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Answer **all** questions.
Write your answers in the spaces provided on the Question Paper.
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Answer any **three** questions.
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Section A

Answer **all** the questions.

- 1 (a) Fig. 1.1 shows *intercropping*. A legume, such as groundnuts, is being grown between rows of a cereal, such as maize.

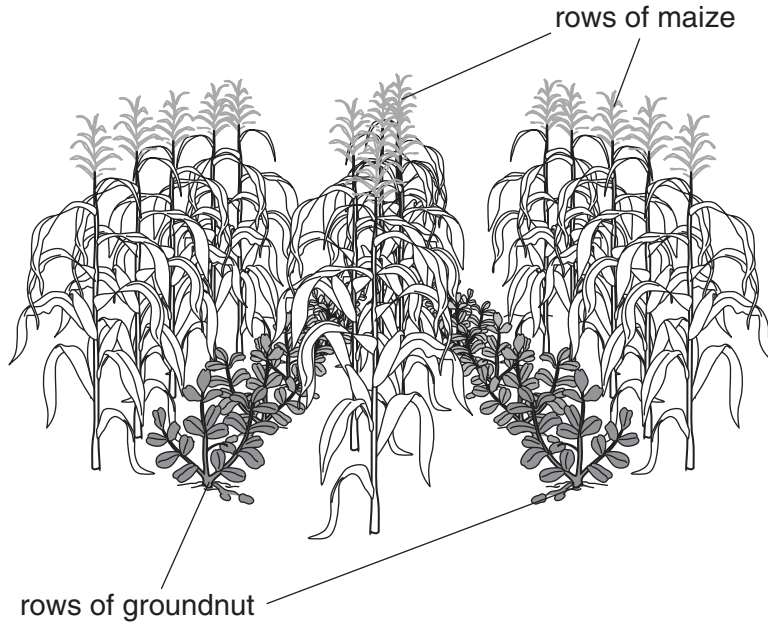


Fig. 1.1

Suggest **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of intercropping.

advantage

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disadvantage

.....[2]

(b) Fig. 1.2 shows a cross-section through a terraced hillside, used for growing crops.

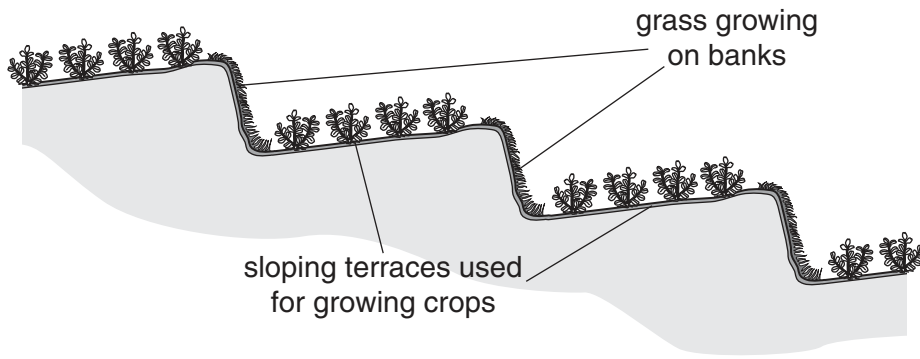


Fig. 1.2

(i) Explain why the terraces are sloping.

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(ii) Why is grass grown on the banks?

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[Total: 6]

- 2 Fig. 2.1 shows part of a label from an agricultural herbicide container.

