



Technical Education, Vocational and Entrepreneurship
Training Authority (TEVETA)

DIPLOMA IN SCIENCE LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY

YEAR I

Biology Techniques I

Record of Practical Assessment

Learner`s Name:_____

Learner`s NRC no.:_____

Learner`s TEVETA No.:_____

Institution Name:_____

Institution TVA No.:_____

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PREFACE

The Technical Education, Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training Authority (TEVETA) is an institution created under the Technical Education, Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training Act Number 13 of 1998, as amended by the Technical Education, Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training (Amendment) Act Number 11 of 2005.

The Act among other things provides that TEVETA shall:

- (a) regulate and conduct national examinations and assessments relating to technical education, vocational and entrepreneurship training;
- (b) charge and collect fees in respect of examinations, assessments and other services provided by the Authority;
- (c) award certificates to persons who succeed in examinations and assessments undertaken under this Act
- (d) do all such things connected with or incidental to the functions of the Authority under this Act.

Through this mandate, the Assessment and Qualifications Division of TEVETA has developed Practical Assessment Tool Kits to enable learners achieve the competences that are congruent with the demand of the workplace tasks. These tool kits in part are also intended to ensure that similar conditions under which all students in TEVET are assessed and examined apply wherever the course is undertaken in Zambia.

The Trainers shall work with the Learners to collect evidence of competence, using the benchmarks provided by the unit standards. During the year, the Learners shall be required to undertake a series of practical assessment tasks. It is the sum of all these assessments tasks that deems a Learner to be competent (or not).

This approach to assessment is not a one-off event but one that gives learners many opportunities to demonstrate skill and allow for the capturing and recording of these demonstrations.

For the Learner to be deemed competent, they must demonstrate competency in every aspect of the practical tasks being undertaken. It must however be understood by the Trainer that Competency does not mean expert. It means that the candidate has attained sufficient skill and knowledge to perform the activity or service to a degree and quality that is acceptable to the industry and the customer in a time within which a competent person at the level could reasonably be expected to perform the task.

While this will be undertaken at institutional level, it is therefore envisaged that the Assessment principles of VALIDITY, RELIABILITY, FAIRENESS and FLEXIBILITY shall at all times be adhered to.



Pre-Assessment

Assessment process explained to the employee (✓ if Yes).	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any appeal relating to the outcome of the assessment or the way in which the assessment was conducted shall be made through the company's <u>fair treatment policy</u> as explained to the employee (✓ if Yes).	<input type="checkbox"/>

Employee/Trainee Employee/Trainee name: _____ (Print) Employee/Trainee comments:		Assessor Assessor name: _____ (Print) Assessor comments:	
I fully understand the assessment and appeals process.		Theory assessment sighted and checked as satisfactory.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1. OSMOSIS	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
Perform experiment demonstrating osmosis correctly. This should include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting 12 uniform potato cubes measuring 2cm by 2 cm and grouping them into three groups A,B and C <input type="checkbox"/> Pouring 100 ml of 10%, 5% sugar (or salt) solution into beakers labelled A and B and equal volume of distilled water into another beaker labelled C. <input type="checkbox"/> Weighing each group of potatoes cubes, on a mass balance, before immersing it into the beakers labeled A, B and C respectively for half an hour. <input type="checkbox"/> After immersion, weighing each group again calculating the changes in the potato masses. <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying which group of potato cubes have gained , lost mass or retained mass <input type="checkbox"/> Interpret the results 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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2. PLASMOLYSIS IN PLANT CELLS	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3



