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1 hour 15 minutes

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Supervisors are advised to remind candidates that **all** substances in the examination should be treated with caution. Pipette fillers and suitable eye protection should be used where necessary.

In accordance with the COSHH (Control of Substances Hazardous to Health) Regulations, operative in the UK, a hazard appraisal of the examination has been carried out.

The following codes are used where relevant.

C corrosive

HH health hazard

F flammable

N hazardous to the aquatic environment

MH moderate hazard

T acutely toxic

O oxidising

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SUPERVISOR'S INSTRUCTIONS – CONFIDENTIAL

Each candidate should be provided with:

Question 1

- (i) A section of a ripe (yellow) edible banana (Cavendish type) approximately 6 cm long. This should be cut just before the practical exam.
- (ii) white tile or similar suitable cutting surface
- (iii) scalpel, knife or other cutting implement
- (iv) forceps
- (v) ruler (mm)
- (vi) iodine solution (**N**) in dropper bottle or container with dropper labelled **iodine solution**
- (vii) teat pipette
- (viii) approximately 100 cm³ water in a small beaker/container labelled **water**
- (ix) small beaker/container labelled **waste water**
- (x) Benedict's solution in dropper bottle or container with dropper labelled **Benedict's solution**
- (xi) biuret solution (**C**) in dropper bottle or container with dropper labelled **biuret solution**
- (xii) large test-tube
- (xiii) test-tube rack
- (xiv) beaker to act as a water bath for large test-tube
- (xv) timer or view of a clock with second-hand
- (xvi) stirring rod
- (xvii) supply of hot water (approximately 70 °C). Candidates have been instructed to raise their hands to indicate when they need hot water, which you should pour into their water bath.
Caution: water will be hot
- (xviii) paper towels
- (xix) tongs

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- 1 Was any difficulty experienced in providing the necessary materials? If so, give brief details.

- 2 Give details of any difficulties experienced by particular candidates, giving names and candidate numbers. Reference should be made to:
 - (a) difficulties with specimens or materials;
 - (b) accidents to apparatus or materials;
 - (c) assistance provided in case of colour blindness;
 - (d) any other information that is likely to assist the Examiner, especially if this cannot be discovered from the scripts.

Other cases of individual hardship e.g. illness or disability, should be reported directly to Cambridge on the normal Special Consideration Form as detailed in the Cambridge Handbook.

- 3 During the examination, the Supervisor should, **out of sight of the candidates**, carry out **Question 1(b)(i)** and **(c)(ii)** using the same apparatus and reagents as the candidates. These results should be written in the Supervisor's Report which should be enclosed with the candidates' scripts. If the scripts are in several packets, please ensure that a copy of the Supervisor's Report is enclosed with each packet of scripts.

- 4 Enclose a seating plan of work benches with the scripts, giving details of the candidate number for the places occupied by the candidates for each session.

Temperature of examination room°C

Result for **Question 1(b)(i)**:

Result for **Question 1(c)(ii)**:

Declaration (to be signed by the Supervisor)

The preparation of this practical examination has been carried out so as to maintain fully the security of the examination.

Signed

Name (IN BLOCK CAPITALS)

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