Instructions:

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Use the CORMMSS method to plan the following experiments. Fill in the table for each experiment to ensure all variables are properly considered.

Experiment 1:

Investigating the Effect of Light Intensity on the Growth of Tomato Plants

CORMMSS Method

Change (What will you change?)

The light intensity (e.g. 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%)

Organism (What organism will you use?)

Tomato plants of the same species, age, and size.

Repeat (How will you ensure reliability?)

Repeat with three plants per light intensity level.

Measure (What will you measure?)

Height of plants in centimeters (cm)

Measure (How will you measure it?)

Use a ruler to measure plant height from base to top of the tallest leaf.

Same (What will you keep the same?)

Soil type, amount of water.

Same (What else will you keep the same?)

Size of pots, temperature, and duration of exposure to light.

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Experiment 2:

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Investigating the Effect of Salt Concentration on the Rate of Osmosis in Potato Strips

CORMMSS Method

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Change (What will you change?)
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Salt concentration in solutions (e.g., 0%, 5%, 10%, 15%).

Organism (What organism will you use?)

Potato strips of the same size and from the same potato.

Repeat (How will you ensure reliability?)

Repeat with three strips per concentration.

Measure (What will you measure?)

Change in mass of potato strips (grams).

Measure (How will you measure it?)

Weigh strips before and after soaking using a digital scale.

Same (What will you keep the same?)

Volume of solution and time potato strips are left in the solution

Same (What else will you keep the same?)

Temperature and strip size.

Experiment 3: Investigating the Effect of Different Types of Water on the Rate of Rusting

CORMMSS Method

Change (What will you change?)

Type of water (e.g., distilled water, tap water, saltwater, rainwater).

Organism (What organism will you use?)

Iron nails of the same size and material.

Repeat (How will you ensure reliability?)

Use three nails per water type to ensure reliability.

Measure (What will you measure?)

Amount of rust formed (e.g., as a percentage of surface area covered).

Measure (How will you measure it?)

Visually estimate or use a grid overlay to calculate the rusted area.

Same (What will you keep the same?)

Volume of water

Same (What else will you keep the same?)

Exposure time (e.g., 7 days)