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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(a)	c	
	thylakoid membranes stroma	
	The only correct answer is C .	
	A is incorrect because the light-dependent reactions take place in the thylakoid membranes B is incorrect because the light-dependent reactions take place in the thylakoid membranes and the light-independent reactions take place in the stroma	
	D is incorrect because the light-independent reactions take place in the stroma	(1)

Question	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
number				
1(b)	An answer that includes three of the following points:		IGNORE lipid droplets, stroma, thylakoid membranes	
	DNA (loop) drawn and labelled	(1)	ACCEPT plasmid / plasmid-like DNA	
	 starch grain drawn and labelled (1) 		ACCEPT starch granules	
	• {envelope / inner membrane / outer membrane} drawn an labelled (1		ACCEPT / double membrane	
	 grana / grana stack / granum / (inter granal) lamellae (1) 		IGNORE size references	
	ribosomes drawn and labelled	(1)		(3)

Question	Answer	Mark
number		
1(c)	The only correct answer is B .	
	A is incorrect because green wavelengths are reflected	
	C is incorrect because green wavelengths are reflected	
	D is incorrect because green wavelengths are reflected	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(d)	rate of photosynthesis at different wavelengths of light		(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(e)(i)	The only correct answer is A	
	B is incorrect because dendrochronology is the study of tree growth rings C is incorrect because osmosis is the movement of free water molecules from a high solute potential to a lower	
	solute potential	
	D is incorrect because PCR amplifies the number of DNA molecules	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(e)(ii)	The only correct answer is B .	
	A is incorrect because the Rf value of J is distance moved by J divided by distance moved by solvent front = $6 \div 7.5 = 0.800$	
	C is incorrect because the Rf value of J is distance moved by J divided by distance moved by solvent front = $6 \div 7.5 = 0.800$	
	D is incorrect because the Rf value of J is distance moved by J divided by distance moved by solvent front = $6 \div 7.5 = 0.800$	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)	using a {thermometer / (temperature) probe} to take the	ACCEPT into the core / deep into the	
	temperature of the {liver / rectum}	body / up the anus	
		IGNORE other parts of body	(1)

Question number	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)(i)	drop in body temperature in first 12 hours calculated and subtracted from 11.5°C	(1)	11.5 - (0.78 × 12) / 11.5 – 9.36 / 2.14	
	 this value divided by 0.4, added to 12 hours and answer rounded to nearest hour (1) 		17 (hours) 17.35 = 1 mark Correct answer with no working	
			gains 2 marks	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)(ii)	An explanation that includes the following points:	ACCEPT converse	
	 (this) estimate would be {shorter / an under-estimate} (1) 		
	 because a body loses <u>heat</u> faster (in cooler conditions) (1) 		
			(2)

Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
An explanation that includes three of the following points:		
 because temperature affects {rigor / body stiffness} (1) 	ACCEPT exercise / body shape / body fat / ATP levels	
 because deciding when a body is stiff or not stiff is subjective (1) 		
	ACCEPT gives a wide range of (time) values	
 because if the body is stiff, the time since death can only be 		
estimated as being between 3 and 36 hours (1)	ACCEPT if not stiff cannot tell how many hours after 36 hours time of death was	
 because if the body is not stiff, there is no way of telling if it has been dead for less than 3 hours or more than 36 hours 		(3)
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Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(i)	2772	IGNORE any other units given	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(ii)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:		
	 light is absorbed by {photosystems / chlorophyll} (1) 		
	 which {excites electrons / releases high-energy electrons / releases electrons to higher energy levels} (1) 		
	 these electrons are passed along a series of (electron) carriers (1) 		
	 therefore releasing <u>energy</u> to phosphorylate ADP into ATP (cyclic)(1) 	ACCEPT description e.g. hydrogen ions pass through ATP synthase releasing energy for phosphorylation of ADP	
	 phosphorylation of ADP via the proton gradient to form ATP (non-cyclic) (1) 	NB reference to ATP being synthesised from ADP only needed once to award both 4 th and 5 th marking point	(4)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
3(b)(i)		IGNORE O - H	
	• two from: C - H, C - O and C - C	ACCEPT bond between carbon and	
		hydrogen	
		bond between carbon and oxygen	
		bond between carbon and carbon	(1)

Question	Answer	Mark
number		
3(b)(ii)	The only correct answer is C .	
	A is incorrect because there is no cytoplasm inside chloroplasts	
	B is incorrect because the matrix is not found in chloroplasts	
	D is incorrect because glucose is synthesized in the stroma of chloroplasts	
	j ,	(1)

