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Generic Marking Principles

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a guestion. Each guestion paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded positively:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the guestion as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

Abbreviations used in the Mark Scheme:

- ; separates marking points
- / alternatives
- I ignore
- R reject
- A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)
- AW alternative wording
- AVP any valid point
- ecf credit a correct statement/calculation that follows a previous wrong response
- ora or reverse argument
- () the word/phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context
- <u>underline</u> actual words given must be used by the candidate (or grammatical variants of them)

Question	Answer			Marks	Guidance
1	chemical	use of chemical		5	
	antibiotic	kill, or stop growth of, bacteria ;			
	fertiliser	increase (crop) yields / add nutrients to soil / make plants grow ;			
	herbicide	kill weeds (in crops) / reduce competition with weeds / increase crop yields ;			
	insecticide	kill insects / increase crop yields / improve quality of yields ;			
	pectinase	used in fruit juice production ;			

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(a)	capillary / capillaries;	1	
2(b)	no nucleus ; smaller ; contain, haemoglobin / Hb ; (bi)concave disc shape / described ; carries oxygen ; does not produce antibodies / not involved in immunity ; does not carry out phagocytosis ; AVP ;; e.g. transports carbon dioxide / more RBC's	3	
2(c)(i)	plasma ;	1	I water

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(c)(ii)	glucose ; amino acids ; (plasma) proteins ; fats / glycerol / fatty acids ; vitamins / one named vitamin ; mineral (ions) / one named mineral ion ; hormones ; urea ; carbon dioxide ; water ;	3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	aorta	6	
	cervix circulation		
	duodenum digestion		
	ribs		
	sensory neurone reflex action		
	ureter		
	;;;;;;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(a)	urea ; salt(s) / (named) ions / (named) minerals ; AVP; e.g. hormones	2	
4(b)(i)	volume / dm ³ 1.09 ; 0.05 ; 1.29 ;	3	A correct figures if given in cm^3 A \pm 0.005
4(b)(ii)	(solution) C ; lowest volume of urine was produced ; AVP ;	2	A largest volume of urine as ecf if A given for mp1
4(c)	water (intake) ; exercise / activity levels / sweat produced ; temperature (body or environmental) ; AVP ; ; correct ref. to diet / disease / medication	2	
4(d)	sweat ; expired air / expired water vapour / exhalation / breathing ; faeces ; vomit / tears / mucus ;		A diarrhoea

Question		Answer		Marks	Guidance
5(a)(i)	 (F) cytoplasm; (G) chloroplast; (H) (sap / central) vacuole; 				I chlorophyll
5(a)(ii)	${f K}$ line ending on the nucleus ;			2	
	L line ending exactly on inner line	of cell wall;			
5(a)(iii)	palisade (mesophyll) cell ;			1	
5(b)(i)	cell / it, has shrunk or is smaller / AW ; cell walls are indented / AW ; vacuole / AW is smaller ; gap developed (between wall and membrane) ;			2	 A cell / it, has become flaccid I shape / size, has changed unqualified A plasmolysis / gap between cell wall and protoplast A has one more chloroplast / AW ;
5(b)(ii)	diffusion	active transport		3	
	movement from high to low (solute) concentration / down a concentration gradient	movement for low to high (solute) concentration / AW	bw to high		
	does not require a membrane	does require a membrane			
	no energy needed / passive process requires energy / active process / requires ATP				
	occurs in (living and) non-living only occurs in living				
	rate dependent on concentration gradientrate dependent on requirements				
	AVP AVP				
			;;;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	amino acids ; biological ; temperature ; protease ; bacteria ; amylase ; lipase ;	7	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7(a)(i)	(human milk) 86.87 ; (water buffalo milk) 80.60 ;	2	
7(a)(ii)	carbohydrate / water;	1	
7(a)(iii)	fibre / iron / vitamins / named vitamin / AVP;	1	
7(a)(iv)	mammals;	1	
7(b)	<pre>protein: needed for growth / e.g. of growth / for repair / replacement ; fat: needed for energy / insulation / storage / protection ; carbohydrate: needed for energy ; calcium: needed for making bones / teeth / AVP ; water: solvent / lubricant / used in (metabolic)reactions AW / AVP ;</pre>	5	
7(c)	obesity / AW ; coronary heart disease / CHD / blockage of coronary arteries ; AVP ;;	2	

Question		Answer		Marks	Guidance
8(a)	transfer of pollen ; from, anther / stamen, to stigma ;				A male gamete
8(b)	stigmas, large / feathery ; stigmas exposed ; filaments long ; anthers / stamens, hang outside flower structure ; anthers loosely attached to filament ; no / less / small, petals ; AVP ;				
8(c)	insect-pollinated	wind-pollinated		3	
	heavy	light			
	sticky	not sticky			
	large	small			
	spiky surface AW	smooth surface / less air resistance			
	produced in smaller numbers	produced in large numbers			
			;;;		
8(d)	oxygen ; water ; (suitable) temperature ;			3	I air A humidity / moisture A warmth

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
9(a)(i)	N and S ;	1	either order
9(a)(ii)	R has different characteristics to the parent / has dark eyes / knobs on the end of antennae / knobs on abdomen ;	1	
9(a)(iii)	phenotype;	1	
9(b)(i)	height ; weight ; skin colour ; hair colour ; AVP ;;; e.g. leg length / arm length	3	A hair length
9(b)(ii)	tongue rolling / gender / AVP ;	1	A blood group

Question	Answer		Marks	Guidance	
10	letter	name of the process		3	
	X rain / precipitation / condensation / AW;				
	Y	Y evaporation ;			
	Z	transpiration;			