Practice Question Set For GCSE
Subject : Biology
Paper-1 Topic: B4 Bioenergetics

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Name of the Student:_____
Max. Marks : 21 Marks **Time : 21 Minutes**

Q1.

Human activities affect the environment.

(a) Describe the reasons why deforestation takes place and the effects deforestation has on the environment.

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(6)

Forests have been called:

'The lungs of the planet.'

(b) Describe **one** way forests being called 'The lungs of the planet' can be considered to be a **correct** statement.

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(c) Trees do **not** have lungs.

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Describe **one** other way forests being called 'The lungs of the planet' is an **incorrect** statement.

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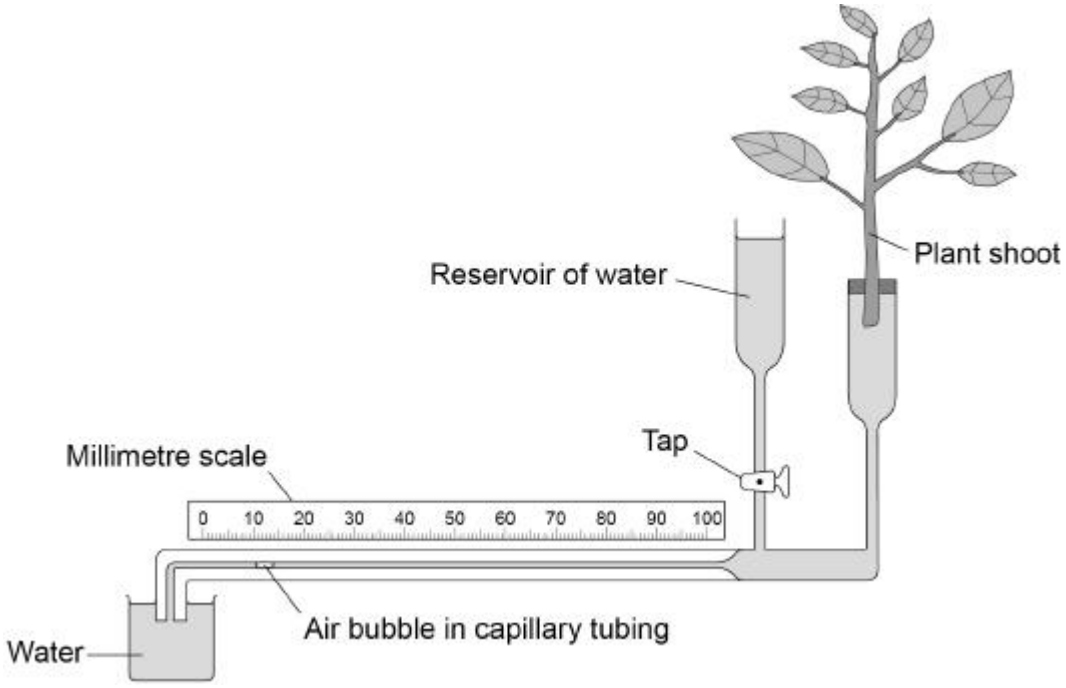
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Q2.

A student used a potometer to investigate the rate of water uptake in a plant shoot.

Figure 1 shows a potometer.

Figure 1



As the shoot takes in water the air bubble moves.

The rate of water uptake is the distance the air bubble moves in a given time.

This is the method used.

1. Place the potometer in moist air at 25 °C
2. Position the air bubble at 0 mm in the capillary tube.
3. Record the position of the air bubble in the capillary tube every minute for 5 minutes.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 with the potometer in different conditions.

Table 1 shows the conditions used.

Table 1

Investigation	Conditions
A	Moist air at 25 °C
B	Dry air at 15 °C
C	Dry air at 25 °C

(a) After investigation **A** the air bubble had moved part way along the capillary tube.

Suggest how the student moved the air bubble back to 0 mm for the start of investigation **B**.

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(b) Capillary tubing is very narrow.

Explain why narrow tubing was used.

