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**BIOLOGY (US)**

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Paper 3 Theory (Core)

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**1 hour 15 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

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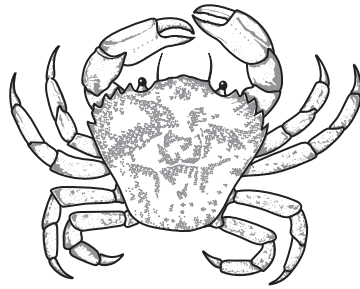
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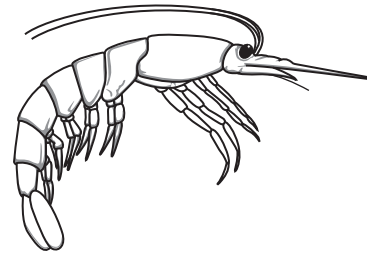
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- 1 Fig. 1.1 shows three crustaceans which live in the same rock pool.

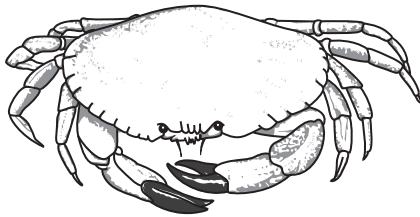
The rock pool also contains seaweed and seawater.



*Carcinus maenas*



*Crangon crangon*



*Cancer pagurus*

not drawn to scale

Fig. 1.1

- (a) Complete the sentences. Use words from the list.

Each word may be used once, more than once, or not at all.

**arthropods    carnivore    consumer    endoskeleton**

**exoskeleton    five    four    habitat    herbivore**

**population    producer    three    vertebrates**

Crustaceans all belong to the same group as insects, called .....

All crustaceans have at least ..... pairs of legs.

They also have a hard outer covering called an .....

Seven individuals of one species, *Cancer pagurus*, were found in the same pool. These individuals make up a .....

*Cancer pagurus* is a ..... because it eats fish and other animals.

Seaweed makes its own food so it is a .....

[6]

(b) The drawing of *Cancer pagurus* in Fig. 1.1 is not the same size as the actual animal.

State what would be needed to calculate its actual size **and** explain how you would do this calculation.

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.....  
.....  
.....  
..... [3]

(c) All the crustaceans were found living under rocks or seaweed.

Suggest **two** reasons why they were living there.

1 .....  
.....  
2 .....  
..... [2]

(d) Two other crustaceans, *Porcellana platycheles* and *Porcellana longicornis*, were found in the same rock pool. They are closely related to each other.

(i) Describe how their scientific names show that they are closely related.

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..... [1]

(ii) Although they are closely related, they cannot successfully interbreed.

Describe how their scientific names show that they cannot successfully interbreed.

.....  
.....  
..... [1]

**[Total: 13]**

2 (a) (i) The eye is a sense organ.

Define the term *sense organ*.

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.....  
.....  
..... [2]

(ii) Explain why the eye is described as an organ and not a tissue.

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..... [2]

(b) Fig. 2.1 shows a section through the eye.