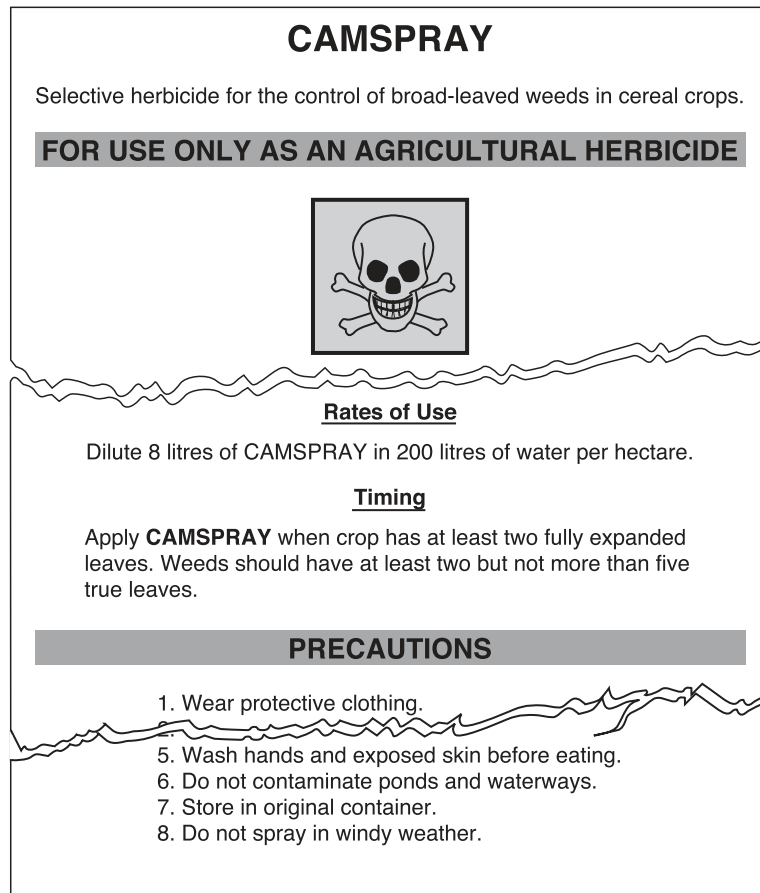


Fig. 2.1

- (a) Ten litres of water are put into a knapsack sprayer. How much herbicide should be mixed into this to make the correct dilution? Show your working.

Quantity of herbicide needed litres

[2]

- (b) (i) The label states that protective clothing should be worn when spraying. Fig. 2.2 shows a person about to begin spraying the herbicide.

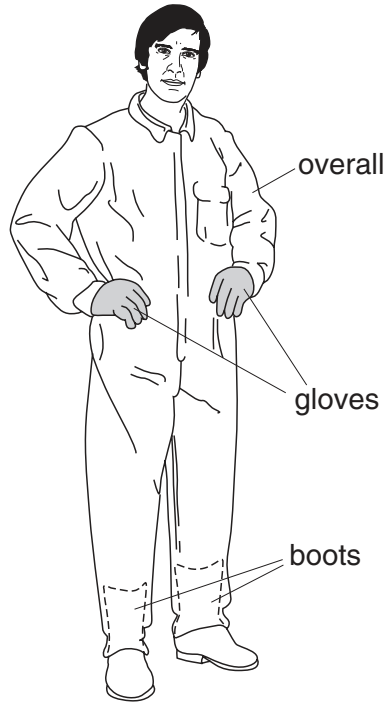


Fig. 2.2

Which other **essential** item of protective clothing should the person put on?

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- (ii) Explain why the herbicide should be stored in its original container.

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- (iii) Explain why spraying in windy weather should be avoided.

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(c) Fig. 2.3 shows fruit trees growing alongside a maize crop in a field.

