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**AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES P1
MEMORANDUM**

MARKS: 150

This memorandum consists of 9 pages.

SECTION A**QUESTION 1**

1.1	1.1.1	C ✓✓		
	1.1.2	D ✓✓		
	1.1.3	C ✓✓		
	1.1.4	A ✓✓		
	1.1.5	B ✓✓		
	1.1.6	B ✓✓		
	1.1.7	D ✓✓		
	1.1.8	A ✓✓		
	1.1.9	D ✓✓		
	1.1.10	C ✓✓	(10 x 2)	(20)
1.2	1.2.1	A only ✓✓		
	1.2.2	B only ✓✓		
	1.2.3	B only ✓✓		
	1.2.4	None ✓✓		
	1.2.5	Both A and B ✓✓	(5 x 2)	(10)
1.3	1.3.1	Sucrose ✓✓		
	1.3.2	Periodic table ✓✓		
	1.3.3	Bulk density ✓✓		
	1.3.4	Mottled ✓✓		
	1.3.5	Alkalinity ✓✓	(5 x 2)	(10)
1.4	1.4.1	Covalent bonding ✓		
	1.4.2	Field water capacity ✓		
	1.4.3	G-horizon ✓		
	1.4.4	Immobilisation ✓		
	1.4.5	Acidity ✓	(5 x 2)	(10)
			TOTAL SECTION A:	45

SECTION B**QUESTION 2: BASIC AGRICULTURAL CHEMISTRY**

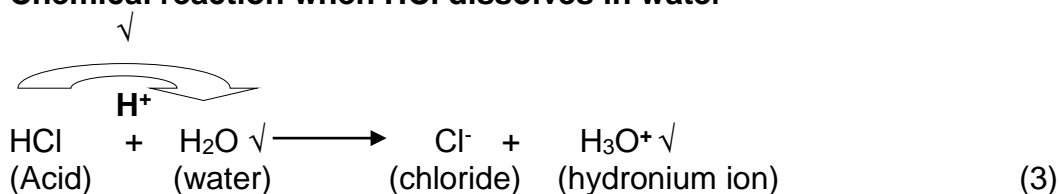
- 2.1 2.1.1 **Identification of compound**
Sodium chloride ✓ (1)
- 2.1.2 **Indication of health benefit of sodium chloride**
It inhibits the growth of bacteria ✓ (1)
- 2.1.3 **Naming of the parts**
A – Nucleus ✓
B – Shell/orbit/energy level ✓
C – Electron ✓ (3)
- 2.1.4 **Indication of the group of the elements**
Na – Alkali metals/group 1 ✓
Cl – Halogens/group V11 ✓ (2)
- 2.1.5 **TWO common characteristics of elements in group 17**
• They are electron acceptors. ✓
• They are chemically reactive ✓
• Usually poisonous ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)
- 2.2 **Carbohydrates**
- 2.2.1 **Disaccharide formed from glucose and fructose**
Sucrose ✓ (1)
- 2.2.2 **Disaccharide formed from glucose and galactose**
Lactose ✓ (1)
- 2.2.3 **Chemical formula for sucrose and lactose**
 $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$ ✓✓ (2)
- 2.2.4 **Importance of starch:**
(a) Racing – It provides energy to animals. ✓
(b) Selling – It fattens animals. ✓ (2)
- 2.3 **Compounds in agriculture**
- 2.3.1 **Classification of compounds A and C**
A – Organic compound ✓
C – Inorganic compound ✓ (2)
- 2.3.2 **Name of the fatty acid A and B**
A – Unsaturated fatty acid ✓
B – Saturated fatty acid ✓ (2)
- 2.3.3 **Letter representing a fatty acid**
(a) B ✓
(b) A ✓ (2)

2.3.4 **TWO importance of compound C**

- Acts as a solvent. ✓
- Facilitates chemical reactions. ✓
- Acts as a transport medium. ✓
- It regulates temperature. ✓
- Main source of hydrogen and oxygen. ✓
- 80–90% of all living material consists of water. ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)

2.4 **Chemical formula of substances**2.4.1 **Identification of chemical formula**

- (a) Alkali – NaOH ✓
- (b) Acid – HCl ✓ (2)

