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## GENERAL INTRODUCTION

Mark schemes are prepared by the Principal Examiners and revised, together with the relevant questions, by a panel of senior examiners and subject teachers. The schemes are further amended at the Standardisation meetings attended by all examiners. The Standardisation meeting ensures as far as possible that the mark scheme covers the candidates' actual responses to questions and that every examiner understands and applies it in the same way.

The schemes in this document are the final mark schemes used by the examiners in this examination and include the amendments made at the meeting. They do not include any details of the discussions that took place in the meeting, nor do they include all of the possible alternative answers or equivalent statements that were considered to be worthy of credit.

It is emphasised that these mark schemes are working documents that apply to these papers in this examination. Every effort is made to ensure a consistent approach to marking from one examination to another but each marking point has to be judged in the context of the candidates' responses and in relation to the other questions in the paper. It should not be assumed that future mark schemes will adopt exactly the same marking points as this one.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

The following symbols are used in the mark schemes for all questions:

| Symbol | Meaning of symbol |
| :--- | :--- |
| ; semi colon | Indicates the end of a marking point |
| eq | Indicates that credit should be given for other correct <br> alternatives to a word or statement, as discussed in the <br> Standardisation meeting |
| / oblique | Words or phrases separated by an oblique are alternatives <br> to each other |
| S curly brackets | Indicate the beginning and end of a list of alternatives <br> (separated by obliques) where necessary to avoid <br> confusion |
| () round brackets | Words inside round brackets are to aid understanding of <br> the marking point but are not required to award the point |
| [] square brackets | Words inside square brackets are instructions or guidance <br> for examiners |
| [CE] or [TE] | Consecutive error / transferred error |

## Crossed out work

If a candidate has crossed out an answer and written new text, the crossed out work can be ignored. If the candidate has crossed out work but written no new text, the crossed out work for that question or part question should be marked, as far as it is possible to do so.

## Spelling and clarity

In general, an error made in an early part of a question is penalised when it occurs but not subsequently. The candidate is penalised once only and can gain credit in later parts of the question by correct reasoning from the earlier incorrect answer.

No marks are awarded specifically for quality of Ianguage in the written papers, except for the essays in the synoptic paper. Use of English is however taken into account as follows:

- the spelling of technical terms must be sufficiently correct for the answer to be unambiguous
e.g. for amylase, 'ammalase' is acceptable whereas 'amylose' is not
e.g. for glycogen, 'glicojen' is acceptable whereas 'glucagen' is not
e.g. for ileum, 'illeum' is acceptable whereas 'ilium' is not
e.g. for mitosis, 'mytosis' is acceptable whereas 'meitosis' is not
- candidates must make their meaning clear to the examiner to gain the mark.
- a correct statement that is contradicted by an incorrect statement in the same part of an answer gains no mark - irrelevant material should be ignored

| Question <br> Number | Answer | Mark |
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| $\mathbf{1 ( a ) ( i )}$ | B; | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |


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| $\mathbf{1 ( a ) ( i i ) ~}$ | B ; | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |


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| $\mathbf{1 ( a ) ( \text { (ii) }}$ | D; | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |


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| $\mathbf{1}$ (a)(iv) | A ; | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |


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| $\mathbf{1 ( a ) ( v )}$ | A ; | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |


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| $\mathbf{1 ( a ) ( v i )}$ | C; | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |


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| $\mathbf{1}$ (b)(i) | \{rough endoplasmic reticulum / RER / rER\} ; | (1) |


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| $\mathbf{1}$ (b)(ii) | A = (80S/ large) \{ribosomes / ribosome \}; |  |
| B = membrane / \{cisterna / eq \}; | (2) |  |


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| 2 (a) | 1. non-identical twins are genetically different / eq ; <br> 2. identical twins \{are genetically the same / have the same genotype / same genes / same alleles; <br> 3. so difference (in height / mass / phenotype) is due to \{environment / named environmental factor / eq\}; <br> 4. greater difference in traits for non-identical twins / eq ; <br> 5. idea of difference due to genetic effects e.g. genes have a bigger effect ; | maximum <br> (3) |


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| 2 (b)(i) | 1. (laboratory) rats of reduced genetic <br> variability / eq ; | 2. rats have \{a similar / well known\} metabolism <br> ; |
| 3. no harm to human / eq ; <br> 4. idea of looking for potential \{toxicity / <br> adverse effect / eq \}; <br> 5. ref to legal / ethical issues; | maximum <br> (2) |  |


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| $\mathbf{2 ~ ( b ) ( i i ) ~}$ | Phase 1: <br> 1. idea of drug tested on \{a small number / <br> healthy\} individuals; | 2. ref to low concentration / monitor safety / <br> eq ; |
| Phase 2: <br> 3. idea that drug tested on small number of <br> patients ; <br> 4. monitor effectiveness of treatment / eq ; | maximum <br> (3) |  |


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| $\mathbf{3}$ (a) (i) | xylem (tissue/ vessels) / eq ; | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |


