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General Marking Guidance

- This mark scheme provides a list of acceptable answers for this paper. Candidates will receive credit for all correct responses but will be penalised if they give more than one answer where only one is required (e.g. putting an additional cross in a set of boxes). If a candidate produces more written answers than the required number (two instead of one, three instead of two etc), only the first answers will be accepted. Free responses are marked for the effective communication of the correct answer rather than for quality of language but it is possible that, on some occasions, the quality of English or poor presentation can impede communication and lose candidate marks. It is sometimes possible for a candidate to produce a written response that does not feature in the mark scheme but which is nevertheless correct. If this were to occur, an examiner would, of course, give full credit to that answer.
- 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.

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
1(a)(i)	The only correct answer is C	C stroma	
	A is not correct because the chloroplasts are in the cytoplasm		
	B is not correct because the matrix is found in mitochondria not chloroplasts		
	D is not correct because the tonoplast surrounds the vacuole		(1) COMP

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(a)(ii)	The only correct answer is D	D starch grain	
	A is not correct because lysosomes are not found in chloroplasts		
	B is not correct because the nucleolus is found in the nucleus, not the chloroplast		
	C is not correct because the nucleus is found in the cytoplasm, not the chloroplast		(1) COMP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(b)(i)	1. {fatty acids / tails} are {hydrophobic / non polar};		
	2. so move away from aqueous environment / eq;	2 ACCEPT turn away from water as our bottom line	
	3. {phosphate group / heads} are {hydrophilic / polar};		
			(3)
			EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(b)(ii)	 idea that {electron carriers / eq} pump the hydrogen ions into the {thylakoid / intermembranal} space; 	1 DO NOT ACCEPT into membrane	
	idea that {ATPase channels / eq} allow hydrogen ions to pass through (into stroma);	2 ACCEPT synthase / synthetase	
	3. energy released from this movement (of hydrogen ions) / eq;	3 DO NOT ACCEPT produced	
	 that results in {phosphorylation of ADP / phosphate added to ADP / eq}; 	4 NB must be linked to context of mp 2 or 3 or {ATPase / eq}	(3) EXP

Question Number	Answer		Mark
1(b)(iii)	The only correct answer is B	B magnesium	
	A is not correct because calcium is not found in chlorophyll; it is found in the cell wall		
	C is not correct because nitrogen is covalently bonded in the porphyrin ring and not in its ionic form		
	D is not correct because there is no phosphate group in chlorophyll		(1) COMP

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1(b)(iv)	idea that this part is in the {membrane / phospholipid bilayer};	1 ACCEPT attached to	
	2. tail is hydrophobic / eq;		(2)
	3. idea of holding chlorophyll in the correct { orientation / place / eq};		(2) EXP

Question Number			Answer				Additional	Guidance	Mark
2(a)		1		1	Night Coursellie				
	Feature	Bacteria and viruses	Bacteria only	Viruses only	Not found in either				
	Cytoplasm		X						
	Nucleic acids	\boxtimes							
	Protein coat			×					
	Ribosomes		X						
	2(a)(i)	correct answ	vor is 'Past	oria oply'					
	ine only d	correct answ	ver is Bacte	eria oniy					
	Bacteria a have cytop	nd viruses i lasm	s not correc	t because viru	uses do not				
	Viruses or cytoplasm	nly is not con	rect because	viruses do n	ot have				
		in either ba ve cytoplasm		uses is not co	errect as				
	2(a)(ii)								
	The only o	correct answ	ver is 'Bacte	eria and viru	ıses'				
	Bacteria o DNA or RNA	only is not co A	rrect becaus	e viruses do	have either				
	Viruses or and RNA	nly is not cor	rect because	bacteria do	nave both DN	4			
		in either ba d viruses hav			errect as both				

2(a)(iii)	
The only correct answer is 'Viruses only'	
Bacteria and viruses is not correct because bacteria do not have a protein coat	
Bacteria only is not correct because viruses do not have a protein coat whereas viruses do	
Not found in either bacteria or viruses is not correct as viruses have a protein coat	
2(a)(iv)	
The only correct answer is 'Bacteria only'	
Bacteria and viruses is not correct because viruses do not have ribosomes	
Viruses only is not correct because viruses do not have ribosomes	
Not found in either bacteria or viruses is not correct as bacteria have ribosomes	(4) Comp

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(b)	1. breathing problems / eq;	1 ACCEPT shortness of breath	
	2. blood in sputum / coughing up blood / eq;	2 piece together IGNORE unqualified cough	
	3. (TB causes) suppression of immune system / eq;	Torront anguamies sough	
	4. credit other symptom that could result in death;	e.g. fever, organ failure, brain damage, (opportunistic) infection, pneumonia IGNORE diarrhoea, weight loss	(3) EXP

