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**CHEMISTRY**

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Paper 6 Alternative to Practical

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**1 hour**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No additional materials are required.

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Write in dark blue or black pen.

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Answer **all** questions.

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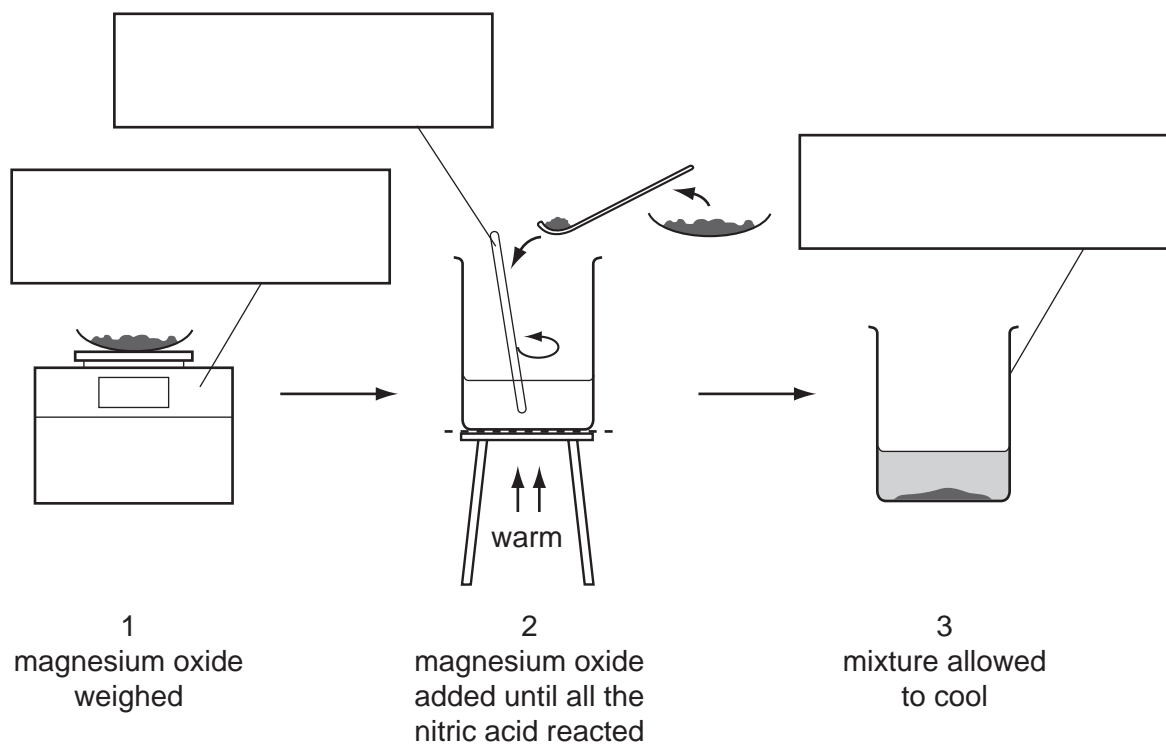
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- 1 A student reacted nitric acid with magnesium oxide to prepare magnesium nitrate. The diagram shows the procedure followed in three stages.

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(a) Complete the boxes to identify the pieces of apparatus labelled. [3]

(b) (i) What term is used to describe the unreacted magnesium oxide?

..... [1]

(ii) What method is used to remove the unreacted magnesium oxide after stage 3?

..... [1]

(c) Describe how crystals of magnesium nitrate could be quickly obtained from the solution.

.....  
..... [2]

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- 2 An experiment was carried out to measure the temperature changes during the neutralisation of sodium hydroxide solution with dilute hydrochloric acid. Both solutions were allowed to stand in the laboratory for about 30 minutes.

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25 cm<sup>3</sup> of sodium hydroxide solution was added to a polystyrene beaker and the temperature was measured. 10 cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrochloric acid was added to the beaker and the highest temperature reached measured.

The experiment was repeated using different volumes of acid.