<p>Perform experiment demonstrating plasmolysis. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Removing the epidermis of the inner surface from one of the fleshy storage leaves of an onion bulb (this can be done by first slitting the leaf with a scalpel and then tearing back a single layer of cells with forceps or fingers) <input type="checkbox"/> Quickly transferring the epidermal strip to a slide and adding two or three drops of 30% salt solution onto the epidermal cells <input type="checkbox"/> Covering the slide with coverslip and pressing gently with the thumb to remove air bubbles <input type="checkbox"/> Blot drying the slide to remove excess fluids <input type="checkbox"/> Mounting the slide onto the stage of a microscope <input type="checkbox"/> Finding a clear field of view at scanning power <input type="checkbox"/> Examining the cells with a microscope at x 40. <input type="checkbox"/> Immediately drawing a few of the epidermal cell and label). <input type="checkbox"/> Observing the cells after 30 minutes and drawing a few of epidermal cells <input type="checkbox"/> Repeating the experiment using another strip of the epidermal cells and replacing the salt solution with distilled water <input type="checkbox"/> Observing the cell at x40 after 30 minutes and making neat labelled drawing <input type="checkbox"/> Highlighting the changes in cell appearance when observed immediately after slide preparation, 30 minutes in salt solution and 30 minutes in distilled water/ <input type="checkbox"/> Making observation of appearance of cells after 30 minutes in any observable changes in one or more representative cells. <input type="checkbox"/> Interpret the results 						
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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3. FOOD TEST FOR CARBOHYDRATES	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform practical on testing for carbohydrates in food samples. This should include</p> <p>A. BENEDICT'S REAGENT TEST.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Labelling four test-tubes 1-4. <input type="checkbox"/> Putting 5ml of 1% starch solution, 10% table sugar, 10% glucose solution and distilled water into test tube 1, 2, 3, and 4 respectively <input type="checkbox"/> Adding about 2.5 ml Benedict's solution to each tube. <input type="checkbox"/> Place the test-tubes in the water bath for approximately 10 minutes and noting occurrence of colour change to occur. <input type="checkbox"/> Placing the four tubes in a test-tube rack and comparing the colours. <input type="checkbox"/> Recording the results as shown in the table on the answer sheet template <input type="checkbox"/> Putting 5 ml of the solution(s) that showed negative results with benedict's reagent into labelled test tubes <input type="checkbox"/> Putting 2.5 HCL into these test tube boiling the mixture a water bath <input type="checkbox"/> Allowing the test tubes contents to cool and then adding 0.5 ml of sodium hydroxide or potassium hydroxide <input type="checkbox"/> Adding 2.5 ml of benedict's reagent and leaving them in water bath for 5 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Taking note of any colour change <input type="checkbox"/> Making deduction which solutions contained reducing sugars and non-reducing sugars <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying the control test tube in the experiment <input type="checkbox"/> Explaining the reason for adding HCL into the test tube containing table sugar <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreting the results 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



