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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.

Mark schemes have been developed so that the rubrics of each mark scheme reflects the characteristics of the skills within the AO being targeted and the requirements of the command word. So for example the command word 'Explain' requires an identification of a point and then reasoning/justification of the point.

Explain questions can be asked across all AOs. The distinction comes whether the identification is via a judgment made to reach a conclusion, or, making a point through application of knowledge to reason/justify the point made through application of understanding. It is the combination and linkage of the marking points that is needed to gain full marks.

When marking questions with a 'describe' or 'explain' command word, the detailed marking guidance below should be consulted to ensure consistency of marking.

Assessment Objective		Command Word	
Strand	Element	Describe	Explain
AO1*		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description	An explanation that links identification of a point with reasoning/justification(s) as required
AO2		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description, showing application of knowledge and understanding	An explanation that links identification of a point (by applying knowledge) with reasoning/justification (application of understanding)
AO3	1a and 1b	An answer that combines points of interpretation/evaluation to provide a logical description	
AO3	2a and 2b		An explanation that combines identification via a judgment to reach a conclusion via justification/reasoning
AO3	3a	An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description of the plan/method/experiment	
AO3	3b		An explanation that combines identifying an improvement of the experimental procedure with a linked justification/reasoning

^{*}there will be situations where an AO1 question will include elements of recall of knowledge directly from the specification (up to a maximum of 15%). These will be identified by an asterisk in the mark scheme.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)	An explanation linking:		(2)
	 exercise {requires energy/ uses respiration} (1) 	accept burns calories	AO 1 1
	• {obtain from/reducing} fat (1)		
		accept sweating causes water loss for 1 mark	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(b)	An explanation linking two of the following:		(2)
	 reduces the volume of the stomach (1) 		AO 2 1
	so it reduces food intake (1)	accept restricts the amount of food entering the stomach	
	 so stored {fat/lipids} is used up (1) 		

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(c)(i)	Substitution (1) 72÷1.81 ²	accept 72÷3.2761	(3)
			AO 1 1
	Evaluation (1) = 21.977 / 21.98 / 22	award 2 marks for correct evaluation	
	3 s.f. (1) 22.0	award full marks for correct numerical answer without working accept 21.9 for 2	
		marks	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(c)(ii)	 the BMI shows male A is overweight but his waist:hip ratio {shows he is not abdominally obese / is below 0.9/is healthy} (1) male A's weight distribution is 	accept male A's	(2) AO 3 2a AO 3 2b
	not around the {vital organs/abdomen} (1)	weight is distributed evenly over the body	
		accept more weight on the hips than the waist	
		accept mass for weight	

Total for Question 1 = 9 marks

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(i)	(2 x 5.0 x 2.0) + (2 x 5.0 x 2.0) + (2 x 2.0 x 2.0) or 20 + 20 + 8 (1)	Allow full marks for correct final answer	(2) AO 1 1
	48.0	accept 48	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(ii)	chip B has greater surface area (1)	accept chip B is bigger / has more cells	(2) AO 3 2a
	 therefore more water {absorbed / moved into the potato chip} (1) 		AO 3 2b

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(iii)	An explanation that links the following: • (cells) lose water / become plasmolysed (1)	accept get smaller/shrink/lose	(3) AO 1 1
	followed by(water moves out) by osmosis (1)	mass	
	from a high concentration of water molecules (in the potato) to a low concentration of water molecules (in the solution) / through the partially permeable membrane (to the salt solution) (1)	accept from low solute concentration to a high solute concentration accept from high to low water potential	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)	An explanation that links:no chloroplasts (in the potato) (1)	accept fewer chloroplasts /chlorophyll (in the potato)	(2) AO 2 1
	(as there is no light) for photosynthesis / potato cells do not photosynthesise / ORA (1)	more amyloplasts	
		/ starch grains in the potato (1) for storage (1)	