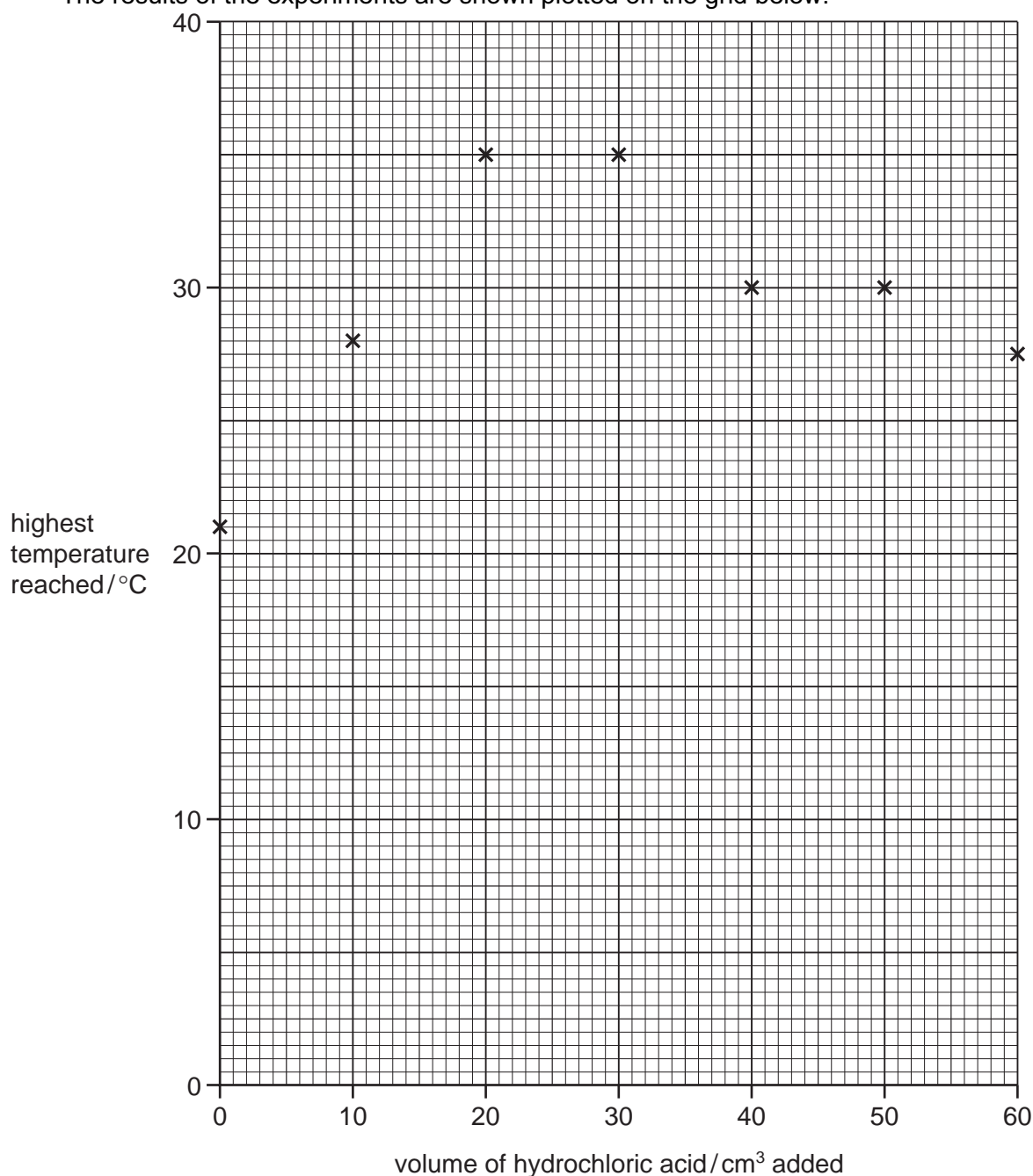
- (a) Why were the solutions left to stand for about 30 minutes before the experiments?

..... [1]

- (b) Why was a polystyrene beaker used instead of a glass beaker?

..... [1]

The results of the experiments are shown plotted on the grid below.



