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Paper 1 Multiple Choice

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**1 hour**

Additional Materials: Multiple Choice Answer Sheet  
Soft clean eraser  
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)




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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write in soft pencil.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number on the Answer Sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.

There are **forty** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions. For each question there are four possible answers **A, B, C** and **D**.

Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in **soft pencil** on the separate Answer Sheet.

**Read the instructions on the Answer Sheet very carefully.**

Each correct answer will score one mark. A mark will not be deducted for a wrong answer.  
Any rough working should be done in this booklet.

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## 2

1 What is the diameter of a typical prokaryote, such as *Streptococcus*?

- A  $7.5 \times 10^1$  nm
- B  $7.5 \times 10^2$  nm
- C  $7.5 \times 10^0$   $\mu$ m
- D  $7.5 \times 10^1$   $\mu$ m

2 Which cell components contain ribosomes?

- 1 chloroplast
- 2 mitochondrion
- 3 nucleus
- 4 cytoplasm

- A 1, 2, 3 and 4
- B 1, 2 and 3 only
- C 1 and 2 only
- D 3 and 4 only

3 Where would cristae be found in a cell?

- 1 endoplasmic reticulum
- 2 Golgi apparatus
- 3 mitochondrion

- A 1 and 2
- B 1 and 3
- C 2 and 3
- D 3 only

4 Which cell components are present in **all** prokaryotic cells?

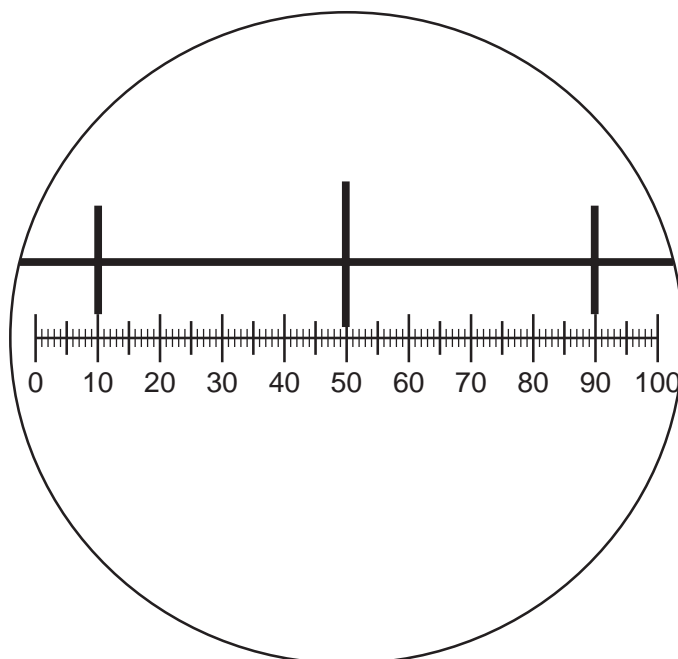
	cell surface membrane	cell wall	endoplasmic reticulum	flagellum
<b>A</b>	✓	✓	x	✓
<b>B</b>	✓	x	✓	x
<b>C</b>	✓	✓	x	x
<b>D</b>	x	✓	✓	✓

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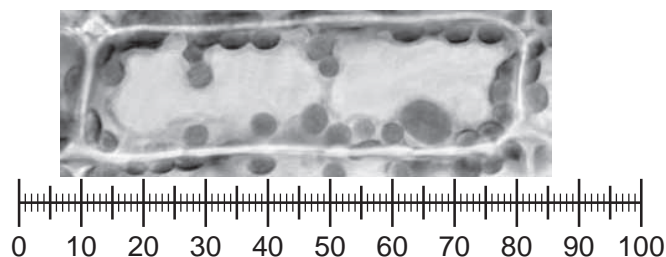
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x = not present

- 5 The diagram shows a stage micrometer on which the small divisions are 0.1 mm. It is viewed through an eyepiece containing a graticule.



The stage micrometer is replaced by a slide of a plant cell.



What is the length of the nucleus?

