

MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2010 question paper
for the guidance of teachers

0610 BIOLOGY

0610/21

Paper 21 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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General notes

Do not exceed the section sub-totals or question maxima.

Symbols used in mark scheme and guidance notes.

/ separates alternatives for a marking point

; separates points for the award of a mark

MP mark point - used in guidance notes when referring to numbered marking points

ORA or reverse argument / reasoning

OWTTE or words to that effect

A accept - as a correct response

R reject – this is marked with a cross and any following correct statements do not gain any marks

I ignore / irrelevant / inadequate – this response gains no mark, but any following correct answers can gain marks.

() the word / phrase in brackets is not required to gain marks but sets the context of the response for credit. e.g. (waxy) cuticle. Waxy not needed but if it was described as a cellulose cuticle then no mark is awarded.

mitosis underlined words – this word only

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| <p>1 (a) (i) in the blood (stream);</p> <p>(ii) palisade layer / in a leaf;</p> <p>(b) wall; cellulose; chloroplasts; vacuole; cell sap;</p> <p>(c) (i) kidney / bladder / ureter / urethra labelled;</p> <p>(ii) <i>organ</i> 1 composed of different tissues; 2 (tissues) together carry out a function;</p> <p><i>organ system</i> 3 composed of two / many organs; 4 carrying out separate functions;</p> <p>5 functions combining to achieve major process / description;</p> <p><i>any three – 1 mark each</i></p> | <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[5]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[3]</p> <p>[Total: 11]</p> | <p>A – (named) blood vessel / lymph vessel / lymph gland / heart</p> <p>A – ref. to any <u>green</u> region of plant I – stem unqualified R – wrong qualifications</p> <p>R – words not in list I – spelling errors If more than one response in a space then mark the first</p> <p>A – named blood vessel A – either vertical vessel as aorta or vena cava A – any horizontal vessel as renal artery or renal vein More than 1 label – all must be correct for award of mark</p> <p>If organ mislabelled on diagram accept this in (c) (ii) (error carried forward) A – named / described function(s) for organ and / or system</p> <p>A – different organs (note plural)</p> <p>A – working together for one purpose / OWTTE</p> |
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| class | ear flap | fur / feathers | scaly skin | 2 pairs limbs |
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| amphibians | | | | ✓; |
| birds | | ✓ | (✓) | ✓; |
| fish | | | ✓; | |
| mammals | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓; |
| reptiles | | | ✓ | ✓; |

each row correct – 1 mark

[5]

[Total: 5]

A – yes for a tick

A – (birds) tick in 3rd column but does not have to be present

R – other ticks in any row

I – cross / no in other boxes

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| <p>3 (a) (i) it decreases / falls / OWTTE;</p> <p>(ii) 1 crop removes nutrients / minerals; 2 not replaced (in any way); 3 soil fertility declines / low soil fertility; 4 leaching occurs also; <i>any two – 1 mark each</i></p> <p>(b) (i) yield rises;</p> <p>(ii) 1 water leaches / carries nutrients / minerals (away from plants) 2 loss / waste of money; 3 (fertilisers) get into watercourses; 4 could cause eutrophication; <i>any two – 1 mark each</i></p> <p>(c) 1 takes time to decay / OWTTE; 2 (steady) release of nutrients / minerals; 3 refs to improving water holding effect; 4 reduces leaching; <i>any two – 1 mark each</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">[Total: 8]</p> | <p>[1]</p> <p>[2]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[2]</p> <p>[2]</p> | <p>I – refs. to growth e.g. grows poorly / less effectively</p> <p>A – refs. to named minerals / ions R – nitrogen A – refs. to no fertiliser added etc. A – soil infertile</p> <p>I – refs. to later fall</p> <p>A – refs. to named minerals / ions MP 2 in relation to loss by leaching A – streams / rivers / lakes A – description of any aspect of eutrophication</p> <p>A – refs. to named minerals / ions</p> |
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| <p>4 (a) level 3 – secondary consumers; level 1 – producers;</p> <p>(b) (i) level 4 – A, B, C; level 2 – G, H, I;</p> <p>(ii) (<i>all responses in context of less mosquito larvae</i>)</p> <p>1 less water fleas eaten; more food for hydra so hydra population rises;</p> <p>2 less food for water boatmen; which eat more hydra so hydra population falls;</p> <p>3 less food for sticklebacks so they eat more water fleas; less food / water fleas for hydra so hydra population falls;</p> <p>4 less protozoa eaten so less green algae; thus less water fleas so hydra population falls;</p> <p><i>any two pairs – 2 marks each</i></p> | <p>[2]</p> <p>[2]</p> <p>[4]</p> <p>[Total: 8]</p> | <p>A – carnivores I – responses against levels 4 and 2</p> <p>In both responses all letters (in any order) required for the mark I – responses against levels 3 and 1</p> <p>I – refs. to hydra die</p> <p>A – less food for water boatmen so population falls; which eat less hydra so hydra population rises; (this is an alternative approach to 2. Both cannot be awarded in one candidate's responses)</p> |
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| <p>5 (a) water / moisture; oxygen; (sun) light;</p> <p>warmth / heat / (suitable) temperature;</p> <p><i>any three – 1 mark each</i></p> | <p>[3]</p> | <p>A – humidity / dryness I – air A – darkness / no (sun) light I – sun unqualified A – cold <i>Credit environmental factors but not descriptions of experimental conditions</i></p> |
| <p>(b) tube B; tube D;</p> | <p>[2]</p> | <p><i>If more than two predictions mark first two</i></p> |
| <p>(c) (i) <u>mitosis</u>;</p> | <p>[1]</p> | |
| <p>(ii) same (number of chromosomes) / all (cells) diploid;</p> | <p>[1]</p> | <p>A – all (cells) 2N I – refs. to chromosome numbers such as 23 / 46</p> |
| <p>(d) 1 (dry) mass decreases / falls / OWTTE; 2 (loss) because of respiration; 3 (food) reserves / starch / fats used up; 4 no photosynthesis / respiration greater than photosynthesis;</p> <p><i>any three – 1 mark each</i></p> | <p>[3]</p> | |
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| 6 | (a) X – placed clearly on oviduct; | [1] | A – X with label line clearly indicating oviduct |
| | (b) (i) M – placenta / villi; N – umbilical cord; | [2] | A – umbilicus |
| | (ii) 1 has large surface area; 2 for diffusion; 3 of oxygen from mother / to fetus; 4 of carbon dioxide from fetus / to mother; 5 two blood supplies very close to one another; <i>any three – 1 mark each</i> | [3] | A – baby / embryo A – baby / embryo |
| | (c) (O / uterus wall / muscle) contracts to push baby (out); (P / cervix) dilates to allow exit of baby / OWTTE; | [2] | A – vagina |
| | (d) (i) 1 virus may pass across / through placenta; 2 virus may be carried by blood leakage (during pregnancy / birth); 3 from mother to fetus <i>any two – 1 mark each</i> | [2] | must be in context of leakage and not the misconception of joint blood systems |
| | (ii) 1 eating a balanced / varied diet; 2 extra iron / calcium / protein in diet; 3 not smoking (tobacco); 4 not drinking (alcohol); 5 not taking drugs; 6 checks with health team; 7 taking exercise / antenatal exercises; 8 any other valid point; <i>any two – 1 mark each</i> | [2] | I – healthy diet A – vitamin C / folic acid A – named (illegal) drugs |
| | | [2] | Ignore numbering of answer spaces and read as a paragraph. I – inadequate / irrelevant answers and award up to 2 marks |
| | [Total: 12] | | |