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- (c) What type of chemical reaction occurs when sodium hydroxide is neutralised by hydrochloric acid?

..... [1]

- (d) (i) Which point appears to be inaccurate?

..... [1]

- (ii) Draw **two** straight lines through the points and extend them until they cross. [2]

- (iii) What volume of hydrochloric acid was needed to neutralise 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of the sodium hydroxide solution?

..... [2]

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- 3 Describe a chemical test to distinguish between each of the following pairs of substances. An example is given.

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Example: hydrogen and carbon dioxide

test    lighted splint

result with hydrogen    ..... gives a pop .....

result with carbon dioxide ..... splint is extinguished .....

- (a) zinc carbonate and zinc chloride

test    .....

result with zinc carbonate .....

result with zinc chloride ..... [2]

- (b) ammonia and chlorine

test    .....

result with ammonia .....

result with chlorine ..... [3]

- (c) aqueous iron(II) sulfate and aqueous iron(III) sulfate

test    .....

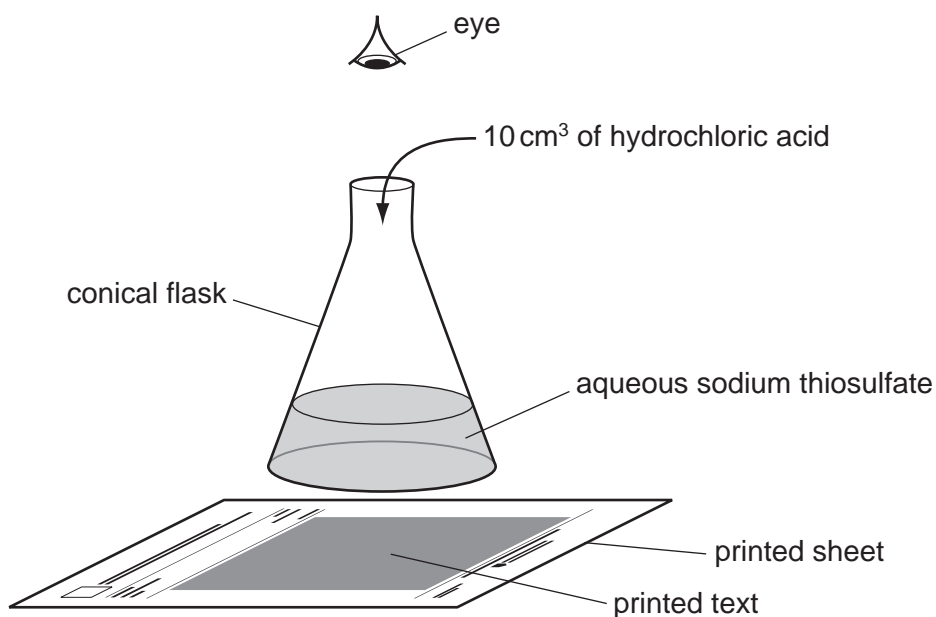
result with aqueous iron(II) sulfate .....

result with aqueous iron(III) sulfate ..... [3]

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- 4 A student investigated the effect of temperature on the speed of reaction between hydrochloric acid and aqueous sodium thiosulfate. When these chemicals react they form a precipitate, which makes the solution go cloudy. The formation of this precipitate can be used to show how fast the reaction proceeds, using the set up shown below.

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Five experiments were carried out.

#### *Experiment 1*

By using a measuring cylinder 50 cm<sup>3</sup> of aqueous sodium thiosulfate was poured into a flask. The temperature of the solution was measured. The conical flask was placed on the printed text.

10 cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrochloric acid was added to the flask and the timer started. The time taken for the printed text to disappear from view was recorded in the table. The final temperature of the mixture was measured.

#### *Experiment 2*

50 cm<sup>3</sup> of aqueous sodium thiosulfate was poured into a conical flask. The solution was heated until the temperature was about 30 °C. The temperature of the solution was measured.

10 cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrochloric acid was added to the flask and *Experiment 1* was repeated. The final temperature of the liquid was measured.

