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for the guidance of teachers**

0610 BIOLOGY

0610/32 Paper 32 (Extended Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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General notes

Symbols used in mark scheme and guidance notes.

- / separates alternatives for a marking point
- ; separates points for the award of a mark
- 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 context of response for credit. e.g. (waxy) cuticle. Waxy not needed but if it was described as a cellulose cuticle then no mark.
- Small underlined words – this word only/must be spelled correctly
- ORA or reverse argument/answer
- ref./refs. answer makes appropriate reference to
- AVP additional valid point (e.g. in comments)
- AW alternative words of equivalent meaning
- MP marking point (number)

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| 1 (a) | <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>feature</th> <th>bacterium</th> <th>virus</th> <th>fungus</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>produces spores</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✗</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>hyphae</td> <td>✗</td> <td>✗</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>capsule</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✗</td> <td>✗</td> </tr> <tr> <td>nucleus</td> <td>✗</td> <td>✗</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p style="text-align: right;">[3]</p> | feature | bacterium | virus | fungus | produces spores | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | hyphae | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | capsule | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | nucleus | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | <p>one mark per row treat blank spaces and crossed ticks as crosses – if ticks and crosses and blanks in the same row, treat as incorrect allow 'yes' and 'no' for ticks and crosses</p> |
| feature | bacterium | virus | fungus | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| produces spores | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| hyphae | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| capsule | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| nucleus | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) | <p><i>treat independently</i></p> <p>1 (feeding) <u>hypha</u>(e) ; R roots ignore mycelium 2 branched / branching ; 3 has a large surface (area) ; 4 grow, over / through / on / into, (named) food / substrate ; 5 produce / release, enzymes ; 6 external / extracellular / described, digestion ; 7 absorb, food / nutrients / products / glucose / AW ;</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[3 max]</p> | <p><i>fungus may be saprotrophic or parasitic</i> ignore 'roots' when awarding points 2 to 7</p> <p><i>MP3 refers to fungus not food</i> A 'spread across' food, A substrate for food R excrete enzymes R digestion unqualified, A external implied R obtain A absorbed even if no digestion</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (c) | <p>1 spores ; 2 carried in the, wind / air / atmosphere ; A sporangium / 'sack' / AW, bursts / opens 3 grow, longer / more, (feeding) hyphae / mycelium spreads</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[2 max]</p> | <p>A blown / floats – as suggests in the air</p> <p>A new mycelium forms / mycelium increases in size <i>ecf for roots from (b)</i></p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2 (a) | <p>A epithelium / (epithelial) lining / single layer of cells ; B lacteal ; A lymph(atic), vessel / duct / tube ; C capillary / blood vessel ;</p> <p>[3]</p> | <p>R epidermis R lymph unqualified / lymph(atic) system</p> |
| (b) | <p><i>microvilli</i> 1 increases / large, surface (area) ; 2 for absorption ; <i>mitochondria</i> 3 (for) respiration ; 4 provide, energy / ATP ; A 'cells need energy' 5 for active, uptake / transport ;</p> <p>[4]</p> | <p>A diffusion / active transport (into villus) R produce / make, energy A movement of, vesicles / vacuoles A descriptions of AT e.g. against concentration gradient R microvilli 'sway' or 'waft' / movement of villi</p> |
| (c) (i) | <p>1 longer, shelf life / storage time ; 2 enhances / improves, flavour / taste ; 3 improves / AW, colour / appearance ; 4 improves, texture / AW ; A ref to emulsifiers / 'free running' 5 AVP ;</p> <p>[2 max]</p> | <p>A 'food keeps longer' / preserves food / AW A refs to preventing decay / 'kills bacteria' A prevent / slows, oxidation A 'makes food more attractive' / 'stops food separating', comments on consistency e.g. tenderiser</p> |
| (ii) | <p>hyperactivity / described (in children) ; R 'poor behaviour' tantrums / mood swings ; cancer ; A 'they are carcinogenic' migraines / headaches ; dizziness / nausea / vomiting / diarrhoea ; allergies ; asthma / described as breathlessness or AW ; nettle rash / urticaria / skin rash / eczema / dermatitis ; rhinitis / runny nose / 'sniffing' ; damage to fetus / birth defect ; AVP ;</p> <p>[4 max]</p> | <p><i>there are no marks in (i) or (ii) for naming food additives; ignore names look for health risks only</i></p> <p>R obesity, heart disease, tooth decay, circulatory problems, diabetes</p> <p>A difficulty with breathing</p> <p>R 'addiction'</p> <p>e.g. ulcers or liver / kidney / brain / nerve, damage</p> |
