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Paper 31 (Advanced Practical Skills), maximum raw mark 40

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**Question 1 Round all thermometer readings to the nearest 0.5°C.**

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<b>1 (a)</b>	PDO Recording	(i) Presents data in single table of results – <i>to include volume of FA 2, initial and final temperatures and temperature change.</i>	1	
		(ii) All columns correctly labelled with appropriate unit shown. <i>Must use solidus, brackets or describe unit fully in words. If units not included in column headings every entry must have the correct unit shown.</i>	1	
	MMO Collection	(iii) All thermometer readings recorded to 0.5°C	1	
		(iv) Follows instructions – uses 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 cm <sup>3</sup> of <b>FA 2</b> + two additional volumes	1	
	MMO Decisions	(v) One extra volume of <b>FA 2</b> on either side of the maximum for the first five expts. <b>or</b> Two extra volumes between identical values for the first five expts. <b>or</b> Two extra volumes the same side as the next highest reading.	1	
	MMO Quality	(vi) and (vii) Check and correct $\Delta T$ where necessary. <i>(If multiple readings for max. T then apply hierarchy: take value of consistent readings; take average and correct to nearest 0.5°C)</i> Compare temp rise with that obtained by the Supervisor ( <i>Expected value is 14.0°C</i> ) For 30 cm <sup>3</sup> <b>FA 2</b> : Award (vi) and (vii) for a temp rise of 0.0°, 0.5°, 1.0°C <i>Award (vi) only for a difference of 1.5°C</i>	2	
	MMO Quality	(viii) and (ix) Check and correct $\Delta T$ where necessary. Compare temp rise with that obtained by the Supervisor ( <i>Expected value is 13.5°C</i> ) For 40 cm <sup>3</sup> <b>FA 2</b> : Award (viii) and (ix) for a temp rise of 0.0°, 0.5°, 1.0°C <i>Award (viii) only for a difference of 1.5°C</i>	2	[9]

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(b)	PDO Layout	<p>(i) Temperature (rise) plotted on <i>y-axis</i> against volume (of <b>FA 2</b> or <b>FA 2</b> added /cm<sup>3</sup> on <i>x-axis</i>. Clearly labelled axes (ignore units unless T, ΔT or V used as labels)</p> <p>(ii) Uniform and sensible scales that allow points to be plotted in at least half of the squares on each axis. (6 × 4 big squares). (0,0) may be considered – as an additional point or with a line going through it</p> <p>(iii) Visual check the “sweep” of <b>all</b> points, for all experiments recorded. Check the plotting of points for 10, 30 and 50 cm<sup>3</sup> of <b>FA 2</b> (and any other “suspect” point) If any point is missing <b>and</b> that experiment was not carried out, check adjacent point <i>Points should be within ½ of a small square, in the correct square</i> <b>Do not award if T plotted instead of ΔT</b></p> <p>(iv) Appropriate lines drawn through the ascending and descending <u>points</u>. (<i>Ignore any deviation through rounding at the maximum temperature rise</i>) <b>Do not award</b> if both straight lines and curves drawn <b>or</b> there is any forced change in gradient.</p>	1  1  1  1	[4]
(c)	ACE Interpretation	<p>Reads from the graph (<i>to within ½ small square</i>) the volume of <b>FA 2</b> at the <b>intersection</b> of two lines. Allow rounding to the closest cm<sup>3</sup> <b>Do not award this mark if the lines/curves have been rounded at the maximum ΔT.</b></p>	1	[1]
(d)	PDO Layout	<p>Explains that the <b>temperature rise</b> is the dependent variable <b>or</b> <b>Volume of FA 2</b> is the independent variable/one that is controlled/one that you vary (<i>or words to that effect</i>)</p>	1	[1]
(e)	ACE Conclusion	<p>Gives correct equation for the reaction (<i>ignore state symbols</i>)  <math>2\text{NaOH} + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}</math>  <b>or</b> <math>\text{NaOH} + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{NaHSO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}</math></p>	1	[1]
(f)	PDO Display  ACE Interpretation	<p>Working is shown in (f)(i) (involves volumes and concentration, 2.0 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>) <b>and</b> (f)(ii) (<i>any clear mole ratio</i>)</p> <p>Has correct expression for <math>\frac{10.00}{1000} \times 2.0</math> <b>or</b> an answer of <b>0.02(00)</b> in (f)(i) <b>and</b> <b>0.04(00)</b> in (f)(ii) <i>There is no ecf within (f)</i></p>	1  1	[2]
(g)	PDO Display	<p>Expression given in the question paper is <b>correctly</b> evaluated to 2 or 3 significant figures. <i>Allow a volume, read from rounded curves to be used in this expression. Normal rounding rules apply to the sig fig.</i></p>	1	[1]

