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Unit 4: The Natural Environment and Species Survival

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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks
 if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero
 marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(a)	C; nucleus and large (80S) ribosomes		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(b)	A; algae have chloroplasts, the fungi do not		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1 (c)	 (advantage of sexual reproduction / meiosis) {genetically different / greater gene pool / greater genetic diversity /eq}; 		
	 (advantage of asexual reproduction / mitosis) faster / one of each organism needed / conserves advantageous alleles; 	2. Accept don't need a mate	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(d)(i)	C; area exposed to bright sunlight and protected from the wind		(1)

Question Number	Answ er	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(d)(ii)	1. idea of using a quadrat ;	Accept description of quadrat, use of photo and a grid	
	idea of {random / systematic} sampling (of wall);		
	 {count number of squares/ determine area} containing lichen /eq; 	3. NB reference to measuring percentage cover only is too vague as it is repeating stem of question	
	4. credit an indication of how the percentage was calculated;		(3)

Question Number	Answ er	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(d)(iii)	1. ref to use of light {probe / sensor /eq};	1 Accept description of a light sensor	
	2. idea of taking several measurements ;	2. Accept ref to places or times of day	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(d)(iv)	 plot a (scatter) graph of light intensity against lichen / eq; 		
	2. reference to looking for a correlation;	2. Accept ref to line of best fit, ref to	
	3. reference to use of statistics test;	correlation coefficient also gets Mp 3	
	4. appropriate named test eg Spearman's rank, Pearson;		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(a)(i)	Line to diagram feature {grana / thylakoids / thylakoid membrane / inter-granal membrane };	I gnore any labelling of the line	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(a)(ii)	A; ATP		(1)

Question Number	Answ er	Additional Guidance	Mark	
2(b)(i)	stroma ;	Accept phonetic spelling eg strona, stromma		
		Not stoma / stomata	(1)	

Question Number		Answ er	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(b)(ii)	Y.	RuBP / ribulose bisphosphate ;	Y. Accept ribulose biphosphate Not ribose	
	Z.	GP / glycerate (3) phosphate ;	Z. Accept (3) phosphoglyceric acid / (3) PG / PGA / 2-Hydroxy-3-phosphonooxypropanoic acid Not glyceraldehydes (3) phosphate / GALP	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(b)(iii)	RUBISCO / ribulose bisphosphate carboxylase (oxygenase);	Accept ribulose biphosphate carboxylase RUBISCO written in upper or lower case	
		or a mixture	
		Not ribose	(1)

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* 2(b)(iv)	QWC – Spelling of technical terms must be correct	QWC emphasis is spelling	
	and the answer must be organised in a logical	NB this is a question about the conversion of GP and the formation of starch, not its structure	
	sequence 1. idea of conversion (of GP/Z) to $GALP/eq$;	1. NB idea of conversion needed	
	2. using <i>ATP</i> and reduced <i>NADP</i> / eq ;	3. NB idea of conversion needed	
	 idea of conversion (of GALP) to {glucose / hexose} eq; 		
	4. (which is) a <i>glucose</i> ;		
	5. reference to formation of glycosidic bonds;	5. NB a reference to these bonds being formed must be made	
	6. these bonds are 1-4 and 1-6 (glycosidic bonds) / eq;		
	7. by condensation;		
	8. ref to amylose and amylopectin;		
	9. credit details of <i>amylose</i> e.g. straight chain, 1-4 bonds;		
	10.credit details of <i>amylopectin</i> eg branched, 1-4 and 1-6 bonds ;		(5)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(a)(i)	C; The number of fires in Mato Grosso each year is always higher than other areas;		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
* 3(a)(ii)	 (QWC - Spelling of technical terms must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence 1. reference to {fires / burning / eq} produces carbon dioxide; 2. which is a greenhouse gas; 3. idea that these gases {build up / remain / form a layer / increase} in (upper) atmosphere; 4. which {absorb / trap / eq} {heat energy / infrared / IR / eq}; 5. reflected from earth's surface; 6. idea that increased levels of these gases increase the greenhouse effect; 7. idea that (mean) temperature of earth's {surface / atmosphere} is increasing; 8. idea that less carbon dioxide {removed / used / eq} by photosynthesis; 	QWC emphasis clarity of expression 1. Accept carbon dioxide, water vapour, sulphur dioxide, oxides of nitrogen Not methane 2. NB do not penalise ref to methane twice 4. Accept long wavelength light	
	, eq. 5, photosynthesis ,		(5)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(b)(i)	 reference to biofuels being (possibly)carbon neutral; idea that {plants / crops} are used for biofuels; idea that carbon dioxide used for photosynthesis (by plants / in production of biofuels); 	1. Accept idea of no (net) change in carbon dioxide levels in atmosphere	
	4. idea of using biofuels to replace fossil fuels;		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(b)(ii)		Mark as pairs	
	 land has to be cleared to grow plants for biofuels / eq; 	1 Accept reference to deforestation of land to grow plants for biofuels	
	 burning produces carbon dioxide / the plants growing there would have been {photosynthesising / using carbon dioxide} / machinery uses fossil fuels / loss of habitat; 		
	OR		
	decomposition of dead plant material (after clearing) / eq;		
	4. produces carbon dioxide / eq;		
	OR		
	idea that the land could have been used for food production;		
	6. less food produced / eq;	6 Accept shortage of food, contributes to world hunger, idea of causing	
OR	OR	starvation	
	7. ref to use of fertilisers;		
	8. idea of eutrophication OR use oil-based products;		(2)