Question number	Answer				Mark
3(c)(i)	Г		T	1	
		carbon and nitrogen	condensation		
	The only correct answ	ver is A .			
	B is incorrect because k	bonds form by condensation reaction	ons not hydrolysis		
	c is incorrect because t	the peptide bond joins the C of one	amino acid to the N of	the other	
	D is incorrect because t	the peptide bond joins the C of one	amino acid to the N of	the other and bonds form by	
	condensation reactions	s not hydrolysis			(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(c)(ii)	An explanation that includes two of the following points:		
	because amino acids contain nitrogen (1)	ACCEPT glucose does not contain nitrogen	
	 because some {amino acids / R groups} contain sulfur (1) 	IGNORE nitrates ACCEPT glucose does not contain sulfur IGNORE sulfates	
	 nitrogen obtained from nitrates / sulfur obtained from sulfates (1) 	ACCEPT nitrates / sulfates needed	(2)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
4(a)(i)			
	 swollen / enlarged (hands) 	ACCEPT oedema	
		IGNORE other symptoms	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(a)(ii)		IGNORE swelling	
	Any two from: pain / hurts / tender / aches redness / red	IGNORE immobility / itching	
	warmth / heat / increased temperature / hot	IGNORE fever	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(b)(i)	An explanation that includes two of the following points:		
	 because when the virus replicates the {DNA / gene} will be transcribed 	ACCEPT RNA / mRNA will be made	
	 and when the RNA is translated the {protein / TNF} will be synthesized (1) 	ACCEPT description	
	 TNF incorporated into capsid when virus is assembled (1) 	ACCEPT when new particles are made	
		NB The {gene / DNA} is transcribed	
		and translated = 1 mark if no other	
		mark awarded	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(b)(ii)	An explanation that includes two of the following points:		
	 antibody {binds to / neutralises / agglutinates} TNF (1) 	DO NOT ACCEPT antibody binds to cells / antibody destroys TNF IGNORE opsonisation DO NOT ACCEPT antibody binds to	
	 therefore will prevent the TNF from binding to the cells (1) 	receptors (on the cells) ACCEPT inflammation will {not occur / be reduced}	
	 and therefore inflammatory responses will not be triggered (1) 		(2)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
4(b)(iii)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:		
	 because (as a result of the TNF antibodies binding to TNF) phagocytosis (by macrophages) will {not happen / be reduced} (1) 		
	 therefore {fewer bacteria will be destroyed / bacteria will increase in number} (if less phagocytosis) (1) 	e.g. antigen presentation / activation of T helper cells / humoral immune	
	 credit details of what will not take place if <u>macrophages</u> are impaired (1) 	response	
	 therefore tubercles (more likely to) form (1) 	e.g. destruction of lung tissue / organ failure / opportunistic infection / pneumonia / HIV / lung damage	
	 credit example of how TB can cause death (1) 		(4)

Question	Answer	Mark
number		
5(a)	The only correct answer is C lambda phage (λ phage)	
	A is incorrect because Ebola virus infects humans	
	B is incorrect because the HIV infects humans	
	D is incorrect because TMV infects plants	(1)
		(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(i)	A description that includes two of the following points:provide a {polar / hydrophilic} channel(1)		
	 so that lysins can pass through the {non-polar / hydrophobic} {membrane / phospholipids / fatty acid tails} (out of cell) (1) 	IGNORE direction of movement with respect to the cell	
	 down their concentration gradient (1) 		(2)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
5(b)(ii)	An explanation that includes three of the following points:		
	 primary structure is the sequence of amino acids that will determine the (tertiary) structure of {holin / protein} 	PIECE TOGETHER DO NOT ACCEPT bases	
	 (1) as this will determine the {bonds / position of bonds} (1) 	ACCEPT correctly named bond	
	 (amino acids with) polar R groups will face into the channel (1) 		
	 (amino acids with) non-polar R groups will face outwards to the {fatty acids / phospholipids / membrane} (1) 		(3)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(iii)	An explanation that includes the following points:		
	 lysins break bonds between the {peptidoglycan / murein} molecules (1) 	ACCEPT are enzymes that breakdown {peptidoglycan / murein}	
	 therefore the virus particles {leave the bacterial cells / get (out) through the cell wall} (once formed) (1) 	ACCEPT causing {bacterial cells to burst / pores in the cell wall}	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(a)	22.5 (cm³)	ACCEPT 23.3 / 23.6	
		IGNORE any other units given	(1)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
6(b)(i)	An answer that includes the following points:		
	 give squirrel access to all three types of nut (1) 		
	• a range of sizes used (1)	ACCEPT record which size they prefer	
	 determine the {number / order} that the nuts are eaten (by the squirrel) (1) 	/ comparing measurements made before and after	
			(3)

