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for the guidance of teachers**

5038 AGRICULTURE

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Paper 1, maximum raw mark 100

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Section A

- 1 (a) (i) photosynthesis; [1]
- (ii) water; chlorophyll; sunlight/light energy (*reject sun, reject CO₂ – given in question*) [max 2]
- (iii) respiration; [1]
- (b) (i) phloem labelled with P (or *phloem*); [1]
- (ii) for respiration/energy/to manufacture protein/oils/for storage in roots/vegetative organs/seeds/OVP; (*reject growth unqualified*) [1]
- [Total: 6]**
- 2 (a) (i) kills only certain types of weed; [1]
- (ii) weeds reduce quality of pasture; compete with grasses; may be poisonous; may taint products; [max 2]
- (iii) herbicide on grass passes through animal in faeces; [1]
- (b) (i) spray may run/soak down trousers and enter boots/contact feet/skin; [1]
- (ii) blown away from target crop/to other crops; which may be damaged; blown into water sources; blown onto operator; toxic; [max 3]
- (iii) run off; into water; pollution; washed off plants; [max 2]
- either (b)(ii) or (b)(iii) wastes spray; wastes money
- [Total: 10]**
- 3 (a) prevents attack by insects/example; prevents fungal attack/rotting; [2]
- (b) ensures post is vertical/upright/allows post to be set vertically; (*reject straight unqualified*) [1]
- (c) (i) line/string from corner/end to next corner/end; measure /mark position of posts along this line; [2]
- (ii) top wire first (*accept A or B*); holds posts in position; [2]
- [Total: 7]**

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- 4 (a) (i) 125 (cm³); [1]
(ii) 75%; [1]

- (b) (i) air/microorganisms/soil fauna/e.g.; (*accept* mineral salts/humus/dead organic material) [1]
(ii) oxygen/air absent/not available; needed for respiration; in roots; [max 2]

[Total: 5]

- 5 (a) (i) falls/decreases; [1]
(ii) insufficient food; poor quality food; [2]

- (b) weight gained faster; more weight gained; less weight loss/no weight loss in dry season; [max 2]

- (c) can keep more animals (so greater returns); higher/faster weight gain (so greater returns); [max 2]

- (d) overgrazing; damage to pasture grasses; so pasture deteriorates; soil left bare; weeds colonise; erosion risk; animals have insufficient food; [max 3]

[Total: 10]

- 6 (a) (60 000 ÷ 3 000) = 20kg; [1]

- (b) (i) (50 000 ÷ 60 000) × 100; = 83(%); [2]

- (ii) seed not viable; eaten by birds/animals/insects; low temperature may affect germination rate; dry conditions may affect germination rate; may have germinated but not emerged (due to soil capping or other); [max 2]

- (c) (i) weeds suppressed/discourages erosion/maximises/increases land use/returns; (*accept* N₂ fixation **only** in relation to **future** crops) [1]

- (ii) difficulties in harvesting/difficulties in cultivation/difficulties in applying treatments/difficulties in weeding/tall crop/maize may shade shorter crop; [1]

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- 7 (a) drain wet ground; destroy snails; avoid grazing on contaminated pasture;
(*accept refs. to use of anthelmintics*) [max 2]
- (b) (i) medicines/vet. costs; vaccines; feed supplements; labour; OVP; (*reject capital costs such as housing*) [max 2]
- (ii) total returns – total costs; profit if positive/loss if negative OWTTE; [2]
- (c) (i) yield; fertility; health; OVP; [max 2]
- (ii) use semen from high quality male; no need to keep bull so cheaper; no need to keep bull so safer; reduces chances of sexually transmitted disease; OVP; [max 2]
- [Total: 10]**

[Total for Section A = 55]

Section B

- 8 (a) collection of rainwater; from roofs; use of guttering; barrels; dam across water course; creates reservoir (AW); drainage from land; into reservoir/pond; lining earth reservoirs with plastic/rubber sheet; other details;; [max 6]
- (b) (i) method of irrigation (sprinkler/drip/furrow etc.); source of water; details of delivery to crop;; [max 3]
- (ii) increases range of crops grown; crops grown during dry season; extends growing season; can increase income; crop growth maintained during drought; improves yield; improves quality; capital costs; water costs; salinisation; erosion; [max 6]
- [Total: 15]**
- 9 (a) 4 chambers correctly named; rumen receives swallowed food; largest chamber; storage; bacterial action/microorganisms; on cellulose; vitamin synthesis; reticulum – large and small particles separated; churning of food to soften; regurgitation (of cud) to mouth; omasum receives chewed cud; contains folds/layers; water removed; passes food to abomasum; enzyme digestion begins; [max 10]
- (b) as appropriate to livestock named – feeding immediately after birth; ref. to colostrum; food after weaning/specific stages;; quantities; frequency; supplements; water; [max 5]
- [Total: 15]**

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- 10 (a) (i)** name of crop [no mark]
- (ii)** pH of soil; texture; drainage; fertility/nutrient status; rainfall – seasonal/amount; temperature range; frosts; wind/cyclone resistance; other detail (e.g. altitude/topographical); [max 6]

- (b) (i)** name of insect – if not named no mark for **(b)(ii)**, mark general points in **(b)(iii)** [no mark]
- (ii)** part of plant affected; how damage is caused (e.g. method of feeding of pest); effects; visible symptoms; [max 3]
- (iii)** as appropriate to pest named – chemical (*reject* pesticide); details of application (timing, method); weed control; rotation; use of predators; field hygiene examples; early planting; [max 6]

[Total: 15]

- 11 (a)** first/primary cultivation; of previously cultivated land/no tree roots/rocks; breaks up soil; turns soil; buries weeds/crop debris/manure; [max 3]

- (b)** keep clean; dry storage; oil/grease; to prevent rust; tighten bolts/screws; lubricate moving parts; sharpen/straighten; replace worn parts; check for wear/damage; [max 6]

- (c)** tractor much quicker over a large area; enables cultivations/harvest to be done in good time; tractor replaces many labourers; cost of labour; availability of labour; crops on commercial scale provide large return/justifies capital cost; difficult to manoeuvre tractor in small area; cost of machinery too great; crops on small scale give insufficient return/do not justify cost; [max 6]

[Total: 15]

- 12 (a) (i)** named example of wind-pollinated flower; loose anthers; outside flower; very large amounts of pollen; very fine pollen; feathery style/stigma; outside flower;

- (ii)** named example of insect-pollinated flower; large/conspicuous/colour; scent/nectar; arrangement/structure ensures transfer of pollen to insect; from insect to stigma; [max 5 for **(a)(i)** or **(a)(ii)** to max 8]

- (b) (i)** named example; stem cutting/root cutting/offset/tuber/other; details of planting/use of fungicide/other;; [max 3]

- (ii)** uniform; as all have same genotype; can be selected for specific trait; all grow to same height/AW; all mature at same time; quicker to establish; hardier than seedlings; can propagate non-fertile cultivars/some plants cannot be propagated by seed; material readily available from previous crop; may be cheaper than buying seed; [max 4]

[Total: 15]