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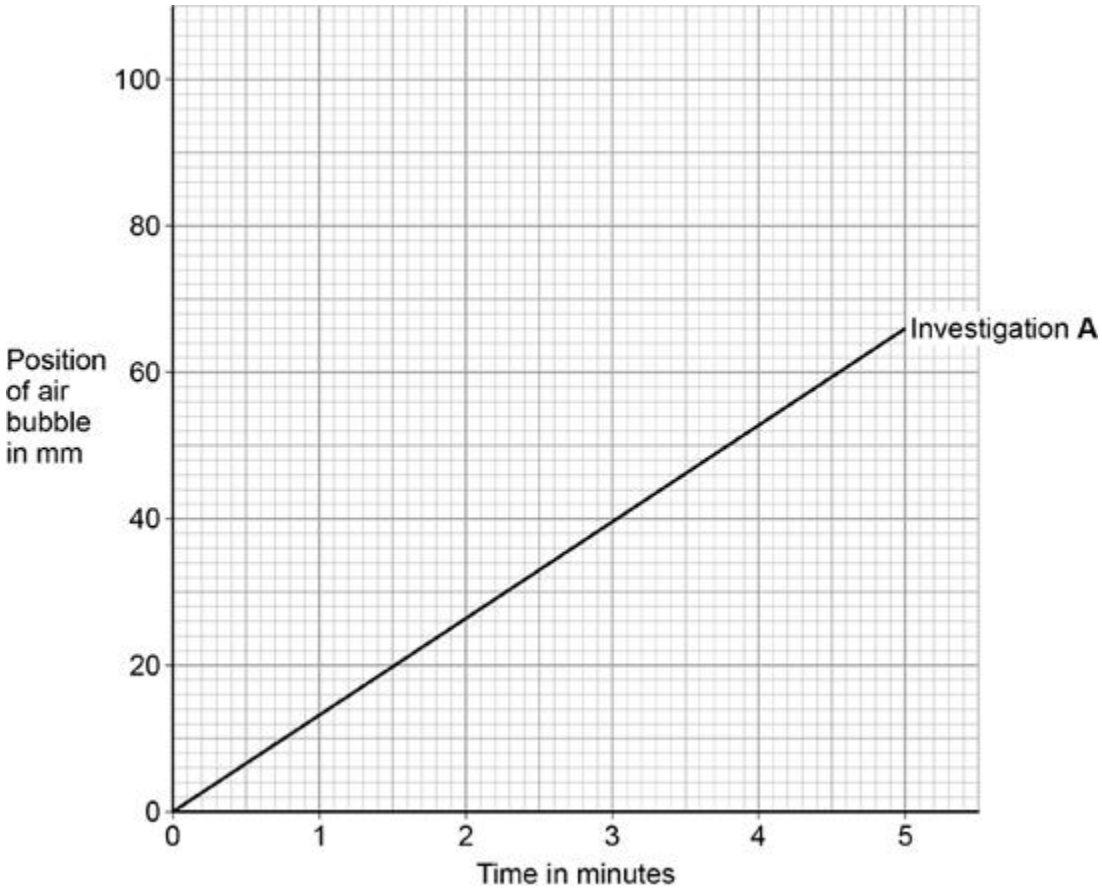
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Figure 2 shows the results for investigation **A**.

Figure 2



(c) The cross-sectional area of the capillary tube was 0.8 mm^2

Calculate the rate of water uptake for investigation **A** in mm^3/min

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Rate = _____ mm^3/min

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(d) **Table 2** shows the results from investigation **B**.

Table 2

Time in minutes	Position of air bubble in mm
0	0
1	6
2	16
3	22
4	30
5	42

Plot the data from **Table 2** on **Figure 2**.

You should:

- draw a line of best fit
- label the line **B**.

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(e) Investigation **C** was carried out in dry air at 25 °C

Draw a line on **Figure 2** to show the results you would expect for investigation **C**.

Label the line **C**.

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(f) The investigations were carried out in daylight.

The air bubble would **not** move if the investigations were done in the dark.

Explain why.

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(Total 13 marks)

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