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for the guidance of teachers**

9693 MARINE SCIENCE

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Paper 1 (AS Structured Questions), maximum raw mark 75

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- 1 (a) (i) a group of organisms that share similar characteristics and can interbreed; [1]
- (ii) group of interbreeding organisms of the same species; [1]
- (iii) all of the plants and animals/organisms living in a specific area; [1]
- (iv) community of animals, plants and bacteria with the physical and chemical environment/
reference to biotic and abiotic; [1]
- (b) (i) three of:
(chemosynthetic) bacteria;
energy source is from chemical reactions;
(photosynthesis) energy source is light;
reference to chlorophyll;
reference to product; [4]
- (ii) three of:
high water temperatures;
high pressures;
no light/need chemical energy source;
toxic chemicals/named example;
low pH/very acid; [3]
- [Total: 11]**
- 2 (a) salinity increases; [1]
- (b) three of:
run off;
volcanic activity;
erosion;
upwelling;
precipitation;
atmospheric dissolution;
photosynthesis;
respiration;
pollution/named example; [3]
- (c) (i) four of:
start at 28/29 °C; (allow reverse points if start from 1000m)
no change;
large fall;
small fall;
1 reference to correct figures from chart; [4]
- (ii) thermocline; [1]

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(d) (i) correct plots;;; -1 each incorrect line; accept smooth or straight line [4]

(ii) (large) fall; from 34.9 to 34.4/by 0.5; [2]

[Total: 15]

3 (a) (i) animal that kills/hunts **and** eats other animals; any named predator from food web; [2]

(ii) feeding position/level in a food chain; named example; (such as e.g. cod are carnivores/feed on zooplankton) [2]

(b) (i) 5; [1]

(ii) one of:
disease;
pollution;
fishing;
reference to changes in food supply/owtte; [1]

(c) not dependant on one source/alternative food available if normal prey population falls; [1]

(d) (i) three of:
rises to 1980;
small fall to 1990;
(larger) fall to 2000;
1 correct reference to numbers
(e.g. from 100 000 in 1960 to 400 000 in 1980); [3]

(ii) two of:
cod numbers less than pollock/ora;
population of cod rises as pollock does/falls as pollock does;
peaks in numbers occur at same time; [2]

(iii) has other sources of food/feeds on other prey;
less caught;
reference to quotas;
reference to global warming consequences; [1]

[Total: 13]

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- 4 (a) (i) three of:
 sediment covers coral polyp;
 plus any two of:
 prevents feeding;
 less light can reach zooxanthellae;
 reduced/little photosynthesis; [3]
- (ii) carbon dioxide dissolves in sea water;
 sea water becomes acidic;
 dissolves coral skeleton; [3]
- (b) (i) 40%; [1]
- (ii) 30%; [1]
- (c) (i) concrete;
 steel; [2]
- (ii) two of:
 readily available;
 long lasting;
 attractive to marine organisms;
 non toxic/owtte;
 strong/sturdy/owtte; [2]
- (d) three of:
 create new habitat for marine organisms;
 reference to tourism/fishing/diving;
 prevent erosion of shore;
 dissipate energy of waves;
 protect anchorages;
 reference to research/owtte; [3]

[Total: 15]

- 5 (a) area between high and low water (marks)/area submerged at high tide and exposed at low tide; [1]
- (b) erosion/description;
 sand moved by action of waves/wind/rain/owtte;
 sedimentation/description;
 sand/other material deposited by waves/wind/owtte; [4]
- (c) need to be able to resist wave action/cling to rocks/live under shelter/holdfasts/tough shells;
 tides exposes organisms to air/need adaptations to survive drying out;
 changes in temperature;
 changes in salinity;
 exposed to predators for part of day/need to hide/camouflage;
 only organisms adapted to these conditions will survive; [4]

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- 6 (a) four of:
 caused by gravitational pull (mainly) from the moon;
 reference to sun;
 moon's gravity pulls on the Earth, pulling the ocean waters toward the Moon;
 creates a bulge of water/pulls water;
 bulge on the exact opposite side of the Earth as the Earth is pulled toward the Moon and away from the water;
 reference to high and low tides; [5]
- (b) (i) vertical difference/difference in height between the highest high tide and the lowest low tide; [1]
- (ii) three of:
 alignment of Sun and Moon;
 geomorphology;
 wind;
 air pressure
 size of body of water/depth of water; [3]
- (c) (i) 13.2 metres; [1]
- (ii) 12 hours 21 minutes; R – 12:21 [1]
- (iii) 0.7 to 1.0 (m); [1]
- [Total: 12]**