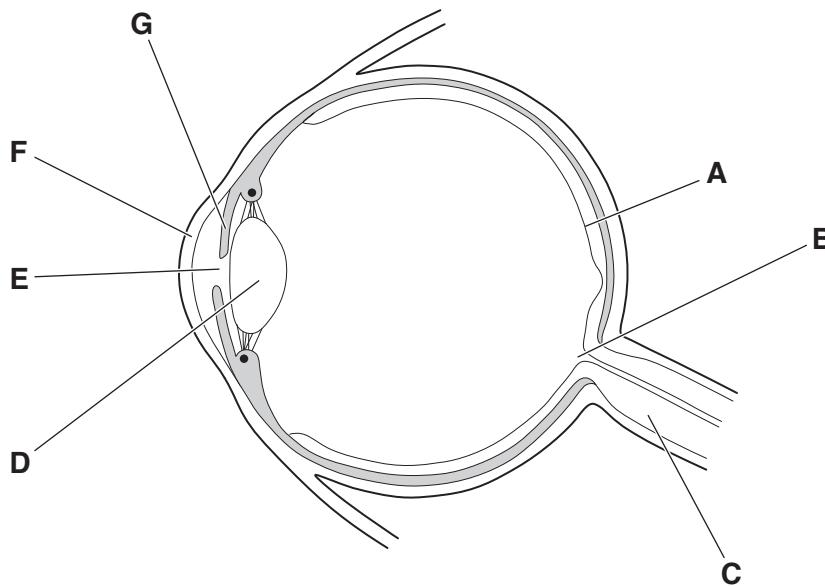


Fig. 2.1

- (i) Select letters from Fig. 2.1 to match the part with its function.

Write your answers in Table 2.1.

**Table 2.1**

function	letter
carries impulses to the brain	
contains light receptors to detect light	
controls how much light enters the eye	
refracts light	

[4]

- (ii) Write down the letter from Fig. 2.1 which shows the position of the blind spot.

.....

[1]

**[Total: 9]**

3 A student carried out an investigation into transpiration from leaves.

She chose leaves of a similar size from the same plant.

She weighed them and then placed them in different conditions.

As the leaves transpired they lost mass.

Table 3.1 shows the results.

**Table 3.1**

leaf	conditions	mass at start/g	mass at end /g	change in mass/g	% change in mass
<b>H</b>	hot and dry	6.3	2.1	4.2	66.7
<b>J</b>	cool and dry	6.4	4.6	1.8	
<b>K</b>	hot and humid	6.2	3.7		40.3
<b>L</b>	cool and humid	5.1	4.7	0.4	7.8

(a) Complete the table by calculating:

(i) the change in mass for leaf **K** ..... [1]

(ii) the percentage change in mass for leaf **J**.

Show your working. Write your answer to one decimal place.

..... [2]

(b) State which conditions caused the most transpiration in the leaves.

..... [1]

(c) Fig. 3.1 shows four types of plant tissue involved in the transport of water through a plant.

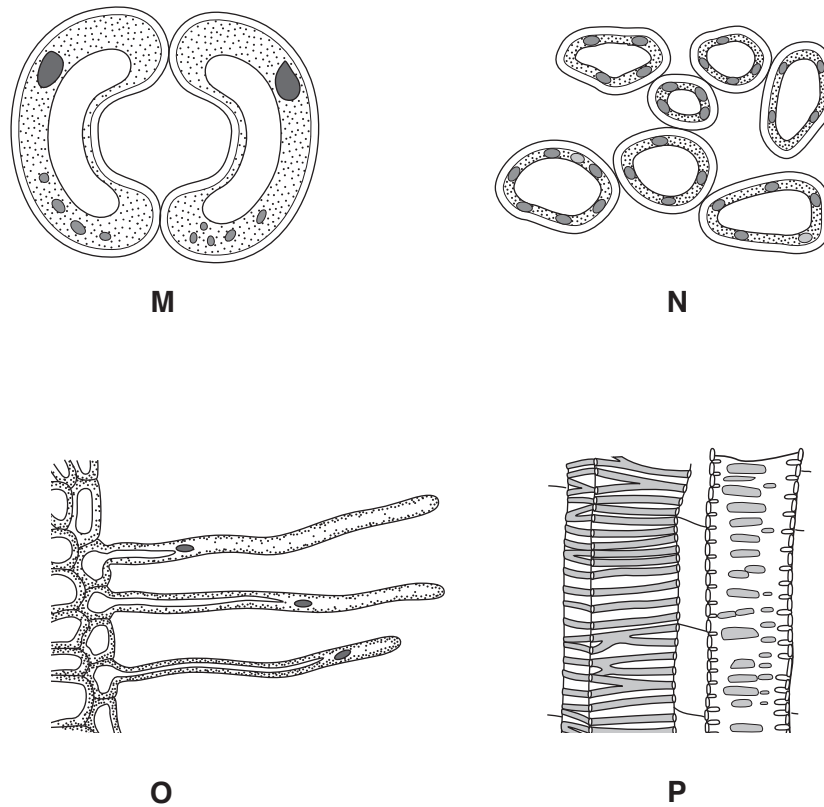
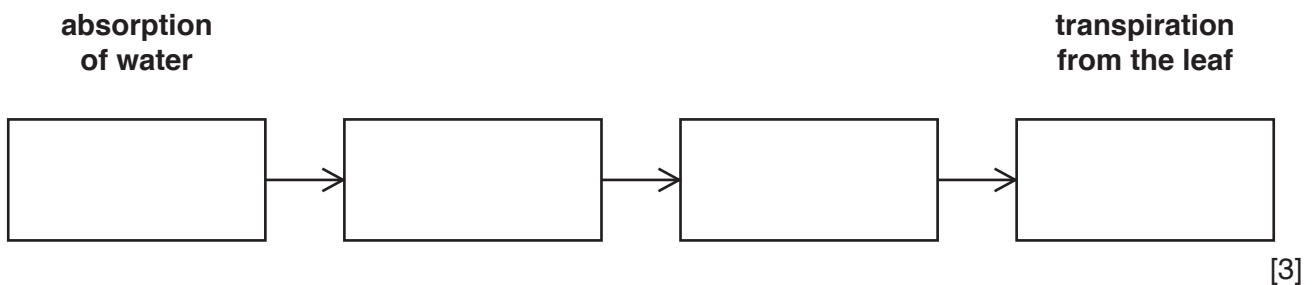