Total for Question 2 = 9 marks

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(i)	Any two from:		(2)
	wash hands after contact (1)	accept hand gels	AO 2 2
	 avoid direct contact / wear {gloves/protective clothes} (1) 		
	• wear a (protective) mask (1)	accept protect your face	
	• sterilise equipment {before /after} use (1)	Tace	
		be immunised (1)	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(ii)	subtraction 5943 - 2830 = 3113 (1)	accept 5943 - 2830 ÷ 2830	(2) AO 2 1
	3113 ÷2830 x 100 = 110 %	award full marks for correct numerical answer without working	
		accept other valid methods for the calculation	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3(a)(iii)	A it does not have flagella	(1)
	1. The only correct answer is A	AO 2 1
	B is not correct because plasmids do not allow motility.	
	C is not correct because it does have ribosomes.	
	D is not correct because acrosomes are not found in bacteria.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3(b)	 D testing using cultured cells → testing in healthy volunteers → double blind trials on patients 	(1) AO 1 1
	1. The only correct answer is D	
	A is not correct because the medicine is tested on cultured cells first.	
	B is not correct because double blind trials are used after testing in healthy volunteers.	
	C is not correct because the medicine is tested on cultured cells first.	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(c)	An answer linking three of the following:exposure to the {toxin/antigen/pathogen/bacteria} (1)	accept immunised /vaccinated	(3) AO 2 1
	• stimulates an immune response (1)		
	 production of { (B) lymphocytes /antibodies} (1) 	accept antitoxins	
	• production of memory lymphocytes (1)		

Total for Question 3 = 9 marks

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(a)	Any three from:		(3)
	have the potential to produce any cell type (1)	accept can turn into many cell types /pluripotent /totipotent	AO 2 1
	 no need to use embryonic stem cells (1) 	accept embryos do not need to be killed	
	less chance of patient rejecting their own cells (1)		
	 used to treat conditions which are currently incurable / used for cell transplants /used to replace faulty cells (1) 	accept named conditions e.g Parkinson's / diabetes	
		ignore references to cloning body parts / replace organs / treat cancer unless qualified	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4(b)(i)	$B R \rightarrow Q \rightarrow S \rightarrow P$	(1)
		AO 3 1b
	1. The only correct answer is B	
	A is not correct because Q is after R	
	C is not correct because S is after Q	
	D is not correct because R is before Q and S	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4(b)(ii)	A anaphase	(1)
		AO 3 1a
	1. The only correct answer is A	
	B is not correct because R is prophase	
	C is not correct because P is telophase	
	D is not correct because Q is metaphase	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(b)(iii)	Any two from:		(2)
	DNA is replicated (1)	accept DNA duplicates /chromosomes duplicate	AO 1 1
	 production of cell {components /proteins / organelles}(1) 	accept sub-cellular structures / named structures	
	 { metabolic activities / cell reactions} occur / cell growth(1) 		
		chromosomes coil up / condense (1)	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(c)			(2)
	 selection of 40 x objective 	accept other	
	lens (1)	combinations that	AO 1 2
		multiply together to	
		make 400 x with the	
		eye piece as equal or	
	 combines with 10 x eye piece lens (1) 	the lower power	
		accept use two lenses	
		with correct	
		magnification to make	
		400x for 1 mark	

Total for Question 4 = 9 marks

Question Number	Answer	Mark
5(a)(i)	B substrate	(1)
	1. The only correct answer is B	AO 2 1
	A is not correct because oxygen and water are the products	
	C is not correct because the active site is part of the catalase enzyme	
	D is not correct because a control would using water and not hydrogen peroxide	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(a)(ii)	 mass is a variable/ controlling a variable (1) 	accept the idea that different masses would	(2)
		need more or less oxygen/rise quicker or slower	AO 2 2
	 so the results could be compared/equal amount of catalase in each reaction (1) 	ignore references to fair test or reliable results accept enzyme for catalase	

