Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(a)	idea of organisms that breed to produce fertile offspring ;	Ignore reproductively isolated Ignore viable	(1)

Question Number		Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(b)	1.	idea of geographical isolation ;		
	2.	idea of different {environmental conditions / habitats / eq};		
	3.	reference to different selection pressures ;		
	4.	idea that mutation resulted in {adaptation / increased survival} ;		
	5.	idea of {decrease in gene flow / different alleles};		
	6.	ref to reproductive isolation ;		
	7.	credit suitable example e.g. different songs, incompatible genitals ;		(4)

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1 (c)	1. i ;	idea of descending from common ancestor ;	Accept same for similar throughout	
	2. i	idea of living in similar habitats ;	2. Accep place / environment / area	
	3. i	idea of similar (environmental) {conditions / factors} ;		
	4. i	idea of similar selection pressures ;		
	5. i	idea that both well-adapted ;		
	6. i	idea that mutations have not changed appearance ;		
	7. i	idea of similar gene pool ;		(3)

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2(a)	 only (alpha) 1-4 glycosidic bonds in amylose / (alpha) 1-6 only found in amylopectin ; only amylopectin has side branches / only amylose is (coiled / only ; 	ACCEPT 1 - 1-6 and 1-4 in amylopectin	
	 Amylopectin is a {larger / eq} molecule than amylose ; 		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2 (b)	 different individuals in the {colony / eq} take on specific {roles / jobs / eq} ; 	ACCEPT 1 - division of labour	
	2. example given e.g. queen produces offspring ;	ACCEPT 2 - dominance by queen, {few of the males / kings} involved in breeding	(2)

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2 (c) (i)	idea that body temperature of animal mimics the ambient temperature ;	ACCEPT - body temp follows environmental temperature	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(c) (ii)	 Lack of insulating layer: idea that does not impede transfer of heat energy / allows exchange of heat energy more easily ; A marked reduction in sweat glands: idea that they do not need to cool down OR less water lost ; 	ACCEPT 1 - enables heat transfer between environment and naked mole rat	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(d)	 (cancer causing) gene identified / eq ; gene {cut / isolated / eq} from DNA / eq ; using a (restriction / eq) approve / eq ; 		
	 using a {restriction / eq} enzyme / eq ; gene in {vector / named vector} ; 	ACCEPT 4 – named examples including retrovirus, virus, liposome	
	 mechanism for getting {gene/vector} into host cells (of mice) / eq ; 	ACCEPT 5 - reference to (micro)injection, microprojectiles, electroporation, gene gun, inhaler	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
* 2 (e)	QWC – Spelling of technical terms (<i>shown in italics</i>) must be correct and the answer must be organised in a logical sequence		
	 { neurone (cell) surface membrane exposed / no myelination / eq} at nodes of Ranvier ; 		
	 Nodes are the site of clusters of { sodium-gated channel proteins / potassium channels} ; 		
	3. Which {open / close} when <i>impulse</i> arrives / eq ;	ACCEPT 3 - influx of sodium ions	
	4. Allowing <i>depolarisation</i> at nodes / eq ;		
	 idea that myelin/eq acts as an (electrical) insulator (on neurone surface between nodes); 		
	6. reference to <i>Schwann</i> cell ;		
	 idea that <i>impulse/depolarisation</i> 'jumps' to next node ; 		
	8. Reference to this being <i>saltatory conduction</i> ;		
	 idea that this happens between the <i>myelin</i> layers of the <i>Schwann</i> cell ; 		(5)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2 (f)	1. idea of heart working less efficiently ;		
	2. idea of less oxygen absorbed at lungs / eq ;		
	3. less blood pumped to brain ;		
	 concentration gradient (for oxygen) at brain reduced / eq ; 		
	 less oxygen in blood (in brain) diffuses into brain tissue / eq ; 		
	 idea of less oxygen in brain tissue due to continual (aerobic) respiration ; 		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2 (g)	gonadotrophin-releasing (hormone) stimulates gonadotrophin release / gonadotrophin stimulates ovulation / testosterone stimulates {sperm production / (male) secondary sexual characteristics / other named example} ;		(1)

