Cambridge International Examinations
Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education

CHEMISTRY
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Paper 5 Practical Test
October/November 2015

CONFIDENTIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Great care should be taken to ensure that any confidential information given does not reach the candidates either directly or indirectly.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

The teacher responsible for preparing the examination is not allowed to consult the question paper before the examination. Teachers should, as part of the preparation of the examination requirements, carry out any tests indicated on pages 2 and 3 in order to satisfy themselves that the supplied materials are satisfactory.

The standard Report Form to be included with the scripts is given on pages 7 and 8. Please detach and enclose it with the scripts. If scripts are despatched in more than one envelope, it is essential that a copy of the Supervisor’s Results and of the Report Form are sent inside each envelope.

More material may be issued if required, without penalty, but this should not be necessary. Safety spectacles may be provided if considered necessary.

Supervisors are advised to remind candidates that all substances in the examination should be treated with caution. Please also see under ‘General Apparatus’ on the use of pipette fillers and safety goggles.

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

Attention is drawn, in particular, to certain materials used in the examination. The following codes are used where relevant.

C = corrosive substance
F = highly flammable substance
H = harmful or irritating substance
O = oxidising substance
N = harmful to the environment
T = toxic substance

Hazard data sheets should be available from your suppliers.

If you have any queries regarding these Instructions, please contact CIE
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stating the Centre number, the nature of the query and the syllabus number quoted above.

The syllabus is approved for use in England, Wales and Northern Ireland as a Cambridge International Level 1/Level 2 Certificate.

This document consists of 8 printed pages.
For Question 1

Each candidate will require

(a) a 25 cm³ or 50 cm³ measuring cylinder

(b) a 50 cm³ burette and stand

(c) a 250 cm³ conical flask

(d) 75 cm³ of aqueous potassium manganate(VII), KMnO₄, of concentration 4.0 g/dm³ labelled solution M

(e) 75 cm³ of aqueous potassium manganate(VII), KMnO₄, of concentration 8.0 g/dm³ labelled solution N

(f) 100 cm³ of aqueous iron(II) ammonium sulfate-6-water, (NH₄)₂Fe(SO₄)₂·6H₂O, of concentration 40 g/dm³ made by dissolving 40 g of the salt in 100 cm³ of sulfuric acid of concentration 1 mol/dm³, and diluting to 1000 cm³ with distilled water, labelled solution L

(g) a teat pipette

(h) access to water and distilled water

(i) a white tile

(j) funnel (for filling burette)
For Question 2

Each candidate will require

[H]  (a) a stoppered test-tube containing about 1 g of tartaric acid (2,3-dihydroxybutanedioic acid), HOOCCH(OH)CH(OH)COOH, labelled solid P

[N] [H]  (b) a stoppered test-tube containing about 0.5 g of anhydrous copper sulfate, CuSO₄, labelled solid Q

(c) distilled water

(d) splints

(e) rack of ten test-tubes including a hard-glass test-tube

(f) pH indicator papers and chart

(g) access to solid sodium hydrogen carbonate

[F]  (h) access to magnesium powder

[N] [H]  (i) access to copper(II) oxide powder

(j) test-tube holder

[C]  (k) aqueous sodium hydroxide of concentration 1 mol/dm³

(l) aqueous ammonia of concentration 1 mol/dm³

(m) a 10 cm³ measuring cylinder

(n) a Bunsen burner and matches

(o) teat pipettes

(p) a spatula

(q) a stirring thermometer, 0-110 °C

(r) a boiling tube

(s) access to clock or stop watch

Labels do not need to include concentrations.
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This form must be completed and returned in the envelope with the scripts.

REPORT ON PRACTICAL CHEMISTRY

NOVEMBER 2015

1 (a) Supervisor’s Results

It is recommended that the Supervisor should be a chemistry teacher.

The Supervisor is asked to carry out the experiments in Questions 1 and 2 and to record the results on a spare copy of the question paper clearly labelled ‘Supervisor’s Results’. Failure to enclose these results and this report form may lead to candidates being unavoidably penalised.

(b) The candidate numbers of candidates in each session were:

First session          Second session
The Supervisor is invited to report details of any difficulties experienced by candidates giving names and candidate numbers. The report should include reference to:

(a) any general difficulties encountered in making preparations for the examination;

(b) difficulties due to faulty apparatus or materials;

(c) accidents to apparatus or materials.

Other cases of individual hardship, e.g. illness, temporary disability, should be reported direct to UCLES on the normal Application for Special Consideration form.

NAME OF CENTRE ...............................................................................................................................

CENTRE NUMBER ...................................................

SIGNED .......................................................

Supervisor

DECLARATION (to be signed by the Principal)

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

NAME ....................................................................................................................................................

(in block capitals)

SIGNED .............................................................................................................................. (Principal)