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Paper 33 (Advanced Practical Skills), maximum raw mark 40

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Qu	estion	Sections	Indicative material	Mark	
1	(a)	PDO Layout MMO Collection	Three weighings recorded unambiguously (words needed) Mass used between 1.80 g and 2.00 g (for all experiments) Mass decreases after heating in a single experiment attempted (no repeat experiment allowed) (ignore heating to constant mass)	1 1 1	[3]
	(b)	ACE Interpretation	Correct subtraction from experimental results in (a) for mass of water lost and for mass of residue (correct for any experiment attempted or for an average)	1	[1]
	(c)	PDO Display ACE Interpretation	Shows working using values from (b) (can be ecf): $^{\text{mass of salt}}/_{151.9}$ and $^{\text{mass of water}}/_{18}$ or candidate's value of M_{r} Correct calculation of each value and must have between 2 and 4 sf and correct rounding (NO ecf from incorrect M_{r} but ecf allowed from masses used in first part)	1	[2]
	(d)	ACE Interpretation PDO Display	Values from (c) shown in correct calculation or ratio or value of correct calculation showing dp and correct rounding for sf shown Value of x for fully correct answer given as an integer allow 0.5 to go up or down (ecf allowed) (If correct integer shown but no expression or calculation is shown award second mark only)	1	[2]

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(e)	PDO Layout	(i) Tabulates minimum of two pairs of burette readings or at least two titres (lines not needed)	1	
	PDO Recording	(ii) Records initial and final burette readings and volume of FA3 run from the burette (Do not award if readings inverted or final is 50. 50.0, 50.00 more than once, or initial value is 50.00)	1	
		(iii) Appropriate headings and units for data given. (Only acceptable headings are: initial/final, first/second (burette) reading; reading at start/finish; volume added/used or wwte; titre. Only acceptable presentation of units is: solidus / cm³; brackets (cm³) or "volume in cubic centimetres" or "volume in cm³") If units not included with heading, every entry in table must have a correct unit.	1	
		(iv) All burette readings other than that labelled rough recorded consistently (to nearest 0.05 cm³)	1	
	MMO Decisions	(v) Two uncorrected titres within 0.1 cm ³ (can include rough)	1	
	MMO Quality	 (vi), (vii), (viii) and (ix) Check and correct titre subtractions where necessary. (If there are any showing greater precision than to 0.05, correct to the nearest 0.05 cm³) Examiner selects the best mean titre (treat as accurate unless labelled rough or to fewer dp but if rough is ticked or selected by candidate it can be considered) and compared to Supervisor: Apply a hierarchy: 2 identical, titres within 0.05 cm³, titres within 0.10 cm³ etc. Award (vi), (vii), (viii) and (ix) for: a titre within 0.20 cm³ Award (vi), (viii), (viii) only for: a titre of 0.20+ cm³ to 0.30 cm³ Award (vi) and (vii), only for: a titre of 0.30+ cm³ to 0.50 cm³ Award (vi) only for: a titre of 0.50+ cm³ to 0.80 cm³ Apply spread penalty as follows: titres selected by examiner differ > 0.2 but ≤ 0.5 cm³ = -1; titres > 0.5 cm³ = -2 from the marks awarded in (vi) to (ix) (no negative marks). Apply a spread penalty of -2 if only one titration is performed or a single value is selected by examiner (e.g. rough + one other) 	4	
	MMO Decisions	 (x) Selects (and ticks) at least two titres for calculation of mean titre (some indication must be made of which ones used). The spread of any titres used must not exceed 0.20 cm³ (continued) 	1	

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(e) continued	PDO Display	(xi) Correct mean displayed to same number of decimal places as burette readings (If any burette reading is to 2 dp then mean to 2 dp; if two titres 0.05 apart then 0.025 or 0.075 is acceptable; similarly if titres recorded to 1 dp then 0.05; to no dp then to 0.5. If three titres used giving mean of 0.033 or 0.066 then allow mean to nearest 0.05)	1	[11
(f)	ACE Interpretation	Maximum error for single reading of burette given as 0.05 cm³ (even if readings recorded to 1 dp) Correct calculation to 2 sf (minimum) showing correct rounding of maximum % error 2 x candidate's error/ _{titre} x 100 or allow 0.10/ _{titre} x100 if 0.1 in first box.	1	[2]
(g)	ACE Conclusions	Mark (g) and (h) as a single unit (Mass loss is too high) Candidate suggests spitting or decomposition or overheating/heating too long (The latter will not gain any other mark unless a consequence of overheating is given.)	1	[1]
(h)	ACE Improvement	Use of lid or gentle heating (at first) – to reduce spitting/loss of solid or reduced temperature or heat for a shorter time – to prevent decomposition Explains that mass loss is too high or wtte (e.g. some solid spits out) and how modification will reduce this or a realisation that something other than water is lost.	1	[2]
Qn 1	Total			[24]

