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Mark scheme

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Mark scheme instructions to examiners

1. General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- the typical answer or answers which are expected
- Extra information to help the examiner make his or her judgement and help to delineate what is acceptable or not worthy of credit or, in discursive answers, to give an overview of the area in which a mark or marks may be awarded.

The extra information in the 'Comments' column is aligned to the appropriate answer in the lefthand part of the mark scheme and should only be applied to that item in the mark scheme.

At the beginning of a part of a question a reminder may be given, for example: where consequential marking needs to be considered in a calculation; or the answer may be on the diagram or at a different place on the script.

In general the right-hand side of the mark scheme is there to provide those extra details which confuse the main part of the mark scheme yet may be helpful in ensuring that marking is straightforward and consistent.

2. Emboldening

- **2.1** In a list of acceptable answers where more than one mark is available 'any **two** from' is used, with the number of marks emboldened. Each of the following bullet points is a potential mark.
- **2.2** A bold **and** is used to indicate that both parts of the answer are required to award the mark.
- **2.3** Alternative answers acceptable for the same mark are indicated by the use of **OR**. Different terms in the mark scheme are shown by a/; eg allow smooth/free movement.

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which students have provided extra responses. The general principle to be followed in such a situation is that 'right + wrong = wrong'.

Each error/contradiction negates each correct response. So, if the number of errors/contradictions equals or exceeds the number of marks available for the question, no marks can be awarded.

However, responses considered to be neutral (often prefaced by 'Ignore' in the 'Comments' column of the mark scheme) are not penalised.

3.2 Marking procedure for calculations

Full marks can be given for a correct numerical answer, without any working shown.

However, if the answer is incorrect, mark(s) can usually be gained by correct substitution/working and this is shown in the 'Comments' column or by each stage of a longer calculation.

3.3 Interpretation of 'it'

Answers using the word 'it' should be given credit only if it is clear that the 'it' refers to the correct subject.

3.4 Errors carried forward, consequential marking and arithmetic errors

Allowances for errors carried forward are most likely to be restricted to calculation questions and should be shown by the abbreviation ECF or consequential in the mark scheme.

An arithmetic error should be penalised for one mark only unless otherwise amplified in the mark scheme. Arithmetic errors may arise from a slip in a calculation or from an incorrect transfer of a numerical value from data given in a question.

3.5 Phonetic spelling

The phonetic spelling of correct scientific terminology should be credited **unless** there is a possible confusion with another technical term.

3.6 Brackets

(....) are used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

3.7 Ignore/Insufficient/Do <u>not</u> allow

Ignore or insufficient is used when the information given is irrelevant to the question or not enough to gain the marking point. Any further correct amplification could gain the marking point.

Do **not** allow means that this is a wrong answer which, even if the correct answer is given, will still mean that the mark is not awarded.

Question	Marking Guid	ance	Mark	Comments
01.1	Letter	Statement	4	
	В;	is a monomer in an enzyme's active site		
	D;	is a monomer in cellulose		Must be in correct order
	C;	is produced during photosynthesis and respiration		
	В;	forms a polymer that gives a positive result with a biuret test		
01.2	C = 18, H = 32	, O = 16;	1	Accept only these answers
01.3		id and neutralise; enedict's (solution);	3	Accept boil/water bath for heat
	3. Red precipit			Accept named alkali for neutralise
				1. Accept named examples, eg HCl,
				NaHCO3 3. Accept other colours eg orange/ brown/green

TOTAL		8	
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Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
02.1	 Bilayer OR Water is present inside and outside a cell; Hydrophobic (fatty acid) tails point away/are repelled from water OR Hydrophilic (phosphate) heads point to/are in/are attracted to water; 	2	 Accept annotated diagram for 'bilayer' Accept cytoplasm/tissue fluid for water Accept for two marks, annotated diagram of bilayer with water labelled on each side Ignore hydrophilic/phosphate heads protect hydrophobic/fatty acid tails
02.2	 Condensation (reaction) OR Loss of water; Between of glycerol and fatty acid; 	2	Accept labelled diagram
02.3	 High (specific) heat capacity; Buffers changes in temperature; 	2	2. Accept ideas such as a lot of energy needed/gained to change temperature
TOTAL		6	

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
03.1	1. Engulfs;	3	1. Accept endocytosis
	2. Forming vesicle/phagosome and fuses with lysosome;		OR
	3. Enzymes digest/hydrolyse;		Description
			1. Ignore 'taken in'
			 Accept lysozymes for 'enzymes'
03.2	1. (Cells from) other organisms/transplants;	2 max	Accept 'own cells' if
	2. Abnormal/cancer/tumour (cells);		autoimmune response suggested
	3. (Cells) infected by virus;		Accept APCs
			Accept non-self
03.3	'X' written at either or both ends of Y shape;	1	
03.4	Joins two (different) polypeptides;	1	Accept holds/attaches
			Accept 'prevents polypeptide chains separating'
TOTAL		7	

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
04.1	 DNA in nucleus is code (for protein); Ribosomes/rough endoplasmic reticulum produce (protein); Mitochondria produce ATP (for protein synthesis); Golgi apparatus package/modify; OR Carbohydrate added/glycoprotein produced by Golgi apparatus; Vesicles transport OR	4 max	 and 5. Accept rER for 'rough endoplasmic reticulum' Accept body for 'apparatus' Accept exocytosis at cell membrane
04.2	A section/slice (so nucleus in another part of cell) OR (Nucleus) not stained;	1	
04.3	S = Vacuole T = Chloroplast;	1	Reject thylakoid/granum Reject incorrect spelling
04.4	High er resolution OR View internal structures;	1	