- A** 0.8 mm      **B** 8  $\mu\text{m}$       **C** 25  $\mu\text{m}$       **D** 200  $\mu\text{m}$
- 6 In general, eukaryotic cells undergo division much slower than prokaryotic cells.

What is the reason for this?

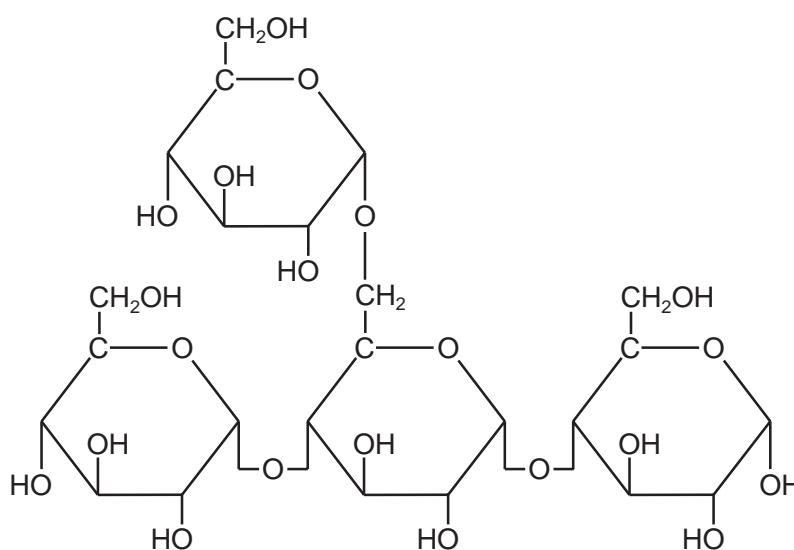
- A** Eukaryotes break down the nuclear membrane during mitosis.  
**B** Eukaryotes have many more mitochondria than prokaryotes.  
**C** Prokaryotes do not contain any centrioles.  
**D** Prokaryotic cells are a lot smaller than eukaryotic cells.

- 7 Which is the strongest type of bonding found in proteins?
- A** disulfide bonds  
**B** hydrogen bonds  
**C** hydrophobic interactions  
**D** ionic bonds
- 8 Two disaccharides are maltose and sucrose. Maltose is formed from two molecules of glucose, whilst sucrose is formed from fructose and glucose.

Which row shows the molecular formulae of the two disaccharides?

	maltose	sucrose
<b>A</b>	$C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$	$C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$
<b>B</b>	$C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$	$C_{12}H_{24}O_{12}$
<b>C</b>	$C_{12}H_{24}O_{12}$	$C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$
<b>D</b>	$C_{12}H_{24}O_{12}$	$C_{12}H_{24}O_{12}$

- 9 The diagram shows a carbohydrate molecule.



Of which polymers could this be a part?

- A** amylopectin and cellulose  
**B** amylose and starch  
**C** glycogen and amylose  
**D** starch and glycogen

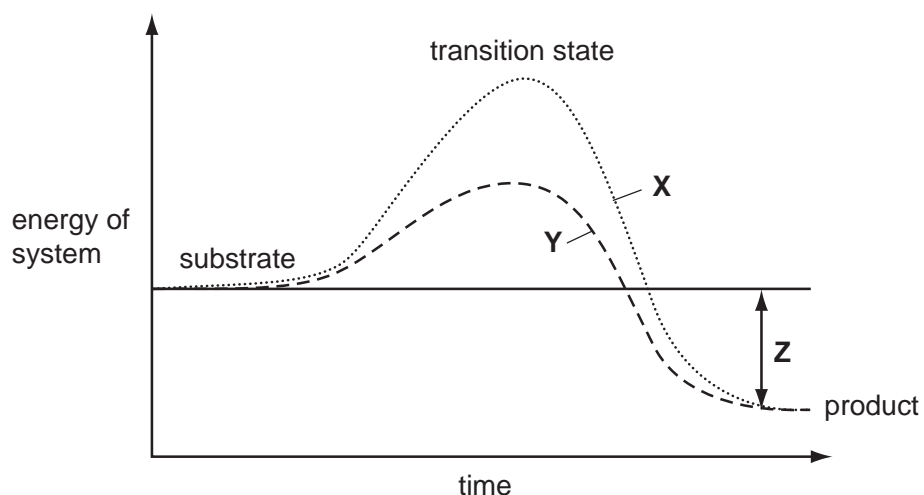
- 10 Solutions of biological molecules are tested for sugars. The table shows the colours of the solutions after testing.

