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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	three lines drawn to connect 'Human liver cells' to contain cytoplasm; destroy hormones; have a cell membrane;	3
1(b)	oesophagus correctly labelled ; gall bladder correctly labelled ;	2
1(c)	in either order chemical digestion; many (digestive) enzymes are found there/food is broken down here; absorption; products of digestion enter the blood here;	4
1(d)(i)	bacteria: feed on/breakdown sugar ; produce acid ;	2
1(d)(ii)	attacks enamel/causes decay ;	1

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)(i)	carbon dioxide/CO ₂ ;	1
2(a)(ii)	exothermic;	1
2(a)(iii)	increase/goes to 7;	1
2(a)(iv)	fizzing/bubbles/gas/CO ₂ stops/no more ;	1
2(a)(v)	filter(ing)/filtration;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)(i)	(rate is) less/reduced;	1
2(b)(ii)	(change) temperature/(use a) catalyst (change) surface area/particle size/stirring;	1
2(c)	(test) (add) silver nitrate (soln) ; (observation) white_solid / precipitate ;	2

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)(i)	two opposite vertical arrows ; both arrows touching the lift ;	2
3(a)(ii)	(5000 N – no mark) lift not moving, so forces balanced/equal and opposite;	1
3(a)(iii)	upward force must increase ;	1
3(b)(i)	speed = distance/time (or rearranged); time (= distance/speed) = 30/2 = 15(s);	2
3(b)(ii)	kinetic/motion (energy);	1
3(b)(iii)	(gravitational) potential (energy) ;	1
3(c)	speed time ;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	2;	1
4(a)(ii)	1,3,5 ;	1
4(a)(iii)	eating;	1
4(b)	excretion/egestion; urine/faeces;	2
4(c)	any two from change in weather patterns / climate; ice melting; flooding; loss of habitat; avp;	2

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)(i)	coal;	1
5(a)(ii)	methane ;	1
5(a)(iii)	oxygen; allow O ₂ ignore O	1
5(b)(i)	<u>fractional</u> distillation ;	1
5(b)(ii)	compound/molecule of/containing carbon/C and hydrogen/H; (C and H) only;	2
5(c)(i)	water/H ₂ O;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
5(c)(ii)	H—C—C—O—H H—H——;; allow (1) if one missing bond or H atom	2

Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)	at least two diverging rays from filament to lens ; all rays emerging from lens parallel ;	2
6(b)	visible light in correct box ; radio (waves) in correct box ;	2
6(c)(i)	evaporation;	1
6(c)(ii)	faster molecules ; have enough energy to escape ;	2
6(d)	(pitch) low (frequency/note); (amplitude) large;	2
6(e)	(volume) expands ;	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
7(a)	water enters/taken up by root; root hair cells; up stem (to leaves); through xylem;	[max3]
7(b)(i)	heat produced by lamp; increases transpiration rate; increased light intensity; increases transpiration rate;	3
7(b)(ii)	any suitable value less than 1.2 (cm); increased humidity <u>reduces</u> the rate of transpiration;	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
8(a)(i)	floats;	1
8(a)(ii)	sodium + water → sodium hydroxide + hydrogen LHS (either order); RHS (either order);	2
8(a)(iii)	sinks; no reaction; either order	2
8(b)(i)	transition metals ;	1
8(b)(ii)	unreactive;	1
8(b)(iii)	mass no. (35) number of protons + neutrons ; atomic no. (17) number of protons ;	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
9(a)(i)	correct symbols for ammeter and lamp ; complete series circuit ;	2
9(a)(ii)	correct voltmeter symbol ; connected in parallel with lamp ;	2
9(b)(i)	$R = V/I = 1.5/0.6 (= 2.5 \Omega)$;	1
9(b)(ii)	reading/current goes down/decreases; because resistance has been increased;	2