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GCE Ordinary Level

**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2012 question paper
for the guidance of teachers**

5090 BIOLOGY

5090/61

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

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- 1 (a) volume of dough / cm³
- | | A | B | |
|---------|----|----|-----|
| Initial | 20 | 20 | |
| Final | 51 | 34 | |
| Change | 31 | 14 | [3] |
- (b) (i) volume / height (increases) more in A than B ;
more bubbles / gas in A / bubbles / gas evenly distributed in A or converse ; [2 max]
- (ii) respiration / respiring ;
aerobic / anaerobic ;
carbon dioxide (CO₂) given off ;
(idea of) trapped in dough increasing volume AW ; [3 max]
- (c) 2 or more samples (of A) used / AW ;
same start volumes / amounts / height of dough used ;
at range of temperatures / different temps ;
suitable temperatures identified ;
left for same length of time ;
change (in volume) measured / compared AW ;
repeat / replicate / calculate the mean ;
AVP ; [5 max]
- [Total: 13]**
- 2 (a) **Drawing**
five leaflets drawn ;
clean lines, good proportions, at least 7cm length ;
midrib + veins well drawn on at least one ;
- serrated margin drawn as a continuous line on one ; [4 max]
- Labels**
lamina / blade / margin ;
midrib / veins ;
petiole / leaf stalk ; [L2 max]
- (b) photosynthesis:
(green) chlorophyll + ref to light (absorption) ;
large surface area + ref. to light or gases ;
attached to stem / veins / midrib + transport of correctly named materials ;
leaf thin + fast diffusion / light penetration / gaseous exchange ; [3 max]
- (c) (i) reference to leaf closing over insect / leaf margins forming trap AW ; [1]
- (ii) nitrate / (named) nitrogen-containing compound / phosphate ; [1]
- (iii) enzymes / proteins / nucleic acids / DNA / cell membrane / chlorophyll / ATP ; [1]
- [Total:12]**

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- 3 (a) (i)** stamen / anther / pollen sac correctly indicated and named ; [1]
- (ii) stigma correctly identified and named ; [1]
- (b)** tissue prepared or sample taken ;
Benedicts added ;
heated / warmed ;
colour changes described ;
- use of water bath or another safety feature ; [5]
- (c) (i)**
- | time in hours | length / mm |
|---------------|-------------|
| 0.0 | (0) |
| 2.0 | 18–20 |
| 4.0 | 23–25 |
| 6.0 | 28–30 |
| 8.0 | 34–36 |
| 10.0 | 41–43 |
- [2]
- (ii)** time on x axis, length on y ;
grid fully used and axes fully labelled with linear scales ;
plotting correct ;
good, neat line of best fit drawn ; [4]
- (iii)** growth (rate) faster (at first) becoming constant / AW ; [1]
- (d)** towards chemical / hormone (in ovule) ; [1]

[Total: 15]

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