<p>B. IODINE TEST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning the test tubes used in method 1 thoroughly. <input type="checkbox"/> Putting 5ml of 1% starch solution, 10% table sugar, 10% glucose solution and distilled water into test tube labelled 1, 2, 3, and 4 respectively <input type="checkbox"/> Adding to each tube about 2.5 ml Lugol's solution and shaking for about 30 seconds. <input type="checkbox"/> Record your results in terms of colour change in tabular form <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying which test tube tested positive for the presence of starch <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreting the results 						
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4. FOOD TESTS FOR PROTEINS USING THE BIURET REAGENT	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
Perform a practical on testing for proteins in food samples. This should include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Putting 2 ml egg white ,full cream milk , egg yolk and water in test tubes labelled 1,2 ,3 and 4 respectively <input type="checkbox"/> Adding about 2ml of Biuret reagent to each of the test tubes <input type="checkbox"/> Taking note of the colour change if any <input type="checkbox"/> Recording the results in tabular form <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying the control in the experiment <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying which samples contained proteins <input type="checkbox"/> Listing any precaution(s) undertaken during the course of the practical <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreting the results 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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5. FOOD TEST FOR LIPIDS USING THE ETHANOL EMULSION TEST	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
Perform a practical on testing for lipids in food samples. This should include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Labelling four test tubes 1,2,3 and 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Putting 2cm³ of liquid cooking oil, egg white, table sugar and water into test tubes 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively. <input type="checkbox"/> Adding to each test tube with sample to 2 cm³ of ethanol, and shaking well. <input type="checkbox"/> Allowing test tube contents to settle in a test tube rack for 2 minutes for sample solutions to dissolve in ethanol. <input type="checkbox"/> Emptying any clear liquid into a test tube containing 2 cm³ of distilled H₂O. <input type="checkbox"/> Making note of the test tube(s) where a milky-white emulsion is observed and recording these as positive results <input type="checkbox"/> Making note of the test tube(s) where the mixture remains clear and recording these as negative result (no lipid present in sample) <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreting the results 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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6. EXTRACTION OF DNA FROM ONION TISSUE	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Performing an experiment to extract DNA from onion tissue. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chopping the onion into small pieces and placing inside the blender container <input type="checkbox"/> Making a salt solution by dissolving a 50 grams of table salt into 200 ml of warm water in a beaker <input type="checkbox"/> Adding enough of the salty water to just cover the onion in the blender container. <input type="checkbox"/> Blending the mixture for at high speed for about 10 seconds. <input type="checkbox"/> Pouring the onion-salt-water mixture through the strainer and collecting the liquid in a clean beaker. (The DNA from the onion is in this liquid). <input type="checkbox"/> Measuring out 50 ml of the onion liquid filtrate and pouring it into a clean beaker. <input type="checkbox"/> Adding 2 teaspoons of dishwashing detergent to the beaker containing the 50ml onion liquid filtrate and Stirring very gently. <input type="checkbox"/> Measuring out 100 ml of cold methylated spirit and slowly adding it to the beaker containing the onion-detergent mixture. <input type="checkbox"/> Observing to so see the DNA in form of whitish threads rising up from the bottom of the glass. (Patience is required as it may take a few minutes to appear.) <input type="checkbox"/> Transferring the whitish DNA threads onto a clean Petri dish with the aid of a stirring rod <input type="checkbox"/> Adding five drops of phenol red indicator to the DNA in the Petri dish to ascertain the presence of DNA. The resulting orange /yellow color should be due to the presence of DNA. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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7. EFFECT OF TEMPERATURE ON ENZYME ACTIVITY	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform an experiment on to see how temperature will affect the rate at which enzymes function. This should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting chicken liver into 4 similar pieces weighing 2 grams <input type="checkbox"/> Filling 5 boiling tubes labelled 1 to 5 with 10mL of distilled water each <input type="checkbox"/> Placing a piece of liver in each boiling tube 2-5 <input type="checkbox"/> Placing boiling tubes 1-3 in the boiling tube rack <input type="checkbox"/> Placing boiling tube 4 in a beaker full of ice and letting it cool for 10 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Placing boiling tube 5 in a beaker full of water on a hot plate and letting it to heat for 10 