

Mark Scheme (Results)

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## General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

### Using the Mark Scheme

Examiners should look for qualities to reward rather than faults to penalise. This does NOT mean giving credit for incorrect or inadequate answers, but it does mean allowing candidates to be rewarded for answers showing correct application of principles and knowledge. Examiners should therefore read carefully and consider every response: even if it is not what is expected it may be worthy of credit.

The mark scheme gives examiners:

- an idea of the types of response expected
- how individual marks are to be awarded
- the total mark for each question
- examples of responses that should NOT receive credit.

/ means that the responses are alternatives and either answer should receive full credit.

( ) means that a phrase/word is not essential for the award of the mark, but helps the examiner to get the sense of the expected answer.

Phrases/words in **bold** indicate that the <u>meaning</u> of the phrase or the actual word is **essential** to the answer. ecf/TE/cq (error carried forward) means that a wrong answer given in an earlier part of a question is used correctly in answer to a later part of the same question.

Candidates must make their meaning clear to the examiner to gain the mark. Make sure that the answer makes sense. Do not give credit for correct words/phrases which are put together in a meaningless manner. Answers must be in the correct context.

## **Quality of Written Communication**

Questions which involve the writing of continuous prose will expect candidates to:

- write legibly, with accurate use of spelling, grammar and punctuation in order to make the meaning clear
- select and use a form and style of writing appropriate to purpose and to complex subject matter
- organise information clearly and coherently, using specialist vocabulary when appropriate.

Full marks will be awarded if the candidate has demonstrated the above abilities.

Questions where QWC is likely to be particularly important are indicated (QWC) in the mark scheme, but this does not preclude others.

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
1(a)	An answer that makes reference to the following:			
	<ul> <li>transport against a concentration gradient / from low to high concentration</li> </ul>	(1)	IGNORE from low concentration gradient to high concentration gradient	
	energy / ATP required	(1)		(2)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
1(b)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		ACCEPT converse for epithelial cells	
	• (water moves into the intestine by) osmosis	(1)		
	<ul> <li>because the concentration of {chloride ions / salt / solute} increases {in intestine / outside the cell}</li> </ul>	(1)	ACCEPT solute potential decreases {in intestine / outside the cell}	
	therefore reducing the water potential (in the intestine)	(1)		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(c)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	airways blocked / narrowed	ACCEPT less space / reduced pathway	
	<ul> <li>therefore less oxygen to alveoli / less air enters alveoli / less gas exchange / lower concentration gradient / less diffusion (into blood)</li> </ul>		
			(2)

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1(d)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	<ul> <li>(mice / humans with) mutated alleles lose less water / more mutant alleles reduces water loss</li> </ul>	(1)	ACCEPT converse statement	
	therefore survive cholera / infection	(1)		
	<ul><li>pass on {allele / mutant genes}</li></ul>	(1)		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(a)(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	• prevent {air / bubbles} entering the {stem / xylem} (1)	ACCEPT oxygen	
	<ul> <li>allowing water transport (to leaves) / water uptake / transpiration stream / breaks cohesion</li> </ul>	IGNORE phloem Needs to be in appropriate context of transport	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(a)(ii)	A (high wind speed, low humidity, high temperature)		(1)

Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
<b>2(b) B</b> (c	cell wall, cell membrane, cytoplasm)		(4)

Question Number		Indicative content					
*2(c)	Answers will be credited according to candidates' deployment of knowledge and understanding of the material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the generic mark scheme.						
		The indicative content below is not prescriptive and candidates are not required to include all the material which is indicated as relevant. Additional content included in the response must be scientific and relevant.					
	<ul> <li>P (Patterns)</li> <li>rate of transpiration increases in the day</li> <li>fluctuations in rate of transpiration could be due to environmental changes (wind speed / rain / humidit / cloud cover / dehydration)</li> <li>change in pattern of xylem diameter follows the same trend as change in transpiration</li> </ul>						
	R (reasons)  • light causes stomata to open  • increase temperature increases kinetic energy  • reduced humidity increases concentration gradient  • increased wind speed increased / maintains concentration gradient  • evaporation from leaves reduces water potential in the leaves						
	<ul> <li>C (cohesion tension)</li> <li>water molecules are polar</li> <li>cohesion is due to hydrogen bonding between water molecules</li> <li>column of water is under tension as water evaporates</li> <li>evaporation causes pressure to decrease, narrowing the xylem</li> </ul>						
Level	Mark	Descriptor					
	0	No awardable content					
Level 1	1-2 An explanation may be attempted but with limited interpretation or analysis of the scientific information.  The explanation will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.						
Level 2	3-4	An explanation will be given with occasional evidence of analysis ad interpretation of two pieces of evidence.					
Level 3	5-6	An analysis is made, which is supported throughout by sustained application of relevant evidence of analysis, and interpretation of the information.  The explanation shows a well-developed and sustained line of scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured					