Which may contain reducing sugars?

solution	heated with Benedict's solution	boiled with hydrochloric acid, neutralised, then heated with Benedict's solution
1	blue	yellow
2	green	orange
3	orange	red

- A 1, 2 and 3    B 1 and 3 only    C 2 and 3 only    D 1 only
- 11 Which property of water makes it most suitable for transport in eukaryotic organisms?
- A density  
 B ionisation  
 C latent heat of vaporisation  
 D solvent properties
- 12 Which statements about the effect of **all** enzyme inhibitors are correct?
- 1 alter the shape of the active site  
 2 denature the enzyme  
 3 reduce the rate of the enzyme catalysed reaction
- A 1, 2 and 3    B 1 and 2 only    C 1 and 3 only    D 3 only

13 The graph shows the effect of an enzyme on a reaction.



Which combination identifies **X**, **Y** and **Z**?

	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Z</b>
<b>A</b>	catalysed reaction	uncatalysed reaction	energy lost by product
<b>B</b>	catalysed reaction	uncatalysed reaction	total energy lost during reaction
<b>C</b>	uncatalysed reaction	catalysed reaction	energy gained by product
<b>D</b>	uncatalysed reaction	catalysed reaction	total energy change during reaction

14 Single-celled animals that live in fresh water have a vacuole that contracts regularly to remove excess water. Single-celled plants that live in fresh water do not have a similar vacuole.

Which statement explains why only these animals need this vacuole?

- A** Plant cell cytoplasm and animal cell cytoplasm both have a lower water potential than fresh water.
- B** Plant cell sap has the same water potential as fresh water, animal cytoplasm has a lower water potential than fresh water.
- C** Plant cell walls are impermeable to water, animal cell surface membranes are permeable to water.
- D** Plant cell walls restrict the entry of water, animal cell membranes allow the free entry of water.

15 Which statement defines active transport?

- A movement of large molecules through the cell surface membrane into the cytoplasm of a cell
- B movement of molecules or ions from where they are in a low concentration to where they are in a higher concentration
- C movement of molecules or ions from where they are in a high concentration to where they are in a lower concentration
- D net movement of water molecules across a partially permeable membrane from a region of higher water potential to one of lower water potential

16 Which statements about the components of the cell surface membrane are correct?

- 1 Diffusion can take place through lipids and protein pores.
- 2 Endocytosis only involves lipids.
- 3 Facilitated diffusion only involves proteins.
- 4 Osmosis only involves proteins.

- A 1, 2, 3 and 4
- B 1, 3 and 4 only
- C 1 and 3 only
- D 2 and 4 only

17 Which statement about a diploid cell is **not** correct?

- A It can undergo a mitotic division to allow growth to occur.
- B It can undergo a mitotic division to repair a cell.
- C It can undergo a reduction division to form haploid cells.
- D It is one that possesses two complete sets of chromosomes.

18 Meiosis and mitosis are two types of cell division.

A cell has 10 chromosomes before it divides.

How many chromosomes will it have after dividing by meiosis or mitosis?

	meiosis	mitosis
<b>A</b>	5	10
<b>B</b>	5	20
<b>C</b>	10	5
<b>D</b>	20	5

- 19** A gene codes for the production of a protein, p53, that binds to damaged DNA during interphase and prevents its replication. A carcinogen in cigarette smoke mutates this gene.

Which statement explains why this mutation may cause cancer?

- A** Lack of p53 allows cells to undergo mitosis.
  - B** Lack of p53 allows cells with damaged DNA to replicate.
  - C** The carcinogen in cigarette smoke increases the rate of cell division.
  - D** The p53 causes uncontrolled cell division.
- 20** In a genetic engineering experiment a piece of double-stranded DNA containing 6000 nucleotides coding for a specific polypeptide is transcribed and translated.

