Combined Science - Biology - KS4 Organisation

# pH and Enzymes 2

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## Independent Task

#### Fill in the gaps

- 1. Add one drop of \_\_\_\_\_ to each spotting well
- 2. Place 2cm<sup>3</sup> of amylase, starch and pH 5 \_\_\_\_\_ solution in 3 different test tubes and place in a water bath for 10 minutes.
- 3. Add all the test tubes together and start a \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Use a stirring rod to transfer the solution to an iodine well every \_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 5. Record the time at which the iodine no longer changes \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. Repeat steps 1-6 with pH 6, pH7, pH8 and pH 9 \_\_\_\_\_ solutions



## Independent Task

#### Answer the questions:

- 1. What is the optimum pH for amylase? (1)
- 2. How does increasing pH above the optimum affect enzyme activity?(1)
- 3. What does increasing pH above the optimum do to enzymes and how does this affect the active site? (2)



## Independent Task

Answer the questions.

- 1. Give two issues with this investigation (2)
- 2. Give two ways the investigation could be improved (2)