Level 1	(P or R or C)
Level 2	(P and R) or (P and C) or (R and C)
Level 3	(P and R and C)
	For level 3 science must be correct

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(a)(i)	• correct numerator (13572) or denominator (2278) (1)	Example of Calculation	
	Correct Humerator (13372) or denominator (2276)	N(N-1)Σn(n-1)	
	• correct calculation of D (1)	= 5.96	
		Correct answer with no working gains full marks	(2)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
3(a)(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to three of the following:		ACCEPT converse statements	
	<ul> <li>more species of butterfly / higher species richness / more varieties of butterfly / 9 species compared to 4 species</li> </ul>	(1)		
	because there are more plant species	(1)		
	<ul> <li>therefore more niches / food sources / breeding areas / hibernation</li> </ul>	(1)		
	because species are unaffected by herbicide / insecticide / fertiliser	(1)		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(a)(iii)	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following:		
	(A) stated abiotic factor not controlled (1)	e.g. temperature / wind speed / humidity / rain / previous weather/ sunlight	
	• (S) sweep method not standardised (1	e.g. number of sweeps / size of nets / may not catch all species / some not caught / sampling was not random / subjective / relies on judgement when all are collected / bias / should grid areas / some not seen / some may fly away	
	(T) time not standardised / date of sampling (1 differs / length of time spent sampling is different	e.g. some butterflies not present at different times / hatch at different times / migrate at different times / should look at other months	
	• (R) sampling area / number of fields vary (1	e.g. lots of fields needed / may be other differences between fields / sizes of fields / may differ / needs more repeats over more years	
		IGNORE ethical issues	(4)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
3(b)(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	<ul> <li>number of butterfly {species / diversity} increases then {levels off / decreases}</li> </ul>	(1)		
	<ul> <li>because there are more plant {species / diversity} / positive correlation between number of butterfly species and plant species</li> </ul>	(1)		
	<ul> <li>providing more {niches / food sources / nesting sites} / decrease due to competition from other organisms</li> </ul>	(1)		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(b)(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	<ul> <li>number of moths is highest when creeping thistle is highest</li> </ul>	ACCEPT converse statement	
	<ul> <li>because creeping thistle is a {food source / habitat / niche / used for reproduction}</li> </ul>		(2)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
4(a)(i)	An answer that makes reference to the following:			
	blood passes through heart twice / pumped to lungs and (body separately / blood pumped (again) after going through	1)	IGNORE pumped to lungs and body without qualifying that it is separate	
	lungs			(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4 (a)(ii)			
	<b>C</b> (the pressure in the left ventricle is higher than the pressure		
	in the left atrium)		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4 (b)(i)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	oncotic pressure is caused by (plasma) proteins     (1)		
	hydrostatic pressure is due to heart pumping / (1) contraction		
	therefore when hydrostatic pressure is <b>higher</b> (than oncotic), fluid is forced out	ALLOW converse statement	
	therefore when hydrostatic pressure is <b>lower</b> , fluid is drawn in	ALLOW converse statement	
			(4)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
4(b)(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to two of the following:			
	proteins accumulate in tissue fluid	(1)		
	therefore oncotic pressure changes	(1)	ACCEPT water potential decreases	
	<ul><li>therefore less {fluid / water} removed by {blood / capillary}</li></ul>	(1)	ACCEPT more {fluid / water} is drawn out of {blood / capillary}	(2)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:			
	increase in smoking leads to more thrombin <b>and</b> fibrinogen	(1)		
	increases are significantly higher / no overlap over standard deviations	(1)		
	so that thrombin converts fibrinogen into fibrin	(1)		
	therefore fibrin forms clots	(1)	ACCEPT correct description of a clot	(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(b)(i)	<b>D</b> (monocyte, neutrophil, lymphocyte)		(1)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark	
5(b)(ii)	An description that makes reference to the following:				
	engulf / phagocytosis	(1)	IGNORE kill REJECT produce antibodies		
	<ul> <li>{digest / breakdown} {antigen / pathogen / bacteria / virus / microbe}</li> </ul>	(1)	ACCEPT correct references to lysosomes / phagosomes	(2)	

