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Biology B

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Annotations used in scoris

Annotation	Meaning	
	correct response	
×	incorrect response	
BOD	benefit of the doubt	
NBOD	benefit of the doubt <u>not</u> given	
ECF	error carried forward	
^	information omitted	
I	ignore	
R	reject	
CON	contradiction	

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme.

/ = alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point

(1) = separates marking pointsallow = answers that can be accepted

not = answers which are not worthy of credit
reject = answers which are not worthy of credit

ignore = statements which are irrelevant

() = words which are not essential to gain credit

= underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark (although not correctly spelt unless otherwise stated)

ecf = error carried forward AW = alternative wording ora = or reverse argument

Qu	estion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	а	photosynthesis (1)	1	allow phonetic spelling
	b	Priestley (1)	1	allow answer ringed, underlined or ticked more than one answer = 0
	C	(oxygen levels) rises during the day as more (Sun) light / more photosynthesis (1) (oxygen levels) decreases over night as no or less /(Sun) light / no or less photosynthesis (1)	2	allow more oxygen in early evening as more (Sun) light / more photosynthesis (during the day) (1) allow less oxygen in early morning as no or less (Sun) light / no or less photosynthesis (during the night) (1) allow (oxygen levels) decreases as it gets darker (1) ignore rate of photosynthesis is highest in early evening ignore references to water and carbon dioxide ignore references to respiration if both changes are explained but with no direct link to time then = 1 e.g. (oxygen levels) rises as more photosynthesis then
		Total	5	decreases as no photosynthesis (1)

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2 a	[Level 3] States the effects are due to osmosis AND Explain the results in terms of direction of movement AND uses the terms lysis and crenation correctly Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level. (5 – 6 marks) [Level 2] States the effects are due to osmosis and attempts to explain the results in terms of direction of movement OR States the effects are due to osmosis and uses the terms lysis and crenation correctly Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) [Level 1] States the effects are due to osmosis. OR uses the terms lysis or crenation correctly Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks) [Level 0] Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit. (0marks)	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A* Indicative scientific points at that may be include: • effects are due to osmosis • at low concentrations / cells burst / liquid goes clear due to lysis / haemolysis not turgid • high concentrations / cells shrivel / liquids remain cloudy due to crenation not plasmolysis / flaccid direction of movement • at low concentrations / cells burst / liquid goes clear because water moves into cells when salt concentration of solution is lower (than salt concentration inside cells) or at low concentrations / cells burst / liquid goes clear because water moves into cells when water concentration of solution is higher (than water concentration inside cells) or at low concentrations / cells burst / liquid goes clear because water moves into cells when solution is hypotonic • at high concentrations / cells do not burst / liquid stays cloudy because water moves out of cells when salt concentration of solution is higher (than salt concentration inside cells) or at high concentrations / cells do not burst / liquid stays cloudy because water moves out of cells when water concentration of solution is lower (than water concentration inside cells) or at high concentrations / cells do not burst / liquid stays cloudy because water moves out of cells when solution is hypertonic allow reverse arguments for each direction of movement Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Total	6	

Qu	estion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	а	37 (2)	2	allow 37.4 (1)
		But if incorrect		
		<u>17 x 11</u> or <u>187</u>		
		5 5 (1)		
	b i	Any two from	2	
		(overall) decrease in population (1)		
		numbers remained steady for first 4 years / at start (1)		
		population is starting to fall in year 5 or at end / idea that largest decrease is in year 5 or at end (1)		
	b ii	Any one from:	1	
		limited set of results (1)		allow small sample size(1)
		idea that there is only one set of data from each year (1)		
		need to sample at different times of the year / population may vary over (a single) year (1)		
		need monitor for more years to see if trend continues (1)		
		idea that populations may change due to migration / immigration / less birth / more death / effects of marking (1)		

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С	population is the (number) of one species or organism while community is all the species or organisms (1)	1	allow population is the (number) of newts while community is all the species or organisms (1)
			allow population is the (number) of one species or organism while community is the number of populations (1) ignore community is the number of animals
	Total	5	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4 a	as air movement increases so does the rate of transpiration / ora(1)	3	allow idea that increasing speed of fan increases transpiration rate / ora (1) allow idea that increasing wind speed increases transpiration rate / ora (1) allow as air movement increases so does the uptake of water /ora (1) ignore movement of air bubble
	(rate increases) due to increase in diffusion (through the stomata) /ora (1)		allow (rate increases) due to increase in evaporation /ora(1) allow idea that increasing wind speed decreases humidity/ora (1) allow more or faster water loss from diffusion / evaporation (1)
	identifies valid reason for not increasing further (1)		e.g. limited by number of stomata / temperature / humidity (1) allow limited by another factor / no longer the limiting factor (1) ignore stomata close
b	Any two from: less stomata would reduce surface area (1). stomata are on lower surface so are protected from air movement /(direct) light / heat (1) stomata are small which reduces the surface area (1)	2	allow stomata are on lower surface so are shaded(1) allow stomata are on lower surface so less (direct)Sun (1)
			allow other mechanisms for extra marking point increasing humidity by having rolled leaves with stomata on the inside / stomata surrounded by leaf hairs / stomata sunk in pits (1) ignore waxy cuticle / spines instead of leaves and other ideas not linked to stomata