Fig. 3.1

(i) Describe how tissue O is adapted for its function.

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 .....  
 ..... [1]

(ii) Complete the flow chart by placing the letters of the cells M, N, O and P in the correct order, starting with the absorption of water.



(d) State the name of:

(i) the type of tissue in which water is carried up the stem

..... [1]

(ii) another substance which is carried in the same tissue.

..... [1]

[Total: 10]

[Turn over

4 The body has defenses against pathogens.

(a) (i) Define the term *pathogen*.

.....  
 .....  
 ..... [1]

(ii) State **two** ways a pathogen can be transmitted.

1 .....  
 .....  
 2 .....  
 ..... [2]

(iii) The body can defend itself against pathogens.

Complete Table 4.1 by stating examples of the body's defenses.

**Table 4.1**

defense	example
mechanical barrier	
chemical barrier	

[2]

(b) (i) Blood cells can also defend the body against pathogens.

Outline how they do this.

.....  
 .....  
 .....  
 ..... [3]

(ii) State **one** way in which modern medicine can help the body defend itself against pathogens.

.....  
 ..... [1]

**[Total: 9]**



- 5 Fish called trout and other fish used to be caught commercially in the Great Lakes of Canada.

However, canals built between the lakes before 1900 allowed a predator fish, the lamprey, to enter the lakes.

The lamprey feeds on trout. It caused the fishing industry to collapse.

Fig. 5.1 shows fish catches over 65 years.

