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Paper 3 (Advanced Practical Skills), maximum raw mark 40

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Question	Sections	Indicative material	Mark
1 (a)	PDO layout	<b>I</b> Volume given for Rough titre <b>and</b> accurate titre details tabulated.	1
	MMO Collection	<b>II</b> Follows instructions - dilutes 45.50 – 46.50 cm <sup>3</sup> <b>FB 1</b> <b>and</b> initial and final burette readings recorded for Rough titre <b>and</b> initial and final burette readings <b>and</b> volume of <b>FB 2</b> added recorded for each accurate titre <i>Headings should match readings.</i> <i>Do <b>not</b> award this mark if:</i> <i>50(.00) is used as an initial burette reading;</i> <i>more than one final burette reading is 50.(00);</i> <i>any burette reading is greater than 50.(00)</i>	1
	MMO Decisions	<b>III</b> Has two uncorrected, accurate titres within 0.1 cm <sup>3</sup> <i>Do not consider the Rough even if ticked.</i> <i>Do <b>not</b> award this mark if having performed two titres within 0.1 cm<sup>3</sup> a further titration is performed which is more than 0.10 cm<sup>3</sup> from the closer of the initial <b>two</b> titres, unless a fourth titration, within 0.1 cm<sup>3</sup> of the third titration (or first two) has also been carried out.</i>	1
	PDO Recording	<b>IV</b> All accurate burette readings (initial and final) recorded to nearest 0.05 cm <sup>3</sup> (Accurate titration & dilution tables) <i>Assess this mark on burette readings only</i> For candidates and Supervisor scale titre for 46.00 cm <sup>3</sup> <b>FB 1</b> diluted. Calculate titre $\times \frac{46.00}{\text{volume of FB1 added}}$ Calculate difference in Supervisor and candidate scaled values and award "quality" marks as below. [If candidate has not recorded a volume diluted, use 46.00 cm <sup>3</sup> ]	1

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	MMO Quality	<p><b>V, VI and VII</b> Round any burette readings to the nearest 0.05 cm<sup>3</sup>. Check and correct subtractions in the titre table. <b>Select the “best” titre using the hierarchy:</b> two identical; titres within 0.05 cm<sup>3</sup>; titres within 0.1 cm<sup>3</sup>; etc.</p> <p>Award <b>V, VI and VII</b> for a difference from Supervisor within 0.20 cm<sup>3</sup></p> <p>Award <b>V and VI only</b> for a difference of 0.20+ cm<sup>3</sup> – 0.30 cm<sup>3</sup></p> <p>Award <b>V only</b> for a difference of 0.30+ – 0.50 cm<sup>3</sup> <i>If the “best” titres are ≥ 0.50 cm<sup>3</sup> apart cancel one of the Q marks.</i></p>	3	[7]
(b)	ACE Interpretation	<p>Calculates the mean, correct to 2 decimal places (third decimal place rounded to the nearest 0.05 cm<sup>3</sup>) from any accurate titres within 0.20 cm<sup>3</sup>. <i>A mean of exactly .x25 or .x75 is allowed but the candidate may round up or down to the nearest 0.05 cm<sup>3</sup>.</i> <i>If ALL burette readings are given to 1 decimal place then the mean can be given to 1 decimal place if numerically correct without rounding.</i> <i>Mean of 24.3 and 24.4 = 24.35 (✓)</i> <i>Mean of 24.3 and 24.4 = 24.4 (✗)</i> <b>Titres to be used in calculating the mean must be clearly shown – in an expression or ticked in the titration table.</b></p>	1	[1]
(c)	ACE Interpretation	<p><b>I</b> Expression correct in step (i) <math display="block">\frac{\text{volume diluted}}{1000} \times 0.125</math></p> <p><b>II</b> Uses answer to (i) <math>\times \frac{25}{250}</math> in step (ii)</p> <p><b>III</b> Uses answer to (ii) <math>\times 2</math> in step (iii) and answer to (iii) <math>\times \frac{1000}{\text{titre}}</math> in step (iv) <i>If an answer, with no working, is given in any section allow if correct.</i></p>	1 1 1	
	PDO Display	<p><b>IV</b> Appropriate working shown in a minimum of 3 sections.</p> <p><b>V</b> 3 to 5 significant figures in final answers to all sections attempted – minimum of 3 final answers required to qualify for the award of this mark.</p>	1 1	[5]

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<b>(d)</b>	ACE Interpretation	<b>(i)</b> For Student A explains that final burette reading was also 0.05 cm <sup>3</sup> greater than the true value ("error" in same direction) <i>Ignore parallax error</i> <i>Not errors cancel – reason needed</i>	1	[2]
		<b>(ii)</b> For Student B explains that final burette reading was 0.05 cm <sup>3</sup> greater than the true value ("error" in opposite direction) <i>Not errors compound each other/add up</i>	1	
<b>(e)</b>	ACE Conclusions	<b>(i)</b> Explains that carbon dioxide is acidic (and its absorption reverses the colour change of the indicator)	1	[2]
	ACE Improvements	<b>(ii)</b> Puts acid/ <b>FB 3</b> in burette and pipettes NaOH/ <b>FB 2</b> into flask <b>or</b> Heat the solution/Use hot solution	1	
			<b>[Total: 17]</b>	