What is the total number of amino acids in this polypeptide?

- A** 500
  - B** 1000
  - C** 2000
  - D** 3000
- 21** What makes the exact copying of DNA molecules possible?
- A** base pairing
  - B** hydrogen bonding between nucleotides
  - C** sugar-phosphate backbone
  - D** the double helix shape

- 22** Which molecule has its synthesis directly controlled by DNA?

- A** amylase
- B** cholesterol
- C** glycogen
- D** phospholipid

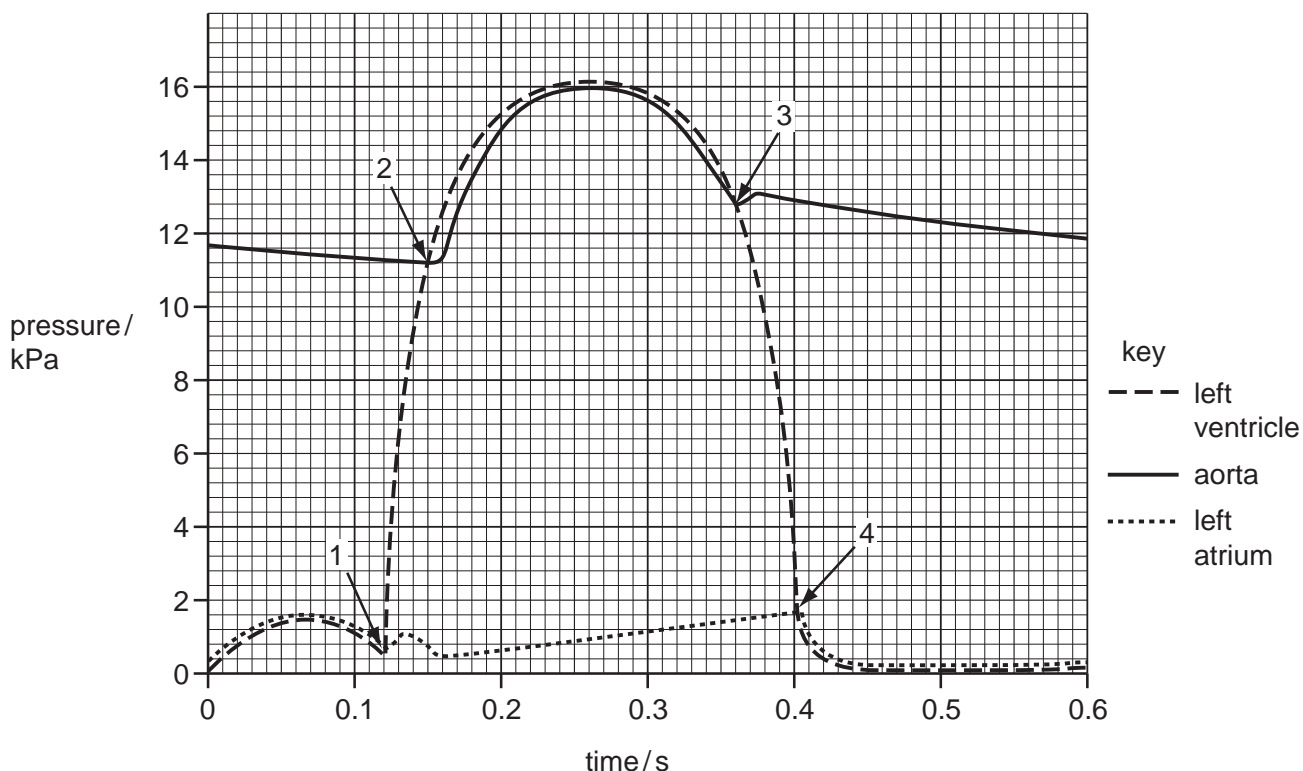


- 23** Bacteria were grown in a medium containing  $^{15}\text{N}$ . After several generations, all of the DNA contained  $^{15}\text{N}$ . Some of these bacteria were transferred to a medium containing the common isotope of nitrogen,  $^{14}\text{N}$ . The bacteria were allowed to divide once. The DNA of some of these bacteria was extracted and analysed. This DNA was all hybrid DNA containing equal amounts of  $^{14}\text{N}$  and  $^{15}\text{N}$ .