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	FA 5 is NaNO ₂	(aq); FA 6 is NaC <i>l</i> (aq); FA 7 is KI; FA 8 is distilled wa	iter	
2 (a)	MMO Decisions	Chooses a named (dilute) strong acid to identify the nitrite (name could be in (b)). and Chooses silver nitrate or lead nitrate to identify the chloride and iodide (Ag ⁺ _(aq) or aqueous solution of silver ions accepted, ditto lead ions)		[1]
(b)	ACE Conclusions ACE Interpretation	 (i) Records a brown gas from FA 5 and acid and no reaction with second reagent. (ii) Records a colourless or blue solution on adding acid to FA5 (iii) Records a white precipitate when Ag⁺ or Pb²⁺ is added to FA 6 and no reaction with acid (iv) Records a yellow precipitate when Ag⁺ or Pb²⁺ is added to FA 7 and no reaction with acid. If acid alone used and all four observations are correct (i) and (ii) and identity mark (v) can be awarded. If AgNO₃ or Pb(NO₃)₂ only used and all four observations are correct then can award (iii) and (iv) and identity mark (vi). If a white ppt is recorded with FA5 and all other observations are correct award (iii) and (iv) but then deduct one observation mark for the FA5 result. (Annotate the paper near the boxes.) Mark (vi) would be available to a candidate concluding both FA5 and FA6 are Cl⁻ and FA7 is I⁻. If a spurious reagent is chosen in (a) ignore and mark other (if correct) as single reagent. If three reagents are used, mark the observations for acid and the first of Ag⁺ or Pb²⁺ mentioned in (a). Deduct one mark (from (i) – (iv)) if erroneous observation with FA8 or test not done. A dash is similarly penalised (once, at the first opportunity) (v) and (vi) are consequent on observations (v) Identifies nitrite in FA 5 Allow from effervescence or bubbling from FA5 + acid only. (vi) Identifies chloride in FA 6 (only, unless single reagent as above) and iodide in FA 7 (vii) Gives appropriate evidence for identification of all three ions (consequential on observations) (Brown gas with acid + FA5 needed here.) 	1 1 1 1 1	[7]
(c)	MMO Decisions	Add (aqueous) ammonia to the precipitate formed with silver nitrate or Add (aqueous) lead nitrate or silver nitrate (to a fresh sample of) the solution Do not penalise lack of (aq) with an ion if already penalised in (a)	1	[1]
Qn 2	Total			[9]

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Question	Sections	Indicative material	Mark	
		FA 9 is Pb(NO ₃) ₂ , FA 10 is K ₂ CrO ₄		
3 (a)	MMO Collection	White ppt formed in tests (i) and (ii) and yellow ppt in test (v) (no variation on white; ppts not soluble in excess acid) Solution changes from yellow to orange (both colours and 'solution' needed) in (iii) (Solution) changes to green or blue (blue/green, cyan, turquoise but no orange or orange—brown as final colour) in (iv) Ignore state	1 1 1	[3]
(b)	ACE Conclusions	FA 9 contains the cation Pb ²⁺ or lead II (all three ppts must be in (a) but ignore any PbCl ₂ ppt redissolving; no Ba ²⁺ unless no ppt with HCl) (White) ppt with both HCl and H ₂ SO ₄ given as evidence or yellow ppt with FA10 named as chromate or CrO ₄ ²⁻	1	[2]
(c)	ACE Conclusions	States that ethanol is being oxidised or is reducing agent or reduces FA10 Ethanol oxidised to ethanal or alcohol oxidised to aldehyde or chromate VI reduced to chromium III or dichromate reduced to chromium III	1	[2]
Qn 3	Total			[7]