

2021 ASSESSMENT MATERIALS

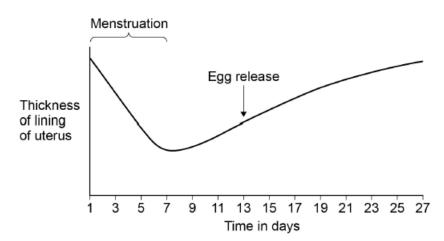
GCSE BIOLOGY

Biology Test 3: Homeostasis and response (Foundation)

Total number of marks: 33

0 2 Figure 2 shows some changes that occur during the menstrual cycle.

Figure 2



0 2 . 1	Figure 2 shows that the lining of the ute	erus thickens between days 7 and 27	-
	What is the purpose of thickening the lin	ning of the uterus?	[1 mark]
	Tick one box.		[1 mark]
	To allow implantation of the embryo	\checkmark	
	To break down waste		
	To prevent sperm reaching the egg		

0 2 . 2	Which hormone causes thickening of the lining of the uterus?	
	Tick one box.	[1 mark]
	Auxin	

Oestrogen
Testosterone

0 2.3 On which day is fertilisation most likely to occur?

Use information from Figure 2.

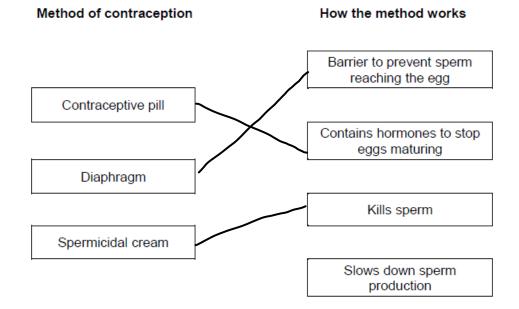
[1 mark]

day 22

Contraception can be used to lower the chance of pregnancy.

0 2.4 Draw one line from each method of contraception to how the method works.

[3 marks]



0 2 . 5 Table 2 gives information about some different methods of contraception.

Table 2

Method	Number of pregnancies per 100 women in one year	Possible Side effects
Diaphragm and spermicidal cream	8	Usually none, but can cause bladder infection in some women
Condom	2	None
Contraceptive pill	1	Mood swings, headaches, high blood pressure, blood clots, breast cancer

A man and a woman decide to use the condom as their method of contraception.

Suggest three reasons for this decision.

Use information from Table 2 and your own knowledge.

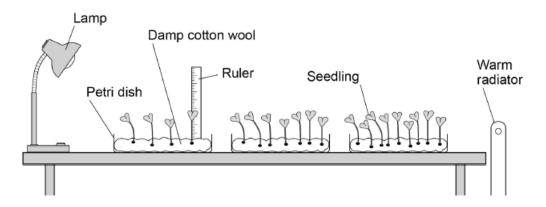
[3 marks]

- 1 no side effects
- 2 easy and quick to use
- 3 10w number of pregnancies per 100 women in a year shows that it is effective

0 2 A student investigated the effect of light intensity on the growth of seedlings.

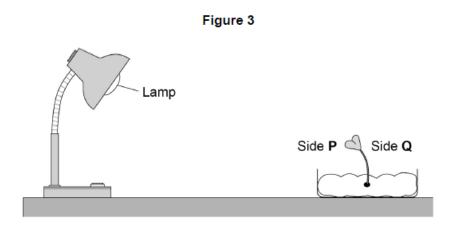
Figure 2 shows the equipment.

Figure 2



0 2.1	Which two improvements should the student make to the investigation?		[2 marks]
	Tick (✓) two boxes.		
	Give more water to the seedlings nearest the lamp		
	Leave some of the seedlings for a few more days		
	Open a window to let more air in		
	Put all the dishes the same distance from the radiator	\checkmark	
	Use equal numbers of seedlings in each dish	\checkmark	
0 2 . 2	What is the dependent variable in the investigation?		[1 mark]
	Tick (✓) one box.		[Timerk]
	The height of the seedlings	\checkmark	
	The mass of cotton wool		
	The temperature of the room		

Figure 3 shows a seedling growing towards a lamp.