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| <p>7 (a) (i) A – canine (tooth);</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">B – incisor (tooth);</p> <p>(ii) back of (jaw);</p> <p>(b) removes (remains of) food; removes plaque; removes bacteria; prevents build up of acid; stimulates blood flow to gums / teeth;</p> <p><i>any three – 1 mark each</i></p> <p>(c) 1 chewing breaks food up / OWTTE; 2 mixes (food) with saliva; 3 increases surface area (for enzyme action); 4 enzymes break up large / complex / insoluble molecules; 5 into small / simple / soluble molecules;</p> <p>6 that can be absorbed; 7 prepares food for swallowing / lubricates food;</p> <p><i>any four – 1 mark each</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">[Total: 10]</p> | <p>[2] Note (a) (i) could be answered on the diagram but if answered in diagram and answer spaces mark as per the answer spaces only</p> <p>[1] A – end of (jaw) / after or behind canine / premolar Diagram can be interpreted by candidates as either molar or premolar R – back of mouth</p> <p>A – prevents build up of plaque</p> <p>I – ref to kills bacteria I – refs to toothpastes / fluoride etc.</p> <p>[3]</p> <p>A – named digestive enzyme A for MP4 and 5 – any named digestive process for enzyme named in response e.g. amylase breaks down starch to maltose / glucose gets MP4 and 5</p> <p>[4]</p> |
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| <p>8 (a) (i) A – left atrium; B – left ventricle;</p> | [2] | <p>A – auricle If left is omitted in both responses but the chamber identities are correct award 1 mark R – right</p> |
| <p>(ii) a vein / vena cava; it is carrying blood to the heart;</p> | [2] | <p>R – other named veins I – correct qualifications of blood e.g. deoxygenated R – incorrect qualifications of blood</p> |
| <p>(b) (i) blood in C has less oxygen (than E) as oxygen is added at the lungs / ORA; blood in C has more carbon dioxide (than E) as this gas is lost at the lungs / ORA; C has more glucose than E as heart / lung cells absorb / use it;</p> <p><i>any two – 1 mark each</i></p> | [2] | <p>Ignore numbering of answer spaces and read as a paragraph. I – inadequate / irrelevant answers and award up to 2 marks Responses must be in context of comparisons between C and E To award mark difference and explanation must be given</p> |
| <p>(ii) vessel F (will have the highest pressure); (left) ventricle has thickest muscle / wall; (left) ventricle creates more pressure on contracting;</p> <p><i>any one – 1 mark</i></p> | [1] | <p>A – aorta A – chamber B A – chamber B</p> |
| [Total: 8] | [1] | <p><i>Note 1 mark for identification and 1 mark for explanation</i></p> |

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| <p>9 (a) eye + light; ear + sound / gravity / movement; nose + smell / chemicals (in the air); tongue + taste / chemicals (in solution); skin + touch / pressure / temperature (change) / pain;</p> <p><i>any two – 1 mark each</i> [2]</p> <p>(b) (i) a growth (response); to a directional stimulus; [2]</p> <p>(ii) gravity – geotropism; shoot grows away from (the pull of) gravity / upwards; light – phototropism; shoot grows towards light; [4]</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[Total: 8]</p> | <p>A – noise</p> <p>I – seeing, hearing, smelling, tasting, touching as these are actions not stimuli</p> <p>A as alternative – directional growth (response); to a stimulus; Must be general definition of tropism. I – examples</p> <p>A – geo (as tropism is in column heading) I – refs to positive and negative</p> <p>A – photo (as tropism is in column heading) I – refs. to positive and negative</p> |
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