

Mark Scheme (Results)

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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 judgment 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.
- Mark schemes will indicate within the table where, and which strands of QWC, are being assessed. The strands are as follows:

i) ensure that text is legible and that spelling, punctuation and grammar are accurate so that meaning is clear

ii) select and use a form and style of writing appropriate to purpose and to complex subject matter

iii) organise information clearly and coherently, using specialist vocabulary when appropriate

Question	Answer	NOT	Mark
Number			
1(a)(i)	mitosis ;	meiosis	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(a)(ii)	 idea of making a slide of T cells (from blood / lymph nodes); reference to named stain eg acetic orcein; credit correct details of method eg heating stain, using acid; idea of looking for mitotic features; 	 ACCEPT acetocarmine, Feulgens, Schiffs, toluidine blue ACCEPT idea of adding coverslip ACCEPT stages of mitosis 	(3)

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(b)	 reference to cytokines (from T helper cells) ; 		
	 idea of involvement in { humoral response / activating B cells / eq} ; 	2. ACCEPT stimulating, switching on NOT producing	
	3. idea of antibody production by plasma cells ;		
	 idea of involvement in { cell mediated response / activating T killer cells / eq}; 	4. ACCEPT stimulating	
	5. idea of T killer cells destroying infected (host) cells ;	5. ACCEPT killer cells NOT natural killer cells	(3)

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
1(c)(i)	A cytoplasm :	(1)
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Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
1(c)(ii)	C mitochondrion ;	(1)

Question Number	Answer	NOT	Mark
1(d)(i)	golgi / golgi body / golgi apparatus ;		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(d)(ii)	 reference to protein { modification / packaging / eq} ; eg cytokines ; eg CD4 (antigens / receptors) ; idea of exocytosis (of synthesised proteins) ; 	<pre>2. and 3. ACCEPT T cell receptor, protein that binds to MHC</pre>	(3)

Question Number	Answer				Mark
2(a)			-		
	Feature	All viruses	Som e viruses	Not found in viruses	
	Cytoplasm			×	
	DNA		×		
	Protein coat (capsid)	×			(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(b)(i)		IGNORE refs to accuracy	
	 idea that long error bars indicate low reliability / short error bars indicate high reliability}; 	1. ACCEPT range bars, standard deviation, SD	
	2. idea that reliability of later data is greater ;	2. ACCEPT range bars, standard	
	 reference to overlapping error bars (less reliable); 	deviation, SD	
			(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(b)(ii)		NB mps 1, 2 and 4 can be awarded if response is referring to penetration of virus into host cell	
		ACCEPT Mps in context of bacteria instead of viruses	
	1. idea that membrane proteins are involved ;		
	2. idea that { proteins / receptors} bind to the virus particles ;		
	 idea that membrane needs to { be fluid / change shape / eq} ; 	3. ACCEPT cell needs to change shape, extensions form, pseudopodia form	
	 reference to movement of phospholipids (within membrane) ; 	4. IGNORE ref. to proteins moving	
	5. (to bring about) { phagocytosis / endocytosis / engulfing} ;		(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(c)(i)	idea that viruses are non-living ;	ACCEPT viruses do not have the target sites for antibiotics	(1)

Question Number	Answ	er	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(c)(ii)	1.	use of hand washes / eq ;		
	2.	reduce proximity of patients to each other / isolation / eq ;		
	3.	reference to suitable dress eg masks, no jewellery ;	3. ACCEPT hair covering, tying, no ties	
	4.	reference to suitable washing of { bedding / cutlery / cups / eq} ;		
	5.	reference to correct disposal of { dressings / needles / eq} ;		
	6.	reference to screening of { patients / visitors} ;	7 ACCEPT use disinfectants	
	7.	reference to { sterilizing equipment / disinfecting surfaces / eq} ;	IGNORE antiseptics	
				(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(a)(i)	 (rate of) { production of / energy incorporated into / eq} { biomass / organic material / eq} ; reference to { losses in respiration / GPP - respiration / eq} ; in { producers / plants} ; 	 NOT energy { converted / turned into} ACCEPT tissue ACCEPT equation written in words 	(2)