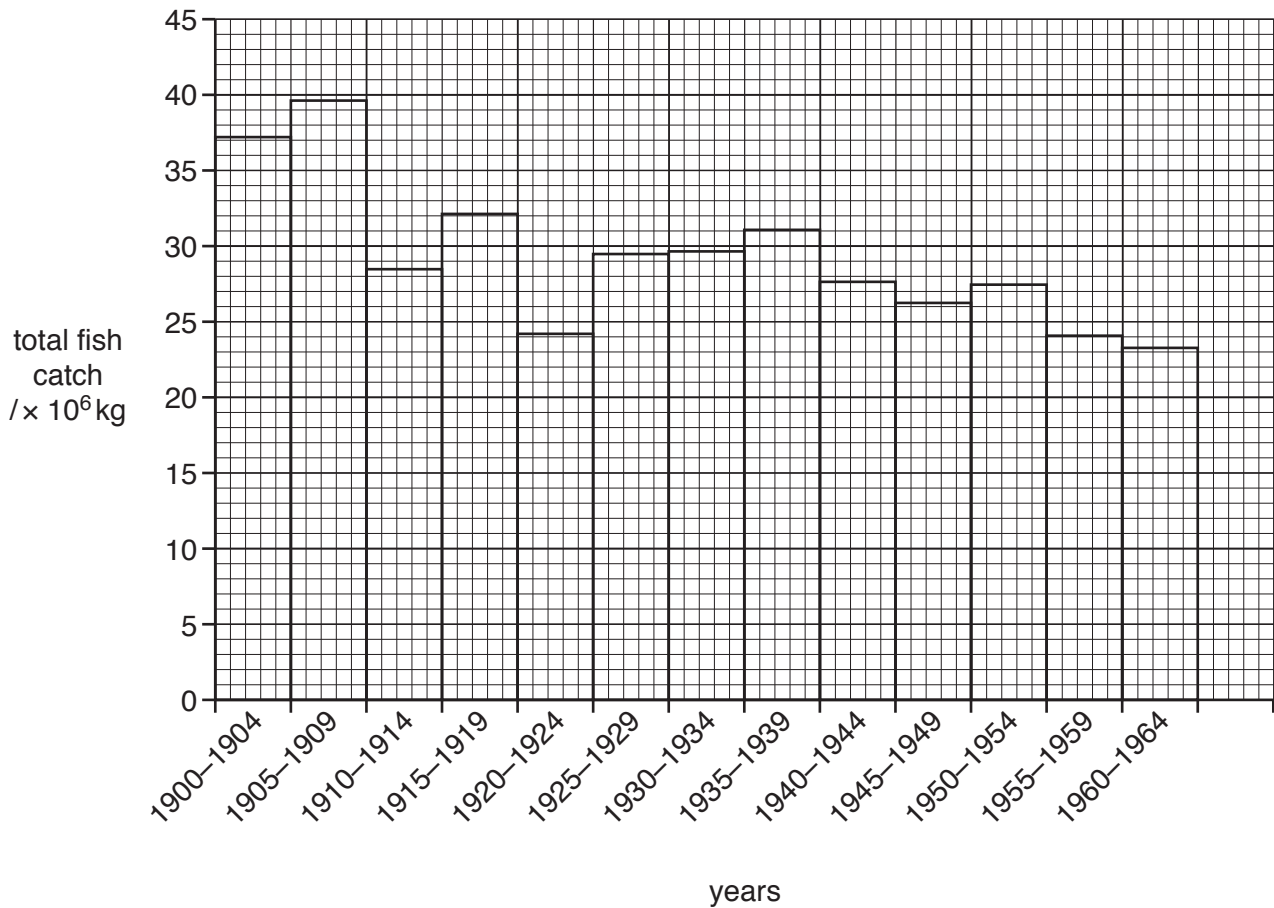


Fig. 5.1

- (a) State in which five year period:

(i) the greatest mass of fish was caught ..... [1]

(ii) the smallest mass of fish was caught ..... [1]

(iii) Between 1900 and 1904,  $37.4 \times 10^6$  kg of fish were caught.

Between 1960 and 1964,  $23.4 \times 10^6$  kg of fish were caught.

Calculate the reduction in fish catches between 1900 and 1964.

Show your working.

..... [2]

(b) In 1944 barriers were placed in the canals to stop lampreys entering the lakes.

Suggest whether the barriers were effective.

Explain your answer.

.....  
.....  
..... [1]

(c) Studies have shown that human activities can affect trout numbers.

Suggest **three** human activities that could cause the trout numbers to drop.

1 .....  
.....  
2 .....  
.....  
3 .....  
..... [3]

(d) Describe **two** methods of conserving endangered species.