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Adding 5mL of hydrogen peroxide to boiling tubes 1 to 3 one at time <input type="checkbox"/> Making observations and measuring the layer of bubbles if it is formed with ruler <input type="checkbox"/> Placing boiling tube 4 in the boiling tube rack after it has cooled <input type="checkbox"/> Adding 5mL of hydrogen peroxide to boiling tube 4 and recording the observations <input type="checkbox"/> Placing boiling tube 5 in the boiling tube rack after it had heated <input type="checkbox"/> Adding 5mL of hydrogen peroxide to boiling tube 5 and recording observations <input type="checkbox"/> Justifying the role of boiling tube 1 in the experiment <input type="checkbox"/> Give the reasons for differences in observation in boiling tubes 2 to 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing a graph showing the effect of temperature on the enzyme catalase <input type="checkbox"/> Explaining the different regions of the graphical slope drawn 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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8. IDENTIFYING ORGANISMS IN THE KINGDOM PROKARYOTA	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform an experiment on identifying organisms in the Kingdom Prokaryota. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Mounting of prepared slides of <i>staphylococcus aureus</i>, <i>vibrio cholera</i>, <i>Escherichia coli</i> and <i>streptococcus lactis</i> onto the microscope stage one at a time <input type="checkbox"/> Looking for the field of view using scanning power lenses <input type="checkbox"/> Observing the slides at x10 objective lens and focusing using the coarse adjustment knob to see the microorganisms <input type="checkbox"/> Increasing the power to x40 objective lens and focusing with course and fine adjustment knob to see microorganisms now appearing bigger <input type="checkbox"/> Adding a drop of immersion oil onto the slide without moving the stage and increasing the power of objective lens to x100objective lens <input type="checkbox"/> Focusing the oil immersion lenses to make the final observation of the microorganisms <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying the organisms in the Kingdom Prokaryota based on their shape. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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9. IDENTIFYING ORGANISMS IN THE KINGDOM PROTISTA	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
Perform an experiment on identification of pond water organisms in the Kingdom Protista. This should include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> collecting sample of fresh water pond water from three depths ; surface, middle and bottom of pond water andpouring into three labelled beakers <input type="checkbox"/> Systematically filling the centrifuge tubes with pond water from different levels and centrifuging at 1500 revolutions per second for 7 minutes. (pond water from varying depths should not be mixed) <input type="checkbox"/> Removing the centrifuge tubes from the centrifuge machine, pouring out the supernatant. <input type="checkbox"/> Pouring out the sediment into watch glass and observing using the stereoscope or at low power lens of compound light microscope <input type="checkbox"/> Observing and identifying pond water organisms likely to be found in fresh water like <i>Paramecium</i>, <i>Spirogyra</i>, <i>Euglena</i>, <i>Vorticella</i>, <i>Nostoc</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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10. MAKING AN ENTOMOLOGY BOX	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
Undertake a project on preservation techniques by making an entomology. This should include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Capturing of insects (small arthropods) <input type="checkbox"/> Killing of captured arthropods <input type="checkbox"/> Relaxation of arthropods in a relaxing jar under high humidity to restore flexibility <input type="checkbox"/> Pinning of arthropods in the entomology box <input type="checkbox"/> Compiling of a classification key to guide identification of displayed arthropods 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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11. OBSERVATION OF A TYPICAL ANIMAL CELL (CHEEK CELLS)	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on observing the typical structure (as seen using compound light microscope) of an animal eukaryotic cell. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Using a tooth pick to scrap the inner cheek surface to obtain epithelial tissue <input type="checkbox"/> Spreading the tissue on a glass slide <input type="checkbox"/> Adding a drop of methylene blue onto the tissue on the slide to stain it <input type="checkbox"/> Adding a drop of glycerin to the tissue <input type="checkbox"/> Carefully covering the cells with a cover slip and gently pressing to remove air bubbles <input type="checkbox"/> Blot drying the excess dye on the slide using a blotting paper <input type="checkbox"/> Mounting of the cheek cells onto the microscope stage <input type="checkbox"/> finding the field of view using the scanning objective lens <input type="checkbox"/> Increasing the power to x10 objective lens to view the cells shape <input type="checkbox"/> Increasing the power to x40 objective lens to observe the nucleus, cell membrane and cytoplasm <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing the at least two neat and labeled cheek cells as seen using the x40 objective lens 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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12. OBSERVATION OF A TYPICAL PLANT CELL (ONION)	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on observing the typical structure (as seen using compound light microscope) of plant eukaryotic cell correctly. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Removing the epidermis of the inner surface from one of the fleshy storage leaves of an onion bulb (this can be done by first slitting the leaf with a scalpel and then tearing back a single layer of cells with forceps or fingers) <input type="checkbox"/> Quickly transferring the epidermal strip to a slide and add two pour three drops of distilled water <input type="checkbox"/> Adding a drop of methylene blue or iodine onto the slide with epidermal cells to stain them <input type="checkbox"/> Carefully covering the cells with a cover slip and gently pressing to remove air bubbles <input type="checkbox"/> Blot drying the excess dye on the slide using a blotting paper <input type="checkbox"/> Mounting the slide onto the microscope stage <input type="checkbox"/> Finding a clear field of view using the scanning lens <input type="checkbox"/> Examining the slide to view the epidermal using the x 40 objective lens. <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying the cell wall, cytoplasm and nucleus as seen in the epidermal cells <p>Drawing a few of the epidermal cell and labelling the cell wall, cytoplasm and nucleus</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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13. OBSERVATION OF MITOTIC DIVISION	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on root squash preparation to observe mitotic in onion root tip. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting off a root of onion at its base and put it on a watch glass <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting off the root tip about 3mm from the tip, and discarding the rest <input type="checkbox"/> using the forceps to transfer the 3mm root tip in to a small beaker containing 3-5 drops of glacial acetic-methanol fixative and leaving this in a water bath at 60 °C for 30 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Removing the fixative and rinsing the root tip with distilled water. <input type="checkbox"/> Adding 3-5 drops of 1M HCL and hydrolyzing the root tip at 60 °C for 15 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Pouring off all the HCL and rinse the root tip with distilled water <input type="checkbox"/> Adding 3-5 drops of Feulgen stain* heat for 10 minutes at 60 °C <input type="checkbox"/> Pouring the entire contents on to a watch glass <input type="checkbox"/> Locating the root tip with forceps and mounting it on the drop of 45% acetic acid on a glass slide. <input type="checkbox"/> applying a cover slip over the specimen and then using gentle thumb pressure over the cover slip, squash the root tissue onto the slide.(lateral movements of the thumb whilst applying pressure on the cover slip should be avoid to avoid disturbing the chromosomes in the cells) <input type="checkbox"/> Blotting out excess stain with blotting paper <input type="checkbox"/> Examine the preparation under the microscope first under low power to locate cells undergoing mitosis, then under high power to study the shapes of chromosomes in different phases of mitosis. <p>*Feulgen stain gives best results but it may be replaced by orcein or methylene blue stain in the procedure</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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14. MAKING A SMOKE PRINT OF A SIMPLE LEAF	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on smoke print to observe and record the structure of a simple leaf. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Filling the bottle with cold water, and cap or cork it tightly. <input type="checkbox"/> Covering one side of the outside surface of a bottle with a layer of petroleum jelly. <input type="checkbox"/> Holding the bottle over the candle flame, with the petroleum jelly side toward the flame, until it is covered evenly with soot. <input type="checkbox"/> Placing a leaf veins up, on a newspaper and rolling the sooty bottle over the leaf. <input type="checkbox"/> Removing the sooty leaf from the newspaper and placing it, again with veins up, on a clean newspaper <input type="checkbox"/> Placing a piece of white paper over the leaf. <input type="checkbox"/> Rolling a clean bottle over the paper that is over the sooty leaf to obtain a smoke print of the leaf. <input type="checkbox"/> Preserving the smoke print prepared for assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Labelling the smoke print after the print dries (about 4 hours) <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying the type of leaf tip, lamina, base, venation and margin exhibited by the sample used <input type="checkbox"/> Repeating the exercise using other different types of simple leaves. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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15. MACERATION OF PLANT MATERIAL	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on maceration of plant material to observe and record the structures of the xylem and phloem components. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Preparing the maceration fluid is by mixing equal volumes of 10% chromic acid with 10% nitric acid <input type="checkbox"/> Cut the plant tissue (suggest sample is Rape stalks) into small pieces of not more than 1 mm thick. <input type="checkbox"/> Putting the tissue into freshly prepared macerating fluid. <input type="checkbox"/> Leaving the tissue in the macerating fluid for about three days. <input type="checkbox"/> Teasing the tissue with dissecting needle to check if maceration was successful .If the cells separate easily, they are ready for the next step. <input type="checkbox"/> Filtering off the macerating fluid and wash away the acids from the macerated material with water. <input type="checkbox"/> Transferring a piece of macerated plant material onto a slide <input type="checkbox"/> Staining macerated plant sections with toluidine blue O (TBO) or any other polychromatic dye correctly <input type="checkbox"/> Placing a cover slip on the slide and pressing gently with thumb <input type="checkbox"/> Blot drying the excess stain with blotting paper <input type="checkbox"/> Focussing the prepared mount at x10 and x40 objective lenses to view the various stem components <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying different xylem and phloem components <input type="checkbox"/> The macerated plant material not used for observation may be stored in 70% alcohol for future use. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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16. MONOCOT AND DICOT STEM CROSS SECTIONS	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on Cutting and staining of monocot and dicot stem cross sections. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting about 15 thin slices of cross sections of the dicot stem (<i>Bidens pilosa</i>) using a surgical blade by holding it upright between the thumb and index finger <input type="checkbox"/> Preserving the cut sections in Petri dishes containing water <input type="checkbox"/> Choosing the best sections (by observing the sections under low power to avoid choosing sections which are oblong) <input type="checkbox"/> Staining the sections thoroughly with a drop of Safranin for 3 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Wash the cross sections in water <input type="checkbox"/> Choosing one of the best sections and mounting in glycerin on a clean slide <input type="checkbox"/> Covering the sections with a cover slip and observe at x10 and x40 objective lenses <input type="checkbox"/> Making a neat labelled drawing of the observed features of the dicot stem cross section and taking note of the arrangement of vascular bundles <input type="checkbox"/> Repeating prior steps to make cross sections of the monocot stem (Simba grass) sample. <input type="checkbox"/> Writing the observations and making well labeled diagrams of the stem sections of monocots under medium power at x10 and x40 objective lenses <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguishing the anatomical differences between dicot and monocot stem cross sections based on observations 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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17. MONOCOT AND DICOT ROOT CROSS SECTIONS	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical oncutting and staining of monocot and dicot stem cross sections. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting about 15 thin slices of cross sections of the dicot root (common bean) using a surgical blade by holding it upright between the thumb and index finger <input type="checkbox"/> Preserving the cut sections in Petri dishes containing water <input type="checkbox"/> Choosing the best sections (by observing the sections under low power to avoid choosing sections which are oblong) <input type="checkbox"/> Staining the sections thoroughly with a drop of Safranin for 3 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Wash the cross sections in water <input type="checkbox"/> Choosing one of the best sections and mounting in glycerin on a clean slide <input type="checkbox"/> Covering the sections with a cover slip and observe at x10 and x40 objective lenses <input type="checkbox"/> Making a neat labelled drawing of the observed features of the dicot root cross section and taking note of the arrangement of vascular bundles <input type="checkbox"/> Repeating prior steps to make cross sections of the monocot root (Simba grass) sample. <input type="checkbox"/> Writing the observations and making well labeled diagrams of the root sections of monocots under medium power at x10 and x40 objective lenses <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguishing the anatomical differences between dicot and monocot root cross sections based on observations 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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18. OBSERVATION OF STOMATA IN TERRESTRIAL PLANTS	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on stripping and observing the lower and upper epidermis of terrestrial plants like <i>Spathocae</i>. This should include</p> <p>A. Preparing and observing the upper epidermis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Placing the leaf upside down on the bench and scrapping of the parts of the leaf with the help of a scalpel or razor <input type="checkbox"/> After scrapping the lower epidermis and internal leaf parts one should remain with the transparent part of the leaf which is the upper epidermis <input type="checkbox"/> Placing the upper epidermis on the glass slide with glycerin. <input type="checkbox"/> Using the microscope to Focus the image of the slide preparation at x10 and then x40 objective lenses to view if the stomata and guard cell are present <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying the stomata and guard and making not of their numbers <input type="checkbox"/> Recording the observation in form of labeled drawing and short notes 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