Question Number	Answ er	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(a)	 (rate of) { energy incorporated into / production of / eq} {biomass / organic material}; in {plants / producers}; 	2. Accept from photosynthesis	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(b)(i)	 very little GPP in seagrass / majority present in {microphytobenthos and phytoplankton / phytoplankton}; 	1. Accept only 2.5 to 5% in seagrass, 95% in micro and phyto, more than 50% or about 55% of phyto	
	(roughly) equal distribution (of GPP) between microphytobenthos and phytoplankton;	2. Accept about 50% in each Accept idea that GPP in microphytobenthos is slightly lower than in phytoplankton	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(b)(ii)	 idea of obtaining a value from the chart e.g. percentage, area, degrees, ratio; idea of how to use this to calculate GPP; 	I gnore units 1. Accept appropriate figures in range 50 - 55 % 2. Accept e.g. (percentage) multiplied by 8.4 x 10 ⁶ NB angle x 840 x 10 ⁶ = 2 marks 360 area of segment x 840 x 10 ⁶ = 2 marks area of circle	
			(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(b)(iii)	1. {more / fast / high / eq} photosynthesis;		
	2. water less {cloudy / churned up } /	2. Accept less current, less tidal	
	shallow water / high light penetration / eq ;		
	high {nutrient / carbon dioxide} levels in the sea / eq;		
	4. {high / optimum} temperatures;		
	5. high light intensity (in this area) / eq;		
	6. idea of less respiration ;		(2)
Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(c)	1. NPP = GPP - R / eq ;	1. Accept correct description in words	
	2. energy lost as heat / eq ;		
	named use of energy (released by respiration);	3. Accept e.g. movement, opening of flowers,	
		glycolysis, metabolic processes	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)(i)	{Met Gly Ile} / {methionine glycine isoleucine};	Not other abbreviations	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)(ii)	idea that each {triplet is discrete / base is only used once in a triplet / eq};	Accept a description of how the code could be read if overlapping	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(b)(i)	 idea that each amino acid needs a code; idea that {using three bases give enough codes / using less bases does not give 	Accept codons	
	enough codes}; 3. idea of three bases means there can be 64 {triplets / codes / combinations / eq};		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(b)(ii)	 idea that {effects of mutations are reduced / the amino acid may not be altered}; reference to the third base (being the one 	Accept description of effect Accept from a description of a specific example Accept always results in same amino acid Not similar amino acid	
	that can be changed with no effect);3. no effect on (resulting) {polypeptide / protein} / eq;	2 NB If mp 2 is awarded it will usually incorporate mp 1 as well = 2 marks	(2)
Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(c)	 reference to (TAA, TAG and TGA as) stop codons; occur at the end of the gene (on the DNA) / eq; reference to transcribed as mRNA / eq; 	1. Not codes, triplets	

4.	. as AUU, AUC and ACU ;		
5.	. idea that they are recognised by ribosome ;		
6.	. idea that they signal the end of the polypeptide (chain);	Accept stops the synthesis of the polypeptide / the polypeptide is finished	
7.	. reference to (during) translation ;		(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(d)		Accept mp 1 and 2 from correctly drawn and labelled diagram	
	1. ref to peptide {bond / link};		
	2. between (amino group / NH ₃ / NH ₄ ⁺ } and {carboxyl group / COOH / COO ⁻ };	2. NB formulae must be correct if only these are given	
	3. ref to condensation (reaction);		
	4. idea of role of {tRNA / ribosome / enzymes / correctly named enzyme} in joining	4. Accept e.g. hold the amino acids next to each	
	amino acids together ;	other, ribosome contains enzyme	(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(a)		NB piece answers together throughout Accept only matched structures	
	 bacteria are cells, viruses are {not / particles}; 	. ,	
	 idea of bacteria surrounded by {cell wall / slime / capsule } , viruses surrounded by {protein / capsids / envelope}; 	2. Accept for envelope: membrane / phospholipid layer / eq	
	 bacteria have { plasmids / ribosomes / other named structure} , viruses do not have {plasmids / ribosomes / other named structure } ; 	3. Accept bacteria have membranes, flagella cytoplasm, glycogen, lipid droplets	
	 bacteria (genome) are DNA, viruses can be DNA or RNA; 		
	 bacterial DNA is double-stranded, viral genetic material is single (or double) stranded / eq; 	6. Not in context of plasmid	
	 idea that bacteria have {circular / eq} genetic material, viruses have {linear / straight} genetic material; 	o. Not in context of plasmin	(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)(i)	1. reference to humoral (immune) response ;		
	<pre>2. reference to {phagocytosis / eq} by {phagocytes /named phagocyte} ;</pre>	2. Accept dendritic cells / Langerhans cells / B cells	
	reference to macrophages as { antigen- presenting cells / APCs} (to T helper cells);	3 Accept dendritic cells / Langerhans cells	
	 reference to B cells as { antigen-presenting cells / APCs} (to itself); 	4. Accept antigen binds to B cells	
	idea that T helper cells release cytokines for B cell {activation / stimulation};		
	 idea of B cells {forming clones / dividing /eq} (to form B effector cells); 	6. Not to form plasma cells	
	 reference to {differentiation of B cells into plasma cells / formation of plasma cells from B cells} (subsequent to cloning); 		(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)(ii)	 reference to {opsonisation / antibodies bind to bacteria / eq}; 	1. Not reference to killing bacteria	
	2. (as a result) enhancing phagocytosis / eq;	2. Accept easier, better	
	reference to {immobilisation / agglutination / eq } (of bacteria);		
	4. idea of antibodies neutralising toxins / eq;		(2)