	Total	5	
Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5 a	advantage (better) control of mineral levels / control of disease (1)	2	allow answers linked to example in question e.g. can be grown in shade away from intense heat (1) allow reduces competition (1) ignore references to increased yield ignore no soil needed ignore nutrients / fertilisers
	disadvantage		
	lack of support for plant		
	/ idea that (inorganic) fertilisers need to be added (1)		allow uses fertilisers (1) ignore minerals added ignore reference to pollution / pesticides
			ignore references to cost unqualified but allow expensive to buy / set up / run (1)

b	Any two from:	2	
	UK can afford to grow (more expensive) organic crops / Africa needs food grown cheaply (1)		allow in UK we can afford to import food / ora (1)
	in Africa crops more likely to fail / in UK crops less likely to fail (1)		allow may get famines in Africa (1) ignore just 'crops grow better in UK' ignore plants in Africa die
	high(er) demand for food in Africa (due to increased population) (1)		allow there is a shortage of food in Africa (1) allow more people to feed in Africa / less people to feed in UK(1) ignore just Africa has a higher population
	idea that in Africa it is important to control the amount of water / UK control of water not as important(1)		ignore just drought in Africa
	poor soil (conditions) in Africa / UK has better soil (condition) (1)		allow soil in UK more fertile/ ora (1) allow barren soil in Africa (1) ignore dry soil
	Total	4	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6 a	Any two from:	2	
	less industrial disease / accidents (1)		allow better health and safety (1)
	healthier diet (1)		allow better diet / balanced diets(1)

	Total	5	
	/ other factors could stop the age reaching the predicted level (1)		e.g. such as new diseases / epidemics/ outbreak of disease / increased resistance of bacteria to antibiotic / increased pollution levels / natural disasters (1) ignore illnesses can occur / the future is uncertain
b (ii)	idea that line of the graphs may not rise at the same gradient	1	e.g. slope of graph may change / rise more steeply / level off (1) e.g. trend may change (1) ignore no evidence / no data
			allow answers that match their lines drawn e.g. life expectancy for females remains higher than males(1) allow marks for age quoted for 2030 that matches line drawn e.g. women may live till they are 90 (1) e.g. women may live till they are 90 and males 86 (2) e.g. people will live longer women may live till they are 90 (2)
	life expectancy for males and females will become the same / converge / get closer together (1)		
b (i)	life expectancy continues to rise (1)	2	allow people will live longer (1)
	better housing / sanitation / hygiene (1)		ignore less pollution ignore better standard of living ignore just better technology
	better medical treatments / healthcare / cures for disease (1)		
	healthier life style (1)		allow more exercise / less smoking (1) allow better lifestyle (1)

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7 a	gills work in water / gills do not work in air (1) But	2	allow (gills) take oxygen out of water / (gills) can't take oxygen from air(1) allow gills stick together out of water (1) allow need water for gas exchange / gas exchange does not take place in air (1)
	gills work by forcing water over gill filaments (2)		ignore fish breathe through gills ignore just 'won't get any oxygen'
b	any two from: causes inflammation (1)	2	
	causes scarring (1)		ignore damages the lungs
	idea that gas exchange is less efficient (1)		allow less gas exchange (1) allow reduces surface area for gas exchange (1) allow less oxygen taken in (1) allow example of a symptom e.g. shortness of breath / hard to breathe / breathlessness / wheezing / fatigue / chest pains / (lung) cancer / lower lung capacity (1) ignore the idea that the asbestos blocks the gases ignore references to mucus
c i	Any three but max two from either argument	3	
	reasons against using NHS		
	idea that damage to lungs is a result of life style (not illness) (1)		
	money used could be better spent on saving lives of those that are ill through no fault of their own (1)		ignore just money could be spent on other patients