<p>B. Preparing and observing the lower epidermis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Placing the leaf upside up on the bench and scrapping of the parts of the leaf with the help of a scalpel or razor. <input type="checkbox"/> After scrapping the upper epidermis and internal leaf parts one should remain with the transparent part of the leaf which is the lower epidermis <input type="checkbox"/> Placing the lower epidermis on the glass slide with glycerin. <input type="checkbox"/> Using the microscope to Focus the image of the slide preparation at x10 and then x40 objective lenses to view if the stomata and guard cell are present <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying the stomata and guard and making note of their numbers <input type="checkbox"/> Recording the observations in form of labeled drawing and short notes <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguishing the upper and lower epidermis based on number of stomata 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. EXAMINING THE STRUCTURE OF A COMPLETE FLOWER	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Perform a practical on floral dissection. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Examining the flower with hand lens, drawing and labelling the complete flower <input type="checkbox"/> Using the razor to remove the petals (ONLY) from the flower without cutting the base of the flower. <input type="checkbox"/> Using the razor to carefully remove one of the stamen from the base of the flower. <input type="checkbox"/> Using the forceps, to place the stamen in the half Petri dish <input type="checkbox"/> Bringing the stamen into focus using the stereomicroscope to make observations, draw and label the parts of the stamen seen <input type="checkbox"/> Locating some pollen grains from the anther of the stamen <input type="checkbox"/> Making a wet-mount slide of pollen bringing the wet-mount of the pollen into focus under high power using the compound microscope. <input type="checkbox"/> Making neat labelled drawings of Pollen Wet-Mount <input type="checkbox"/> Using the razor to remove all of the stamens from the flower in order to remain with pistil. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Using the forceps to place the pistil in the half Petri dish and bringing into focus using the stereomicroscope. <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing and labelling the parts of the pistil observed <input type="checkbox"/> Placing pistil back to the dissecting platform and using the razor to gently cut the pistil in half lengthwise. <input type="checkbox"/> Using the forceps to place one half of the pistil cut-side up into the half Petri dish and bringing it into focus using the stereomicroscope. <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing and labelling the Longitudinal Dissection of the Pistil <input type="checkbox"/> Locating an ovule from the base of the pistil <input type="checkbox"/> Making a wet-mount slide of an ovule and bringing it into focus under high power using the compound microscope. <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing and labelling observations made of the Flower Ovule Wet-Mount 						
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20. MAKING OF A HERBARIUM FILE	Satisfactory			Not Satisfactory		
During observation of work activities, the candidate demonstrated that they can:	Attempt No			Attempt No		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
<p>Carrying out a term project on plant preservation techniques by making of a herbarium file. This should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Collection of plants parts (roots, flowers, leaves, fruits or seeds) <input type="checkbox"/> Pressing of collected plant parts to dry them <input type="checkbox"/> Mounting of plant material on clean A4 paper using glue <input type="checkbox"/> Compilation of information on each plant material displayed ; should include the classification key (class, generic name, species name and common name), geographical location and habitat from which plant material was collected, the collectors name and date of collection <input type="checkbox"/> Display of various plant material in form of a file. Plant material should not form molds and should last for years 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Final Assessment Summary

Practical assessment summary

Note: refer to mapping document if required

	Satisfactory	Not Satisfactory
1. Osmosis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Plasmolysis in plant cells	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Food test for carbohydrates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Food tests for proteins using the biuret reagent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Food test for lipids using the ethanol emulsion test	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Extraction of DNA from onion tissue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Enzymatic action: investigation enzymatic action if enzyme catalase	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Identifying organisms in the kingdom Prokaryota	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Identifying organisms in the kingdom Protista	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Making an entomology box	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Observation of a typical animal cell (cheek cells)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



12.Observation of a typical plant cell (onion)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13.Observation of mitotic division	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14.Making a smoke print of a simple leaf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15.Maceration of plant material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.Monocot and dicot stem cross sections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17.Monocot and dicot root cross sections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.Observation of stomata in terrestrial plants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19.Examining the structure of a complete flower	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20.Making of a herbarium file	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Not Satisfactory ☐

Signature: _____	Signature: _____
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