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**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2010 question paper  
for the guidance of teachers**

**5090 BIOLOGY**

**5090/61**

Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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- 1 (a) **A** is paler/yellow (green), **B** brown/dark/black/blotchy/speckled ;  
**A** is bigger/thicker/fatter/smaller or **B** converse ;  
**A** has thicker stalk or **B** converse ;  
**A** has smoother surface or **B** converse ; [2 max]
- (b) (i) Graph marks: [4]  
1 x-axis labelled 'day' (**R** irregular numbering) ;  
2 y-axis 'mass/g' (n.b. origin label) ;  
3 clear, accurate plotting ;  
4 line – ruled connections/rules line of best fit/good smooth curve ;
- (ii) 54g ; [1]
- (iii) drying/dehydration/loss of water/moisture ; respiration ; [2]
- (c) (i) mix/crush/grind (with water) ;  
add Benedict's solution and heat ;  
in water-bath ;  
colour change to yellow/orange red ; [4]
- (ii) sample one banana as ripens/sample bananas of different stages of ripening ;  
time period of 2–28 days mentioned ;  
equal masses of banana sampled ;  
equal volumes of Benedict's used ;  
ref. more intense colour change AW ; [4 max]
- [Total: 17]
- 2 (a) drawing marks:  
well proportioned, head thorax abdomen cleanly drawn, min. length 7 cm ;  
6 legs, correct orientation ;  
segments shown on leg/antenna ;  
antennae, palps and eyes shown correctly positioned ; [4]
- labels:  
head, thorax and abdomen (2 for 1 mark) ;  
antenna(e) (**R** feelers) ;  
(compound) eyes ;  
leg ;  
wing/elytra ; [1 max]
- (b) length of beetle in Fig. 2.1 + equivalent length on drawing (if in cm to 1 d.p) ;  
correct units at least once ;  
correct expression using these figures ;  
magnification properly expressed (**R** more than 2 d.p, **R** rounding above 0.2) ; [4]

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(c) (i) 60 ; [1]

(ii) small sample/lip above ground level/some escape/marks rub off/AVP ; [1]

(d) (i) 50 and 80 ; [1]

(ii) *two of:*  
moisture ; temperature ; light (intensity) ; environmental preference ;  
availability of food ; avoiding predators ; AVP ; [2 max]

(iii) environmental factors ; weather ; variable behaviour ; population change ; AVP ; [1 max]

(iv) only species in habitat ; ate other captives ; trap designed for ground-living organisms ;  
AVP ; [1 max]

**[Total: 16]**

3 (a) (i) simple diagram showing these associations:

**E to A ;**

**B to G ;**

**C/D lined up alongside F/G/labelled ulna lined up alongside labelled radius ; [3]**

(ii) ligaments shown attaching bones at least once ; [1]

(b) (i) ligament ; [1]

(ii) ball and socket ; [1]

(c) calcium +  
dairy product(s)/eggs/fish (qualified)/apricots/mineral water ; [1]

**[Total: 7]**