	takes up hospital space / resources from people that are ill through no fault of their own (1)		
	idea that the money could be spread around to save more lives (1)		allow idea that it would take money from other services(1)
	idea that NHS cannot afford to treat everyone (1)		ignore just 'cost too much' / might bankrupt the NHS ignore idea that it could promote smoking as it is an easy fix
	reasons for using NHS		
	idea that the saving of a life is more important than the cost (1)		allow idea that anyone who needed the treatment would get it / would be available to all / available to those that can't afford it (1) ignore just 'it is free' / saves lives
	idea that the lung damage may not be their fault (1)		e.g. damage to lung may be caused by passive smoking (1)
c ii	to separate the oxygenated and deoxygenated blood (1)	1	allow one side or two chambers have oxygenated and other side or two chambers deoxygenated blood (1)
			allow idea that one side pumps blood to lungs and other side pumps blood to body (1) ignore just to pump blood to lungs and body
			allow idea of blood being at a high(er) pressure (1)
	Total	8	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
8	[Level 3]	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A*
	Makes more than two comparison between the two		Indicative scientific points that may be included
	graphs		detailed explanation
	AND		the pill prevents the release of FSH
	explains in detail how the pill prevents pregnancy		FSH needed for egg development / no egg development as no or
	Quality of written communication does not impede		low levels of FSH
	communication of the science at this level.		 the pill or lack of FSH prevents the release of LH

	[Level 2] Makes at least two comparison between the two graphs AND attempts to explains in detail how the pill prevents pregnancy Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) [Level 1] Makes at least one comparisons between the two graphs and one simple explanation of how pill works OR Attempts to explains in detail how the pill prevents pregnancy Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks) [Level 0] Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit. (Omarks)	 pill mimics pregnancy pill prevents ovulation / no egg develops/ no egg released comparing the graphs FSH constant in graph B / peaks in A FSH levels low or no FSH in graph B / high in graph A LH constant in graph B / peaks in A LH levels low or no LH in graph B / high in graph A progesterone rises remains high then falls in B / fluctuates in A /progesterone levels high in graph B / low in A pestrogen constant in B / fluctuates in A
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9 a	skeleton starts out as mostly cartilage (1)	3	allow cartilage turns to bone / cartilage replaced by bone (1) ignore skeleton is 'all cartilage' at start
	bone is ossified / ossification takes place (1)		
	idea that calcium (and phosphorus) is added (to the bone) (1)		allow increase in bone mass is because bones contains more calcium (and phosphorus)(1)
b i	33.3% (2) But if incorrect	2	allow 33 / 33.33 / 33.3 recurring (2) allow 33.4 (1)
	1200-800 x 100 or 400 x100 1200 1200 (1)		
b ii	Females, as percentage difference is higher / bone mass decrease is quicker / bone mass decrease is more (1)	1	allow ecf from 9bi allow Females, bone deteriorates quicker in females (1) allow Females, more bone mass deterioration in females (1) allow Females, bigger change in bone mass (1) ignore just the values quoted
	Total	6	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
10 а	suspect 2 AND idea that the pattern is the same (1)	1	allow bands / stripes / lines / fingerprint / sequences match (1) ignore idea that the pattern is similar ignore just the same DNA as at the crime scene
b	Any three from: extraction of DNA (from sample) (1) fragmentation (of DNA) using restriction enzymes (1) separation using electrophoresis (1) using a radioactive probe / fluorescence (so pattern is visible) (1)	3	allow DNA is taken from hair / blood /saliva (1) allow gene is extracted (from sample) (1) allow (DNA) is cut into (smaller) lengths using restriction enzymes (1) not ligase cuts the DNA allow a correct description of electrophoresis (1)
	Total	4	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
11 a	Any two from	2	
	damage to sewage systems / water supplies (1)		allow water becomes contaminated (1) allow poor sanitation (1)
	damage to electrical supplies causing rapid food decay (1)		
	idea of overcrowding (in camps) (1)		
	idea of disruption to health services (1)		
b	Any two from:	2	ignore temperature
	make sure there is plenty of food available (1)		allow control food availability (1) ignore water / moisture
	(control) pH (1)		
	remove (waste) products (1)		allow remove alcohol / toxins (that is produced) /(1) ignore control levels of alcohol
			extra marking points allow remove oxygen / maintain anaerobic conditions (1) allow maintain aseptic conditions / prevent contamination (1)
С	Any two from strain B produces alcohol faster / strain B produces more alcohol / ora (1)	2	allow faster fermentation for strain B/ora (1) ignore references to specific gravity
	strain A is less tolerant (to alcohol) /ora (1)		allow strain A is less resistant (to alcohol) /ora (1)
	increases in alcohol levels result in a slowdown of production / fermentation rate slows as alcohol levels increase (1)		allow yeast is killed in higher levels of alcohol (1)
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
12	Any three from toxin concentration is higher in the whale /ora (1)	3	allow concentrations of toxins increase further up the food chain (1) allow concentration builds up in whale (1) ignore more toxins in the whale / whale consumes more toxins
	idea that toxins are persistent / not broken down (1)		allow body can't remove toxins (1) ignore takes a long time to remove toxins
	bioaccumulation (1)		allow accumulation (1)
	(toxins) have a greater effect on the whale /ora (1)		allow more harm to the whale / ora (1)
	Total	3	

