

Progression in Science

Science investigative skills (A03)



Hypothesis (Y7 & 8) HT1

Students are to use the scientific knowledge learnt in class to make predictions about an investigation

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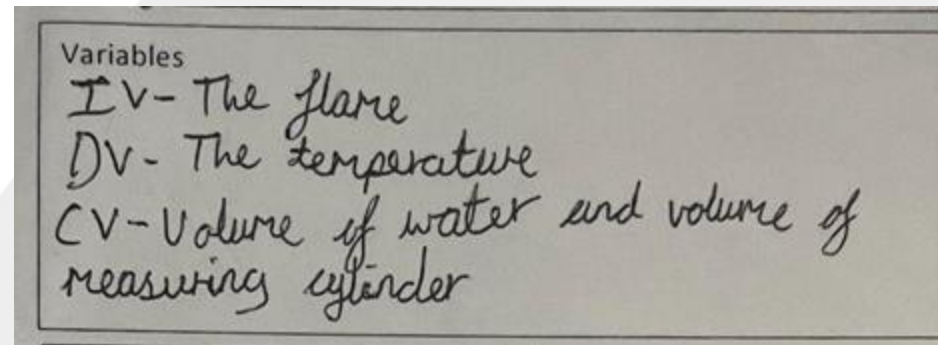
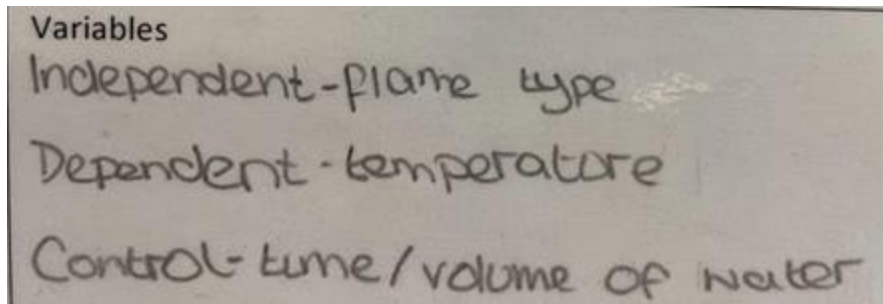
Hypothesis I think that the blue flame will heat up the water to a higher temperature because it is complete combustion which allows more O_2 getting to the bunsen burner.

Hypothesis
I think that the blue flame will have the higher temperature because there is more oxygen.

Variables (Y7 & 8) HT1

Students are to identify the following variables in a scientific investigation

- Independent variable
- Dependent variable
- Control variable(s)




Method (Y7 & 8) HT2

Students write a numbered, step by step method which could be followed by another person who would get the same results.

Equipment and method


- Thermometer
- Tripod
- Bunsen burner
- Measuring cylinder
- Stopwatch
- 250ml beaker
- Gauze
- Heatproof mat



- 1) Get measuring cylinder and 250ml beaker.
- 2) Measure 100ml water and pour into the beaker.
- 3) Place on tripod above bunsen on heatproof mat. Turn on (blue flame)
- 4) Measure the temperature every 30 seconds up to 300 seconds.
- 5) Repeat for both flames 3 times.

Equipment and method

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- Thermometer
- 250ml beaker
- Gauze
- Heatproof mat
- Tripod
- Stop watch
- measuring cylinder
- 100ml of water