Question	Answ	er	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number				
3(a) (ii)	1.	idea that NPP depends on photosynthesis ;		
	2.	higher the temperature the more NPP ;		
	3.	enzymes in { photosynthesis / (anabolic) chemical reactions / eq} { can work faster / have more kinetic energy / eq} ;	3. ACCEPT more enzyme-substrate complexes / more collisions of enzyme and substrate molecules / more energetic collisions	
	4.	increase in rainfall increases NPP ;		
	5.	idea of water needed for light-dependent reaction ;	5.ACCEPT photolysis	
	6.	reference to role of water in transport of { mineral ions / amino acids / sucrose / eq} ;		(5)
				(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(a) (iii)	 idea that shape would be similar / credit a { description / sketch} of the graph; idea that the { line would be higher / increase in GPP would be greater} (than NPP) ; idea that GPP has to be higher than NPP as respiration has to be subtracted from GPP; 	NB award 1 mark for idea that GPP would increase as rainfall increases as photosynthesis is faster, if no other marks awarded	(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(b)	1. correct subtraction (2800-1750 / 1050) ; 2. 1050 x 100 / 5300 (= 19.8 / 19.81 / 20) ;	NB Correct bald answer = 2 marks 2. C.E. eg 2800 x 100 / 5300 = 52.8 / 53	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(a)	{ fatty acids / named fatty acid / eq} and { glycerol / propane triol / eq} ;	IGNORE numbers given IGNORE references to saturated or unsaturated	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(b)	1. idea that enzyme activity increases up to 60 ⁰ C and then drops ;	ACCEPT references to lipase and triglycerides throughout 1. piece together	
	 idea of increase in temperature results in increase in kinetic energy ; 		
	3. resulting in more { collisions / energetic collisions} / enzyme-substrate complexes / eq} ;		
	4. idea that enzyme is denaturing (above 60°C) ;	 NOT idea that enzyme starts to denature at 60°C 	
	5. due to { vibrations of within the enzyme / bonds changing / eq} ;	6. ACCEPT subtraction, division, %	
	6. credit manipulation of figures e.g. 30 to 60°C increases by 55 a.u. ;		(5)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4(c)(i)	D valid ;	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4(c)(ii)	D 70 ⁰ C - 100 ⁰ C ;	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)(i)	1. idea of pollen { transferring / eq} genetic material ;	ACCEPT nucleus for gamete	
	2. reference to pollen tube is { formed / eq} from the pollen ;		
	 idea that pollen tube grows to { ovary / ovule / female gamete / micropyle /eq}; 		
	 reference to { fertilisation / fusion} of the female gamete and the male gamete ; 	4. ACCEPT egg cell IGNORE generative	
	<pre>5. producing a { (diploid) zygote / diploid cell} ;</pre>	nucleus	
	6. idea of cell division (in formation of embryo plant)		
	,	6.ACCEPT mitosis	(4)

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
5(a)(ii)	 starch is a { polysaccharide / polymer of glucose / eq} so stores energy / eq ; 		
	 Idea of compact so { lots of energy stored / more can be stored} ; 	2. IGNORE occupies less space	
	3. insoluble ;		
	4. idea it does not affect osmotic potential / eq ;		
	5. { branches / 1-6 glycosidic bonds} (in amylopectin) / eq ;		
	6. breaks down quickly / eq ;	6. IGNORE references to easily broken down	
			(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(b)		IGNORE references to animals, that are not decomposers, eating the leaves	
	 reference to { bacteria / fungi / named decomposer} (involved in decomposition) ; 	Mps 2, 3, 7 and 9 relate to tannins	
	2. idea that tannins absorbed by the { microorganisms / decomposers / eq} ;		
	3. reference to tannins killing the { microorganisms / decomposers / eq } / eq ;		
	 4. idea of enzymes involved in { breakdown / eq} of { organic molecules / organic matter / eq (in leaves) } ; 	4.ACCEPT named organic molecule	
	5. credit named enzyme eg amylase ;	e.g. starch	
	6. credit description of hydrolysis eg starch to maltose ;		
	7. idea that tannins may inhibit the enzymes ;		
	 idea that there are only a few organisms that can decompose the leaves (which is why decomposition takes a long time); 	7. IGNORE denaturing	
	9. idea that decomposition cannot happen until tannins		(4)

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Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(a)	1. idea that area varies (from 1970 to 2000) ;	1. do not piece this statement	
	2. description of a change in 1970s eg red areas disappear ;	2. IGNORE ref fluctuations in Mp2, 3	
	 description of a change in 1980s eg red areas increase towards the end ; 		
	 description of a change in 1990s eg red areas increase to 1995 ; 	4.ACCEPT increases and decreases in 1990s	(2)
	5. credit correct manipulation of figures ;		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)	idea that { there were no damaged trees / there were no beetles / survey had not started / photographic equipment not available / technology not available / no one realised what 'red areas' were / no records were kept (of the red areas) } ;	IGNORE planes not invented	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(c)	 idea that temperature affects { enzyme activity / metabolic reactions / eq}; 	1.ACCEPT named metabolic reaction e.g. photosynthesis	
	 idea that { growth / reproduction / life cycle / eq} of beetles is affected ; 	5	
	 credit appropriate comment about availability of food in relation to temperature ; 		
	 credit appropriate comment about numbers of (competitors / predators); 		
	5. beetles die if conditions very cold / eq ;		
	 credit appropriate comment about availability of food in relation to lack of water (due to high temperatures); 		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(d)	 idea that before 1970 the temperature was { low / below the mean} and there was no 'red area'; idea that before 1970 the drought index was { low / below the mean} and there was no 'red area'; idea that as the temperature increases so does the 'red area'; idea that as the drought index increases so does the 'red area'; 	NB if years are quoted they must be sensible ACCEPT converse for mp3,4,5 and 6	(3)

