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| 1 (a)    | I Appropriate headings and units for  
|          | • mass of FB 1  
|          | • initial and final volumes (of gas).  
|          | • unit: /g, (g), in g and allow grams/grammes for g and  
|          | /cm³, (cm³), in cm³ or cm³ (for each heading)  
|          | II Award if candidate volume within appropriate range derived from Supervisor value | 1 | [2] |
| (b) (i)  | Correctly calculates $\frac{V(a)}{24.0 \times 1000}$ | 1 | |
| (ii)     | Correct expression $\frac{\text{mass Mg in (a)}}{(b)(i)}$ | 1 | |
|          | Both answers in (b) to 2 to 4 significant figures | 1 | [3] |
| Question 1 |                     | [5] |       |
### Question 2 (a)

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<td>I</td>
<td>Initial and final readings <strong>and</strong> titre value given for rough titre <strong>and</strong> initial and final readings for two (or more) accurate titrations <em>(minimum of 2 x 2 box)</em></td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>Titre values recorded for accurate titrations <strong>and</strong> appropriate headings for the <strong>accurate</strong> titration table <strong>and</strong> cm³ units.</td>
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<td>III</td>
<td>All <strong>accurate</strong> burette readings recorded to the nearest 0.05 cm³. Do not award this mark if:</td>
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<td>IV</td>
<td>There are two (or more) uncorrected, <strong>accurate</strong> titres within 0.10 cm³</td>
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<td>V, VI</td>
<td>Examiner rounds any accurate burette to the nearest 0.05 cm³, checks subtractions and then select the ‘best’ titres using the hierarchy:</td>
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- two (or more) accurate identical titres, *then*  
- two (or more) accurate titres within 0.05 cm³, *then*  
- two (or more) accurate titres within 0.10 cm³, *etc.*  

These best titres should be used to calculate the mean titre, expressed to nearest 0.01 cm³.  

Accuracy marks are awarded as shown.  

Award V, VI and VII for \( \delta \leq 0.30 \) (cm³)  
Award V and VI for \( 0.30 \text{ cm}^3 < \delta \leq 0.60 \) (cm³)  
Award V for \( 0.60 \text{ cm}^3 < \delta \leq 1.00 \) (cm³)
(b) Candidate must take the average of two (or more) titres that are within a total spread of not more than 0.20 cm². Working must be shown or ticks must be put next to the two (or more) accurate readings selected. The mean should be quoted to 2 dp, rounded to the nearest 0.01.

Two special cases where the mean may not be to 2 dp:
- Allow mean expressed to 3 dp only for 0.025 or 0.075 (e.g. 26.325)
- Allow mean if expressed to 1 dp if all accurate burette readings were given to 1 dp and the mean is exactly correct.
  (e.g. 26.0 and 26.2 = 26.1 is allowed)
  (e.g. 26.0 and 26.1 = 26.1 is incorrect – should be 26.05.)

*Note:* the candidate’s mean will sometimes be marked as correct even if it is different from the mean calculated by the examiner for the purpose of assessing accuracy.

| (c) (i) | Correctly calculates \( n(\text{NaOH}) \times \frac{0.150 \times (\text{b})}{1000} \) | 1 |
| (ii)  | Correctly uses (i)/2 and (ii) × 10 | 1 |
| (iii) | Correctly calculates \( 1.00 \times 25.0/1000 = 0.025(0) \) | 1 |
| (iv)  | Correctly uses (c)(iv) – (c)(iii) | 1 |
| (v)   | Correctly uses \( \frac{\text{mass Mg in 1(a)}}{(\text{v})} \) | 1 |
| (vi)  | All final answers to 3 or 4 significant figures (minimum of four parts must be attempted) | [6] |
(d) (i) (Experiment 1 is less accurate)

One set of:

Inaccuracy

Improvement

Inaccuracy
• gas escaped before bung inserted

Improvement
• viable means of keeping solid and acid separate before being added (not put on lid faster) e.g. use divided flask
• use more (excess) of a lower concentration of acid

Inaccuracy
• balance imprecise / inaccurate balance

Improvement
• use a balance calibrated to more decimal places (owtte)

Inaccuracy
• If candidate volume greater than 250 cm$^3$ then allow problem of measuring volume of gas

Improvement
• use larger (capacity) measuring cylinder
• use less / smaller mass Mg

(ii) Correct expression or correctly calculates $\frac{24.3 - 20.8}{24.3} = 14.4\%$
FB 5 is Al(s); FB 6 is NaNO₃(s); FB 7 is Al₂(SO₄)₃(aq); FB 8 is MnCl₂(aq);

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| **3 (a) (i)** | **FB 5 + HCl:**
|   | effervescence/fizzing/bubbling
|   | gas pops with **lighted** splint
|   | FB 5 + FB 6 + NaOH:
|   | vigorous/violent/exothermic/great/extreme/lots of **and**
|   | effervescence/fizzing/bubbling
|   | gas/NH₃ turns (damp) red litmus (paper) blue
| FB 6 + HCl: no reaction/no change/no gas/no ppt **and**
| FB 6 + NaOH: no reaction/no change/no ppt |
| **(ii)** | FB 5 is Al (allow Zn)
|   | and
|   | Reason: effervescence/gives H₂/NH₃ in test 1 and/or 2
|   | FB 6 cation unknown **or** Ba²⁺ **or** NH₄⁺ **or** any group 1 metal
|   | and
|   | reason: from no reaction with NaOH
|   | anion: NO₃⁻/NO₂⁻ (or both)
|   | reason: If NO₃⁻ then NH₃ with NaOH + Al **and** no reaction with HCl
| **(b) (i)** | Clearly laid out test/observation/conclusion sections
|   | Layout has to show clearly where two reagents are used as part of the same test.
|   | BaCl₂/Ba(NO₃)₂ **and** HCl/HNO₃
|   | AgNO₃ and NH₃
|   | FB 7 only + Ba²⁺ white precipitate **and** insoluble in HCl or HNO₃
|   | FB 8 only + Ag⁺ white precipitate
| FB 7 = sulfate/SO₄²⁻ (allow from white precipitate with Ba²⁺)
| FB 8 = chloride/Cl⁻ (allow from white precipitate with Ag⁺) |
| (ii) | Off-white/light/pale brown/buff/beige precipitate and darkening on standing with FB 8 Ignore observation with FB 7 | 1 |
|      | **FB 8 = Mn^{2+}/manganese(II) from some correct evidence** | 1 | [9] |

**Question 3** | **[18]**