The remaining bacteria were left in the medium with  $^{14}\text{N}$  and allowed to divide one more time. The DNA of some of these bacteria was extracted and analysed.

What is the composition of this DNA?

- A** 25% hybrid DNA  
**B** 50% hybrid DNA  
**C** 75% hybrid DNA  
**D** 100% hybrid DNA
- 24** The diagram shows pressure changes in the left side of the heart and aorta over time. The length of this cardiac cycle is 0.6 s. Points 1, 2, 3 and 4 indicate when atrio-ventricular valves and semi-lunar valves either open or close.



What is the total time during one cardiac cycle that the atrio-ventricular valves and the semi-lunar valves are both closed at the same time?

- A** 0.03 s      **B** 0.04 s      **C** 0.07 s      **D** 0.21 s

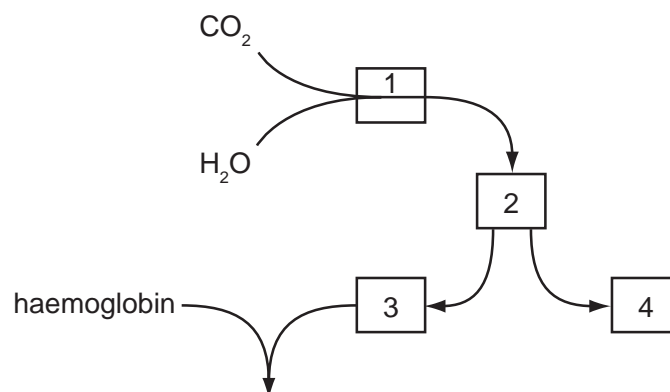
25 The large arteries close to the heart have a thick elastic layer in their walls.

Which statements about this layer are correct?

- 1 evens out the blood flow from the heart
- 2 reduces friction within these blood vessels
- 3 prevents too much pressure bursting the artery wall

**A** 1 and 2 only    **B** 1 and 3 only    **C** 2 and 3 only    **D** 3 only

26 The diagram shows part played by red blood cells in the transport of carbon dioxide.



Which row is correct?

	1	2	3	4
<b>A</b>	carbaminohaemoglobin	haemoglobinic acid	hydrogen ions	hydrogen carbonate ions
<b>B</b>	carbonic anhydrase	carbonic acid	hydrogen ions	hydrogen carbonate ions
<b>C</b>	carboxyhaemoglobin	carbonic anhydrase	carbonic acid	carbon dioxide
<b>D</b>	haemoglobinic acid	carbonic acid	hydrogen carbonate ions	hydrogen ions

27 Which components of blood are also present in lymph?

	white blood cells	proteins	sodium ions
<b>A</b>	✓	✓	✓
<b>B</b>	✓	x	✓
<b>C</b>	x	✓	✓
<b>D</b>	x	✓	x