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| 3 (a) | <p>1 kept temperature, constant / the same ; 2 water bath + thermometer ; 3 light intensity, constant / the same ; 4 bench lamp + fixed distance / 150 mm / same distance ;</p> <p><i>also accept</i></p> <p>5 same volume of, water / hydrogen carbonate solution ; 6 keep for same length of time ; 7 same, species / type, of (pond) plant ; 8 same age of pond plant ; 9 similar / same, size / mass / number of leaves on, pond plant ; [4 max]</p> | <p>A 'thermostatic water bath' R light unqualified</p> <p>A same water level</p> |
| (b) (i) | 10 ; [1] | |
| (ii) | <p>all points plotted accurately ;</p> <p>curved line of best fit / straight lines between points ; R one straight line of best fit [2]</p> | <i>I if line continues beyond first and last points because of (d)</i> |
| (c) | <p><i>note that rate of photosynthesis is in the question</i> rate of photosynthesis / it, increases / AW ; carbon dioxide is, raw material / needed for photosynthesis ; <u>limiting</u> (factor) ; [2 max]</p> | <p>I comments on rate after 0.4% R positively correlated</p> |
| (d) | A 19 – 23 ; [1] | A single number or range within 19 to 23 or three numbers within the range (if they think that they need to include repeats) |
| | <p>carbon dioxide no longer the limiting (factor) ;</p> <p>other factor / light <u>intensity</u> / temperature / AW, is limiting (factor) ; ref. to extrapolating on the graph (to arrive at answer) ; [2]</p> | <p>A a description of this point in terms of an increase in the concentration of CO₂ not causing a change R water</p> |
| (e) | <p><i>ideas that</i> carbon dioxide, (dissolved / present) in (tap) water ; carbon dioxide (dissolves) from the air above apparatus / AW ; carbon dioxide from (plant) respiration ; [1 max]</p> | A 'it' for water as it's in the question |
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| 4 (a) | <p>P glomerulus / Bowman's capsule ; Q first convoluted tubule ; R collecting duct ;</p> <p>[3]</p> | <p>R if the letter is in white space around the diagram R if label line for Q ends in a capillary</p> |
| (b) | <p>osmosis ; A diffusion down / AW, (water) potential gradient ; A high to low</p> <p>antidiuretic hormone / ADH ; increases permeability of collecting duct walls ;</p> <p>[2 max]</p> | <p><i>ignore</i> osmoregulation R across / along gradient unless clear from use of 'high(er)' or 'low(er)' in the answer</p> |
| (c) | <p><u>ureter</u> ; peristalsis ; stored in bladder ; <u>urethra</u> ; urination / micturition / correct ref to sphincter (muscle)</p> <p>[2 max]</p> | <p><i>if two structures given, then they must be in the correct sequence</i></p> |
| (d) | <p>deamination / described ; <u>excess</u> amino acids ; makes ammonia ; ammonia → urea / urea produced ;</p> <p>breakdown of, red blood cells / haemoglobin ; makes bile (pigments) / appropriate ref to bile ;</p> <p>production of carbon dioxide in respiration ;</p> <p><i>max 2 for</i> breakdown of, hormones <i>or</i> drugs <i>or</i> alcohol <i>or</i> poisons <i>or</i> hydrogen peroxide ;;</p> | <p>A removal of, NH₂ / N-containing part <i>ignore</i> excess protein <i>note that ammonia must come from something</i></p> <p>R bile salts</p> <p>A toxins / toxic materials / toxic substances, as alternatives for poisons</p> |
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| 5 (a) | phenotype ; gene ; haploid ; mitosis ; [4] | |
| (b) | <p><i>if there is an error in the genetic diagram allow ecf even if final phenotypes are NOT all different as stated in the question</i></p> <p>$I^A I^o \times I^B I^o$;</p> <p>$I^A, I^o + I^B, I^o$;</p> <p>$I^A I^o, I^A I^B, I^B I^o, I^o I^o$;</p> <p>A AB B O ; <i>blood types must match genotypes</i></p> <p>[4]</p> | <p>accept IA, IB and IO for alleles A, B and O for alleles MP2 and 3 in Punnett square</p> <p>ignore spaces, commas or dots in diploid genotypes very little space between gamete genotypes</p> <p>reject I^{AB} etc as genotypes for parents or children I without A, B and o</p> |
| (c) | <p>1 two (or more) alleles ; R two blood groups</p> <p>2 two / both, are expressed / equally dominant / both dominant / give different phenotype ;</p> <p>3 in heterozygous / described (individual) ;</p> <p>4 AB, $I^A I^B$ (as example) ;</p> <p>[3 max]</p> | <p>A two (or more) implied, e.g. 'neither' / 'each other' / 'both' ignore ref. to genes</p> <p>'neither is fully expressed' = 1 mark for MP1 'neither is dominant over the other' = 2 marks R ref. to recessive <u>and</u> dominant</p> <p>A <i>idea</i> 'when both alleles are present in the genotype'</p> <p>A refs. roan cattle, pink flowers as other correct examples</p> |

