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Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
1(a)	Birth <u>rate</u> and death <u>rate</u> = 2 marks;;  OR  1. Change in population / births and deaths / population at start and end;  2. In a given time;	2	Neutral: any reference to per or times by a number eg per 1000 / × 100  Neutral: ignore any reference to immigration and emigration unless context is incorrect
1(b)	<ol> <li>High birth rate / high proportion/percentage/number of young/children;</li> <li>High death rate / low proportion/percentage/number of elderly/older people/low life expectancy;</li> </ol>	2	1 and 2. Both points must be clearly stated. Do not award other mark by implication 1 and 2. Accept appropriate use of percentage/number as alternatives  1. Accept: 'wide base' or any equivalent description of high proportion/number of young children  2. Accept: 'narrow at top' or any equivalent description of low proportion of older people  2. Accept high death rate in context of any age group

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
2(a)	Ulva lactuca;	1	Reject: <i>Ulva</i> on its own Accept: <i>lactuca</i> on its own Accept: Incorrect spelling
2(b)(i)	Difficult/too many/too many to count / individual organisms not identifiable / too small to identify / grows in clumps;	1	Neutral: easier/quicker/representative/more accurate, unless qualified
2(b)(ii)	Any described feature of concrete eg texture / flat / composition chemicals / nutrients etc;	1	Neutral: not natural / man made / are different, without further qualification
2(c)	<ol> <li>Pioneer species/Ulva increases then decreases;</li> <li>Principle of a species changing the conditions / a species makes the conditions less hostile;</li> <li>New/named species better competitor / previous/named/pioneer species outcompeted;</li> <li>G. coulteril Gelidium increases and other/named species decreases;</li> </ol>	4	1 and 4. Growth/reproduces = increases. Dies = decrease  2. Accept description of change in conditions eg soil/humus forms, nutrients increased  Pioneer species grows, dies and forms humus = 2 marks  G. coulteril Gelidium outcompetes other/named species = 2 marks

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
3(a)	1. Expression / appearance / characteristic due to genetic constitution/genotype/allele(s);  2. (Expression / appearance / characteristic) due to environment;	2	<ol> <li>Accept: named characteristic</li> <li>Accept: homozygous / heterozygous / genes / DNA</li> <li>Neutral: chromosomes</li> </ol>
3(b)(i)	<ol> <li>3 and 4 and 9/11/affected offspring;</li> <li>Both 3 and 4 are carriers/heterozygous;</li> <li>OR</li> <li>If dominant at least one of 3 and 4 would be affected;</li> </ol>	2	<ol> <li>Accept: 9/11 and their parents</li> <li>Accept: unaffected parents have affected children</li> <li>Accept: if 3 and 4 are unaffected all their children will be unaffected</li> </ol>
3(b)(ii)	<ol> <li>1. 11 is affected, 3 is not;</li> <li>2. 3/father of 11 does not have a recessive allele on his X chromosome/ X<sup>t</sup>;</li> <li>OR         <ul> <li>(If on X) 11/affected female would not receive the recessive allele on X chromosome/X<sup>t</sup> from 3/father;</li> </ul> </li> <li>OR         <ul> <li>(If on X) 3/father (of 11) would pass on the dominant allele on his X chromosome/X<sup>T</sup>;</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	2	Accept: 3/unaffected father/parents produce an affected daughter     Accept: 3 and 4 would only produce unaffected females     Answers must be in context of alleles  Reject: recessive/dominant chromosomes
3(c)(i)	Answer in range of 5.8 - 6.2% = 3 marks;;;  If incorrect answer, then 2 max of following points  1. q²/p²/tt = 0.001 or 1 divided by 1000;  2. p/q/T = 0.968 – 0.97;  3. Understanding that heterozygous = 2pq;	3 max	Answers in range of 0.058 - 0.062 = 2 marks  3. This can be shown mathematically ie 2 × two different numbers  3. Accept: answer provided attempts to calculate 2pq

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4(a)	Occurs in mitochondri a Carbon dioxide produced NAD is reduced	Glycolysis	Link reaction	Krebs Cycle	3	
	Mark horizo	ontally	1			
4(b)(i)	Glucose is used/broken down during glycolysis/in cytoplasm;      Glucose cannot cross mitochondrial membrane(s) / pyruvate can cross mitochondrial membrane(s);			plasm; <u>e(s</u> ) /	2	Accept: glucose to     pyruvate or glucose not     converted to pyruvate     for one mark
4(b)(ii)	attad 2. Red	competitive ches to act uces/preve strate/E-S o	ive site; ents enzy	me-	2	<ol> <li>Accept:         inhibitor/malonate         attaches to active site         to form an enzyme-         substrate complex</li> <li>Accept:         substrate/succinate         cannot bind to enzyme</li> <li>Accept mark point 2,         but not mp1 in context         of non-competitive         inhibition</li> </ol>
4(b)(iii)	2. NAE redu 3. Hyd 4. Oxy	os cycle inh D/Coenzym Iced; rogens not gen used a ctron) acce	e/FAD no passed t as final/te	to ETC;	2 max	4 Accept: oxygen combines with electrons and protons/hydrogen ions without reference to final acceptor  Neutral: oxygen is used in the Krebs cycle