2.4.2 **Chemical reaction when HCl dissolves in water**2.5 **Products displayed**2.5.1 **Identification of the functional group of products A and B.**

Product A and B – Hydroxyl group/OH ✓ (1)

2.5.2 **Scientific name of both products**

Product A – Ethanol ✓

Product B – Methanol ✓ (2)

2.5.3 **Identification of product ideal for heating**

Product B ✓ (1)

2.5.4 **Structural formula of product B**2.5.5 **Scientific name of an oxidised ethanol**

Ethanoic acid ✓ (1)

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QUESTION 3: SOIL SCIENCE**3.1 Soil structure****3.1.1 Identification of the structure**

A – Prism-like structure ✓

D – Platy structure ✓

(2)

3.1.2 Indication of the letter representing the structure

(a) C ✓

(b) D ✓

(2)

3.1.3 Structure recommended for crop production

B ✓

(1)

3.1.4 THREE reasons for structure recommended

- Improved root penetration ✓
- Greater water infiltration/retention and availability ✓
- Improved biological activity ✓
- Improved organic matter content ✓
- Improved emergence of seedlings ✓
- Reduced soil crusting ✓
- Reduced erosion ✓

(Any 3 x 1) (3)

3.2 Soil texture**3.2.1 Identification of soil texture**

Sample A – Sandy soil ✓

Sample C – Clay soil ✓

(2)

3.2.2 ONE reason for each structure identifiedSample A – Sandy

- More macro-pores ✓
- Less micro-pores ✓
- High drainage and percolation ✓

(Any 1 x 1) (1)

Sample C – Clay

- Less macro-pore ✓
- More micro-pores ✓
- No drainage and percolation ✓

(Any 1 x 1) (1)

3.2.3 Letter representing the sample influencing soil characteristics.

(a) Sample C ✓

(b) Sample A ✓

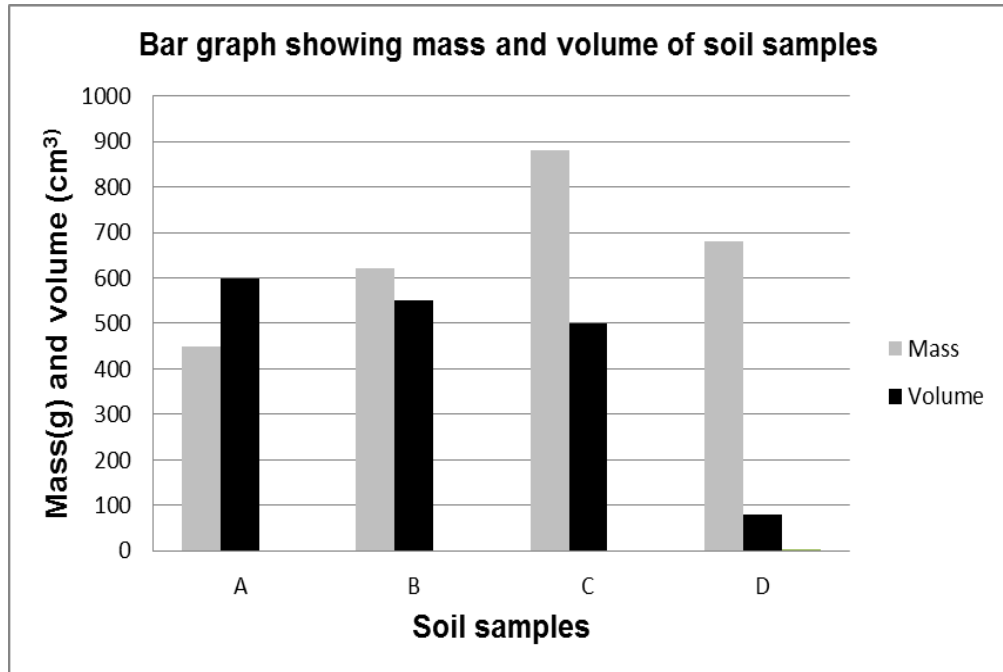
(c) Sample C ✓

(d) Sample A ✓

(4)

3.3 Bulk density of soil samples

3.3.1 Bar graph



Marking graph with the following checklist

	Criteria	Yes: 1 mark	No: 0 mark
1.	Bar graph	1	0
2.	Y-axis labelled	1	0
3.	X-axis labelled	1	0
4.	Points correctly plotted	1	0
5.	Correct heading	1	0
6.	Units	1	0