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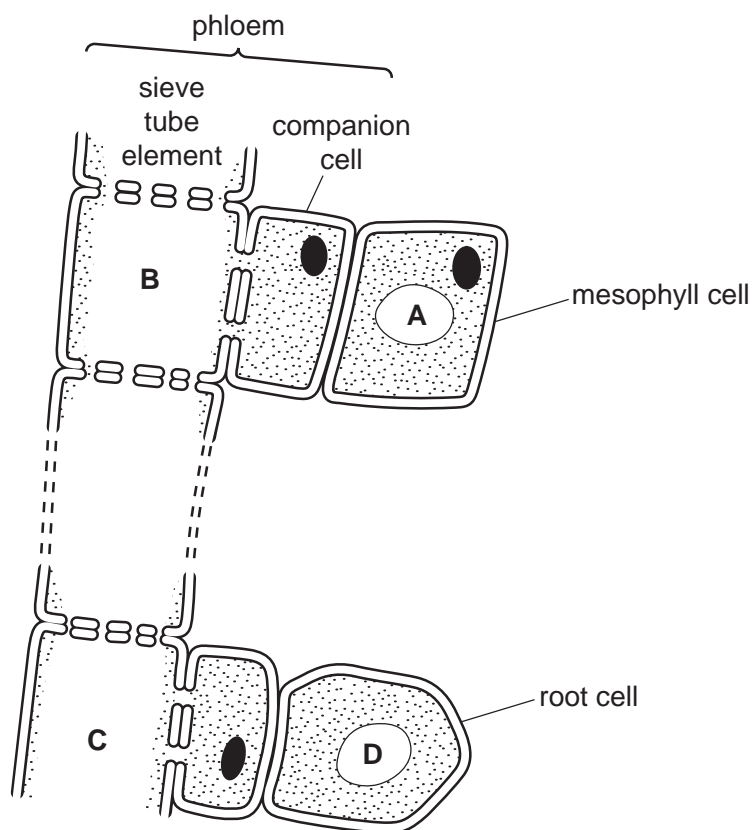
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28 In which combination of environmental conditions are the stomata of a plant most likely to close?

	atmospheric humidity	soil water potential	wind speed
<b>A</b>	high	low	high
<b>B</b>	high	low	low
<b>C</b>	low	high	high
<b>D</b>	low	low	high

29 The diagram shows the tissues involved in the transport of sucrose in a plant.

Where is the highest concentration of sucrose?



**30** Which evidence supports the cohesion-tension theory for the movement of water in flowering plants?

- 1 When the rate of transpiration of a tree is maximum, the diameter of the trunk is minimum.
- 2 When a plant shoot is removed close to the base of the stem, sap leaks out from the cut.
- 3 Evaporation of water from a porous pot can exert a force that draws water up a glass tube attached underneath the pot.
- 4 Droplets of water form at the edge of leaves of plants growing in conditions of soil with high water content and air with high humidity.

**A** 1 and 2      **B** 1 and 3      **C** 2 and 3      **D** 2 and 4

**31** What describes how smoking contributes to cardiovascular disease?

- 1 Both nicotine and carbon monoxide speed up the development of plaques in arteries.
- 2 Nicotine increases blood pressure and heart rate and so increases the body's demand for oxygen.
- 3 Smoking interacts with other risk factors and increases the blood cholesterol level.
- 4 Tar is deposited in the lining of artery walls and increases the development of atherosclerosis.

**A** 4 only  
**B** 2 and 4 only  
**C** 1, 2 and 3 only  
**D** 1, 2, 3 and 4

**32** Where in the respiratory system are both goblet cells and ciliated epithelium found?

	trachea	bronchi	bronchioles
<b>A</b>	✓	✓	x
<b>B</b>	✓	x	x
<b>C</b>	x	✓	✓
<b>D</b>	x	x	✓

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✓ = found

x = not found

33 What is an effect of inhaling tobacco smoke?

- A decreased mucus production
- B increased movement of cilia
- C less oxygen transport by blood
- D narrowing of the bronchioles

34 Which does **not** increase the efficiency of gaseous exchange in the alveoli?

- A The blood capillaries and alveoli have a large total surface area.
- B The blood flow is slowed as it passes through the pulmonary capillaries.
- C The walls of the alveoli and capillaries are moist.
- D The walls of the alveoli and capillaries are very thin.

35 Which details are correct?

	disease	method of controlling spread	treatment	causative agent
<b>A</b>	AIDS	use condoms during sexual intercourse	antibiotics	virus
<b>B</b>	cholera	water treatment	oral rehydration	bacterium
<b>C</b>	malaria	quinine	vaccination	protoctist
<b>D</b>	TB	isolate patients	antibiotics	virus

36 Where are antibodies and antigens found?

	on surface of pathogens	on surface of phagocytes	in blood plasma
<b>A</b>	antibodies	antibodies	antigens
<b>B</b>	antibodies	antigens	antibodies
<b>C</b>	antigens	antibodies	antigens
<b>D</b>	antigens	antigens	antibodies