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(e)			
	1. idea that this is a relatively short period of time ;	1. ACCEPT no data before 1970	
	2. data only relates to { Alaska / one country /eq} / eq ;	2. 'not enough data' = 1 mark if neither mp 1 nor mp 2 awarded	
	 { beetles / trees} may be affected by another (appropriate) factor ; 	3. ACCEPT size of red area	
	4. idea of only a correlation ;		
	5. periods of {drought / high temperatures} do not always coincide with years with large areas of 'red area';		
	6. reference to fluctuations in data ;		
	7. no information about number of measurements of { temperature / drought index} ;		
	8. no information on { validity of investigation /		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
7(a)	D stiffening of the muscles ;	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(i)	1. correct values read from graph (57 to 57.5 & 12.5);	NB Correct bald answer = 2 marks	
	2. correct subtraction (= to 44.5 to 45);	2. C.E.	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(ii)	 idea that (drop in) core temperature is related to time after death ; 	1. ACCEPT reference to loss of (body) heat	
	 idea that the drop in core temperature depends on ambient temperature ; 		
	idea of using a { calibration / cooling} curve ;		
	4. idea that temperature affects rigor mortis ;		
	5. idea that evidence can be combined ;	5.ACCEPTtemperature and rigor mortis are both used ;	(2)

Question Number	Answ	er	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(iii)	1.	stated factor and effect on { heat loss / body temperature / drop in temperature} ;	NB ACCEPT converse throughout	
	2.	idea of more heat loss gives an under-estimate	ACCEPT the estimate would be shorter	
		OR idea of less heat loss gives an over-estimate ;	ACCEPT the estimate would be longer	
		ACCEPT any of the following factors that reduce heat loss:		
		clothing / eq		
		{ large / fat} person / high BMI		
		body { curled up / buried / in water / covered / in still air / in humid conditions / eq}		
		{ body temperature / fever / eq} (at time of death)		
		ACCEPT any of the following factors that increases heat loss:		
		(large) wounds / (lots of) bleeding /eq		
		body moved from a cooler area / eq		
	OR			
	3.	{ activity / exercise / eq} (at time of death) ;		
	4.	Less ATP / speeds up rigor (mortis) / over-estimate / eq ;	4.ACCEPT less glucose, glycogen, oxygen, more lactic acid	(2)

Question Number	Answ	er	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(c)	QV	VC assessing clarity of expression		
	1.	idea of using a range of temperatures ;	1. ACCEPT 5 temperatures / 5 stated temperatures, min -1 0°C and max 50°C	
	2.	in a { water bath / incubator} ;		
	3.	idea that timing starts when a new stage of life cycle appears ;	ACCEPT { measuring length of stage / time to develop into next stage} for 1 mark	
	4.	and ends when the next stage appears ;		
	5.	idea that several organisms should be used at each temperature ;	5. ACCEPT repeat	
	6.	idea of providing food for organism ;	7. IGNORE light, pH, amount	
	7.	reference to appropriate controlled variable e.g. humidity, mass of food, species ;	011000	
	8.	idea that total length of life cycle can be{ measured directly /		(5)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(a)	 reference to triplet coding system ; 	1. ACCEPT reference to triplet codons / 3 bases coding for	
	 idea that sequence of bases determines { order of amino acids / primary (protein) structure /eq} ; 	amino acid	
	 reference to importance of { primary structure / eq} in { folding / 3D structure / tertiary structure / eq} of protein ; 		
	4. idea of start sequences ;		
	5. Idea of stop codons ;		
			(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
8*(b)	QWC – emphasis spelling		
	1. reference to <i>transcription</i> ;	1. ACCEPT transcribed	
	 reference to { post-transcriptional modification / splicing} of (pre-) mRNA ; 	2. ACCEPT post-transcriptional changes	
	3. reference to <i>spliceosomes</i> ;		
	4. reference to removal of <i>introns</i> ;	5 ACCEPT the idea that not all	
	5. idea that <i>exons</i> are arranged in different combinations ;	exons are used	
	6. idea that the (m)RNAs are different ;	ambiguous	
	7. reference to <i>translation</i> ;	7.AUGEPT translated	
	8. idea of different { <i>primary structure / sequence</i> of <i>amino acids</i> } ;		
	9. idea that this results in different <i>bonds</i> ;		(6)

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