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5090 BIOLOGY

5090/02

Paper 2 (Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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Section A

- 1 (a) (i) xylem only shaded (A shaded on only one vascular bundle);
(ii) correctly named (Ignore 'vessel'); [2]
- (b) transpiration/evaporation;
water/vapour + lost from leaf/stomata/plant;
pulls/draws/pushes + water/solution
(R sucks) OR water (from transpiration) must be replaced;
ref. capillarity/root pressure AW/cohesion AW/adhesion AW; [max. 3]
- (c) diffusion (R if osmosis mentioned with diffusion, ignore active transport);
ref. concentration gradient;
through (cellulose) cell walls;
cell wall permeable;
(A partially/selectively)
cell membrane is a p.p.m./allows molecules of dye to pass; [max. 3]
(R if in osmosis context)
- (d) osmosis/diffusion;
water leaves cells;
water loss from plant or from plant part named;
salt solution more concentrated than cell sap/ref. water potential
(R refs to quantity of water rather than concentration) gradient;
plant wilts or described e.g. refs flaccidity/loss of turgor/of support ; [max. 3]
(A drooping, R withering)
- 2 (a) (i) substrate/s;
(ii) product/s; [2]
- (b) (i) protein (A casein);
(ii) protease/pepsin/proteolytic (A rennin if casein given above); mark
(iii) (poly)peptides/peptones/proteoses (A amino acids); independently [3]
(this mark not available with casein/rennin option)
- (c) graph rises;
reaches peak between 35 and 55 °C;
falls to zero between 50 and 80 °C; [3]
(A vertical drop, R incurving drop)
- (d) (i) active site/place where substrate fits AW (R lock / key); [1]
(A region/area) (A place where reaction occurs)
- (ii) lock and key (A words in a description); [1]

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3 (a) Mark the first, one per line, any **three** from:

cleaner, at or near body temperature (A higher temp./warmer),
more CO₂, less O₂, more moisture AW (A saturated);;; [3]
(Ignore pathogens)

(b) (external) intercostal muscles relax;
diaphragm relaxes;
ribs / thorax moves down/in;
diaphragm domes AW;
decreased volume/increased pressure; [max. 4]

(c) *There are two routes to the two marks in this section*
Route 1: respiration ;

production of carbon dioxide/removal of oxygen (A oxidation)/
release of energy or heat/release of water
(R produce/generate etc.)
(A points on equation in words or symbols – need not be balanced);

Route 2: named specific cell (e.g. RBC);

The effect of this cell on a the content of the air in the jar; [2]
(e.g. collects/carries away AW O₂) (Ignore refs CO₂ and RBCs)

4 (a) iron/Fe;

(b) *If the column headed 'mammals' is left blank, or if there is a clear, but inaccurate, attempt to describe mammal (as opposed to human) RBCs, then all three marks are available for correct statements re. bird RBCs .*

*All comparisons must be valid pairs (R oval v. biconcave)
Mark each line separately, (R refs. to haemoglobin/surface area)*

(A longer) (A shorter)
Any 3 from: nucleus + no nucleus, larger in size/smaller in size ,
larger than WBCs +smaller than WBCs, oval/egg-shaped + round isc,
biconvex/not biconcave + biconcave, (R spherical);;; [3]

(c) (i) capillary,; [1]

Any **two** from: blood cells in single file AW, running between body cells, walls thin/permeable/one cell thick, substances pass through (at C), vessels in the form of a network,;; [2]

(ii) tissue fluid/ECF/lymph/plasma/interstitial fluid (R blood); [1]

(iii) pulse beat + in arteries/arterioles;
greater pressure in arteries/lower pressure in veins;
ref. arteries or D nearer heart/pump/ventricle;
blood flows smoothly/no pulse + in veins/venules;
resistance offered by capillary network;
fluid lost from network; [max 3]

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- 5 (a) ovary (wall)/pericarp/stigma or style remains or scar; [1]
(A epi-/meso-/endo-)
- (b) *'Mark explanation' column only if stated 'type of reproduction' is correct for that plant*
sexual for bean **and** maize;
(fruits or seeds) develop from flowers/ovaries/ref. fertilisation/pollination/ref. gametes or meiosis;
(A with ref. either bean or maize)
asexual for potato;
(A no meiosis)
tubers develop from stems or buds (A roots)/only mitosis/no fusion/fertilisation/pollination/
gametes/not from flowers; [4]
- (c) bacteria or named;
in root nodules;
N₂ fixing (or process described);
part of nitrogen cycle;
(increases) nitrates in soil;
needed to make proteins/amino acids;
for plant growth; [max. 4]

[Maximum for Section A = 50]

Section B

(Marks allowed anywhere on annotated diagrams)

- 6 (a) (i) remove urea/nitrogenous waste/uric acid (R urine);
salts/minerals/ions/toxins/hormones;
excretion;
water + in excess/ref. osmoregulation;
(filtration) from blood;
- (ii) carries urine;
from bladder + to outside;
seminal fluid/sperms; [max. 5]
- (b) connected to patients circulatory system/blood through machine;
(along)
blood + passed through partially (etc.) permeable/dialysing tube;
(R if blood is passing through the wall of the tube – Ignore named membrane)
diffusion/differential conc. solutes in bathing fluid/fluid renewed;
of excretory/waste products/urea [see list for (a)(i)];
salts/small molecules [see (a)(i) list];
from blood;
large molecules (or named) stay in bloodAW;
ref bathing/washing/dialysing fluid; [max. 5]

[Total: 10]

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- 7 (a) [A anywhere in (i), (ii), or (iii)]
 ref impulses;
 (all linked via) synapses;
- (i) (sensory) from receptor/sense organ or named (A skin);
 (A nerve endings) (R finger)
 to CNS/brain/spinal cord;
- (ii) (motor) from CNS/brain/spinal cord;
 to effector or named;
- (iii) in the grey matter/within CNS or specified part;
 from sensory to motor; [max. 6]
- (b) (reflex actions) (external) stimulus or named e.g.;
 protective/always the same response;
 (A immediate)
 do not have to be learnt/automatic/instinctive/involuntary AW
OR (for deliberate) controlled/ref. decision/conscious/voluntary;
 Rapid **OR** slow(er) for deliberate;
 (deliberate) (always) involves the brain; [max. 4]
- [Total: 10]

- 8 E light*;
 trapped AW by chlorophyll;
 in plant cells/chloroplasts;
 (for) photosynthesis;
 converted to chemical energy/energy stored in organic molecule;
 named* organic molecule;
 eaten (by person);
 organic molecule digested/ref enzyme action;
 absorbed + from gut/named part of gut;
 carried in blood ;
respiration/oxidation;
in muscle (cells);
 release of energy* (R production/manufacture etc.);
 for (muscle) contraction; [max.10]
- (* = A on equation – as words, symbols or formulae)
- [Total: 10]

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8 O named antibiotic;
fungus/bacterium (need not be linked to name);
fermenter (or described);
sterilised (R cleaned);
to prevent contamination AW;
substrate/nutrient medium/culture medium (or constituents named);
containing carbohydrate (or named) + respiration/ref energy;
protein/amino acids + for growth;
paddles for stirring or reason for stirring;
supply of oxygen/air;
sparger/bubbles/large surface area (of O₂);
temperature control (A 25 – 45°C if given);
removal of CO₂/pH control (A pH 5 – 8);
maximum/increased rate of growth;
extraction/filtration/purification/crystallisation;

[max 10]

[Total: 10]