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| $3 \text { *(a)(ii) }$ QWC | (QWC - Spelling of technical terms (shown in italics) must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence) <br> Allow any pair for each of the following <br> Water transport: <br> 1. hollow tubes / no living contents / end walls broken down / eq ; <br> 2. idea of allow movement of water e.g. columns of water / vertical movement <br> 3. ref to waterproof material / eq ; <br> 4. idea that keeps water in the vessel e.g. less water lost <br> 5. (pores/eq\}; <br> 6. to allow sideways movement of water / eq ; <br> Support: <br> 7. ref. to \{ignin / extra cellulose\}; <br> 8. for strength; <br> 9. ref to $\{r i n g s /$ spirals / eq\}; <br> 10. for strength / flexibility ; | maximum <br> (4) |


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| $\mathbf{3}$ (b) | 1. ref to correct stimulus e.g. chemical ; <br> 2. some genes \{switched off / switched on / eq\} <br> $;$ | 3. mRNA from \{switched on / eq\} genes ; <br> 4. mRNA translated / eq ; |
| 5. idea of \{protein synthesised / different <br> proteins produced\} ; <br> 6. which (permanently) modify cell (to become <br> specialised) / description of a modification / <br> eq ; | maximum <br> (3) |  |


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| 3 (c) | 1. ref to \{sample / explants\} from both (tissues) <br> $;$ |  |
| 2. ref to aseptic conditions / named example ; <br> 3. grow cells into a callus / eq ; <br> 4. ref to growth regulators / eq ; <br> 5. ref to \{cells / tissue\} can differentiate / cells can <br> become \{whole plants / eq\} ; <br> 6. ref to details of procedure e.g. agar / leave <br> for a suitable length of time / suitable <br> controlled variable ; | maximum |  |
| (4) |  |  |


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| $\mathbf{4}$ (a) | 1. organ ; <br> 2. (organ) system ; | (2) |


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| $\mathbf{4}$ (b)(i) | 1. ref to DNA replication ; <br> 2. so that it can halve / eq ; <br> 3. idea that \{new cells will have same amount as <br> original / original (DNA) content restored ; ; <br> 4. during cytokinesis / eq ; | maximum <br> (2) |


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| $\mathbf{4}$ (b)(ii) | 3.5 to 3.75 (hours) ; | (1) |


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| $\mathbf{4}$ (b)(iii) | 1. $(75 \div 270) \times 18$; <br> 2. answer correct 5 (hours) ; | (2) |


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| $\mathbf{4 * ( c ) \text { QWC }}$ | (QWC - Spelling of technical terms (shown in italics) <br> must be correct and the answer must be organised in <br> a logical sequence) |  |
| 1. chromosomes / chromatids \{condense / <br> become visible / eq\} ; | 2. \{nuclear envelope / eq \} \{breaks down / eq\}; <br> 3. \{nucleolus / eq \} \{breaks down / eq\}; |  |
| 4. spindle (fibre) begins to form / eq ; |  |  |
| 5. centrioles migrate to opposite poles / eq ; | maximum |  |
| (3) |  |  |


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| $\mathbf{5}$ (a) | Correct ref to: <br> 1. flagellum / eq ; <br> 2. overall shape e.g. streamlined / eq ; <br> 3. fewer mitochondria / other organelles / eq ; |  |
|  | 4. acrosome / eq ; <br> 5. zona (pellucida) / jelly layer eq ; <br> 6. cortical granules / eq ; <br> 7. differences in food store types / eq ; <br> 8. sperm cell has less cytoplasm / eq ; | maximum <br> $\mathbf{( 3 )}$ |


| Question <br> Number | Answer | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5 (b) | 1. enzyme \{digest / eq\} zona (pellucida) / eq\} ; <br> 2. idea that sperm can get through to egg \{cell / <br> nucleus / eq\}; | 3.\{contact with / receptor on\} \{zona pellucida / <br> (glycoprotein) jelly coat / surface of ovum \}; <br> 4. (causes) \{acrosome / eq to \{rupture / open / <br> eq \}; |
| maximum <br> (2) |  |  |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 (c) | 1. meiosis (II) is completed / eq ; <br> 2. \{male and female / eq \} chromosomes come together / (both) nuclei fuse / eq ; <br> 3. \{cortical granules / enzymes/ chemicals\} released (from cell surface membrane) / eq ; <br> 4. $\{b$ ind / eq \} with \{zona (pellucida) / eq \}/ \{zona (pellucida) / eq \}then \{thickens / hardens / eq \}; <br> 5. to form fertilisation membrane / to make cell impenetrable (to other sperm) / prevents polyspermy / egg cell membrane \{changes its charge / becomes positive\}/ eq ; | maximum <br> (2) |


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| $\mathbf{5}$ (d)(i) | 1. to produce a \{zygote / eq\}; <br> 2. to produce \{original / full\} complement of <br> \{DNA / chromosomes / genetic material \} / <br> diploid / 2n number / eq ; |  |
|  | 3. to allow mixing of \{genes / genetic material \} <br> / ref to \{ genetic variation / eq \}; | maximum <br> (2) |