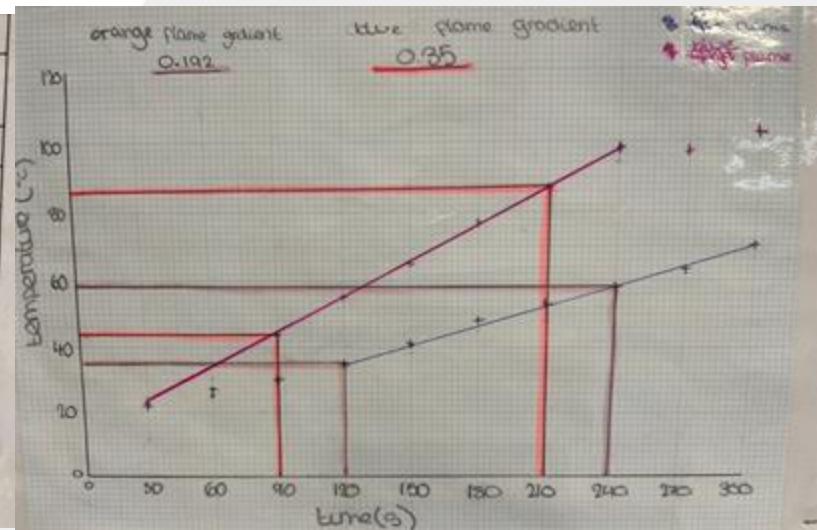
- 1) Set up bunsen burner (diagram)
- 2) Measure 100ml of water and pour into beaker.
- 3) Open valve and turn on gas tap connected to the bunsen burner
- 4) Record starting temperature of water.
- 5) Light the bunsen burner and record temperature of water every 30 seconds for 300 seconds.
- 6) Repeat for yellow flame.
- 7) Set up table, input results and find out the difference in temperature (optional)

Displaying results; Tables and Graphs & 8) HT3



Students display data clearly and accurately, with correct headings and units

Time (secs)	Orange flame (oC)				Blue flame (oC)			
	Trial 1	Trial 2	Trial 3	average	Trial 1	Trial 2	Trial 3	average
30	24	21	20	22	25	24	20	23
60	30	27	24	27	35	34	35	35
90	31	30	30	30	43	45	45	44
120	34	36	35	35	58	58	50	55
150	38	41	44	41	65	71	60	65
180	43	44	55	48	76	84	70	77
210	48	50	62	53	85	98	78	87
240	50	54	69	58	98	100	85	94
270	54	60	76	63	102	100	90	97
300	60	65	84	67	102	100	100	101



Descriptions and Explanations (Y7 & 8) HT4



Students describe patterns and give reasons why an experimental result has occurred

(i) Describe the trends in the number of people with malignant melanoma skin cancer between 1985 and 2008.

The amount has
a steady increase
and almost doubles
over the 20 years.

ii) Use the data about the number of trips abroad to suggest an explanation for the trends you have described in part (c)(i).

The sun abroad
is stronger causing
more melanoma's.

Conclusions and Evaluations (Y7 & 8) HT5



Students can summarise their investigations and make links to their hypothesis whilst also giving improvements if they were to do the experiment again.

Conclusion In conclusion, the blue flame heated the water to a higher temperature ^{because it is supplied with more oxygen than the orange flame which is incomplete}. You can see this in the graph.

Evaluation An error could have occurred when we used different bunsen burners as they don't all heat up and have the same gas supply which would mess with the results. To solve this, we could use the same bunsen burner.

Conclusion In conclusion my hypothesis was correct as the blue flame heated the water quicker than the orange flame. I know this as after 300 seconds the average of the blue flame was 101°C and the average of the orange flame was 80°C .

Evaluation I can evaluate that we had different bunsen burners, different sized beakers, the volume of water ~~wasn't~~ might not have been correct and the water's starting temperature could be different.



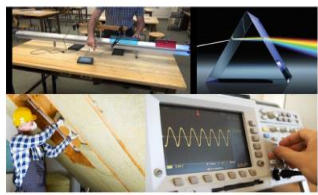
Science skills at KS4

1. DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENTIFIC THINKING
2. EXPERIMENTAL SKILLS AND STRATEGIES
3. ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION
4. SCIENTIFIC VOCABULARY, QUANTITIES, UNITS, SYMBOLS AND NOMENCLATURE

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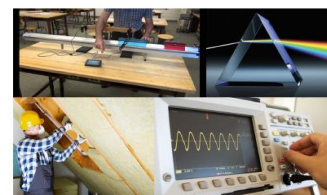
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1. Development of scientific thinking



WS 1.1	Understand how scientific methods and theories develop over time.
WS 1.2	Use a variety of models such as representational, spatial, descriptive, computational and mathematical to solve problems, make predictions and to develop scientific explanations and understanding of familiar and unfamiliar facts.
WS 1.3	Appreciate the power and limitations of science and consider any ethical issues which may arise.
WS 1.4	Explain everyday and technological applications of science; evaluate associated personal, social, economic and environmental implications; and make decisions based on the evaluation of evidence and arguments.
WS 1.5	Evaluate risks both in practical science and the wider societal context, including perception of risk in relation to data and consequences.
WS 1.6	Recognise the importance of peer review of results and of communicating results to a range of audiences.

