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0653 COMBINED SCIENCE

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Paper 5 (Practical Test), maximum raw mark 30

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- 1 (a) (i) all four spaces filled in with appropriate observations (i.e. referring to bubbles forming or appearing on leaf surfaces) ;
leaf **A** – more bubbles from lower surface than from upper surface ;
leaf **B** – no difference between surfaces/less difference between surfaces than with leaf **A** [3]
- (ii) faster diffusion of CO_2 / CO_2 present inside leaf/ CO_2 needed and is in air ; [1]
- (iii) stomata/stoma/pores ; [1]
- (iv) more stomata/pores on lower surface ; [1]
- (v) lower surface less exposed to sun/heat ;
so less transpiration/evaporation (from this surface) ; [2]
- (b) green colour, to absorb light/shows chlorophyll present ;
broad flat shape, for large surface area/to absorb light/to absorb CO_2 ;
thin, for short diffusion distance of CO_2 / O_2 ;
veins, to support leaf in sunlight/transport water in/transport sugar out ; [max 2]

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- 2 (a) (i) angle for 20 g ;
- (ii) angle for all masses ;
angles for all masses less than 90° ;
angles increase with increasing mass ; [3]
- (iii) sine values ; [1]
- (b) (i) points: 4 points other than origin plotted to within ½ square ;
best straight line ;
line passes through origin ; [3]
- (ii) appropriate extension ;
(allow extension off the grid or from a curve but not from a zig-zag line)
correct reading of **m** ;
(only allow off grid if grid has been extended and measured accurately) [2]

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- 3 (a) (i) bubbles / colourless solution ;
pop / explosion ;
- (ii) A is magnesium / aluminium / zinc / iron ;
- (b) (i) brown ppt. / orange ppt. ; [1]
- (ii) iron(III) / Fe^{3+} / Fe(III) ; (do not accept Fe)
[dependant on brown / orange in (b)(i)] [1]
- (c) (i) liquid goes pale yellow / green / grey / colourless / lighter ; [1]
- (ii) green ppt. ; (accept grey / black) [1]
- (iii) iron(II) / Fe^{2+} / Fe(II) ; (do not accept Fe)
[dependant on green / grey / black in (c)(ii)] [1]
- (d) (i) white ppt. ; [1]
- (ii) chloride / Cl^- ;
[dependant on white ppt in (d)(i)] [1]

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