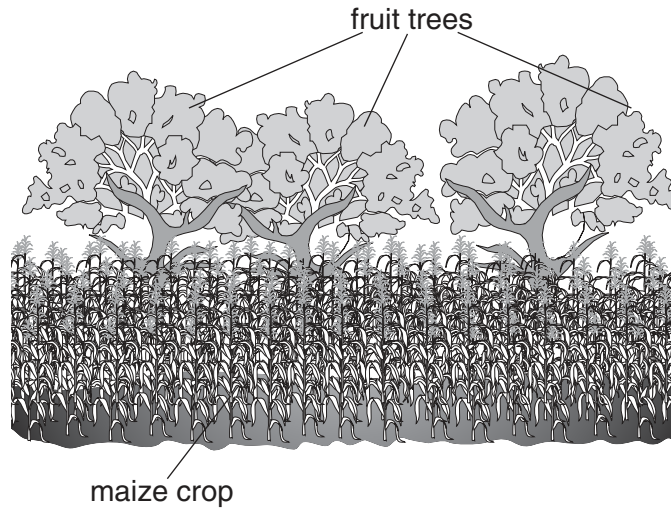


Fig. 2.3

The farmer sprayed the maize crop with insecticide at the time when the fruit trees were flowering. Later in the year the maize crop gave a good yield but the yield from the fruit trees was smaller than usual.

Suggest an explanation for these yields.

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.....[4]

[Total: 11]

- 3 Fig. 3.1 shows a plastic bag being used to protect fruit from damage by birds. After a few days water had collected in the bag.

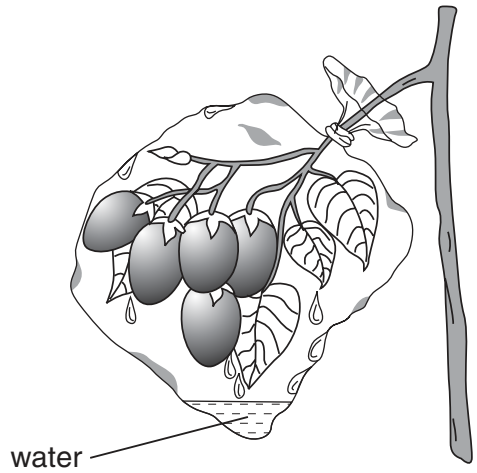


Fig. 3.1

- (a) Explain why water had collected in the bag.

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- (b) State and explain a problem that is likely to arise from the water in the bag.

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.....[2]

- (c) Suggest an alternative method of protecting the fruit from bird damage.

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.....[1]

[Total: 5]

4 Fig. 4.1 shows the yield of a cereal sown at different seed rates.



Fig. 4.1

(a) What is meant by *seed rate*?

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(b) What is the lowest seed rate shown on the bar chart that will give a yield of 4.2 tonnes per hectare?

..... [1]

(c) What is the percentage (%) increase in yield when the seed rate doubles from 25 per m² to 50 per m²? Show your working.

Increase in yield% [2]

(d) At seed rates above 50 seeds per m² there is no increase in yield.

Suggest why yield does not continue to increase with higher seed rates.

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 [3]

[Total: 7]

5 (a) Fig. 5.1 shows the digestive system of a non-ruminant animal.

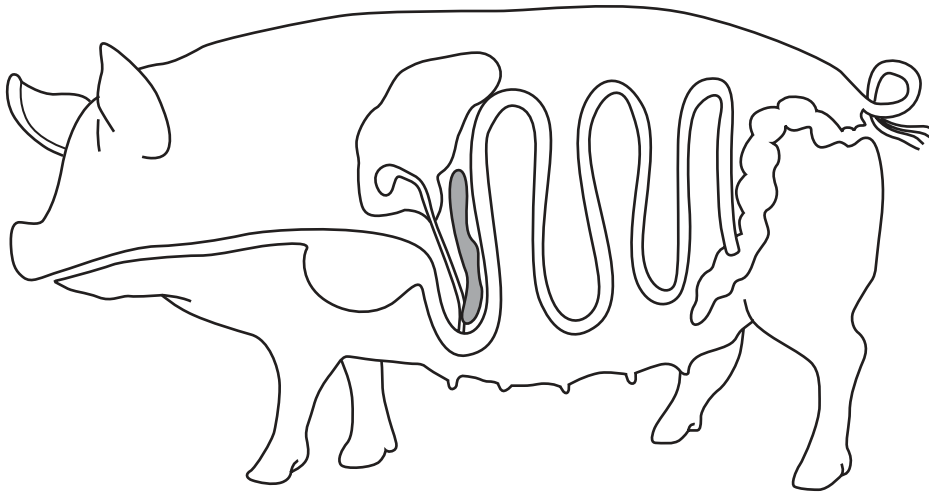


Fig. 5.1

On Fig. 5.1, name and label **three** structures where digestive enzymes are produced. [3]

(b) The major nutrients in an animal's diet are protein, carbohydrate and fat.

