the procedure in (b) (i).	
				[2]
		(iii)	For one source of error stated in (b) (ii), suggest a possible solution.	
				[1]
		(iv)	State any one method of presenting data from the procedure in (b) (i).	
				[1] [Total:20]

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You are to investigate the inheritance of a single trait in living organisms using a model. You are provided with five containers labelled P₁, P₂, A, B and C.

P₁ and P₂ contain a mixture of 25 white beads and 25 red beads each.

Shake containers P1 and P2 to mix the beads thoroughly.

Pick a bead from each of the containers P_1 and P_2 at the same time randomly.

If you pick both red, place them into container A, red and white place in container B and both white place in container C.

Record the results in Table 2.1.

NB: two beads picked represent an individual

Repeat picking the beads randomly at the same time until all the beads in P_1 and P_2 are finished.

Table 2.1

(a)

beads pair/container	tally	number
red, red – A		
red, white - B		
white, white – C		

(i)	Complete Table 2.1.	[6
(ii)	Suggest how it can be ensured that the picking of beads is random.	
		1]

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	(iii)	State what each bead represents.	[1]	For Examiner's Use
	(iv)	Determine the ratio of the three genotypes.	[1]	
	(v)	Given that red is dominant, describe the genotypes represented by each of the three containers.		
		A		
		B	[3]	
	(vi)	State the type of inheritance demonstrated in this investigation	n. [1]	
	(vii)	The expected ratio, 1:2:1, of offspring genotypes may not be Suggest a condition for this ratio to be obtained.		
			[1]	
(b)	You a	are provided with organism T. y organism T using a hand lens.		
	(i)	Name organism T.	[1]	

(ii)	Deduce, with reasons, the kingdom to which organism T		Use Use
	belongs.		
		[2]	
		[3]	
(iii)	State the roles of such organisms in the ecosystem.		
		[2]	
		[Total:20]	

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