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(h)	ACE Interpretation	<p>Uses the expression: (answer from (c) + 10) <math>\times 4.3 \times \Delta T</math> read from graph</p> <p>Divides the answer above by answer to (f)(i) and gives answer in <math>\text{kJ mol}^{-1}</math> with –ve sign <i>Do not award this second mark unless candidate has calculated (a volume of soln <math>\times 4.3 \times \Delta T</math>)</i></p>	1  1	[2]
(i)	ACE Improvements	<p><u>Advantage</u> of burette: Lower % error <b>or</b> more accurately calibrated (<i>must refer to or infer scale/graduations/markings/divisions</i>)</p> <p><u>Disadvantage</u> of burette: Takes longer to add the <b>FA 2</b></p>	1  1	[2]
(j)	ACE Interpretation	<p>Candidate gives <b>two</b> of the following as significant sources of error.</p> <p>Heat loss (to the surroundings) Thermometer graduated at <math>1^\circ\text{C}</math> intervals Drying of cup/thermometer Initial temps of both solutions should be taken <i>Other acceptable sources of error may be seen.</i></p>	1	[1]
(k)	ACE Interpretation	<p>(i) Maximum error in reading a <math>1^\circ\text{C}</math> graduated thermometer is given as <math>0.5^\circ\text{C}</math></p> <p>(iii) Calculates answer in <math>\frac{\text{answer in (k)(i)} \times 2}{\text{answer in (k)(ii)}} \times 100\%</math></p>	1  1	[2]
	<b>Total</b>			<b>[26]</b>

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## Question 2

Question	Sections	Indicative material	Mark	
<b>FA 3</b> is $\text{BaCl}_2(\text{aq})$ ; <b>FA 4</b> is $\text{MgBr}_2(\text{aq})$ [ $\text{MgCl}_2 + \text{NaBr}$ ]; <b>FA 5</b> is $\text{CaI}_2(\text{aq})$ [ $\text{CaCl}_2 + \text{NaI}$ ]; <b>FA 6</b> is $\text{K}_2\text{CrO}_4(\text{aq})$				
2 (a)	MMO Decisions	Chooses silver nitrate/ $\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq})$ /solution containing $\text{Ag}^+$ ions followed by (aqueous) ammonia.	1	[1]
(b)	PDO Recording	Results for three solutions and the two reagents from (a) (or three reagents if (a): ' $\text{Ag}^+ + \text{NH}_3$ ', $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ ) if recorded in a single table ( <i>no repetition of solutions or reagents</i> )	1	[2]
	MMO Collection	Give one mark for correct observations with <b>FA 3</b> , <b>FA 4</b> and <b>FA 5</b> . <b>FA 3</b> – white ppt with $\text{Ag}^+$ , soluble in $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ <b>FA 4</b> – cream ppt with $\text{Ag}^+$ , partially soluble or insoluble in $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ (allow “creamy” not “creamy white”) <b>FA 5</b> – yellow ppt with $\text{Ag}^+$ , insoluble in $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ If $\text{Ag}^+$ and $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ in (a), all observations must be correct (ignore any ‘extra’ $\text{NH}_3$ if not in (a)) ( $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ : white, white, yellow ppts respectively)	1	
(c)	ACE Conclusion	Mark consequentially on observations in (b) Expected conclusion Identifies <b>FA 3</b> as solution containing $\text{Cl}^-$ from “white ppt with $\text{Ag}^+$ (soluble in $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$ ) given as evidence. <i>Mark consequentially – ecf allowed here.</i> <i>(No retrospective to observations)</i>	1	[1]
(d)	MMO Collection	Mark each of the boxes and see whether correct columns or rows give the better mark. Award the better mark. See table below for the expected observations	1 1 1	[3]

	FA 3	FA 4	FA 5
+ $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$	ignore	white ppt	white ppt or “cloudiness”
+ $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq})$	no ppt (allow reference to “cloudiness”/“slight white ppt”)	white ppt	no ppt/no change/ no reaction
+ <b>FA 6</b>	yellow ppt	no ppt/no change/ no reaction/yellow soln	no ppt/no change/ no reaction/yellow soln

reagent	observations			
	FA 7	FA 8	FA 9	FA 10
acidified dichromate	no reaction		no reaction	(colour change to green/blue-green/cyan/turquoise (solution <b>not</b> ppt)
2,4-DNPH	<del>no reaction</del>	yellow ppt	yellow ppt	
Tollens' reagent	no reaction	silver mirror <b>or</b> black/grey solution or ppt		no reaction

(h)	ACE Conclusions	<b>No ecf from (g)</b> <b>FA 7</b> contains the tertiary alcohol from <u>no reaction with all three reagents</u> <b>or</b> <u>no reaction</u> with dichromate <b>and</b> 2,4-DNPH <b>provided</b> there is no CON in the observation with Tollens'	1	[2]
		<b>FA 8</b> contains the aldehyde from the silver (mirror), black or grey precipitate or solution with ammoniacal silver nitrate Allow from brown ppt if it is the only positive result with Tollens'.	1	
	<b>Total</b>		<b>[14]</b>	