MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2015 series

0653 COMBINED SCIENCE

0653/61 Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 60

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1  (a)  (i) outline concave on one side and projections on the other ; 
   2 circles shaded and labelled ;
   (ii) xylem ;
   transport of water ;

(b)

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<th>test solution</th>
<th>observation</th>
<th>conclusion</th>
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<td>Benedict’s solution</td>
<td>orange</td>
<td>reducing sugar/glucose (present) ;</td>
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<td>biuret solution</td>
<td>blue</td>
<td>protein absent ;</td>
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<td>iodine solution</td>
<td>orange</td>
<td>starch absent ;</td>
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[3]

(c) Any 3 from 4
(celery in dyed water and) measure distance dye moves ;
minimum 3 different temperatures ;
time for coloured water to appear at top of (cut) stalk/set time and measure
distance moved for each T ;
all other conditions/named condition kept constant ;

[Total: 10]

2  (a)  14 and 16 ;

(b)  (i)  0.7(0)  0.8(0) ;
   0.49 and 0.64 ;
   \(T^2\) to 2 d.p. ;
   Allow ecf
   (ii)  4 plots correct \(\pm 1/2\) small square ;
   best fit straight line through origin \(\pm 1/2\) small square ;
   (iii) gradient shown clearly on graph (triangle at least \(1/2\) of graph); 1.6 ;
   (iv)  39.5/gradient from (b)(iii) = 25 ;
   quoted to 2 sig figs ;

[Total: 10]
3 (a) (i) blue/purple AND (pH between) 8 to 14 ; [1]
   (ii) calcium hydroxide/limewater ; [2]
   calcium oxide ;

(b) (i) (sodium hydroxide) (light) blue ppt ; [3]
   (ammonia) (light) blue ppt ;
   (ammonia) dark blue solution (in excess) ;

(ii) CuO (not name) ; [1]

(c) react with (e.g.) sulphuric acid ; [3]
   add sodium hydroxide (soln)/ammonia (soln) ;
   white ppt (dissolves in excess) ;

[Total: 10]

4 (a) (i) A white blood cell ; [4]
   B red blood cell ; [4]
   C platelet ; [4]
   D plasma ; [4]

(ii) 8 ; [1]

(iii) 0.008 ; ; [2]
   ecf

(b) (i)

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<th>average heart rate (beats per minute)</th>
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<td>17</td>
<td>68</td>
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<td>jogging</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>140</td>
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[1]

(ii) heart rate increases ; [max 1]
   increased or faster blood flow ;
   need more oxygen/respiration/removal of carbon dioxide ;

(iii) average calculated/identify anomalies/confirms similar values/repeats ; [1]

[Total: 10]
5  (a) use of cell/battery/power supply and connections ;
    connect in circuit ;
    (first two marks can be from a diagram)
    lamp works if lamp lights ;

(b) ammeter symbol correct and in series with lamp;
    voltmeter symbol correct and in parallel with lamp ;
    circuit ;

(c) (lamp)  eg A  B  C  D  E

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<td>potential difference / V</td>
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    table with headings (allow p.d.) ;
    correct units (allow name or symbol) ;
    room for 5 lamps may be labelled with letters, numbers or not at all ;

(d) resistance = potential difference (voltage)/ current ;
    [1]

[Total: 10]

6  (a) hydrogen ;
    lighted splint ;
    pop (etc.) ;

(b) conical flask with delivery tube ;
    (connected to) syringe or measuring cylinder over water ;

(c) (i) rate decreases ;
    (then) stops ;

(ii) Mg or acid or reactant(s) used up / all Mg or acid or reactant reacted ;
    [1]

(d) line T to left of original ;
    line T reaches same height. ;
    [2]

[Total: 10]