Question Number		Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)(iii)	1.	idea that the immune response will be weaker;	Accept in context of either humoral or cell-mediated immune response	
	2.	person may not recover from this infection / eq;		
	3.	<pre>idea of {other (opportunistic) infection / cancer};</pre>		
	4.	reference to cytokines released from {T helper / CD4 } cells ;		
	5.	<pre>idea that cytokines are involved in {activation / division } of {B cells / T killer cells};</pre>	6. Accept e.g. no antibody produced by plasma cells	
	6.	credit consequence of impaired B cell function ;	7. Accept e.g. infected cells not destroyed	
	7.	credit consequence of impaired T killer cell function ;		(4)

Question Number		Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(a)	1.	reference to enzymes {killing / destroying / eq} (microorganisms);	Accept lysozymes / enzymes in saliva Accept enzymes destroying viruses	
	2.	reference to {stomach acid / hydrochloric acid / HCl} {killing / destroying / eq} (microorganisms) ;	2. Accept acid destroying viruses	
			3. Not viruses	
	3.	reference to lack of oxygen affecting (microorganisms);		
	4.	idea of competition by gut flora with (microorganisms);	4. Not viruses	
	5.	idea that insufficient numbers of (microorganisms) (to cause food poisoning);	6. Not pathogens	
	6.	<pre>idea that the (microorganisms) may not be {pathogenic/ harmful / cause food poisoning} ;</pre>	, J	
	7.	reference to (immediate) vomiting to remove (microorganisms);		
				(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(i)	1. reference to synthesis of RNA;	1. Accept mRNA	
	using host cell {enzymes / named enzyme / (RNA) nucleotides};	2. Not reverse transcriptase	
	3. reference to synthesis of (viral) proteins ;		
	 using host cell {enzymes / named enzyme / amino acids / ribosomes / tRNA / ATP}; 		
	reference to assembly of {viruses / particles} (inside cells);	5. Accept protein and RNA {form / make / eq} {viruses / particles}	(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(ii)	 idea of a delay (up to 24 hours) whilst viral particles are replicating / eq; 		
	idea that a virus can {result in many particles being formed / replicate very fast};	2. Accept reference to lytic cycle	
	3. idea that more host cells infected ;		(2)
Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(iii)	 reference to the {hand wash / alcohol} not affecting the virus; 	1. Not does not kill virus	
	reference to (noro) virus {not having an envelope / surrounded by protein / eq};	2. Accept surrounded by a capsid	
	 alcohol does not {damage protein coat / penetrate} virus / eq; 		
	 protein is hydrophilic / alcohol is an organic solvent / eq; 		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(a)	idea of organisms that breed to produce fertile offspring;	Ignore reproductively isolated Ignore viable	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(b)	1. idea of geographical isolation ;		
	 idea of different {environmental conditions / habitats / eq}; 		
	3. reference to different selection pressures ;		
	4. idea that mutation resulted in {adaptation / increased survival};		
	idea of {decrease in gene flow / different alleles};		
	6. ref to reproductive isolation ;		
	7. credit suitable example e.g. different songs, incompatible genitals ;		(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(c)	 idea of descending from common ancestor ; 	Accept same for similar throughout	
	2. idea of living in similar habitats ;	2. Accept place / environment / area	
	idea of similar (environmental) {conditions / factors};		
	4. idea of similar selection pressures ;		
	5. idea that both well-adapted ;		
	6. idea that mutations have not changed appearance;		
	7. idea of similar gene pool ;		(3)

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