04.5	Correct answer of 4.71 x 10 ⁷ for 2 marks ;;	2	
	Accept for 1 mark Any answer showing conversion factor of 100 000 000 / 10^8 OR Correct answer for any number divided by 150 eg 70.65 \div 150 / 0.471 OR Any answer including digits 471 in this order, irrespective of position of decimal place		
TOTAL		9	

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
05.1	1. Diaphragm (muscle) contracts and external intercostal muscles contract;	3	1. Ignore ribs move up and out
	 (Causes volume increase and) pressure decrease; 		
	3. Air moves down a pressure gradient		3. Ignore along
	OR Air enters from higher atmospheric pressure;		
05.2	K = Bronchiole and	1	Reject capillary
	L = artery/arteriole/vein/venule;		Ignore pulmonary
05.3	1. This/animal/lung tissue does not contain starch;	2	1. Accept cell(s) for
	2. (Makes) nucleus visible;		'tissue'
	OR		
	Nucleus contains DNA;		
05.4	In support 1. (Link/risk with asthma and) living with cat or dog is (statistically) significant;	3	Reject 'results are significant'
	2. (Link with) obesity is most/highly significant;		Accept 'due to
	 Not supported 3. (Link/risk with asthma and) burned wood (indoors) is not (statistically) significant; 		chance' for 'not significant' and converse
TOTAL		9	

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
06.1	1. (Free RNA) nucleotides form complementary base pairs;	3	1. Accept A-U, G-C OR combination of those pairs
	2. Phosphodiester bonds form;		
	3. By (action of) RNA polymerase;		2. Accept linkages for 'bonds'
06.2	Base/nucleotide/triplet sequence coding for polypeptide/sequence of amino acids/primary structure;	1	
06.3	Serine Alanine Glycine Proline;	1	Must be in this order Accept Ser Ala Gly Pro / S A G P
06.4	Mark as pairs. 1 and 2 or 3 and 4. (No) 1. G to C (in the second codon/for Glycine) OR CGT to CCT (in second codon/for Glycine); 2. (So), substitution (not addition mutation); OR	2	2. Reject if substitution of Glycine (for Alanine)
	3. (If addition) frameshift / all triplets moved;4. (So), affects more than one amino acid;		

TOTAL		7	
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Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
07.1	 Replication of (circular) DNA; Replication of plasmids; Division of cytoplasm (to produce daughter cells); 	3	 Accept nucleoid Reject chromosome Reject mitosis Ignore genetically identical
07.2	$6.8 \times 10^{-13};$	1	
07.3	Correct answer of 660 = 2 marks;; Accept for 1 mark, 18 (fg minute ⁻¹) OR 0.30 (fg s ⁻¹) OR Correct use of interpolation lines	2	
07.4	 Principle of marking pairs: Named environmental variable; Correct effect on growth rate; Examples 1. Increased (concentration of) glucose; 2. Increased respiration; 3. Increased (concentration of) oxygen; 4. Increased respiration; 5. Increased temperature; 6. Increased temperature; 6. Increased enzyme activity; 7. Increased (concentration of) phosphate; 8. Increased ATP/DNA/RNA; 9. Increased (concentration of) nucleotides; 10. Increased DNA synthesis; 	4 max	

TOTAL		10	
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Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
08.1	Histogram	4	Reject answers where data for frequency density and birth
	1. Linear scale for y axis;		
	2. Linear scale for x axis;		mass not used
	3. Correct bar widths and touching;		
	4. All bar heights plotted accurately;		
	OR		
	Bar chart accept for 3 marks,		
	5. Linear scale for y axis;		
	6. Labelled bars of equal width and not touching;		
	7. All bar heights plotted accurately;		
	OR		
	Graph accept for 2 marks,		
	8. Linear scale for y axis;		
	 All co-ordinates plotted accurately for frequency density; 		
08.2	Correct answer for 2 marks = 20 000;;	2	
	Accept for 1 mark, rearranged equation (eg number of babies = frequency density × range of mass)		
08.3	1. Survival increases as the birth mass increases;	3	
	2. Survival decreases with smoking;		
	3. Effect of smoking (on number) similar at all birth masses;		
TOTAL		9	

Expression of gene from different species; (So) a new/one more protein (in set/range of proteins); More/increased aquaporin/channel protein (made) Increased (water) permeability; Advantage More carbon dioxide uptake;	2 2 4	
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(made) . Increased (water) permeability; Advantage		
Advantage	4	
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. More carbon dioxide uptake;		
. More photosynthesis so faster/more growth;		 Accept plant wilts for 'more water loss'
Disadvantage		1055
. More water loss/transpiration		4. Accept reduced metabolic/chemical reactions
. Less photosynthesis so slower/less growth;		
Correct answer for 2 marks = x20;;	2	
Accept for 1 mark, any correct simplification of a orrect ratio eg 6 : 150 = 1 : 25		
	More water loss/transpiration Less photosynthesis so slower/less growth; orrect answer for 2 marks = x20;; ccept for 1 mark, any correct simplification of a	More water loss/transpiration Less photosynthesis so slower/less growth; orrect answer for 2 marks = x20;; 2 ccept for 1 mark, any correct simplification of a

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