1 .....  
.....  
2 .....  
..... [2]

[Total: 10]

- 6 (a) Complete Table 6.1 about diffusion and active transport.

Place a tick (✓) in each box which is correct.

**Table 6.1**

process	involves the movement of particles down a concentration gradient	involves the movement of particles up a concentration gradient	energy from respiration is required to move the particles
diffusion			
active transport			

[2]

- (b) Complete Table 6.2 by naming the organ where each of these examples of diffusion takes place.

**Table 6.2**

example of diffusion	organ
oxygen passes into the blood of a human	
carbon dioxide passes into a plant	
glucose is absorbed into the blood of a human	

[3]

- (c) Water moves into plant cells by osmosis.

Explain how plants benefit from the build-up of water in their cells.

.....

.....

..... [1]

**[Total: 6]**

7 (a) Teeth are involved in mechanical digestion.

What is meant by the term *mechanical digestion*?

.....  
 ..... [2]

(b) Fig. 7.1 shows a section through a molar tooth.

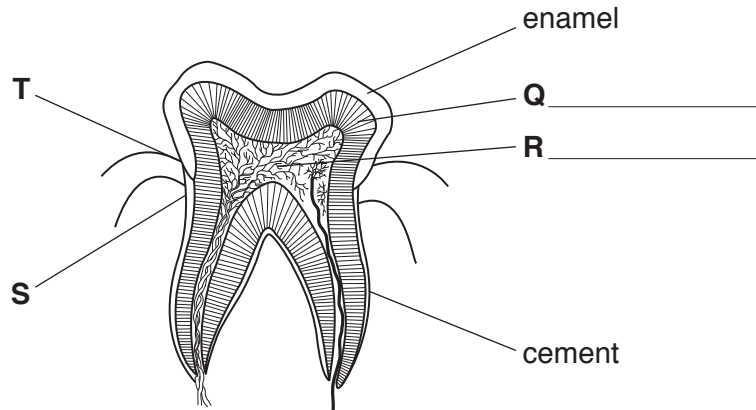


Fig. 7.1

(i) On Fig. 7.1, label parts **Q** and **R**. [2]

(ii) State **two** reasons why this tooth **cannot** be a canine tooth.

1 .....  
 .....  
 2 .....  
 ..... [2]

(iii) Gum disease causes the gums to shrink from position **T** to position **S**, as shown on Fig. 7.1.

Suggest why the tooth is more likely to decay when the gums are at position **S**.

.....  
 ..... [2]

(iv) State **two** ways of maintaining healthy teeth.

1 .....  
 .....  
 2 .....  
 ..... [2]

[Total: 10]

