KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT PREDICTION SERIES

ENDTERM 2 ASSESSMENT 2025

GRADE 8

INTEGRATED SCIENCE PAPER 2

MARKING SCHEME

QUESTION ONE (20 marks)

Objective: To use a natural indicator to test whether different solutions are acidic, basic, or neutral.

Assumptions for Solution X (Natural Indicator):

a) Red Cabbage Indicator:

✓ Acidic: Red/Pink✓ Neutral: Purple

✓ Basic: Green/Blue/Yellow

b) Hibiscus Flower Indicator:

✓ Acidic: Bright Pink/Red✓ Neutral: Purple/Pale Pink

✓ Basic: Green/Blue

Assumed Test Solutions (for typical results):

- a) Known Acidic: Lemon juice, vinegar (expect Red/Pink with red cabbage, Bright Pink/Red with hibiscus)
- b) Known Basic: Soap solution, baking soda solution (expect Green/Blue/Yellow with red cabbage, Green/Blue with hibiscus)
- c) Clean Water: Neutral (expect Purple with red cabbage, Purple/Pale Pink with hibiscus)
- d) Test Solution A: Likely Acidic (e.g., dilute HCl, soda)
- e) Test Solution B: Likely Basic (e.g., dilute NaOH, ammonia solution)
- f) Test Solution C: Likely Neutral (e.g., sugar solution, distilled water)
- g) Test Solution D: Likely Acidic (e.g., fruit juice, battery acid)
- h) Test Solution E: Likely Basic (e.g., bleach, oven cleaner)

Expected Observations and Conclusions Table (using Red Cabbage as Solution X example):

Substance Tested	Observed Colour Change with Solution X	Conclusion (Acidic, Basic, or Neutral)
Known Acidic	Red/Pink	Acidic
Known Basic	Green/Blue	Basic
Clean Water	Purple	Neutral
Test Solution A	Red/Pink	Acidic
Test Solution B	Green/Blue	Basic
Test Solution C	Purple	Neutral
Test Solution D	Red/Pink	Acidic
Test Solution E	Yellow/Green	Basic

(a) Name one example of a natural source from which solution X could have been prepared. (1 mark)

- a) Red cabbage
- b) Hibiscus flowers
- c) Beetroot
- d) Turmeric
- e) Grape juice

(b) Name one alternative solution that could be used as a known acidic solution in place of lemon juice/vinegar. (1 mark)

- a) Dilute hydrochloric acid
- b) Dilute sulfuric acid
- c) Orange juice
- d) Pineapple juice
- e) Tomato juice

(c) State three basic science skills you applied during this practical activity. (3 marks)

- a) **Observing:** Noticing and describing the color changes of the indicator.
- b) **Measuring:** Accurately obtaining 5 cm³ of solutions.
- c) **Inferring/Drawing Conclusions:** Using observations to determine whether a solution is acidic, basic, or neutral.
- d) **Communicating:** Recording observations and conclusions in the table.
- e) Handling Apparatus: Using beakers, test tubes, droppers accurately and safely.

(d) Name three laboratory apparatus necessary to carry out this practical. (3 marks)

- a) Test tubes (or beakers/watch glasses)
- b) Dropper (or pipette)
- c) Test tube rack (to hold solutions)
- d) Measuring cylinder (to measure 5 cm³ of solutions)
- e) Stirring rod (optional, for mixing)

(e) State two safety precautions you took during the practical. (2 marks)

- a) Wearing safety goggles/eye protection: To protect eyes from accidental splashes of solutions.
- b) Handling solutions carefully: Avoiding spillage and direct contact with skin.
- c) Washing hands thoroughly: Before and after the experiment.
- d) Working on a clean, stable surface: To prevent accidents.
- e) **Keeping the working area tidy:** To avoid clutter and spills.
- f) Not tasting or smelling chemicals directly: To prevent ingestion or inhalation of harmful substances.

QUESTION TWO (10 marks)

Objective: To determine the density of a liquid (Liquid Y).

Procedure involves:

- 1. Mass of empty beaker.
- 2. Volume of Liquid Y.
- 3. Mass of beaker + Liquid Y.
- 4. Calculation of mass of Liquid Y.
- 5. Calculation of density of Liquid Y.

Example Measurements (for Liquid Y, e.g., cooking oil, which has a density around 0.92 g/cm³):

Let's assume the following hypothetical measurements for the purpose of demonstrating the calculations.

- (a) Record your measurements: (6 marks)
- (i) Mass of empty beaker/container = **50.0** g (Hypothetical measurement)
- (ii) Exact volume of Liquid Y (V) = 40.0 cm^3 (As per instruction to measure approximately 40 cm^3 , this is the precise reading from measuring cylinder)
- (iii) Mass of beaker/container + Liquid Y = **86.8** g (Hypothetical measurement, reflecting a density of ~ 0.92 g/cm³ for 40 cm^3)
- (b) Calculate the mass of Liquid Y (M). Show your working. (2 marks)

Mass of Liquid Y (M) = (Mass of beaker + Liquid Y) - (Mass of empty beaker/container)

M = 86.8 g - 50.0 g M = 36.8 g

(c) Calculate the density of Liquid Y. Show your working and state the units. (2 marks)

Density = Mass / Volume Density = $36.8 \text{ g} / 40.0 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ Density} = 0.92 \text{ g/cm}^3 \text{ (or } 0.92 \text{ g cm}^{-3}\text{)}$