Suggest, with reasons, which nutrient should be increased in the diet of

(i) *a young, growing animal,*
reason,
 [2]

(ii) *an adult animal used for pulling a plough,*
reason.
 [2]

(c) Indicate with a ✓, the feedstuff which has the highest level of protein.

grass		cereal grains		bean meal	
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[1]

(d) Minerals are an essential part of an animal's diet.

Which mineral will be needed in increased quantities by a lactating animal?

..... [1]

[Total: 9]

6 (a) What is an *allele*?

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.....[2]

(b) In goats, the allele **A** for light coat is dominant to the allele **a** for dark coat. Using the symbols **A** and **a**, write the two homozygous genotypes for coat colour in goats and state the phenotypes that they produce.

1. *genotype* *phenotype*
2. *genotype* *phenotype* [2]

(c) *Inbreeding* is a technique used in livestock improvement.

(i) What is inbreeding?

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.....[1]

(ii) State **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of inbreeding in livestock.

advantage
.....
disadvantage
.....[2]

[Total: 7]

7 Fig. 7.1 shows stages in constructing a fence.

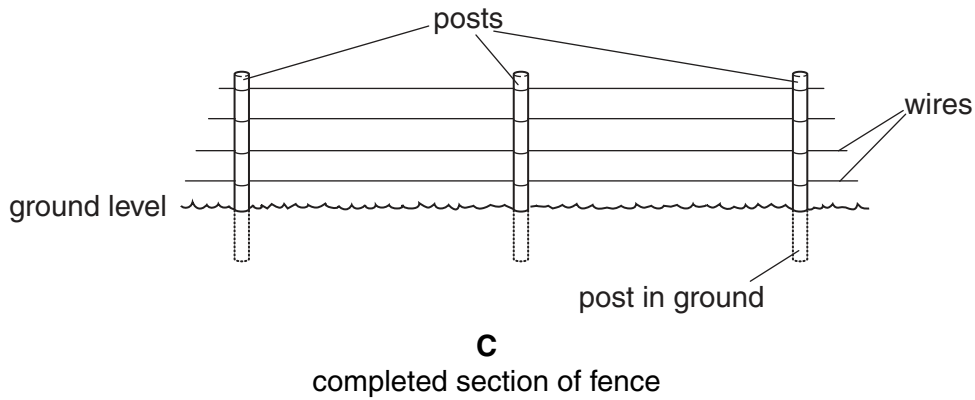
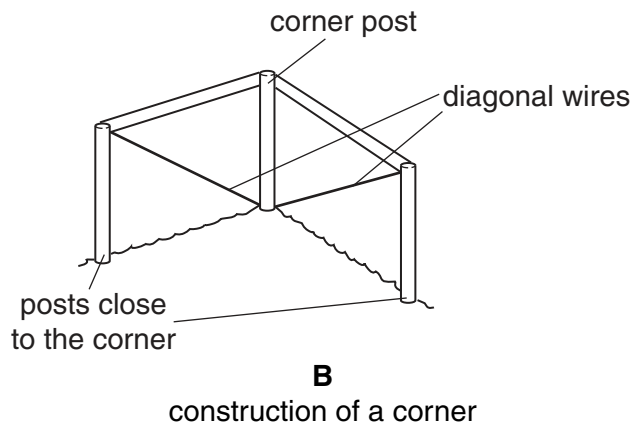
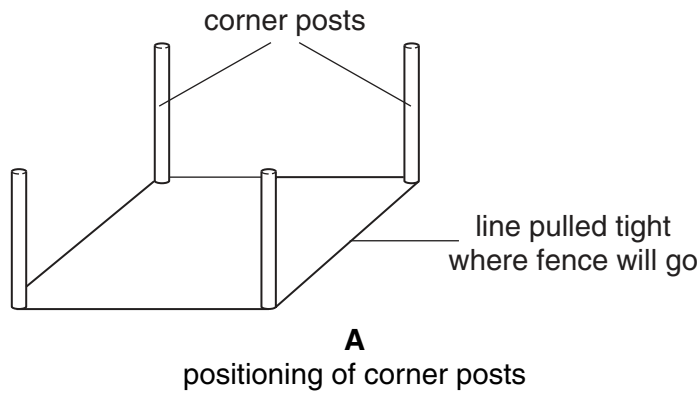


