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**Mark schemes will use these abbreviations**

- ; separates marking points
- / alternatives
- **I** ignore
- **R** reject
- **A** accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)
- AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
- AVP any valid point
- **ecf** credit a correct statement / calculation that follows a previous wrong response
- **ora** or reverse argument
- ( ) the word / phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context
- underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
- max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(a)(i)	<p>table drawn with minimum two columns and a line between heading and data ;</p> <p>appropriate column / row headings <u>and</u> appropriate units for percentage concentration of amylase time for starch to be digested / minutes ;</p> <p>three correct amylase concentrations recorded (either order) ;</p> <p>three correct timings recorded ;</p> <p>six correct timings recorded ;</p>	5	<p>R if units in body of table</p> <p>I units in the body of the table</p>
1(a)(ii)	<p>drops (for <b>B</b> at 3, 4 and 5 min) have merged / AW ;</p> <p>results for <b>C</b> have different end times ;</p> <p>results for <b>C</b> are different at 3 min ;</p> <p>no repeats ;</p>	1	<p>any one from:</p> <p><b>A</b> at 4/5 mins</p> <p>I enzyme will be denatured by high temperature / results qualitative / subjective / no control / human error</p>
1(a)(iii)	<p>(remove a sample from each of the test-tubes and) add (equal volume of) Benedict's solution ;</p> <p>heat (in a water-bath) ;</p>	2	

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1(c)(i)	idea of judging the colour of the endpoint by eye ; idea of doing several procedures at the same time ; idea of using one drop for both spots of iodine ; idea that 1 drop for both spots (could cause contamination); idea of: two samples needed at the same time with the same rod, (then there will be a difference in the actual time) ; idea of: size of drops (from either starch or iodine) added varies ;	2															
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1(d)(i)	300 (mg) ;;;	3	if answer incorrect one mark for correct unit and one mark for correct working: $(3 \times 2 \times 0.5) \div 3 \text{ cm}^3$ is max 2
1(d)(ii)	3.4 ;	1	<b>ecf</b> from <b>1(d)(i)</b>
1(d)(iii)	<b>A(xes)</b> – labelled with units ; <b>S(cale)</b> – even scale ; <b>P(lot)</b> – all given points plotted accurately $\pm \frac{1}{2}$ square ; <b>L(ines)</b> – each line drawn (with a ruler) point to point / smooth free-hand curve through points ;	4	

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2(a)(ii)	outline single clear continuous lines, no shading, 2 cells drawn ; drawing occupies at least 50 mm along X–Y ; stoma width is about one sixth of total width of XY ; cell walls drawn as double line not too wide ;	4	
2(b)	(diameter of guard cells and stomata) value within the range of 31–34 mm ; line drawn on candidates diagram <b>and</b> measurement $\pm 1$ mm; calculated magnification ;	3	
2(c)	absorption (rate) is lower than transpiration 09:00 to 18:00 / during the day / during the light <b>ora</b> ; absorption (rate) is higher than transpiration from 18:00 to 06:00 / at night / in the dark <b>ora</b> ; absorption peaks at 18.00 and transpiration peaks between 14:00 to 16:00 / absorption rate peaks after transpiration rate <b>ora</b> ; transpiration rate increases faster than absorption rate ; comparative data quote for both curves ; rate of absorption and rate transpiration are equal between 08:00 to 09:00 / at 18:00 ;	2	<b>A</b> times in am and pm equivalent <b>A</b> some variation in the 09:00 time

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2(d)	1 ref. to using at least 3 temperatures / humidity ; 2 ref. to (three) values for temperature / humidity ; 3 ref. to means of obtaining the different temperatures / humidity; 4 ref. to checking that the apparatus does not leak ; 5 ref. to one controlled variable ; 6 ref. to second controlled variable; 7 ref. to measuring distance moved (by the air) along capillary ; 8 ref. to fixed time / timing for a fixed distance ; 9 ref. to refilling capillary between measurements ; 10 ref. to at least two replicates ; 11 use same shoot / same number of leaves / same area of leaves ; 12 AVP ; e.g. detail of apparatus set up e.g. cutting shoot underwater / drying leaves allow apparatus to equilibrate before taking any readings	6	A high, medium and low for humidity and temperature  e.g. for mp 5 and mp 6: light intensity, light wavelength, wind speed, temperature or humidity