#### *Experiment 3*

*Experiment 2* was repeated but the sodium thiosulfate solution was heated to about 40 °C before adding the hydrochloric acid.

The initial and final temperatures were measured.

#### *Experiment 4*

*Experiment 2* was repeated but the sodium thiosulfate solution was heated to about 50 °C before adding the hydrochloric acid.

The initial and final temperatures were measured.

*Experiment 5*

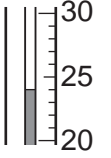
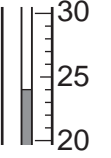
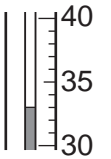
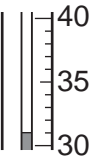
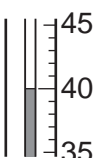
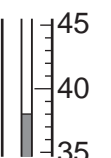
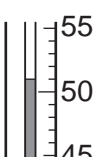
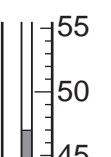
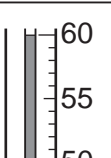
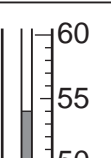
*Experiment 2* was repeated but the sodium thiosulfate solution was heated to about 60 °C before adding the hydrochloric acid.

The initial and final temperatures were measured.

Use the thermometer diagrams to record all of the initial and final temperatures in the table.

(a) Complete the table of results to show the average temperatures.

**Table of results**

experiment	thermometer diagram	initial temperature /°C	thermometer diagram	final temperature /°C	average temperature /°C	time for printed text to disappear /s
1						130
2						79
3						55
4						33
5						26

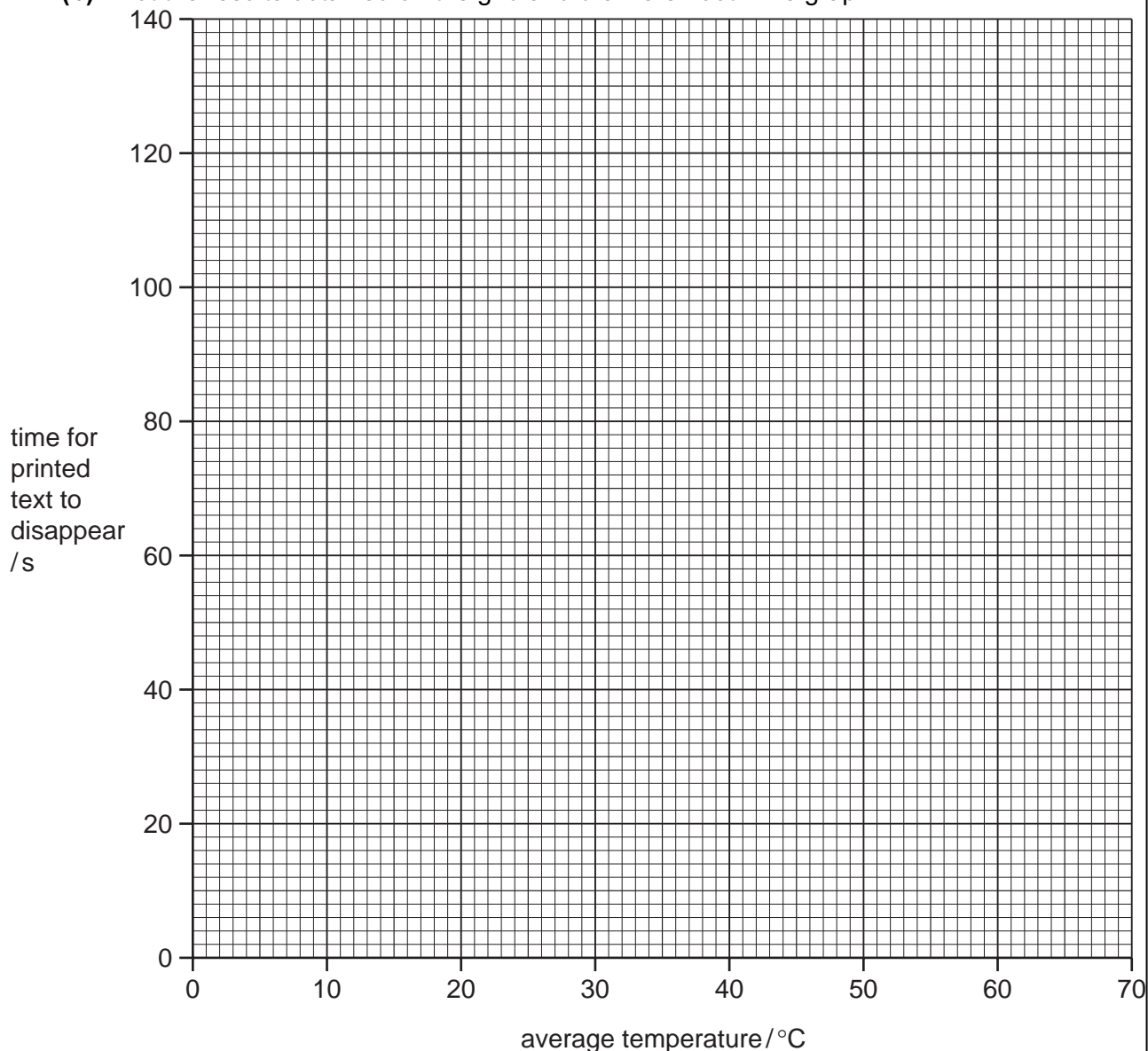
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(b) Plot the results obtained on the grid and draw a smooth line graph.

