MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2014 series

9700 BIOLOGY
9700/31 Paper 3 (Paper 31 – Advanced Practical Skills 1),
maximum raw mark 40

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Mark scheme abbreviations:

; separates marking points
l alternative answers for the same point
R reject
A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or by extra guidance)
AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants accepted)
max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given
ora or reverse argument
mp marking point (with relevant number)
ecf error carried forward
I ignore
1 (a) (i) volume given the same or more than G (4–10 inclusive); [1]

(ii) organised into table
+ all columns separated by a line + all headings underlined;

headings temp(eration)/°C + time/s or sec(onds); [2]

(iii) answer according to candidates results + further qualification;

use of data (at least two temperatures AND two references to time)
or
idea of an increase in kinetic energy increases the rate of reaction; [2]

(iv) statement of temperature with units °C + valid reason; [1]

(v) shows transfer of 15 cm³ (of 2% to the next dilution)
+ adds 15 cm³ of (distilled) water/W;

1(.0)% AND 0.5%; [2]

(vi) all four volumes correct;

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>solution</th>
<th>volume/cm³</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Benedict’s</td>
<td>same volumes as stated in (a) (i)</td>
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<tr>
<td>glucose</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>S1</td>
<td>4</td>
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<tr>
<td>S2</td>
<td>4</td>
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</table>

[1]

(vii) records 6 times (for 4 concentrations of glucose + S1 + S2);

records whole seconds only;

highest concentration of glucose is shortest time; [3]

(viii) shows position of 0.5, 1(.0) and 2(.0), scale – one space = 0.5;

shows position of S1 + S2 correctly according to their results; [2]
(ix) more/wider/narrower range of glucose concentrations;

   do individually/each test-tube separately to prevent timing error
   or
   replicate/repeat;

   idea of thermostatically-controlled water-bath;

   use of white card/tile to observe colour change; [max 3]

(x) syringe or thermometer or stopwatch + no effect + if use same syringe or
   thermometer or stopwatch
   or
   idea of different syringe used + systematic error + not true value; [1]

[Total: 18]

2 (a) (i) at least 2 lines for upper epidermis + 2 lines for lower epidermis
   + vascular bundle + size at least 60mm across midrib + no shading;

   no cells + one complete vascular bundle in the midrib
   + vascular bundle subdivided;

   one concave surface and one convex surface
   + enclosed area beneath or above (or around) the vascular bundle;

   uses label line + label to xylem; [4]

(ii) at least 6 cells + size at least 20 mm across largest cell at narrowest
   + sharp continuous lines;

   only 2 groups of 3 cells drawn, each cell touching at least one other cell;

   one cell has at least 3 corners;

   cell walls drawn as double lines + middle lamella between;

   use label line(s) + label to one lumen; [5]
(b)  
(i) correct measurement of line X (18–20 mm or 1.8–2.0 cm);  
uses mm and converts to µm by multiplying by 1000;  
shows division by 230;  
rounds answer to one decimal place;  

(ii) idea of stomata/guard cell(s) + closed  
+ reduces transpiration or evaporation or diffusion of water;  

(c) mp1 organise as table with 3 columns headed feature + Fig. 2.2 + Fig. 2.3;  

max 3 for differences

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>mp</th>
<th>feature</th>
<th>Fig. 2.2</th>
<th>Fig. 2.3</th>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>guard cells</td>
<td>(some) large(r)/thicker</td>
<td>(some) small(er)/thinner</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>nucleus of the guard cells</td>
<td>rounder or small(er)/short(er)</td>
<td>more elongated or large(r)/long(er)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>stomata shape or length</td>
<td>narrow/elongated/slits or long(er)</td>
<td>oval or short(er)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>stomata/guard cell number</td>
<td>few(er)</td>
<td>more</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>(epidermal) cells shape or size</td>
<td>narrow/elongated/rectangular/oblong or longer/narrower</td>
<td>irregular/star-shaped/convoluted or shorter/wider</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>(epidermal) cells wall</td>
<td>small indentations wavy</td>
<td>large indentations smooth</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>number of types of cells</td>
<td>more</td>
<td>less</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>arrangement of any cells</td>
<td>in rows/limes/linear/parallel</td>
<td>scattered/random</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>line or strip</td>
<td>present</td>
<td>absent</td>
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[max 4]
(d) (x-axis) concentration of $\text{CO}_2 \mu\text{mol mol}^{-1}$
+ label on blocks upper epidermis/U, lower epidermis/L, 380 + 560+ 800
+ (y-axis) mean number of stomata/mm$^2$ ;

(x-axis) even width of blocks and even distance between blocks +,
+ (y-axis) 20 to 2 cm labelled every 2 cm, except 0 ;

correct plotting of each bar in the same order as the table
+ ruled sharp line ;

all vertical lines drawn as ruled sharp lines + all lines meeting exactly
+ labels for upper and lower must either be directly below the correct bar or
inside the bar or shaded with a key ;

[4]

[Total: 22]