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2(c)	idea that HIV DNA (copy) becomes incorporated into the DNA (of the T helper cell);	1 ACCEPT provirus DO NOT ACCEPT RNA	
	2. (many) HIV particles are made / virus replicates);		
	3. idea that the T (helper) cell is {destroyed / lysed / eq} when the HIV leave the cell;	3 ACCEPT apoptosis / self- destruction IGNORE destroyed by T killer cells	(3) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
2(d)	1. no indication of a correlation before 1990 / only indication of correlation after 1990;		
	2. the change in HIV is similar to the change in TB;	2 DO NOT PIECE TOGETHER ACCEPT the two curves are a similar shape / both go up	
	3. idea that changes in new cases of TB come after the changes in HIV;	g	
	4. idea that there is no evidence in the graph that this is causation, so must be a correlation.		(3) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(a)	1. to {produce / release / eq} antibodies;		
	2. credit correct effect of antibodies ;	2 ACCEPT eg enhance phagocytosis, opsonisation, 'labellling', they are antitoxins, agglutination	(2) EXP

Question	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
3(b)	idea that they can form many cell types;	ACCEPT only blood cells	
		DO NOT ACCEPT 'all cells types except { embryonic	
		cells / embryonic-supporting cells / extra embryonic	(1)
		cells / totipotent cells}'	GRÁD

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
*3(c)	(QWC - Spelling of technical terms must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence)	Emphasis is on logical sequence	
	Bleeding problems:		
	1. idea that fewer platelets affects clotting;		
	idea that if blood does not clot then there will be bleeding problems;		
	3. idea that if blood clot does not form then pathogens can enter wound;		
	Infections:		
	 idea of less { white blood cells / named WBC} to { destroy / phagocytose} pathogen; 	4 NB if details given, they must be correct	
	5. idea that a lack of T helper cells means that {T killer cells / B cells / humoral response / cell mediated / response} cannot be activated;		
	6. idea that no T killer cells will result in host-infected cell not being destroyed;		
	7. idea that lack of plasma cells will result in no antibody production;	7 DO NOT ACCEPT idea that the B cells	
	Anaemia:	produce the antibody	
	8. idea that lack of red blood cells means less oxygen;		(6)
	9. idea that less respiration results in less {ATP / energy};		(6) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(d)(i)	blood sample will have a lower number of { blood cells / platelets / white blood cells / red blood cells };	NB answers must have some indication of a comparison 1 ACCEPT erythrocyte, T cells, T lymphocytes, B lymphocytes, B cells, plasma cells, monocytes, phagocytes, basophils, eosinophils, neutrophils I GNORE macrophages	
	bone marrow sample will have {fewer stem cells / more plasma cells};		(2) GRAD

Question	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
3(d)(ii)	 idea that genetic tests can detect {gene / DNA / chromosome} {abnormalities / mutation}; 	1 ACCEPT changes ACCEPT alleles	
	2. idea that {myeloma / cancer} is caused by a mutation;	2 ACCEPT changes in DNA / gene / allele	
	3. in {genes that control rate of cell division / proto-oncogenes	3 ACCEPT formation of	(2)
	/ tumour suppressor genes};	oncogenes	EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
*4	(QWC - Spelling of technical terms must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence)	Emphasis is on clarity of expression	
	1. idea that {plants / organisms / peat / humus} are made up of organic matter;		
	2. named example of organic matter;	2 e.g. protein, cellulose, glucose	
	3. idea that if there is less decomposition less carbon dioxide will be released;	9.00000	
	4. by the respiration of {decomposers / bacteria / fungi / eq};		
	5. peatlands are carbon sinks ;		
	idea that this discovery has increased our knowledge of { peatlands / carbon cycle};		
	7. idea that carbon dioxide is used in {photosynthesis / light-dependent reaction / Calvin cycle / eq};		
	8. idea that (rate of) {photosynthesis / eq} depends on environmental factors;	8 ACCEPT named factor e.g. temperature	
	 idea that information can be gained about the {carbon cycle / plant species / climate} (in the past); 	9 ACCEPT temperature	
	10.example of analysis e.g. pollen, carbon dating;		
			(6) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)	competition for { space / nutrients / eq} (with bacteria / pathogen / microorganism / microbe);	1 I GNORE food DO NOT ACCEPT virus	
	2. production of anti-microbial chemicals / eq;	2 ACCEPT lactic acid / antibiotics / toxins I GNORE acid / pH DO NOT ACCEPT HCI	(2) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(b)	idea that taking antibiotics { reduces the number of / kills / eq) gut flora;	1 IGNORE any numerical qualification	
	2. less competition with the <i>C. difficile / C. difficile</i> have more {space / nutrients} / eq;		(2) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(c)(i)			
	1. antibiotics act as a selection pressure ;		
	2. idea that when the antibiotic is being taken the resistant bacteria will {survive / reproduce / increase in number};		
	3. idea that when the antibiotic is not being taken the non- resistant bacteria will (also) survive;		
	 so there will be { more competition (with non-resistant bacteria) / less nutrients / less space} (for resistant bacteria); 		(3) EXP

