Organisms and their Environment

Mark Scheme 3

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Time Allowed:	60 minutes
Score:	/50
Percentage:	/100

Question	E Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1 (a)	animals written in the correct boxes in the food web (Ruppell's) vulture ; cheetah ; mice / mouse ;	[3]	
(b)	(primary) <u>producer</u> ; <u>primary</u> / <u>first</u> <u>consumer</u> ;	[2]	
(c) (i)	Sun / sunlight / light ;	[1]	
(ii)	(lost) to the atmosphere / (lost as) infra red (radiation) / heat / AW ;	[1]	R reflect R 'lost' only – needs qualifying
(d) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	<i>idea that</i> small percentage of energy from sun is 'fixed' by photosynthesis ; most energy from sun not available / reference to wrong wavelength / AW ; energy is lost, between / within, trophic levels / along food chain ; ref. to 10% energy transfer / ORA ; ref. to material that is, inedible / not digestible ; energy lost, in respiration / heat / (named) metabolic process / decomposers ; ref. to (small) total percentage reaching fourth trophic level ; not enough energy in fourth trophic level to support another level ; except parasites ; ref. to another problem of animal that would prey on, top carnivores / scavengers ;	[max 3]	 NB: MP3 is for loss with no reference to magnitude, also award MP4 if magnitude given e.g. '90% lost between trophic levels' is marks MP5 A ref to faeces examples for MP10 animal would have to be very large, would need much energy to catch a cheetah, there would be very small populations

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1 (e) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	feed is expensive / fish is sold at high price ; more energy efficient to feed humans on, crops / producers / animals used to make the fish food ; waste from salmon / excess feed, causes eutrophication ; diseases / parasites, spread easily in (high density of) salmon ; diseases spread to, wild fish / other organisms ; chemicals used to control disease also pollutants ; escapees breed with wild fish ; <i>idea of</i> genetic pollution of wild fish ; escapees compete with wild fish ; extinction of wild fish ; AVP ;	[max 3]	No credit for energy losses along the chain as already given in Question 1d AVP e.g. chemicals / antibiotics / hormones in feed passed on e.g. less waste if humans could eat hi protein 'fish food' instead e.g. low quality stock compared with wi (less competition)
[Total : 13]			

Question	E Answers group of organisms / individuals, of same species ; can interbreed ; live in same area / habitat (at same time) ;		Additional Guidance	
² (a)			R 'people'	
(b)	 numbers of brown plant hoppers remain low, up to 40 days / day 40; low numbers when spraying occurs (days 15 to 38); rapid increase when spraying stopped / AW; then, crash / decrease; any population figure with unit; e.g. to maximum of over 1000 per m² 	max 3	<i>ignore</i> ref. to resistance	
(c)	pesticide absorbed by the plants ; transported through the plant in the phloem ; ingested / AW, by insect when it, eats / sucks ; toxic / poisonous_to insect ;		A 'eats the plant'	
(d)	 no population explosion / AW ; effective at reducing the numbers / AW ; ref. to comparative figures from the graph ; no pollution / damage to environment ; no killing of harmless species ; no concentration of pesticide in food chain ; no pesticide left in foods / no harm to humans from the spray ; no development of resistance to pesticide ; less cost / economic benefits ; AVP : e.g. accent part of natural food chain 	may 3		

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2	(e)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	decreased rainfall ; flooding ; erosion / loss of (top)soil ; desertification ; silting of rivers ; loss of (plant) nutrients / soil fertility ; disruption to food chain ; loss of habitat ; extinction / loss of biodiversity ; effect on carbon dioxide in the atmosphere ; justification for effect ; A unproductive forest / productive crop AVP ;	max 4	A species become, rare / endangered A increase or decrease if justified e.g. leading to global warming
				[Total : 14]

Question	scheme		Guidance
³ (a) (i)	<i>high temperature</i> denature enzymes ; kill bacteria ;		R 'kills enzymes' R 'denatures bacteria'
	to give optimum temperature (for, enzymes / bacteria) ;	[max 2]	
(ii)	respiration is anaerobic ; lactic acid, produced ; A lactate / formula	[2]	IGNORE carbon dioxide treat MPs independently
(iii)	A named example of a food additive ; colouring ; preservative / stabiliser / emulsifier / antioxidant ; flavouring / (artificial) sweetener ; thickening agent ;	[max 1]	IGNORE international numbers / E-numbers R any food nutrient(s) A 'conservants'
(b)	 description 1 sigmoid (growth curve) or lag phase + exponential/log + stationary 2 phase; 2 little/no growth, rapid growth, no growth / 'leveling off'; explanation lag phase 3 small number of bacteria; 4 produce, proteins / enzymes / DNA; A builds up energy/food stores exponential phase 5 binary fission / asexual reproduction; 6 no limiting factors / no competition / plenty of food / plenty of 		 marking points may be taken from labels and annotations on the graph R 'adapting to the environment' 5 population doubles every time bacteria divide 6 IGNORE ref. <i>to</i> temperature
	 resources ; stationary phase death rate = 'birth' rate ; resources / food, used up ; <u>p</u> not, favourable / optimum ; 	[max 5]	 A factors now limiting / competition for food / oxygen used up / toxins built up

Question	Expected Answers	Marks	Guidance
3 (C)	1 conditions not favourable ;		
	 2 cannot compete with <i>S. thermophilus</i>; ora 3 cannot increase until pH, falls / changes; ora 4 cannot increase until <u>oxygen</u> concentration decreases; ora 5 grows slower than <i>S. thermophilus</i>; 6 takes longer to, adapt / feed; 7 fewer <i>L. bulgaricus</i> to start with ; 		R direct feeding of <i>L. bulgaricus</i> on <i>S thermophilus</i>
	8 idea that substance / condition, provided by S. thermophilus ;	[2]	8 A <i>S. thermophilus</i> changed the environment to allow for growth of <i>L. bulgaricus</i>
		[Total: 12]	

Question	Е	Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
4 (a)	1 – 2 –	producer ; <u>secondary</u> / <u>2nd level</u> / <u>2nd order</u> , consumer ;	[2]	
(b)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	<i>idea that</i> energy is lost, along the food chain / at each trophic level / between trophic levels ; <i>idea that</i> 90% lost between trophic levels / 10% passed on ; respiration / movement / heat loss / metabolism ; excretion ; food not eaten / food not digested / ref. to egestion / AW ; tuna / top carnivores, are in smaller numbers ; more energy available in, trophic level 2 / herbivorous fish, than in, level 4 / tuna or dolphins ; AVP ;	[max 3]	
(c)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	<i>idea that</i> if not conserved they would become extinct ; ref. to, maintaining numbers of other species in food web / disruption of food web / maintaining balance in food web ; maintaining (bio)diversity ; so increase in number of, carnivorous fish / squid / trophic level 3 ; reduction in, herbivores / herbivorous fish / zooplankton / tropic level ; less food available for, consumers / AW ; would be less, tuna / food, for humans ; aesthetic reason (for conserving) / AW ; economic reason (for conserving) / AW ; AVP ;	[max 4]	A 'extinguished'
(d)	1 2 3 4	persists / not broken down / does not decay ; eaten by animals ; fish / turtles / mammals, get entangled / trapped / suffocate ; AVP ;	[max 2]	