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0610 BIOLOGY

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

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- 1 (a) (i) **O** axes correctly orientated; (x-axis pH and y-axis time + units)
A axes labelled + units; (time per min – is minimum, do not accept time/m as m = metres) (R PH when both letters are in capitals or ph both lower case)
S even scale; (plots to fill more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of printed grid, + or – $\frac{1}{2}$ square for P and L)
P plot 5 points correctly for student 2; (R 2 curves – if student 1 data has been plotted accept O and A not P– if curve for student 1 has been erased or crossed through accept for P mark)
L ruled line point to point; (R extrapolation/line of best fit / thick line
Accept freehand if smooth and through all points if there is no 'sagging' between points)

Bar chart/histogram points **O, A and P** only (for **A** look for pH value in centre of each column./for **P** look at heights) [5]

(ii) Number points on ticks

Description:

1. enzyme/optimum pH 8/reaction works faster/fastest/better at pH 8; (do not award neutral pH 8 as incorrect)
2. relevant comment re. rates slowing/speeding up either side pH 8/optimum/enzyme works fastest in alkaline range (this is a general point – to cover many different ways of expressing the idea of the curve)
3. correct use of figures from graph (other than pH 8); (use of one other figure + pH8 or use of two other figures – minimum)

Explanation:

4. denaturing (at extremes); (ignore if only refer to destroyed or damaged but look for mention of active site for point 5)
5. correct reference to active site being changed or distorted;
6. reference to causes of change in shape/contamination/inhibition/AW; [MAX. 5]

(b) (i) Number points on ticks

1. **enzyme** – concentration/amount/volume of enzyme different – even if more or less used/older versus freshly prepared enzyme;
2. **substrate** – different concentration/amount/type/volume of substrate/protein/film;
3. temperature is different;
4. presence of inhibitor/contamination/clean apparatus/AW;
Ignore points about method/different end points in film clearing/agitation.
5. same pH/check pH; [MAX. 3]

(ii) Number points on ticks

1. **enzyme** – use of same volumes/conc./amount/same number of enzyme molecules;
2. **substrate** – use of same amount of protein/same film/same area/same thickness;
3. same temperature;
4. increase in range of pH tested;
5. agitate the same;
6. repeat experiment;
7. keep all variables the same (as alternative to points 1, 2 or 3);
(this is a general point to cover all variables – if candidate has mentioned enzyme or substrate or temperature then these can score 3 marks separately – this marking point covers all variables and is not to be awarded with marking points 1 and 2 and 3.)
8. check buffers/pH;
9. clean apparatus/AW;
(ignore ref. to humidity and light)
(ignore ref to diff enzymes, diff types trypsin) [MAX. 5]

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- 2 (a) **Drawing: S** size and proportion (drawing should be same size as Fig. 2.1)
(acceptable range– length 12.0 – 12.4cm and width 4.3 – 4.7cm; only check with ruler when in doubt)
O outline clear and serrated, to include petiole: R if shaded
V veins shown joined to central vein / midrib on **both** sides and branching; (see sheet of sampled drawing – minimum is 2 branched veins on both sides of midrib) [MAX. 2]

Labels; 2 from: midrib/main vein;
network of veins/branched veins;
petiole ; ignore stem/stalk
leaf blade/lamina; [MAX. 2]

- (b) (i) calculation 30 – 36 (accept within this range – no need to calculate candidates' response. no units needed given on answer line – ignore if other units given) [1]

- (ii) 1. means of scoring squares to avoid counting twice;
(look at diagram Fig. 2.1 for evidence of this)
2. whole squares counted;
3. part squares included in total leaf area;

as alternative method

- 2a. count number of empty squares;
3a. subtract from total; [MAX. 2]

- (c) (i) epidermal cell;
guard cell; (label line must go to cell and not stoma)
(labels of cell 1 and cell 2 where candidates have partly misinterpreted question allow MAX. 1 and MAX. 1 for two lines without labels for named cells) [2]

- (ii) 2 guard cells ringed; (R if more than 2 stomatal groups are ringed = 4 cells) [1]

Number points on ticks

- (d) 1. use of microscope/ref to magnification;
2. preparation of epidermis for viewing e.g. epidermal peel/nail varnish/wax/reference to photograph; (ignore ref to staining)
3. count number of stomata in a given **area**; (however expressed)
4. determine the area (viewed under the microscope);
5. calculate the area of the leaf;
6. total number of stomata for whole leaf to be described as calculation;
(this will be thousands)
7. description of some sort of calculation (only if marking points 5 or 6 have not been awarded)
(ignore – idea of counting bubbles from leaves, transpiration, AW) [MAX. 4]

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3 (a) completion of Table 3.1

Table 3.1

dish	number of seedlings	
	green	White
A	15	7 ;
B	19	5 ;
total	34	12 ; ecf

(if error in counting is made – this error must be carried forward to contribute to total row of figures) [3]

- (b)** 1. ratio 3 green :1 white or allow 2.8 x green or 74% green and 26% white even if not linked to 3:1 ratio) (ecf will have to be considered here as well as in Table)
 2. green is dominant;
 3. white is recessive;
 4. parents heterozygous;
 (As alternatives to points 2 and 3, some candidates may have described the genotypes as homozygous **GG** and some may be heterozygous **Gg** green – accept as alternative wording for equivalent to points 2 and 3 above) [MAX. 2]

- (c)** 1. green (seedlings) will grow/white will die;
 2. green have chlorophyll; (ignore ref to chloroplasts)
 3. green can photosynthesise/make glucose/starch AW or white cannot;
 (ignore make food but make glucose and carbon dioxide negates) [3]

[Total: 8]