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| $\mathbf{5}$ (d)(ii) | (triploid) endosperm nucleus; | (1) |


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| $\mathbf{6}$ (a)(i) | idea that a lower ant diversity indicates a \{high <br> copper / poor / eq \}environment ; | (1) |


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| $\mathbf{6}$ (a)(ii) | 1. idea that amount of vegetation affects the <br> number of ants ; | 2. idea that the amount of vegetation is <br> affected by copper level ; <br> 3. vegetation to copper is direct link / eq ; |
| maximum |  |  |


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| $\mathbf{6}$ (b)(i) | 1. inhibits germination / eq ; <br> 2. idea of slowing down \{enzymes / biochemical <br> reactions\}; <br> 3. slows down rate of \{ decay / microbial <br> activity / eq \}; | 4. (therefore) prolongs seed survival / eq ; <br> 5. idea that drying reduces freezing effect ; |
| maximum <br> (2) |  |  |


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| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{6}$ (b)(ii) | 1. idea that checking \{seed viability / <br> germination success / eq \}; | 2. allows new seeds to be produced / eq ; <br> 3. idea that stored seeds may need replacing <br> e.g. due to decay / death ; | | maximum |
| :--- |
| (2) |


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| $\mathbf{6}$ (c) | 1. maintaining the endangered species e.g. <br> protection from poachers/ predation ; |  |
|  | 2. (captive) breeding programmes / eq ; <br> 3. reintroduction into the wild / eq ; <br> 4. scientific research / example given / eq ; <br> 5. education / example given / eq ; | maximum <br> (2) |


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| 7 (a) (i) | 1. both increase / eq ; <br> 2. qualification of increase e.g. both increase most rapidly between 0 and $100 \mathrm{mg} \mathrm{dm}^{-3}$ / converse / gradient decreases with increase in calcium / eq ; <br> 3. dry mass \{equal / 10.6 g$\}$ in both at 150 mg $\mathrm{dm}^{-3}$; <br> 4. increase in mass very similar in both after $150 \mathrm{mg} \mathrm{dm}^{-3}$ / increase higher in pods after $150 \mathrm{mg} \mathrm{dm}^{-3} / \mathrm{eq}$; <br> 5. change in pod mass greater (than shoot) / eq ; <br> 6. correct comparative manipulation of the data e. g . shoot increased by $\{8.1 \mathrm{~g}$ to 8.3 g$\}$ whilst pod has increased by 11 g ; | maximum (3) |


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| $\mathbf{7 ~ ( a ) ( i i ) ~}$ | \{more / larger\} cells / more \{cell walls/ <br> calcium pectate / middle lamella\}/ helps <br> uptake of other ions/ eq ; | (1) |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 (b)(i) | 1. positive (relationship / correlation) / as calcium ion concentration increases so does total nitrogen uptake by pods [not other way round] / eq ; <br> 2. \{non-regular / greatest increase in total nitrogen uptake occurs between 0 and 75 mg $\mathrm{dm}^{-3}$ of calcium / eq ; | (2) |


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| $\mathbf{7}$ (b)(ii) | nitrate / ammonium / ammonia ; | (1) |


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| 7* (b)(iii) <br> QWC | (QWC - Spelling of technical terms (shown in italics) <br> must be correct and the answer must be organised in <br> a logical sequence) |  |
| 1. $\{$ \{greater / eq\} (protein content) ; |  |  |
| 2.greater nitrogen uptake / eq ; <br> 3. nitrogen is \{part / used in synthesis\} of <br> \{amino acids / protein\} / eq ; <br> 4. (amino acids) used to synthesise protein / eq <br> $;$ | maximum <br> (3) |  |


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| $\mathbf{8}$ (a) | 1. ref. to agar / eq ; <br> 2. idea that bacteria need to be distributed ; <br> 3. idea of \{single / named\} bacterial strain / eq <br> $;$ | 4. appropriate microbiological technique <br> employed e.g. aseptic / sterile plates ; |


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| $\mathbf{8 ( b ) ( i )}$ | to allow a comparison with the other discs / to show <br> that any difference between the discs is due to the <br> treatment given to those discs / eq ; | (1) |


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| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{8 ( b ) ( i i )}$ | 1. (tea tree oil) \{diffused / eq \} (out of disc) ; <br> 2. killed the bacteria / inhibits bacterial growth <br> / eq ; | (2) |


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| $\mathbf{8}$ (b)(iii) | 1. record several measurements / eq ; <br> 2. divide by number of measurements (to obtain <br> mean) ; | (2) |


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| $\mathbf{8}$ (c) | 1. 3 (or more) dilutions of tea tree oil / eq ; <br> 2. from $50 \%$ downwards / eq ; <br> 3. Iooking for minimum strength when diameter <br> is same as original strength / eq ; <br> 4. one other named variable kept constant ; | maximum <br> (3) |


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| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{8}$ (d) | 1. $37^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ is (human) body temperature ; <br> 2. (this temp) allows growth of \{pathogenic / <br> eq\} bacteria / encourages more rapid \{growth <br> /reproduction/ eq\}; | (2) |

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