Question	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
5(c)(ii)	 idea that { the number of resistant C. difficile are increasing / new resistances are developing}; 	1 DO NOT ACCEPT immune	
	 idea that new antibiotics { need developing / are being developed}; 	2 ACCEPT idea that we need to increase our immunity to <i>C. difficile</i>	(2) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(c)(iii)	only prescribing antibiotics for bacterial infections / not prescribing antibiotics for {minor (bacterial) / viral} infections;		
	2. idea of prescribing an appropriate antibiotic;	2 e.g. one that affects <i>C. difficile</i> , one that will kill the resistant bacteria	
	3. idea of prescribing correct dosage;		
	4. idea of education of patients to follow instructions for taking antibiotics exactly;	4 e.g. correct timing, finishing course	(0)
	5. idea of reduction in the prophylactic use of antibiotics;		(2) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(d)	idea that antibiotics affect gut flora in different ways / reference to bactericidal and bacteriostatic antibiotics;		
	2. idea that bacteria affected by bacteriostatic antibiotics will recover faster;		
	3. idea that bacteria affected by bacteriocidal antibiotics will recover more slowly;		
	4. idea of length of time antibiotic remains in the body;		(2) EXP

Question	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
6(a)	 reference to global warming / increase in mean global temperature; 	1 ACCEPT average	
	2. credit example of a cause;	2 e.g. burning of fossil fuels, deforestation	
	3. credit correct details of global warming;	3 e.g. infrared radiation trapped, named greenhouse gas DO NOT ACCEPT incorrect gas	
	4. increasing the temperature of the earth's {surface / atmosphere};	NB 'increasing the mean temperature of the earth's {surface / atmosphere}' gains both mp 1 and 4	(3) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)(i)	1. increase in (total) number of species (with time);	NB 'increase is species' gains one mark	
	2. increase in { species diversity / biodiversity / number of different types of species} (with time);	'increase in number and types of species' gains mp 1 and 2	
	3. credit details of change in type of species;	3 e.g. trees are only found at T, tall shrubs appear at R	(3) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)(ii)	1. reference to (primary) succession (between P and T);		
	2. {mosses / liverworts / lichens} as pioneer species;	2 DO NOT ACCEPT low shrubs and herbs	
	3. changing the rock into soil;	and heres	
	4. idea that the soil improved (with time);		
	5. idea that more complex plants could grow;	5 ACCEPT named plant e.g. low shrubs	
	6. until climax community reached (at T);	6 ACCEPT T is a climax community	(4) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)(iii)	1. {three / more} (types of) species / appearance of tall shrubs;	1 DO NOT ACCEPT trees	
	2. fewer {low shrubs / herbs} (species);		
	3. more {mosses / liverworts / lichens} (species);		
	4. credit manipulated figures to quantify mp 2 or 3;	4 e.g. 5 / 38% less low shrubs and herbs, 2 / 50% more mosses and liverworts and	(0)
	5. idea of different species of animals present;	lichens	(3) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(a)		Correct answer only with correct units = 2 marks Correct answer without units = 1 mark	
	1. (width =) 40 (mm) / 4 (cm);	1 ACCEPT +/- 1 (mm)	
	2. = 800 mm / 80 cm / 0.8 m;	2 If 39 mm given, width = 78 cm If 41 mm given, width = 82 cm	(2) GRAD

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(b)	1. idea of {planting / using} several plants (of same species);	1 ACCEPT seeds	
	2. idea of planting (several) different species;		
	3. idea of planting at different distances;	3 ACCEPT idea of measuring distance that plants are growing from pre-existing bushes	
	4. idea of leaving plants to grow for a period of time;		
	5. indication of measurement of growth (of these plants);	5 e.g. germination, height, length	
	6. idea that the closest distance that plants {grow / are healthy / eq} is the closest distance that they can be planted;		(4) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(c)(i)	Water availability:		
	1. credit method of sampling soil;	1 e.g. taking a soil sample , pushing probe into the ground	
	2. credit description of how water availability is determined	2 e.g. heating the soil until dry and recording mass loss (ignore stated temperatures), using	
	Light measurement:	moisture meter	
	3. idea of using light { meter / probe / eq};		
	4. held at {ground / plant} level;		(4) EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
7(c)(ii)	1. idea that water reduced because the (rhododendron) bush's roots have absorbed it;		(-)
	2. idea that light reduced due to shading (by rhododendron);		(2) GRAD

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(a)(i)	avoid contamination (with DNA) / eq;	NB contamination with bacteria is not acceptable 'wear gloves' without correct reason is too vague	(1)
		ACCEPT idea of labelling samples	GRAD

Question	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
8(a)(ii)	1. idea that PCR increases the number of copies of the DNA;	1 ACCEPT 'amplifies DNA'	
			(2)
	2. for (gel) electrophoresis;		EXP

Question Number	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
8(b)(i)	 idea of comparing bands; idea that each bear has unique { DNA / banding patterns}; 		
	3. idea that the number of different banding patterns would equate to the number of different bears;	3 NB 'more patterns means more bears' is too vague	(3) EXP

Question	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number			
8(b)(ii)	not all (fur) samples collected / not all bears have left fur behind / presence of identical twin bears / bears may have died / bears may have moved out of the area / bears may be		(1)
	hibernating;		GRAD

Question	Acceptable Answers	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number 8(c)	1. bear 3;		
	2. bands 2 and 3 had to come from father;	2 DO NOT ACCEPT bands 1, 4	(2)
		or 5	GRAD

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