Question number	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
6(b)(ii)	An answer that includes the following points:			
	a reason based on size	(1)	e.g. more hazelnuts eaten (in the investigation) because they are smaller walnuts are too big to fit in the pouch	
	a reason based on shell	(1)	e.g hazelnuts are easier to eat than walnuts because they have a hard covering and not a hard shell walnuts have a hard shell but squirrels have sharp teeth	
	a reason based on energy content	(1)	e.g. walnuts provide a lot of energy so squirrels get enough energy for hibernation more acorns have to be eaten as they store less energy	
			NB if a comparison is made between the nuts using the three sets of information, award 1 mark if no other marks awarded	(3)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(c)	An answer that includes three of the following points:		
	• variation is size of pouches / polygenic (1)	ACCEPT mutation in {DNA / gene} resulting in pouches	
	 squirrels with larger pouches could {gather / store} more food (1) 	ACCEPT squirrels with pouches can store food (compared to those without pouches)	
	squirrels with (largest) pouches survived and reproduced		
	(1)	ACCEPT passed the (large) food pouch alleles onto their offspring	
	 increasing (large) food pouch allele frequency (1) 	DO NOT ACCEPT gene for allele	(3)

Answer	Mark
The only correct answer is B .	
A is incorrect because nuclei, Golgi apparatus and mitochondria are organelles surrounded by membrane	
C is incorrect because nuclei, Golgi apparatus and mitochondria are organelles surrounded by membrane	
D is incorrect because nuclei, Golgi apparatus and mitochondria are organelles surrounded by membrane	(1)
7	The only correct answer is B . A is incorrect because nuclei, Golgi apparatus and mitochondria are organelles surrounded by membrane C is incorrect because nuclei, Golgi apparatus and mitochondria are organelles surrounded by membrane

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(a)(ii)	An explanation that includes the following points:		
	 it is not a plant because it has glycogen granules (1) 	ACCEPT does not have cellulose cell wall IGNORE chloroplast / vacuole	
	 it is not an animal because it has a cell wall (1) 	IGNORE flagellum / pili / capsule / ER DO NOT ACCEPT ribosomes /	
	 it is not a bacterium because it has {nuclei / Golgi apparatus / mitochondria / membrane-bound organelles} (1) 	cytoplasm / glycogen granules / cell membrane / cell wall unless qualified as {chitin / not peptidoglycan}	(3)

Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
An explanation that includes four of the following points:		
 there is a correlation between the number of prescriptions and the percentage of resistant <i>E.coli</i> (1) 	ACCEPT pattern / trend IGNORE directly proportional	
 the use of aminopenicillin acts as a selection pressure (1) 	ACCEPT therefore the resistant bacteria {are more likely to	
 therefore the resistant bacteria reproduce and the non- resistant bacteria die (1) 	reproduce / reproduce more }	
 percentage of resistant <i>E. coli</i> falls when prescriptions fall because non-resistant <i>E. coli</i> are not destroyed (1) 		
 credit a comment about competition between resistant and non-resistant bacteria (1) 	ACCEPT as the prescriptions go up the number of resistant bacteria go up and when the prescriptions go down the number of bacteria go down for 1 mark if no other marks	(4)
	 An explanation that includes four of the following points: there is a correlation between the number of prescriptions and the percentage of resistant <i>E.coli</i> (1) the use of aminopenicillin acts as a selection pressure (1) therefore the resistant bacteria reproduce and the nonresistant bacteria die (1) percentage of resistant <i>E. coli</i> falls when prescriptions fall because non-resistant <i>E. coli</i> are not destroyed (1) credit a comment about competition between resistant and non-resistant bacteria 	An explanation that includes four of the following points: • there is a correlation between the number of prescriptions and the percentage of resistant <i>E.coli</i> (1) • the use of aminopenicillin acts as a selection pressure (1) • therefore the resistant bacteria reproduce and the nonresistant bacteria die (1) • percentage of resistant <i>E. coli</i> falls when prescriptions fall because non-resistant <i>E. coli</i> are not destroyed (1) • credit a comment about competition between resistant and non-resistant bacteria (1) • Credit a comment about competition between resistant and non-resistant bacteria (1) • ACCEPT therefore the resistant bacteria {are more likely to reproduce / reprodu

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
7(c)	 An explanation that includes three of the following points: because the codes of practice (regarding the prescription of antibiotics) are being ignored (1) use of antibiotics is a selection pressure 	ACCEPT (medical) advice	
	 therefore the number of antibiotic resistant bacteria is increasing (1) our (current) antibiotics may become useless and people will {remain ill / die} 	ACCEPT reference to evolutionary race in an appropriate context natural bacterial flora	
	{remain ill / die} (1)	destroyed by antibiotics	(3)

