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0610 BIOLOGY

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Paper 5 (Practical Test), 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

• wiggly underline the idea conveyed by the word(s) underlined must be present in the answer

max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded
 mark independently
 ecf 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 | Answer | | Guidance for Examiners |
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| 1 (a) (i) | red/shade of red; produce bubbles of gas/colour/smell; | [2] | |
| (ii) | columns and rows distinct; headings and units correct; sufficient cells in table for observations and results; | [3] | |
| (iii) | number of bubbles; colour; decrease in bubbles over time; | [3] | |
| (iv) | comparative statement of yeast relating to foam/bubbles/colour; | [1] | |
| (v) | description 1. number of bubbles in one minute increases with time; 2. A/B releases bubbles faster/ ora; 3. colour change from red to yellow/AW; 4. A changed faster than B / ora; 5. A formed foam more/faster than B / ora; 6. suitable comparative data quote at a stated time; explanation 7. releasing gas by respiration; 8. gas released is carbon dioxide; 9. carbon dioxide is acidic; 10. causes hydrogencarbonate indicator to change red to yellow; 11. A is respiring aerobically/B is respiring anaerobically; 12. (the rate of) gas released in anaerobic respiration is slower/ora; | [max 4] | |

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| (b) (i) | to mix/spread (evenly); yeast cells sediment to bottom/AW; to prepare a uniform sample; | | | |
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| (ii) | to exclude the oxygen/gas/air; | | | |
| (iii) | (warm) temperature speeds up (enzyme/yeast) activity/ respiration (rate)/metabolism/fermentation/AW; temperature, is controlled/kept equal; | | [max 1] | |
| (c) | error 1. bubble counting for A + B not simultaneous; 2. temperature decreases over course of investigation; 3. inaccuracy of measuring volume of yeast culture; 4. difficult to determine if oil formed a complete layer; 5. indicator change subjective/hard to determine exact colour; 6. lack of air tight seals; | improvement two separate experiments / have two people; use thermostatically controlled water bath for A + B; use a larger volume to extract from / ensure syringe is placed near to bottom to avoid sucking up foam; add oil before yeast culture / add larger volume of oil/AW; use different indicator/indicator with greater range of colours; use colorimeter; have several colour standards set up for reference; ensure bungs tight / add sealant; | [max 4] | source of error and improvement must be linked, one mark for each source of error and one mark for each linked improvement |
| (d) (i) | asexual reproduction/mitosis/ | budding/AW; | [1] | A cell is dividing/binary fission |

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| | (ii) | 100 (mm); formula: length measured ÷ magnification; 0.02; | | A 99 – 101 (mm) A 0.0198 – 0.0202 |
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| | | | [3] | |
| | | | [Total: 24] | |
| 2 | (a) (i) | outline clear, unbroken lines; size to show both outlines equal in size to fill more than the 6 cm of the available space; drawing shows arrangement of seeds and calyx on outer view; drawing shows arrangement of receptacle and surrounding vessels on cut surface; label to show: sepal/calyx/seed(s)/receptacle/fleshy or edible part/AW; | [5] | |
| | (ii) | (fruit) is edible/eaten (by animals/humans); seeds pass through (body/alimentary canal) unharmed/undigested; egested/deposited in, excreta/faeces; | [max 2] | |
| | (b) (i) | safety – test-tube holder or tongs/use of hot water bath/goggles/ heat proof gloves/knife safety; Benedict's reagent or component chemicals; (reagent) heated; orange/(brick) red/green/AW; i.e. colour of positive result | [4] | |
| | (ii) | biuret reagent or the two components; expected positive result – (mauve/purple/lilac) AW; | [2] | |

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| (iii) | | reducing sugar | protein | | |
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| | observation | (blue \rightarrow) red; | purple AW; | | |
| | conclusion | + ive/present; | + ive/present; | [max 3] | |
| | | | | [Total: 16] | |