(6)

3.3.2 Identification of undisturbed soil

Soil A ✓

(1)

3.3.3 TWO reasons

- Has a lower bulk density ✓
- Has a higher percentage of pore space ✓

(2)

3.3.4 Calculation of bulk density

$$\text{Bulk density} = \frac{\text{Mass (g)}}{\text{Volume (cm}^3\text{)}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{880 \text{ g}}{500 \text{ cm}^3} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 1,76 \text{ g/cm}^3 \quad \checkmark$$

(3)

3.4 Soil gases

3.4.1 Carbon dioxide ✓ (1)

3.4.2 Nitrogen ✓ (1)

3.4.3 Oxygen ✓ (1)

3.5 Indication of plant response to different soil water conditions

3.5.1 Plants will die ✓ (1)

3.5.2 Plants will grow optimally ✓ (1)

3.5.3 Plants will wither ✓ (1)

3.5.4 Plants will die ✓ (1)

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QUESTION 4: SOIL SCIENCE**4.1 Soil morphology****4.1.1 Determination of age of the soil**

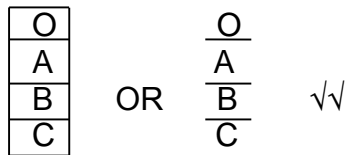
Matured/old soil ✓

(1)

4.1.2 Reason

- Horizons are clearly differentiated. ✓✓
- Significantly developed soil profile. ✓✓

(Any 1 x 2) (2)

4.1.3 Soil profile

(2)

4.1.4 Indication of the letter representing a horizon

(a) C ✓

(1)

(b) B ✓

(1)

4.1.5 TWO diagnostic horizons of the horizon labelled B

- Humic ✓
- Vertic ✓
- Melanic ✓
- Orthic ✓

(Any 2 x 1) (2)

4.2 Cation adsorption**4.2.1 Identification of the form of acidity**

Labelled A – Reserve acidity ✓
 Labelled B – Active acidity ✓

(2)

4.2.2 Justification

Reserve acidity – Hydrogen ions are bound onto soil colloid. ✓
 Active acidity – Hydrogen ions are concentrated on soil solution. ✓

(2)

4.2.3 Indication of the letter representing acidity that have an effect on plant

B ✓

(1)

4.2.4 Reason

Plants use plant nutrients dissolved in soli solution. ✓

(1)

4.2.5 Appropriate term for ability of soil to exchange cations

Cation exchange capacity ✓

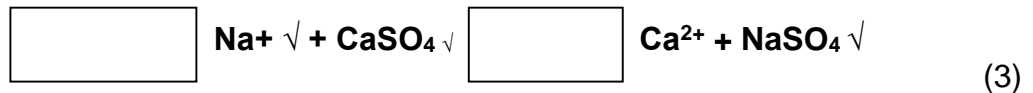
(1)

4.3 Sodic and saline soils

Comparing sodic and saline soils

		SODIC SOIL	SALINE SOIL	
4.3.1	(a)	Dominant salts	Sodium carbonates ✓	Chloride and sulphates of sodium, calcium, magnesium ✓ (2)
	(b)	Colour	Black ✓	White ✓ (2)

4.3.2 Exchange reaction of sodic soils ✓



4.4 TWO ways the soil benefit from breaking down of plant and animal residue

- The decay process ✓ releases nutrients to the soil. ✓
- Formation of humus ✓ leads to improved soil structure. ✓ (4)

4.5 Processes during nitrogen cycle

4.5.1 Identification of the processes

- A Assimilation ✓
- B Denitrification ✓
- C Nitrification ✓
- D Mineralisation ✓ (4)

4.5.2 Soil conditions favouring denitrification

Wet conditions ✓ (1)

4.6 Organic matter

4.6.1 THREE practices leading to the decline of organic matter

- Intensive tillage ✓
- Monoculture ✓
- Use of artificial fertilisers ✓
- Poor veld management and burning ✓
- Waterlogged soil conditions ✓
- Overgrazing ✓
- Removal of crop residue from the field ✓ (Any 3 x 1) (3)

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