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
5(a)(i)	So it/CO <sub>2</sub> is not a <u>limiting</u> factor (on growth/photosynthesis);	1	Accept: CO <sub>2</sub> is a <u>limiting</u> factor
5(a)(ii)	So any difference is due to <u>iron</u> (deficiency);	1	Accept: <u>iron</u> is the variable
5(a)(iii)	Amount of triose phosphate/TP will be similar/same/low (at start);	1	Accept: to allow triose phosphate to stabilise / become constant
			Reject: so all triose phosphate is used up
			Reject: so no triose phosphate
5(b)	<ol> <li>(Less) ATP produced;</li> <li>(Less) reduced NADP produced;</li> <li>ATP/reduced NADP produced during light-dependent reaction;</li> <li>(Less) GP to triose phosphate/TP;</li> </ol>	4	Accept: alternatives for reduced NADP ie NADP with hydrogen/s attached
5(c)	<ol> <li>Less triose phosphate converted to RuBP;</li> <li>CO<sub>2</sub> combines with RuBP;</li> </ol>	2	Accept: less triose phosphate so less RuBP

Question	Marking guidelines	Mark	Comments
6(a)	<ol> <li>No interbreeding / gene pools are separate / geographic(al) isolation;</li> <li>Mutation;</li> <li>Different selection pressures / different foods/niches/habitats;</li> <li>Adapted organisms survive and breed / differential reproductive success;</li> <li>Change/increase in allele frequency/frequencies;</li> </ol>	5	Accept: all marks if answer written in context of producing increased diversity of plants  1 Do not award this mark in context of new species being formed and then not interbreeding  1 Accept reproductive isolation as an alternative to no interbreeding  2 Accept: genetic variation  3 Accept: different environment / biotic/abiotic conditions or named condition  3 Neutral: different climates
6(b)	Similar/same environmental/abiotic/biotic factors / similar/same selection pressures / no isolation / gene flow can occur (within a species);	1	Accept: same environment

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments	
7(a)(i)	Reliable / representative / for statistical tests;	1	Accept: identify anomalies  Neutral: accurate/valid/bias	
7(a)(ii)	<ol> <li>Find coordinates (on a grid) / split area into squares / number the sites;</li> <li>Method of generating/finding random numbers eg calculator/computer/random number generator/random numbers table;</li> </ol>	2	Ignore references to tape measures, metre rulers etc      Accept: numbers out of a hat / use of dice	
7(a)(iii)	<ol> <li>Breeding (of lizards);</li> <li>Food source/prey;</li> <li>Predator;</li> <li>Variation in malarial infection;</li> <li>Temperature variation;</li> <li>Availability of water eg drought/'rainy season'</li> </ol>	2 max	Neutral: weather / climate / hurricanes / hibernation / migration / emigration / immigration	
7(b)	<ol> <li>Number in sample varies;</li> <li>Allow a (valid) comparison;</li> </ol>	2		
7(c)	<ol> <li>(Overall) positive correlation (for either/both species);</li> <li>Reference to (site) 5 / 300 metres;</li> <li>Limited results for A.wattsi / small sample/number/percentage infected for A.wattsi;</li> </ol>	2 max	Neutral: only one study / no repeats	
7(d)(i)	<ol> <li>Fewer A.wattsi infected / more A.gingivinus infected;</li> <li>Higher number of A.wattsi present when higher percentage/number of A.gingivinus infected;</li> <li>No A.wattsi present when A.gingivinus has zero infection;</li> </ol>	2 max		

7(d)(ii) 2 1. Reduced immunity / increased 1. Accept: idea that susceptibility to disease; energy/ resources are used to combat 2. Reduced oxygen malaria transport/uptake/respiration / reduced activity/movement; 7(d)(iii) 1. There is a probability of less than 2 1. Reject: probability 1% / 0.01; is/equal to 1%/0.01; 2. That result(s)/correlation/it is due 1. Reject 0.01%/5%/0.05/0.05% to chance: 2. Allow correct interpretation using **OR** above (incorrect) figures eg there is a probability of less 3. There is a probability of more than 5% that the than 99%/0.99; results are due to 4. That result(s)/correlation/it is not chance =1 mark due to chance; Note: there is a probability of more than 5% that the results are due to chance =0 marks 3. Reject: probability is/equal to 99%/0.99; 3. Reject 0.99%/95%/0.95/0.95 4. Allow correct interpretation of above figures ie 0.99%/95%/0.95/0.95 % but reject if less than

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8(a)	(Biological Agents)  1. Only needs one application/reproduces;  2. Specific;  3. Keeps/maintains low population;  4. Pests do not develop resistance;  5. Can use less chemicals / reduces chemical residues / no bioaccumulation;  (Chemical pesticides)  6. Acts quickly;  7. Can apply to specific area;  8. Kills all/most/greater variety of pests;	6 max	Assume advantages are in context of correct type of control (chemical or biological) unless stated otherwise  4. Reject reference to immunity
8(b)	<ol> <li>Growth of algae/surface plants/algal bloom blocks light;</li> <li>Reduced/no photosynthesis so (submerged) plants die;</li> <li>Saprobiotic (microorganisms/bacteria);</li> <li>Aerobically respire / use oxygen in respiration;</li> <li>Less oxygen for fish to respire / aerobic organisms die;</li> </ol>	5	3. Accept: Saprobiont/saprophyte/ saprotroph  3. Neutral: decomposer

8(c)	1.	Slaughtered when still growing/before maturity/while young so more energy transferred to biomass/tissue;	4 max	<b>Q</b> 1-4 The principle here is one mark for identifying a relevant point <u>and</u> offering an explanation
	2.	Fed on concentrate /controlled diet / so higher proportion of food absorbed/digested/assimilated / used for biomass/tissue / lower		<ol> <li>Accept: named diets for controlled diet, eg high protein diet</li> <li>Neutral: loss in</li> </ol>
		proportion lost in faeces;		excretion
	3.	Movement restricted so less heat/energy/respiratory loss;		2. Neutral: for growth
	4.	Heating/Kept warm/ inside so less heat/energy/respiratory loss/maintain body temperature;		Neutral: reference to predators
	5.	Genetically selected / selective breeding (for high productivity);		