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| (d) | <p><i>accept converse statements</i></p> <p>1 used to treat diabetes (wherever in answer) ;</p> <p>2 insulin the same as human / uses human DNA / human gene / AW ;</p> <p>3 not rejected ; A 'people not allergic'</p> <p>4 no risk of, infection / disease (from animals) ;</p> <p>5 GE insulin can be, modified / improved / AW ;</p> <p>6 animals not killed / suitable for vegans ;</p> <p>7 cheaper / more readily available / produced quickly / constantly / large amounts / large scale ; R 'easier'</p> <p>8 ref. to bacteria reproduce quickly ;</p> <p>9 increasing numbers of people with diabetes / don't produce insulin ; A don't respond to insulin [3 max]</p> | <p>MP2: e.g. animal insulin is 'foreign' / bovine insulin has three different amino acid residues from human insulin / porcine has only one different / insulin from dead animal, is not the same as human</p> <p>amino acid sequence can be modified</p> <p>A religious / ethical objections to using animals, but not to using GE insulin MP7 is related to production A animal insulin has to be obtained from animal soon after its death</p> <p>R refs. to side effects</p> |
| (e) (i) | <p><i>note that this is 2 marks</i></p> <p>plasmid ; DNA / <u>genes</u> ; [2]</p> | <p>R plasmic / plasma R nucleic acid unqualified by DNA</p> |
| (ii) | <p>(restriction) enzyme / endonuclease ; ignore restrictive, etc human / insulin, gene / DNA ; [1]</p> | <p>R incorrect enzyme, e.g. ligase R gene unqualified</p> |
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| 6 (a) | carbon ; hydrogen ; oxygen ; nitrogen ; sulfur ; <p style="text-align: right;">[4 max]</p> | R CHONS |
| (b) | 1 N / nitrogen, fixation ; 2 bacteria / <i>Rhizobium</i> ; R 'nodules are bacteria' 3 convert, nitrogen / N ₂ / AW, into, ammonia / NH ₃ / ammonium / NH ₄ ⁺ / amino acid(s) ; 4 plants use (fixed) nitrogen to make, amino acids / proteins / AW ; [3 max] | N-fixing bacteria = 2 marks R to nitrite / nitrate A plants use NH ₃ / NH ₄ ⁺ |
| (c) | 1 (dead plants) eaten by, animals / detritivores / scavengers ; 2 e.g. earthworms / termites / AW ; 3 ref. their faeces / increase in surface area ; 4 decay / decomposition ; A decomposers 5 by, bacteria / fungi / saprophytes / saprotrophs ; 6 break down proteins to amino acids ; 7 deamination ; 8 ammonia / NH ₃ / NH ₄ ; } 9 ammonia to <u>nitrite</u> ; } 10 <u>nitrite</u> to nitrate ; A one mark for ammonia to nitrate 11 nitrification / nitrifying bacteria ; 12 <i>Nitrosomonas</i> / <i>Nitrobacter</i> in correct context of nitrification ; [6 max] | MP3 must be related to MP1 or 2 A even if linked to incorrect organism R if wrong type of bacteria (e.g. N-fixing) A if in context of MP1 or 2 but do not award twice protein → ammonia / AW = 1 mark if 6, 7, 8 not given R 'nitride' unless qualified by NO ₂ ⁻ R nitrate unqualified by nitrite or ammonia |

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| (d) | <p>1 light intensity ; A limited sunlight / lack + of sunlight / sunshine</p> <p>2 light duration ; A day length</p> <p>3 water / moisture availability ; A drought / flood / humidity / soil water</p> <p>4 carbon dioxide, availability / concentration / tension / level ;</p> <p>5 temperature ;</p> <p>6 competition / overcrowding / space / weeds ;</p> <p>7 grazing / herbivores / predation / primary consumers ;</p> <p>8 pests ;</p> <p>9 parasites / disease ;</p> <p>10 use of (inappropriate) herbicides / nearby use of herbicides ; A drift of herbicides / weed killers</p> <p>11 pollution / sulphur dioxide / acid rain ;</p> <p>12 soil pH / depth of soil / type of soil / poor soil / oxygen in the soil ;</p> <p>13 wind speed ;</p> <p>14 salt concentration of soil ;</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[3 max]</p> | <p>R heat / warmth</p> <p>R oxygen unqualified</p> |
| (e) | <p><i>accept ora with population starting to increase about day 40</i></p> <p>1 small population to start with ;</p> <p>2 takes time for eggs to hatch ;</p> <p>3 not enough food / soya bean plants not grown enough / AW ;</p> <p>4 aphids, not sexually mature / cannot breed / finding mates ;</p> <p>5 too cold / too wet / AW (another appropriate weather condition) ;</p> <p>6 ref. to, predators / ladybirds ;</p> <p>7 ref. to, parasites / disease ;</p> <p>8 ref. to, pesticides / insecticides ;</p> <p>9 no immigration ;</p> <p>10 competition (between aphids, with another pest) ;</p> <p>11 AVP ;</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[3 max]</p> | <p><i>do not expect knowledge of aphid biology</i></p> <p><i>I names of phases (lag, log)</i></p> <p><i>I 'adjusting to surroundings'</i></p> <p>refs. to soya must refer to food for aphids</p> <p>A few soya plants / competition for food / soya grows slowly</p> <p>R unfavourable conditions unqualified</p> <p>(e.g. correct ref. biotic and abiotic factors)</p> |
| [Total: 19] | | |