Question	Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		guidance	
5(a)(iii)	Any two from:		(2)
	temperature (1)		AO
			3 3b
	volume of hydrogen peroxide (1)	ignore amount of hydrogen peroxide	
		accept mass for volume	
	the distance the potato had to rise (1)		
	pH (1)		
	size of test tube (1)		
	age/variety/type of potato (1)	accept all discs from the same potato	
	surface area of potato (1)	James potato	
		the same stock solution of	
		hydrogen peroxide (1)	

Question Number	Answer		Mark
5(b) (i)	Conclusion for 1 mark		(4)
	 increasing the concentration of hydrogen peroxide {increases the rate of reaction/decreases the time taken for the disc to rise} (1) 		AO 3 2a AO 3 2b
	and any three from:		
	 provides more substrate (1) increases collisions (1) more active sites occupied (1) forming more enzyme-substrate 	accept hydrogen peroxide for substrate	
	complexes (1)		
	oxygen is released faster (1)	accept more oxygen released	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(ii)	substitution $1 \div 75 = 0.013333 / 0.01$ (1)	2 marks for correct answer to 3 decimal	(2)
	correct number of decimal places 0.013 (s ⁻¹) (1)	places with no working	AO 2 2

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(iii)	substrate is not the rate limiting factor/all active sites (of catalase) are occupied	accept the {enzyme/another factor} is the limiting factor	(1) AO 2 1

Total for Question 5 = 12 marks

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(a)(i)	An explanation linking two of the following:		(2)
	 cut the {plasmid/gene/DNA} with a restriction enzyme (1) 	accept vector for plasmid	AO 1 1
	 insert the gene into the plasmid using ligase (1) 		
	 gene and plasmid have the same sticky ends / complementary sticky ends (1) 		

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(a)(ii)	An evaluation that combines		(3)
	three of the following points:		
			AO 2 1
	At least one from benefits	Max of 2 marks for	
		benefits.	
	 (yeast grows rapidly) 		
	increasing yield (1)		
	it can be produced in a		
	shorter time period (1)		
	• production is		
	 production is cheaper/easier to extract 		
	(1)		
	 takes up less space than 		
	growing plants (1)		
	 yeast growth is not 		
	weather dependent (1)		
		Max of 2 marks for risks.	
	At least one from risks		
	concerns over the		
	genetically modified		
	yeast being manufactured illegally		
	(1)		
	the painkillers may not	accept possible health	
	be identical/as effective	risks of painkillers from	
	(1)	GM yeast	
	 concerns over GM 		
	organisms entering		
	environment (1)		

Question Number	Answer	Mark
6(b)(i)	C sugar	(1)
	1. The only correct answer is C	AO 1 1
	A is not correct because the base is the rectangle	
	B is not correct because the phosphate is the circle	
	D is not correct because a polymer is composed of repeated subunits	

Question Number	Indicative content	Mark
	 DNA sequences DNA has 4 different bases changes in the DNA are mutations results in different alleles for these genes affects the phenotype / produces variation Outcome of DNA sequencing for the individual	(6) AO 1 1
	 identify genetic diseases identify the risk of developing diseases impact of knowing that a disease could develop allow the individual to modify their lifestyle to reduce risk 	
	 Impact on medical treatment HGP has determined the location of genes/determined the function of proteins we have a better understanding of some diseases take preventative medicine provide tailor-made medical treatments/personalised medicines 	

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1–2	 Demonstrates elements of biological understanding, some of which is inaccurate. Understanding of scientific ideas lacks detail. (AO1) Presents an explanation with some structure and coherence. (AO1)
Level 2	3–4	 Demonstrates elements of biological understanding, which is mostly relevant but may include some inaccuracies. Understanding of scientific ideas is not fully detailed and/or developed. (AO1) Presents an explanation that has a structure which is mostly clear, coherent and logical. (AO1)
Level 3	5–6	 Demonstrates accurate and relevant biological understanding throughout. Understanding of the scientific ideas is detailed and fully developed. (AO1) Presents an explanation that has a well-developed structure which is clear, coherent and logical. (AO1)

Total for Question 6 = 12 marks

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