RP 4: Investigate the effect of pH on the rate of reaction of amylase enzyme.

How does the pH impact enzymes?

Removal: The higher the pH the more denatured the enzymes can be. This will impact the speed / success of reaction. For it to happen at the correct time it has to be at the optimum pH.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Yqbu56lmXk>

- By using this method you will have the opportunity to develop the following science skills

	Working Scientifically	Maths Skills	Aparatus and Techniques
Required Practical Requirements	WS 2.1, WS 2.4, WS 2.5, WS 2.6,		
4 Enzymes	WS 3.2, WS 3.3	1a, 1c	AT1, AT2, AT5

WS2 Your hypothesis: When I increase the time I think that the starch will get less and less present. Longer the time the more orange it will be.

Section 1 - Planning

For each variable state whether it is continuous or categorical.

WS4

What will be the independent variable? (what will you change?)

time from when the reaction first occurred

What will be the dependent variable? (what will you measure?)

amount of time it took for starch to go / pH

What are the control variables? (What will you keep the same to make it a fair test?)

Volume of liquids

pH

Iodine solution

Time inbetween each drop

Temperature

Equipment you will need: HIGHLIGHTED IN BOLD

- Place one drop of iodine solution into each depression on the spotting tile.
- Label a test tube with the pH to be tested.
- Add **1 cm³** of **buffer solution** to the test tube using a syringe.
- Use another syringe to add **2 cm³** of **starch** to the buffer solution.
- Use a different syringe to place **2 cm³** of **amylase** into the buffer/starch solution test tube and start your stop watch.
- Take some of the solution up into the pipette (the reaction will still occur in the pipette) and place a drop of the solution in each depression on the spotting tile every 10 seconds.
- The iodine will turn black if the starch is still present.
- The iodine will stay orange if no starch is present.
- Record the time the reaction was complete.
- Repeat steps 2-9 for the different pH buffers. → No. 5



WS6 Write a risk assessment

What are the hazards in this investigation?

Glass

Iodine

Other chemicals: Buffer

What is the risk? (how could it harm us?)

Glass breaking and cut skin

skin clothes

Down skin

How will we prevent this from happening?

Don't set it down - keep in hand

wear apron

wash hands immediately

Section 2 - Results

WS7 Record your results in a table.

neutral: 7

pH of buffer	Time taken for amylase to break down starch (seconds)
2	75
4	45
6	30
8	62
10	66

Section 3 - Conclusions

WS9 Can you describe what happened as you increased the independent variable?

pH

The higher the pH the more time it took the same as the lower it is. The least time it took was the most neutral pH.

Can you say why this happened?

This happened because the optimum pH is close to neutral. When it's at the optimum it's the best conditions for amylase to break down the quickest.

WS10 How could the experiment be improved to get better or more reliable results?

To improve them you could work out an average by doing multiple tests.

2. EXPERIMENTAL SKILLS AND STRATEGIES



WS 2.1	Use scientific theories and explanations to develop hypotheses.
WS 2.2	Plan experiments or devise procedures to make observations, produce or characterise a substance, test hypotheses, check data or explore phenomena.
WS 2.3	Apply a knowledge of a range of techniques, instruments, apparatus, and materials to select those appropriate to the experiment.
WS 2.4	Carry out experiments appropriately having due regard for the correct manipulation of apparatus, the accuracy of measurements and health and safety considerations.
WS 2.5	Recognise when to apply a knowledge of sampling techniques to ensure any samples collected are representative.
WS 2.6	Make and record observations and measurements using a range of apparatus and methods.
WS 2.7	Evaluate methods and suggest possible improvements and further investigations.



3. ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION



WS 3.1	Presenting observations and other data using appropriate methods.
WS 3.2	Translating data from one form to another.
WS 3.3	Carrying out and represent mathematical and statistical analysis.
WS 3.4	Representing distributions of results and make estimations of uncertainty.
WS 3.5	Interpreting observations and other data (presented in verbal, diagrammatic, graphical, symbolic or numerical form), including identifying patterns and trends, making inferences and drawing conclusions.
WS 3.6	Presenting reasoned explanations including relating data to hypotheses.
WS 3.7	Being objective, evaluating data in terms of accuracy, precision, repeatability and reproducibility and identifying potential sources of random and systematic error.
WS 3.8	Communicating the scientific rationale for investigations, methods used, findings and reasoned conclusions through paper-based and electronic reports and presentations using verbal, diagrammatic, graphical, numerical and symbolic forms.

WS2 Your hypothesis: When I increase the distance I think that the number of bubbles will decrease.

Section 1 - Planning

For each variable state whether it is continuous or categorical:

WS4

What will be the independent variable? (what will you change?)

distance between light source & pondweed

What will be the dependent (m) variable? (what will you measure?)

number of bubbles

What are the control variables?

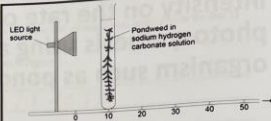
(what will you keep the same to make it a fair test?)

Amount of time the pondweed is left in

light brightness

same pondweed

same volume of sodium hydrogen carbonate



- Set up a test tube rack containing a boiling tube at a distance of 10 cm away from the light source.
- Fill the boiling tube with the sodium hydrogen carbonate solution.
- Cut a 5 cm piece of pondweed (try to cut the stem on a diagonal) and place in the boiling tube, push it down with a glass rod so it is submerged.
- Leave the boiling tube for 5 minutes.
- Start the stop watch and count the number of bubbles produced in one minute.
- Repeat the count 2 more times. Then use the data to calculate the mean number of bubbles per minute at 10 cm.
- Repeat steps 2-7 with the test tube rack and boiling tube at distances of 20 cm, 30 cm and 40 cm from the light source.

Risk assessment

Activity	Risk	Prevention	Who?
Lamp	Heat	don't touch	none involved
Glass	break	number of bubbles	well teacher
Lamp	fire	away from	well teacher

Section 2 - Results

WS7 Record your results in a table.

Distance of lamp from pondweed (m)	1	2	3	mean
10	14	11	13	12.6
20	6	11	11	8.3
25	10	7	8	8.3
30	6	6	8	6.6
40	4	5	4	4.3

EXTENSION - Section 3-

Conclusions

WS9 Can you describe what happened as you increased the independent variable?
As we decreased the light intensity (through the distance from the source) the number of bubbles decreased.

Can you say why this happened?

An increased light intensity meant that the light was acting as limiting to photosynthesis, so more bubbles were released.

WS10 How could the experiment be improved to get better or more reliable results?

We could use a gas syringe to allow use to obtain a more accurate value for photosynthesis - volume of gas.

How do your results compare to the results of other groups?



4. SCIENTIFIC VOCABULARY, QUANTITIES, UNITS, SYMBOLS AND NOMENCLATURE



WS 4.1	Use scientific vocabulary, terminology and definitions.
WS 4.2	Recognise the importance of scientific quantities and understand how they are determined.
WS 4.3	Use SI units (eg kg, g, mg; km, m, mm; kJ, J) and IUPAC chemical nomenclature unless inappropriate.
WS 4.4	Use prefixes and powers of ten for orders of magnitude (eg tera, giga, mega, kilo, centi, milli, micro and nano).
WS 4.5	Interconvert units.
WS 4.6	Use an appropriate number of significant figures in calculation.

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Use the information given in Figure 2.
gravitational field strength = 9.8 N/kg
Give your answer to **two** significant figures.

$W = Fs$ 25 kN
 $25000 \text{ N} \div 9.8 =$

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