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2	(a)	PDO Recording	I Records results in a single table for both experiments. No repetition of headings	1	
		MMO Quality	II Titre for either Flask A or B within 0.50 cm <sup>3</sup> of Supervisor	1	
			III Titre for either Flask A or B within 0.30 cm <sup>3</sup> of Supervisor	1	
			IV Titre for both Flask A and B within 0.30 cm <sup>3</sup> of Supervisor	1	[4]
	(b)	ACE Interpretation	(i) Calculates a volume of 200 cm <sup>3</sup> in step (i)	1	
			(ii) Correctly calculates titre x 5 for each flask	1	[2]
	(c)	ACE Conclusions	Mark consequentially to practical results Chooses expt with lower titre – less remains (or converse argument) <b>or</b> higher value in (b)(iii) <i>Allow ecf</i>	1	[1]
	(d)	ACE Conclusions	Comparison of candidate's $K_c$ values Judgement on constancy or otherwise Supports/does not support equilibrium	1	[1]
					<b>[Total: 8]</b>

FB 7 is $\text{Fe}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2(\text{aq})$ ; FB 8 is $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4(\text{aq})$ ; FB 9 is $\text{CaCl}_2(\text{aq})$					
3 (a)	MMO Decisions	I	Selects sodium hydroxide as reagent ( <u>Not</u> if + Al) <b>and</b> describes (warming the solution and) <u>testing any gas evolved</u> with red litmus/pH paper	1	[5]
	MMO Collection	II	Records positive test for ammonia gas with <b>FB 7</b> only <i>Must link gas/<math>\text{NH}_3</math> with positive test (Allow even if Al mentioned in I)</i>	1	
	MMO Decisions	III	Selects barium chloride or nitrate together with $\text{HCl}$ or $\text{HNO}_3$ <i>Do not accept <math>\text{Ba}^{2+}</math> as a reagent</i> <i>Accept <math>\text{Ba}^{2+}(\text{aq})</math> or a solution containing <math>\text{Ba}^{2+}</math> ions</i>	1	
	MMO Collection	IV	White ppt, persisting in acid with <b>FB 7</b> and with <b>FB 8</b> <i>Allow from unspecified strong acid provided there is no ppt with <b>FB 9</b>.</i>	1	
	MMO Conclusions	V	Mark consequentially to observations for solutions containing $\text{NH}_4^+$ and $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ <b>ecf allowed here but not with other identities</b> <i>Allow from strong acid or from <math>\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4</math> if clearly added after <math>\text{Ba}^{2+}(\text{aq})</math></i>	1	
(b)	PDO Layout	I	(Tabulates) observations clearly, showing: observation when each reagent is first added <b>and</b> observation when reagent added to <u>excess</u> if there is a ppt	1	[4]
	MMO Collection	II, III and IV	1 mark for correct observations in <b>each</b> of the columns or rows representing <b>FB 7</b> , <b>FB 8</b> and <b>FB 9</b> <b>or</b> 1 mark for correct observations in the row or column representing a reagent added (initial and excess count as one row/column)	3	

Minimum observations

Solution	FB 7	FB 8	FB 9
NaOH	Green ppt insoluble (in excess)	no reaction/no change/no ppt <i>Not “–” words needed (Only penalise once)</i>	White ppt insoluble (in excess)
$\text{NH}_3$	Green ppt insoluble (in excess)	colourless <u>soln</u> /no reaction/no change/no ppt	No reaction/no change/no ppt

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(c)	ACE Conclusions	<p><b>One mark for FB 7 and FB 9</b> containing <math>\text{Fe}^{2+}</math> and <math>\text{Ca}^{2+}</math> respectively provided no CON obs in (a) or (b)  <i>No ecf</i>  <i>Ignore FB 8, ignore supporting evidence</i></p>	1	[1]
<b>FB 10 is <math>\text{CuCO}_3(\text{s})</math></b>				
(d) (i)	MMO Collection	<b>I</b> observes the <u>solid turning black</u> in step (i)	1	
		<b>II</b> observes fluidity in solid layer in step (i) <i>Allow description of fluidised solid as "liquid"</i>	1	
	MMO Decisions	<b>III</b> describes an appropriate test for any of the following <u>gases</u> : $\text{O}_2$ , $\text{CO}_2$ , $\text{NH}_3$ or $\text{SO}_2$ (gas or $\text{O}_2$ /etc needed)	1	
	MMO Collection	<b>IV</b> lime water turns milky/cloudy/chalky <i>Gas or <math>\text{CO}_2</math> turns limewater milky. scores III and IV</i>	1	
(ii)		<b>V</b> on adding acid to residue from <b>FB 10</b> , observes green solution (on warming) <i>Ignore any residual solid</i> <i>Allow blue-green or bluish green</i> <i>Allow if (qualified) green solution turns blue on cooling</i> May award <b>either III or IV</b> here but only for gas tests for $\text{CO}_2$ or $\text{SO}_2$ or limewater observations	1	
				<b>[Total: 15]</b>