Fig. 7.1

(a) The first stage, **A**, shows the positioning of the corner posts.

Why are the corner posts put in first?

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.....[2]

(b) The second stage, **B**, shows the construction of a corner.

(i) What is the purpose of the two posts close to the corner post, held by diagonal wires?

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.....[2]

(ii) Where else in fence construction would extra posts and diagonal wires be used?

.....[1]

(c) (i) Which factor would determine how closely the strands of wire should be set in the fence shown in **C**?

.....[1]

(ii) Describe the way in which the fence posts in Fig. 7.1 could be set in the ground to make them firm.

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.....[3]

(d) State **one** other type of fencing that could be used on a farm.

.....[1]

[Total: 10]

Section B

Answer any **three** questions.

Write your answers on the separate answer paper provided.

- 8 (a)** For a **named** type of farm livestock that you have studied,
- (i) state the type of livestock and the products for which it is kept;
 - (ii) describe the routine care of the animals for one day. [7]
- (b)** State and explain the factors that should be considered when choosing a site for a new livestock house. [8]
- 9 (a)** Fertilisers may be inorganic chemicals or organic manure such as animal dung.
- Describe the advantages and disadvantages of the two types of fertiliser. [8]
- (b)** Design and describe an experiment that could be used to compare the effects of two fertilisers on crop production. [7]
- 10 (a) (i)** Name **three** grasses or legumes that may be sown to improve pasture used for grazing.
- (ii)** For the plants that you have named, describe the characteristics that make them suitable as pasture plants. [7]
- (b)** Explain the importance of controlling weeds in pasture. [3]
- (c) (i)** Describe one method of conserving grass for feeding to livestock during winter or the dry season.
- (ii)** Explain the reasons for doing this. [5]

- 11 (a) (i) List **four** sources of water that may be found on a farm and outline the uses for which each is suitable. [8]
- (ii) Explain why filtration is used in water treatment. [3]
- (b) Fig. 11.1 shows a section through a tap.

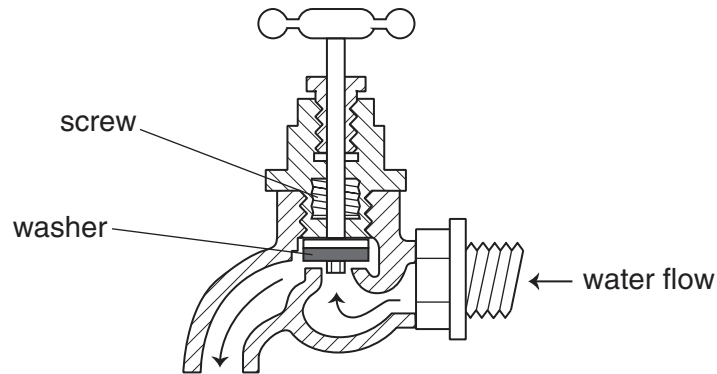


Fig. 11.1

Describe the method used to change the washer in the tap. [4]

- 12 (a) A four-stroke **petrol** engine uses spark ignition but a four-stroke **diesel** engine uses compression ignition. Describe how ignition is brought about in each case. [10]
- (b) State and explain the factors that a farmer would consider when deciding whether to change from animal power to mechanisation on a farm. [5]

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