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(c) (i) In which experiment was the speed of reaction greatest?

..... [1]

(ii) Explain why the speed was greatest in this experiment.

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 .....  
 ..... [3]

- (d) Why was the same volume of sodium thiosulfate solution and the same volume of hydrochloric acid used in each experiment?

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..... [1]

- (e) (i) From your graph, deduce the time for the printed text to disappear if *Experiment 2* was to be repeated at 70°C.

Show clearly on the grid how you worked out your answer.

..... [3]

- (ii) Sketch on the grid the curve you would expect if all the experiments were repeated using 50 cm<sup>3</sup> of more concentrated sodium thiosulfate solution. [1]

- (f) Explain **one** change that could be made to the experimental **method** to obtain more accurate results.

change .....

explanation ..... [2]

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- 5 Two solids, **S** and **V**, were analysed. **S** was copper(II) oxide. The tests on the solids, and some of the observations are in the following table. Complete the observations in the table. Do not write any conclusions in the table.

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test	observation
<u>tests on solid S</u>	
(a) Appearance of solid <b>S</b>	black solid
(b) Hydrogen peroxide was added to solid <b>S</b> in a test-tube.  A glowing splint was inserted into the tube.	slow effervescence  splint relit
(c) Dilute sulfuric acid was added to solid <b>S</b> in a test-tube. The mixture was heated to boiling point.  The solution was divided into three equal portions into test-tubes.  (i) To the first portion of the solution, excess sodium hydroxide was added.	blue solution formed    ..... [1]
(ii) To the second portion of the solution, about 1 cm <sup>3</sup> of aqueous ammonia solution was added.  Excess ammonia solution was then added.	..... [2]  ..... [2]
(iii) To the third portion of the solution, dilute hydrochloric acid was added followed by barium chloride solution.	..... [2]

test	observation
<u>tests on solid V</u>	
<b>(d)</b> Appearance of solid <b>V</b>	black solid
<b>(e)</b> Hydrogen peroxide was added to solid <b>V</b> in a test-tube.  A glowing splint was inserted into the tube.	rapid effervescence  splint relit

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**(f) (i)** Compare the reactivity of solid **S** and solid **V** with hydrogen peroxide.

..... [1]

**(ii)** Identify the gas given off in test **(e)**.

..... [1]

**(g)** What conclusions can you draw about solid **V**?

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 .....  
 ..... [2]

[Total: 11]

6 Acid base indicators

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Indicators are used to identify acids and bases.  
Indicators can be obtained from berries and other fruits.

(a) Plan an experiment to obtain an aqueous solution of an indicator from some berries.

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..... [3]

(b) Plan an experiment to use the indicator solution to show that it is an effective indicator.

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