37 Breast milk produced by the mother for a new-born baby contains antibodies.

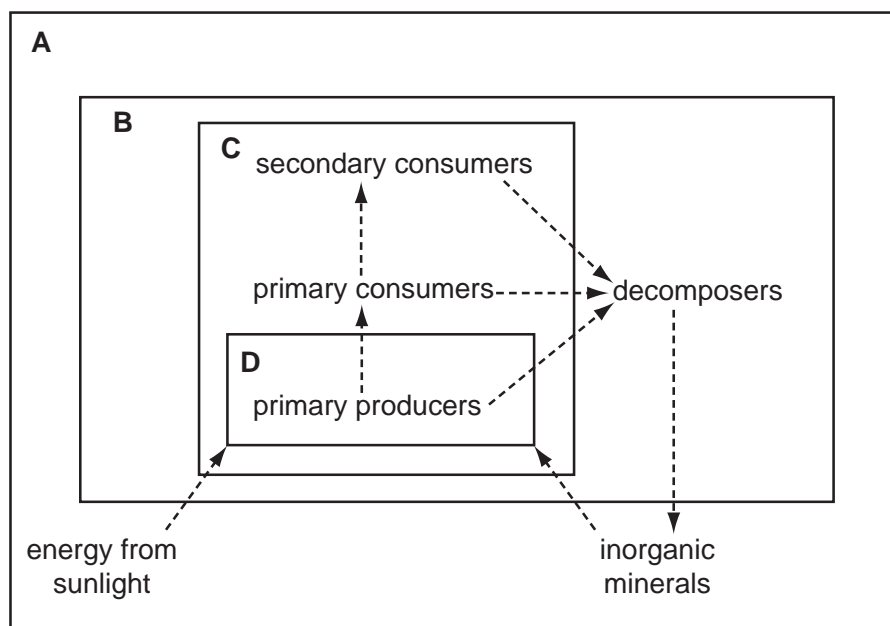
What do these antibodies provide?

- A artificial active immunity
- B artificial passive immunity
- C natural active immunity
- D natural passive immunity

38 Which group could be a population?

- A all the animals and plants on an isolated island
- B all the birds counted in one day in a garden
- C all the bacteria in a colony of *Bacillus subtilis*
- D all the insects occupying three hectares of farmland

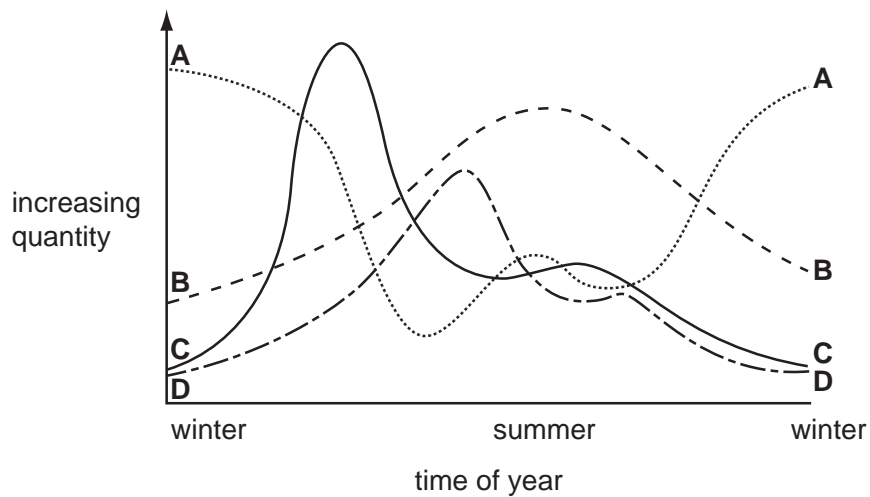
39 Which box contains only the parts of an ecosystem which are classed as a food web?



40 The graph shows the annual changes of the following factors in a lake.

- intensity of light per day
- numbers of producers
- numbers of primary consumers
- quantity of nutrients

Which curve represents the numbers of primary consumers?



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