0 2 . 4	What happened to the growth of the seedling on side P compared with the growth on side Q ?	
		[1 mark]
	Side P has grown less than side Q	
	Side P has grown more than side Q	
	Side P has grown the same as side Q	
0 2 . 5	Plant responses are called tropisms.	
	Which tropism causes the seedling to grow towards light?	[4
	Tick (✓) one box.	[1 mark]
	Geotropism	
	Gravitropism	
	Phototropism	

0 2 . 6	Which hormone causes the seedling to grow towards the light?		[1 mark]
	Tick (\checkmark) one box.		[Timerk]
	Auxin	\checkmark	
	Insulin		
	Testosterone		

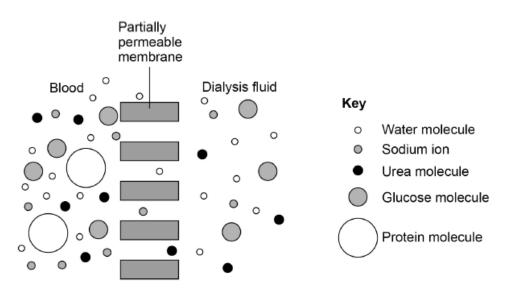
Some people have kidney disease.

Kidney disease may be treated by dialysis or by having a kidney transplant operation.

- During dialysis, a person is connected to a machine that filters the blood.
- · Each dialysis session lasts about 6 hours.
- · The person has several dialysis sessions each week.

Figure 12 shows how dialysis works.

Figure 12



0 6 . 5	How does urea move out of the blood during dialysis?		[1 mark]
	Tick (\checkmark) one box.		[Timark]
	Diffusion	✓	
	Digestion		
	Osmosis		
	Respiration		

0 6.6 Which substance in Figure 12 does not pass from the blood into the dialysis fluid?

Give the reason for your answer.

[2 marks]

Substance <u>protein</u> molecules

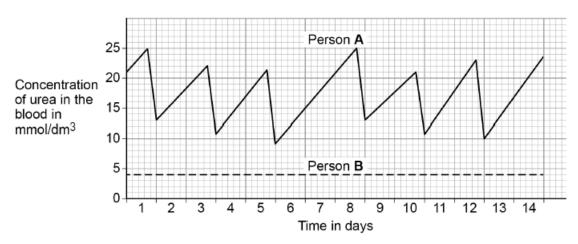
Reason they are too big to pass through the partially permeable membrane

Two people have kidney disease.

- · Person A is treated by dialysis.
- Person B has had a kidney transplant.

Figure 13 shows changes in the urea concentration in the blood of each person over 2 weeks.

Figure 13



0 6. 7 How many dialysis sessions did person A have each week?

[1 mark]

3

0 6 . 8 What happens to the concentration of urea in the blood between dialysis sessions? [1 mark]

increases

0 6 . 9	Give two reasons why a kidney transplant is a better method for treating kidney disease than dialysis.		
	[2 marks]		
	1 cheaper overall		
	2 patient can have a normal life after transplant		

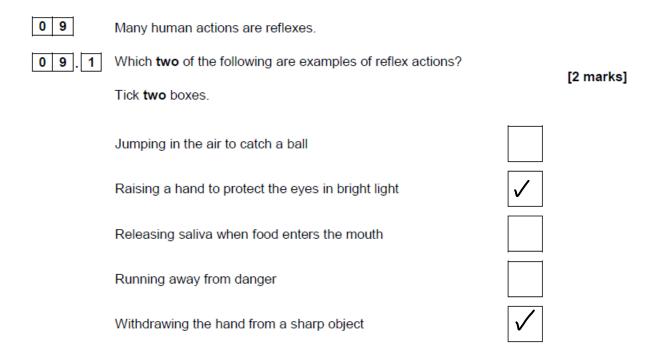
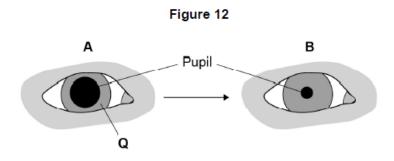


Figure 12 shows how the size of the pupil of the human eye can change by reflex action.



- Describe how structure Q causes the change in the size of the pupil from A to B.

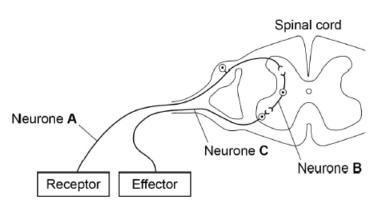
 The circular muscles contract and radial muscles

 [1 mark]

 relax.

0 9 . 5 Figure 13 shows some structures involved in the coordination of a reflex action.

Figure 13



Describe how the structures shown in Figure 13 help to coordinate a reflex action.

The receptor detects a stimulus and the sensory
neuron sends electrical impulses to the relay neuron. Relay
neurons are found in the spinal cord and connect sensory
and motor neurons. The motor neuron then sends electrical
impulses to the effector, which produces a response. When 2
neurons meet, the electrical impulse is converted chemical
messengers to be transmitted across the synapse. The electrical
impulse triggers neurotransmitter release from the axon terminal.
The neurotransmitters diffuse across the synapse and bind to
specific receptors on the post-synaptic membrane, and stimulate
an electrical impulse in the second neuron.