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
6(a)	Line drawn from left to right (over or between one lamellae)	(1)	blood entering gill gill lamella	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)	<b>A</b> (0.4 s and 0.5 s)		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(c)(i)	<b>B</b> $(10.10 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1})$		(1)

Question	Answer		Additional Guidance	
Number	Allowei			Mark
	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		ALLOW converse	
6(c)(ii)				
	<ul> <li>more active fish have higher surface area: mass ratio</li> </ul>	(1)		
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	<ul> <li>therefore they can absorb more oxygen</li> </ul>	(1)	IGNORE gas exchange	
		( )	gara a leniga	
	for respiration for more muscle contraction	(1)		(3)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
6(d)	<ul> <li>An explanation that makes reference to the following:</li> <li>gill lamellae {are thicker / swollen / touching / less surface area / less contact with water} / have decreased water flow</li> </ul>	(1)		
	therefore less gas exchange / oxygen uptake	(1)		(2)

Question Number		Ansı	wer		Additional Guidance	Mark
7(a)	Any two corre	ect rows for 1 mar	rk:			
		Domain	Eukarya		ACCEPT Eukaryote / Eukaryota	
		Kingdom	Animalia			
		Phylum	Chordata			
		Class	Mammalia			
		Order	Proboscidea			
		Family	Elephantidae		Upper case for <i>Loxodonta</i>	
		Genus	Loxodonta		Lower case for africana	
		Species	africana		Lower case for an leana	(2)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(i)	An answer that makes reference to one of the following:			
	similar appearance	(1)	ACCEPT similar trunk / tusks IGNORE colour / size	
	<ul> <li>have <b>not</b> observed if they could breed together / produce fertile offspring</li> </ul>	(1)		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)(ii)	An answer that makes reference to the following:  publish in journals / presented at conferences / peer review / writing papers / other scientists repeating the work  (1)		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(c)	B African Asian elephant mammoth		
			(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(d)(i)	correct reading from graph	= 10(%)	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(d)(ii)	An answer that makes reference to the following:	Example of Calculation ECF from part (i)	
	correct subtraction of percentages	100% - 10 % = 90% 1.3 - 0.13 = 1.17	
	correct calculation of volume	$(90 \div 100) \times 1.3 = 1.2 \text{ cm}^3$	
		ALLOW 1.17 cm <sup>3</sup>	
		no units or incorrect units gains ONE mark only correct response with no working	
		gains full marks	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(d)(iii)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:	ALLOW the converse	
	affinity of haemoglobin for oxygen does not change (1)	ACCEPT haemoglobin does not bind to oxygen tightly when cold / haemoglobin binds to oxygen more weakly (than elephants) when cold	
	• therefore oxygen is still released (1)		
	• therefore heat is still produced by respiration (1)		
			(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(a)			
	C (low, high, high, low)		(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(b)(i)	calculated mean (1)	Example of Calculation	
	(1)	200 ÷ 1.79	
		= 111.73	
		ACCEPT 111.7	(1)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
8(b)(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following:		ACCEPT converse statements	
	change in temperature has {no / little effect} in nitrogen	(1)	ACCEPT no oxygen / not in air	
	increase in temperature in air increases rate of transport	(1)	ACCEPT translocation is faster / time taken is less	
	because temperature affects enzyme activity / affects kinetic energy (of molecules)	(1)		
	oxygen increases rate of transport	(1)	ACCEPT lack of <b>oxygen</b> reduces rate of transport	
	<ul> <li>because {transport/ loading of sucrose / translocation} is an {active process / requires respiration}</li> </ul>	(1)		(4)

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
9(a)	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following:			
	allopatric speciation (would occur)	(1)		
	<ul> <li>because tigers become geographically {isolated / separated}</li> </ul>	(1)		
	<ul> <li>so that they are reproductively isolated / no longer interbreed</li> </ul>	(1)	ACCEPT reduce gene flow / change in allele frequency IGNORE references to not breeding once they have become a new species	
	<ul> <li>therefore they become genetically different / accumulate different mutations</li> </ul>	(1)		
	due to different selection pressures / genetic drift	(1)		(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
9(b)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:		
	• decrease in genetic disorders (1)		
	And one from:		
	<ul> <li>because of increased gene pool / more alleles / less chance of two harmful alleles</li> </ul>		
	• because of reduced inbreeding / more outbreeding (1)	ACCEPT no longer geographically isolated / tigers from different populations breed	(2)