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5090 BIOLOGY

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Paper 2, maximum raw mark 80

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Section A

- 1 (a) (micro)villi
diffusion/or good description of
thin wall/epithelium (R ref. cell wall)
into lacteals/lymph (Ignore capillaries)
lymph returned to blood
- max 4
- (b) (i) lipase/steapsin
- 1
- (ii) optimum/best AW + for enzyme/lipase action (I ref. body temp)
- 1
- (c) fatty acids
glycerol/glycerine/propantriol
- 2
- (d) fatty acids/ref. smaller molecules
(can) pass through membrane/Visking tubing
concentration gradient/diffusion
ref acidity of or lowers pH of water/ref acidity of molecules
- max 3
- Total = 11**
- 2 (a) (i) transpiration (A evapotranspiration) (R evaporation)
- 1
- (ii) 12.30
- 1
- (b) (i) warmer AW
faster + evaporation/vapouration (I refs. to transpiration)
lighter/brighter
stomata open
ref. increased wind/decreased humidity
- max 4
- (ii) water lost from plant cannot be replaced
(A loses water faster than it gains water)
overall decrease in water content of plant/loss of turgidity AW)
(A refs. wilting)
- max 2
- (c) * less evaporation of water/less loss of latent heat
(R less transpiration)
* to cool plant
(* A reverse argument)
- 2
- Total = 10**

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- 3 (a) (i) coronary artery 2
- (ii) P aorta (-tic arch) 2
Q left + atrium/auricle
- (b) (mark the first, one per line)
2 from: thinner or weaker + walls/valves/pressure ref.
(A less muscular + walls) 2
- (c) (i) (mtf,opl) (A platelets) 2
2 from: fat/cholesterol/blood cells/clot(ted blood)
(A atheroma for 1 mark) (A ref. fibres/fibrin)
- (ii) natural response to damage or injury is for blood to clot AW
platelets + release enzymes/cause fibrinogen to change to fibrin
therefore drug prevents clotting (or implied – platelets cause blood to clot) max 2
- Total = 10**
- 4 (a) (i) oxygen/temperature qualified (I air/temperature) (R warmth)
- (ii) cotyledon/seed leaves/endosperm
- (iii) testa (A seed coat) not accounted for 3
- (b) (i)& (ii) mark together
food digested/ref. enzyme action (I breakdown)
starch → sucrose or glucose/protein → amino acids
transportation AW
to growing regions/used for growth (or process described)
used for respiration/correct energy reference max 4
- (c) (i) & (ii) mark together
(food storage region) will still lose mass
more slowly AW
plumule + photosynthesis AW
large(r)/fast(er) increase in mass
radicle slightly faster increase in mass (than when in dark)
due to more/faster growth max 4
- Total = 11**
- 5 (a) oviduct/Fallopian tube (mark the first) 1
(A description of oviduct)
- (b) mitosis (-totic) 1
- (c) implantation AW
in lining/endometrium (R wall)
of uterus/womb
differentiation AW/ref. placental devpt. (I fetal membranes) max 2

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- (d) mother's gametes[#] shown as I^A and I^o } max 1 if wrong
 father's gametes[#] shown as I^B and I^o } symbols used
 *grid correctly filled (A e.c.f. if gametes incorrectly shown)
 square I^oI^o identified as the embryo 4
 (A genetic diagram, but [#]ensure gametes are not shown as parental genotypes –
 *this mark not available on a genetic diagram)

Total = 8

Total for Section A = 50

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Section B

- 6 (a) (A any three facts linked to a process)
 osmosis is simple diffusion
 partially/selectively/semi-permeable membrane
correct refs. in each case to:
 no energy/energy required
 water only/ions AW or larger molecules
 down/against concentration gradient
 (R along) max 3
- (b) (i) salts ions or one named (A minerals) (R nutrients)
 from soil
 ref. root hairs
 to make proteins/amino acids/DNA
 chlorophyll (R chloroplasts)
 even when scarce in surrounding soil AW
 (could be ref. to concentration gradient) max 4 for (i)
- (ii) glucose
 amino acids
 uptake from gut
 through (micro)villi
 *for protein (or named) manufacture (linked to amino acids)
 *for respiration/correct energy ref. (linked to glucose) max 7 for (b)
(mark 1st.2)
- Or kidneys;** reabsorption; 2 named salts or any 2 from glucose, amino acids, urea, salts (unspecified or one named);
 ref. osmoregulation; any one of those marked * above; max 7 for (b)
- Total = 10**
- 7 (a) ref. hypothalamus
 nervous control/impulses/brain
 less active sweat glands/sweating stops
 (A inactive)
 less evaporation (of sweat) (R no evaporation)
 vasoconstriction AW
 of arteries/-erioles/blood vessels (R capillaries/veins)
 less blood
 to capillaries (A ref. heat loss from)
 less heat lost
 shivering generates heat/hair erection decreases heat loss (or insulates)/adrenaline release/higher metabolic rate
 one behavioural reference (e.g. moving/putting clothes on) max 7
- (b) a change (in level/of set point) AW
 is responsible for/triggers/causes/ref. sensor/ref. receptor
 a response/reaction
 (which leads to) restoration of original level max 3
 (If given, accept specific examples instead of general account)

Total = 10

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8 E (a) mosquito is a human parasite
 (breeds in) large numbers
 attracted to warm bodies
 feeds on blood
 sharp mouthparts/relatively painless bite
 feeds at night/while victim sleeps
 spits before sucking/ref. anticoagulant
 vector of/carrier of/not seriously affected by/host to + human pathogen(s) (or named) AW
 (R named disease)
 carry many pathogens
 (fly) from person to person

max 5

(b) intimate body contact or described
 bacterium/a/spirochaete/*Treponema*
 primary sore or described/papule/chancere
 a secondary symptom described
 (headache/slight pyrexia/rash/skin lesions/ulceration/hair loss)
 (lengthy) dormant period
 tertiary symptom described (organ destruction)
 antibiotic or named (doxycycline, erythromycin, tetracycline)
 (A 'penicillin' to mean antibiotic)
 need for early diagnosis/treatment

max 5

Total = 10

8 O (a) named plant or animal (with some economic importance)
 (plausible for description given)
 named selected feature
 breeding of specimens both with desired feature
 selection of offspring with best of desired feature
 over a period of time/repitition
 financial reward (i.e. of some pecuniary benefit)
 danger of inbreeding/disadvantage to organism involved
 (e.g. highly-strung dogs/Pekingeses with breathing problems)

max 6

(b) named organism + required characteristic
 (i.e. what you are breeding for)
 required characteristic ensured/no variation
 no dangers of inbreeding/of introduction of undesirable traits
 *cheap/large numbers of offspring/one parent needed
 *relatively quick
 *genetically identical
 Any of the marks indicated with * available for a fungus or a seaweed
 Up to a max 2

max 4

Total = 10