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Mark schemes

1.	(a)	rate of photosynthesis increases or	
		number of bubbles produced (in one minute) increases	
		or	
		volume of gas / oxygen produced (in one minute) increases	_
		allow decreases / stays the same throughout	1
	(b)	light intensity	1
	(c)	reduces the effect of heat from the lamp	
		or prevents temperature affecting photosynthesis	
		prevents temperature affecting photosynthesis	1
	(d)	52	1
	(e)	should be 62	
		or	
		is to 3 s.f. / not rounded	
	Ε	allow inconsistent number of significant figures / decimal places	1
	(f)	the numbers of bubbles at each distance are similar	
			1
	(g)	x-axis correctly labelled (colour of light) and bars identified as correct colour	
		bars can be identified by labels beneath the x-axis or with a key	
			1
		bars plotted correctly	
		all 4 correct = 2 marks 3 correct = 1 mark	
		if wrong type of graph drawn, max 2 marks	,
			2
	(h)	blue light gives highest (rate of) photosynthesis	
		allow ecf from candidate's graph allow blue light is best	1
			•
		green light gives the lowest (rate of) photosynthesis	
		allow green light is worst	



(i) energy in this order only 1 cell wall(s) allow cell do not accept (cell) membrane 1 starch / fat / oil / lipid 1 [14] 6H₂O(a) 2. in the correct order 1 $C_6H_{12}O_6$ control do not accept 'control variable' to show the effect of the organisms or to allow comparison or to show the indicator doesn't change on its own 1 (ii) snail respires 1 releases CO₂ 1 (iii) turns yellow 1 plant can't photosynthesise so CO2 not used up 1 but the snail (and plant) still respires so CO2 produced 1

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LHS = water (i) (a) 3. accept H₂O do not accept H2O / H2O 1 RHS = oxygen accept O2 do not accept O / O² / O² 1 light / sunlight (ii) ignore solar / sun / sunshine do not allow thermal / heat 1 chloroplasts allow chlorophyll 1 (i) 20 (b) (ii) any one from: light (intensity) RS PRACTICE temperature. (i) To increase the rate of growth of the tomato plants (c) 1 (ii) Because it would cost more money than using 0.08% 1 Because it would not increase the rate of photosynthesis of the tomato plants

1

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any further



4.

(a) LHS = water

1

RHS = glucose

1

- (b) any three from:
 - · (measure) temperature

ignore reference to fair test

- to check that the temperature isn't changing
- rate of reaction changes with temperature
- · temperature is a variable that needs to be controlled

allow lamp gives out heat

3

(c) (i) 10

correct answer = 2 marks

allow **1** mark for: $\frac{(10+9+11)}{3}$

allow **1** mark for correct calculation without removal of anomalous result ie 15

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	(11)	graph: allow ecf from (c)(i)		
		label on y-axis as 'number of bubbles per minute'		1
		three points correct = 1 mark allow ± 1 mm		
		four points correct = 2 marks		
		Total points correct – 2 marks		2
		line of best fit = smooth curve		1
	(iii)	as distance increases, rate decreases – pro		•
	()	allow yes between 20 – 40		1
		but should be a straight line / but line curves - con / not quite pro		
		allow not between 10 – 20		
		if line of best fit is straight line, allow idea of poor fit		1
(d)	any	four from! PAPERS PRACTICE		
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	•	(at 20 °C) with CO 2 at 0.1%, raises rate		
	:	(at 20 °C with CO ₂ at 0.1%) \rightarrow >3x rate / rises from 5 to 17 although 25 °C \rightarrow higher rate, cost of heating not economical		
	•	extra light does not increase rate / already max. rate with daylight		
		accept ref to profits c.f. costs must be favourable		
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(a)	(i)	chloroplast		
. ,	.,	•	1	
	(ii)	cell wall		
			1	

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(b)		(i) osmosis	
		accept diffusion	
			1
		(ii) cell wall (prevents bursting)	
		(ii) con train (provente bareting)	4
(c)	(i)	carbon dioxide	
		allow correct formula	
		glucose	
		allow sugar / starch	
		1	
	(ii)	any two from:	
		light sensitive spot detects light	
		 tells flagellum to move towards light more light = more photosynthesis 	
		Thore light – more photosynthesis	
(d)	(ce	ell has) larger SA:volume ratio	
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	sho	ort (diffusion) distance	
		allow correct description	
	(di	ffusion) via cell membrane is sufficient / good enough	
	or		
	flo	w of water maintains concentration gradient	
		1	[11]
			[11]