Question	Answer	Mark
number		
8(a)(i)	The only correct answer is D blood type O	
	A is incorrect because A antigens are not present on red blood cells of humans with blood group B or O	
	B is incorrect because B antigens are not present on red blood cells of humans with blood group A or O	
	C is incorrect because A antigens are not present on red blood cells of humans with blood group B or O and B	(4)
	antigens are not present on red blood cells of humans with blood group A or O	(1)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(a)(ii)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:		
	 B antigens are recognised as foreign antigens (1) 		
	 and therefore initiate an (humoral) immune response (1) 		
	 credit details of humoral immune response (1) 		
	 resulting in antibodies released by plasma cells (1) 	e.g. opsonisation / agglutination / destruction of RBCs (in liver / spleen / by phagocytes / formation of memory cells	
	 credit consequence of humoral immune response (1) 	memory cens	(4)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
8(b)(i)	An explanation that includes two of the following points:		
	 they {reduce / destroy / prevent the growth of / prevent the 	ACCEPT {foreign / other} bacteria /	
	infection of} pathogenic bacteria (1)	pathogens	
	 because they compete for {nutrients / named nutrient / 	IGNORE food	
	space} (1)		
		ACCEPT produce vitamin K	
	 produce {toxins / chemicals} (that destroy pathogenic 		
	bacteria) (1)		(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(b)(ii)	 An answer that includes the following points: (because the bacteria can) {absorb / use} sugar for respiration (1) 	ACCEPT glucose for sugar throughout ACCEPT (it / they) to mean bacteria	
	• to produce ATP (for the bacteria) (1)		(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
8(b)(iii)	An explanation that includes two of the following points:		
	there will be no (foreign) antigens on the red blood cells (1)	ACCEPT antigens removed from the red blood cells red blood cells will not be recognised as {foreign / non-self}	
	 the immune response will not be triggered (1) 	ACCEPT can be used in a transfusion as will not be rejected	
	 therefore this blood can be used in any transfusion (if no antigens present) (1) 	blood will act like {group O blood / universal donor}	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
9(a)(i)			
	 extrapolation / line of best fit / calculation of mean decrease 		
	(per year)		(1)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
number			
9(a)(ii)			
	values read from the graph and subtracted	7.6 - 3.4 / 4.2	
	percentage drop calculated	4.2 × 100 ÷ 7.6 = 55 / 55.3 / 55.26 (%)	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
9(a)(iii)	An answer that includes the following points:		
	• temperature on the x axis (1)	ACCEPT rainfall / days of drought	
	• number of moose on the y axis (1)	ACCEPT axes labelled the other way for 1 mark	
	 {relatively / stepped} straight line sloping down from top left to bottom right (1) 	NB Check direction of slope if axes wrongly labelled for a CE	
		temperature	
		ALLOW a correct graph of temperature against year for 1 mark	
		ALLOW a double y axis graph correctly labelled + line for three	
		marks	(3)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
9(b)(i)	total number of moose added up and total number of moose with 50 000 or more ticks calculated	214 and 41	
	percentage calculated to max 2 dps	41 × 100 ÷ 214 = 19 / 19.16 / 19.2	
		CE applies if only one of the two numbers is incorrect	(2)

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance Mark
*9(b)(ii)	Indicative content: Comment on global warming (S1) global warming will increase the temperature of the earth's {surface / atmosphere} winters will get warmer so less snow winters will get shorter so snow present for fewer days	
	 Effect of change on ticks (S2) warmer conditions decrease life cycle time fewer ticks will die in the snow in early spring more females to lay eggs larvae less likely to be covered in snow in autumn so more larvae become nymphs 	Level 1: 1 mark = description made from one section 2 marks = descriptions made from at least two sections but no links Level 2:
	 Effect of ticks on moose (S3) more ticks mean larger volumes of blood removed from each moose moose become weaker if less blood in them moose die from lack of {nutrients / oxygen / anaemia / energy} (R) less energy for hunting so they starve (R) less energy for reproduction (R) if moose lose their fur they will not be able to keep warm 	3 marks = a link made between descriptions of two sections 4 marks = at least two links made between descriptions of all three sections Level 3: 5 marks = links made between all sections with one reason (R) for moose number declining 6 marks = links made between all sections with two reasons (2R) for moose number declining
	 moose die from the cold (R) scratching can cause open wounds that can get infected ticks pass on pathogens moose die from infections (R) 	(6)