Que	stio	n	Answer	Marks	Guidance
13	а	i	11.8 (2) But if incorrect	2	accept 12 / 11.7 / 11.77 / 11.77163 (1)
			<u>2200</u> x 100 18689 (1)		
	а	ii	value for Brazil is higher / ora (1) any one from:	2	allow ecf
			Brazil may not have supply of oil (1)		ignore have not got any petrol
			Brazil grows a lot of sugar (1)		ignore grow more crops
	b		(Oliver) alcohol production is increasing(1) deforestation is decreasing (1)	2	allow when alcohol production is at its highest deforestation is
			Total	6	at its lowest (2)

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
14	[Level 3] Identifies all three soils correctly with an explanation linked to data AND particle size for each. Quality of written communication does not impede communication of the science at this level for each. (5 – 6 marks) [Level 2] Identifies all three soils correctly with an explanation linked to water content or particle size. Quality of written communication partly impedes communication of the science at this level. (3 – 4 marks) [Level 1] Identifies at least one of the soils correctly with an explanation linked to water content or particle size. OR Identifies all three soils. Quality of written communication impedes communication of the science at this level. (1 – 2 marks) [Level 0] Insufficient or irrelevant science. Answer not worthy of credit. (0marks)	6	This question is targeted at grades up to A* Matches soil types: A = sandy B = clay C= loam Indicative scientific points may be included include for explanations: Sandy soils has lowest water content / lowest change in mass after drying / highest mass after drying large particle size so drains easier / more permeable Clay soils has highest water content / highest change in mass after drying / lowest mass after drying small particle size so holds onto water / less permeable Loam soil has the highest humus content / changes the most after burning mixed particle size Look for matches on table but answer lines take precedence Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris; do not use ticks.
	Total	6	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
15 a i	any two from as body mass increases, brain mass increases /ORA (1) as body mass increases, relative brain mass decreases / ORA (1)	2	ignore high or low must be comparative ignore references to 'larger' body mass and brain mass increases as relative brain mass decreases = 2
ii	(no) idea that brain mass is higher than expected (1)	2	if yes answer then award zero marks allow have an abnormally high brain mass (1) allow comparison e.g. have a lower body mass than gorilla/elephant but higher brain mass (1) allow ratio of brain mass to body mass is higher (1) allow ratio of body mass to brain mass is lower (1) ignore just 'humans have a high(er) brain mass'
	idea that relative brain mass is higher than expected (1)		allow have an abnormally high relative brain mass (1) allow comparison e.g. has a higher body mass than chimpanzee but higher relative brain mass (1) ignore just 'humans have a high(er) relative brain mass' ignore just 'they don't fit the pattern'

b i	as time goes on, brain volume increases /ORA (1)	2	allow humans evolve their brain volume increased (1) ignore the higher the years the lower the volume
	idea of rapid increase about 2 million years ago (1)		allow idea of rapid increase after Homo habilis (1)
	вит		
	as time goes on, brain volume increases at an increasing rate / AW (2)		allow the brain volume increasing exponentially (over time) (2)
ii	(Ben)	2	No marks if they choose Ann or Clare
	(Ann is wrong because) the graph only shows volume (1)		allow graph does not show how brain changes or develops / no evidence of ways brain changes or develops (1) allow graph shows change in volume not just 'changes' or development (1) ignore brain could have changed in other ways
	(Clare is wrong because) we have no evidence for the future (1)		

С	(no) the points are scattered (1)	2	allow (no) as no pattern / no correlation (1) allow (yes) there is a (slight) positive correlation (1) allow (yes) the higher the brain size the higher the IQ / ora (1)
	(no) at any particular brain size there are people with a range of IQs / ora (1)		allow (no) some people with small brains have higher IQ (than those with large brains) (1) allow (no) some brains are larger but IQ isn't as high (as expected) (1)
	(yes) lots of anomalies (1)		
			allow the higher the brain size the higher the IQ for large brain sizes only (2)
	Total	10	

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