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MARK SCHEME

Maximum Mark: 40

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	I Correct headings and units for mass of FA 1 and volume of CO₂ • Mass of container + FA 1 • Mass of container (+ residue) • Mass of FA 1 • Volume of gas Allow vol for volume but not V Units needed for all readings II Both weighings to the same number of dp and correct mass of FA 1 calculated (If initial and final volumes recorded then subtraction for volume collected must be correct.)	1 1 2
1(b)(i)	Correctly calculates $\frac{V(a)}{24.0 \times 1000}$	1
1(b)(ii)	Correct expression (i) × 100.1 or (i) × (40.1 + 12 + (3)16) Must show working	1
1(b)(iii)	Correctly uses $\frac{(ii) \times 100}{\text{mass in (a)}}$	1
	All three answers to 2 to 4 sf	1
1(c)	Any of: warm water in tub / saturate water with CO ₂ / a specific method of separation of CaCO ₃ and acid so only mixed after bung inserted / gas syringe	1
	Total	7

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	I Initial and final burette readings and volume added recorded for rough titre and accurate titre details tabulated. [minimum 2 × 2 ‘boxes’ with relevant information]	1
	II Initial and final burette readings recorded and volume of FA 3 added recorded for each accurate titration. Headings and units correct for accurate titrations Headings: initial / final (burette) reading / volume or reading / volume at start / finish and volume / FA 3 added / used or titre [not difference / total] allow vol but not V and Units: (cm ³) or / cm ³ or in cm ³ [or cm ³ by every entry]	1
	III All accurate burette readings are recorded to the nearest 0.05 cm ³ Do not award this mark if: 50(.00) is used as an initial burette reading; more than one final burette reading is 50(.00); any burette reading is greater than 50(.0)	1
	IV Final uncorrected titre is within 0.10 cm ³ of any previous uncorrected accurate titre. <i>Do not include a reading if it is labelled rough.</i> <i>Do not award the mark if any accurate burette readings (apart from the initial zero) are given as integers.</i>	1

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	V, VI and VII Examiner rounds any accurate burette readings to the nearest 0.05 cm^3, checks subtractions and then selects the 'best' accurate titres using the hierarchy: identical titres; titres within 0.05 cm^3; titres within 0.1 cm^3; etc., to calculate mean correct to 0.01 cm^3. Examiner uses the best titre to calculate the ratio of acid remaining after reaction with calcium carbonate in Question 1 to this best titre from Question 2 for Supervisor and each candidate. The ratio of this value for the candidate is compared to the ratio of this value for the Supervisor and marks awarded as follows. Award V, VI and VII for $0.95 - 1.05$ Award V and VI for $0.90 - 1.10$ Award V for $0.80 - 1.20$	3 7

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)(vii)	Correctly uses $[(vi) \times 100]/(\text{mass in (a)})$ to a minimum of 2 sf	1 5
2(d)	Question 1: % purity lower as loss of gas means fewer moles /less mass CaCO₃ Question 2: no change /% same as same amount of acid reacts / (amount) acid left is same	1 1 1 1 4 max 3
	Total	16

Question	Answer		Marks
FA 5 is NaNO ₃ (s); FA 6 is CuCO ₃ (s); FA 7 is NaBr(aq)			
3(a)(i)	FA 5	FA 6	
	(goes to) colourless or yellow liquid/ solution	(green) powder / solid (turns) black / black residue	1+1
	gas relights glowing splint	or gas turns limewater milky / cloudy white / chalky / forms white ppt	1
	gas (turns) brown / brown gas or solution turns blue	(pale) blue solution / liquid formed	1+1

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Question	Answer		Marks
3(a)(ii)–(iv)	FA 5	FA 6	1 1 1
	(iii) solid dissolves / colourless solution allow no reaction / no change / no effervescence	effervescence / fizzing / bubbling and blue solution / liquid formed	
	(iv) no reaction / no change / no ppt / remains colourless	blue ppt and insoluble in excess	
	(v) no reaction / no change / no ppt / remains colourless	(pale) blue ppt and soluble in excess to give deep / dark blue (solution)	
3(a)(v)	FA 5: cation unknown; anion nitrate / NO ₃ [–] FA 6: cation Cu ²⁺ / copper(II); anion carbonate / CO ₃ ^{2–} 4 correct = 3 marks 3 correct = 2 marks 2 correct = 1 mark		1 1 1
3(a)(vi)	CuCO ₃ (s) + H ₂ SO ₄ (aq) → CuSO ₄ (aq) + H ₂ O(l) + CO ₂ (g)		1
3(b)(i)	Selects AgNO ₃ and NH ₃ Selects NaOH and Al and HCl / HNO ₃ / H ₂ SO ₄		1 1
3(b)(ii)	Clearly defined test observation conclusion sections		1
	FA 7 + AgNO ₃ cream ppt partially soluble in NH ₃		1
	FA 7 is bromide / Br [–] from cream ppt		1
	Total		17