8 Fig. 8.1 shows the apparatus used for investigating the contents of cigarette smoke.

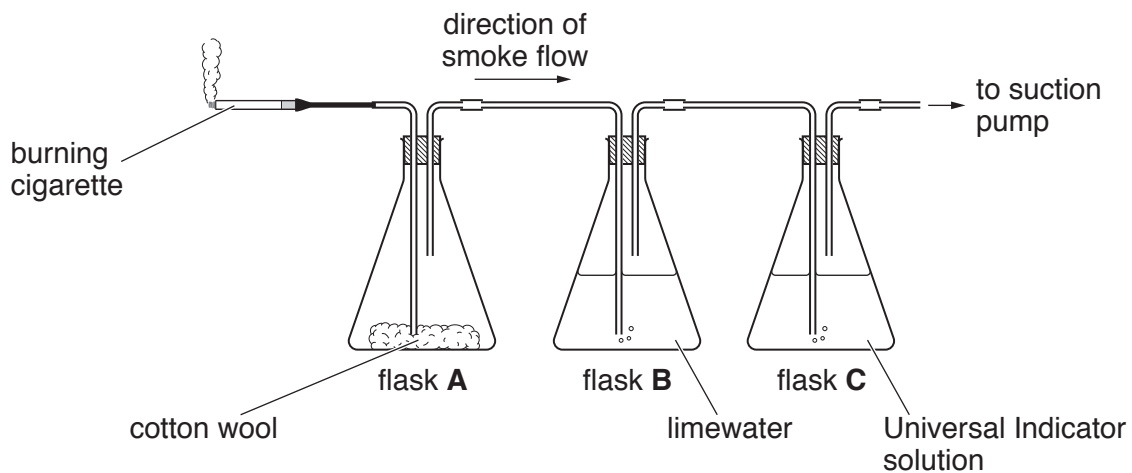


Fig. 8.1

The smoke from the burning cigarette is sucked through the apparatus.

Table 8.1 shows the results.

Table 8.1

flask	contents of flask	observations
<b>A</b>	cotton wool	stained yellow-brown with a sticky liquid
<b>B</b>	limewater	turned from colorless to milky
<b>C</b>	Universal Indicator solution	turned from green to orange-red

(a) (i) The chemical from the smoke that stained the cotton wool was tar.

State **two** effects tar has on the body.

1 .....

.....

2 .....

.....

[2]

(ii) State **one** conclusion that can be made from the limewater results.

.....

.....

..... [1]

(iii) State what the Universal Indicator results show about cigarette smoke.

.....  
..... [1]

(iv) Name **one** component of cigarette smoke, other than tar and carbon monoxide, **not** found in this investigation.

..... [1]

(b) The cigarette had a filter to collect harmful substances, but it did not work very well.

Suggest how the results in Table 8.1 show that the filter did not work very well.

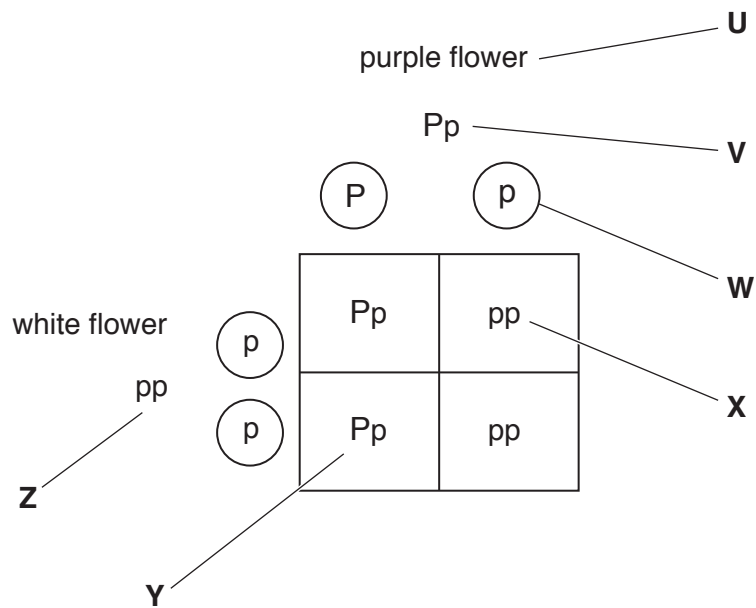
..... [1]

(c) Explain why cigarette smoke makes the transport of oxygen by the blood less effective.

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.....  
..... [2]

**[Total: 8]**

- 9 Fig. 9.1 shows a genetic cross between a purple flower and a white flower. Components of the cross are labeled with the letters **U–Z**.



**Fig. 9.1**

- (a) Use the letters **U, V, W, X, Y, or Z** from Fig. 9.1 to answer the questions.

You may use any letter once, more than once, or not at all.

State which letter represents:

- (i) the genotype of a heterozygous parent ..... [1]
- (ii) a gamete ..... [1]
- (iii) the phenotype of an individual ..... [1]
- (iv) a pure-breeding offspring. .... [1]

- (b) State the ratio of purple flowers to white flowers produced in this cross.

..... [1]

**[Total: 5]**

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