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2(h)	 i a of effect on mitochondria ; (t refore) reduced {energy / ATP / eq} for flagellum may mant ; 	ACCEPT 1 - less efficient /fewer / none	
	movement;		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(i)	1. idea that fat is an energy store ;	ACCEPT 1 - energy-rich	
	2. reduces dependence on external food source / eq ;		
	3. enables disperser to travel / eq ;		
	4. (metabolic) water is released (on oxidation) / eq ;		
	5. acts as a thermal insulator / eq ;		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(j)	 idea that unfamiliar males are likely to be genetically different ; 		
	2. idea that this is outbreeding ;		
	3. idea that this increases genetic diversity ;	ACCEPT 3 - producing offspring that are genetically different	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Comments	Mark
2(k)	the order of the {bases / genes and non-coding sequences / eq} in the DNA (of the naked mole rats) is found / eq ;	ACCEPT - exons and introns	(1)

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2(I)	 Paired responses: 1. reduced sensitivity to chemical pain / disconnection of 'pain nerves' ; 2. Idea of pain relief e.g. dealing with post traumatic pain, post surgical pain, joint pain after a knee operation ; 		
	3. haemoglobin has higher affinity for oxygen ;4. idea of dealing with reduced oxygen situations such as due to a heart attack or stroke ;		
	 5. naked mole rat {incisors / eq } grow through skin (of lip) without damage ; 6. idea of better prosthesis e.g. new {coatings / permanent seal} at {skin / bone / metal} interface, soft tissue not damaged, avoid infection ; 		
	 7. high protein stability / does not (easily) lose 3D shape ; 8. (so) reduced effect of oxidative {damage / stress} / reduced effect of oxygen-containing free radicals / live healthily into old age ; 		
	 9. cell overcrowding early warning gene / ref. to two tiered contact inhibition / presence of gene p16 ; 10.idea of cancer prevention e.g. cancer resistance, future cancer therapy ; 		
	 11.naked mole rat neurones display immature {characteristics / physiological properties} / brain cells that cope with {low oxygen / hypoxia} ; 12.to treat people with temporary loss of oxygen to brain e.g. heart attack, stroke, drowning / to prevent permanent brain damage ; 		
	13.high levels of oxytocin receptors in {brain / nucleus accumbens}; 14.idea of links to autism ;		
	15.naked mole rats do not experience menopause ; 16.ref to osteoporosis { treatment / prevention} (without side effects) ;		(4)
	17.circadian rhythms / sleep patterns of naked mole rats ; 18.idea that may help with sleep disorders ;		

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3(a)(i)	 reference to {polymerase chain reaction / PCR} ; polymerase (enzyme) {added / eq 	1. Acce as a ref to PCR machine	
	};3. idea of need for primers and nucleotides ;		
	4. {90-98} (°C) → {50-65} (°C) → {70-75} (°C) ;		
	 idea that cycle needs to be repeated {several times / to make several copies of DNA / eq}; 		(4)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(ii)	(DNA) {profiling / fingerprinting / (gel) electrophoresis} ;	Ignore Southern blotting, PCR Accept DNA profile / DNA fingerprint	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(b)	 idea of work appearing in a (Scientific) journal or being presented at a conference ; idea that validity or reliability is considered ; by other scientists / ref to peer review ; 	1. Accep publishing a paper, scientific meeting	(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(c)(i)	 reference to different {conditions / environments /eq} (in each region) 	1. Acce appropriate named factor e.g. temperature	
	 idea of different selection pressures ; 		
	 idea of {restricted gene flow / separate gene pools} ; 	3. Igno different allele frequency	
	4. reference to reproductive isolation;		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(c)(ii)	 idea of different {alleles/ gene pool}; 	1. Ignore allele frequency	
	 idea that this leads to {new / different} phenotypes ; 	2. Accept traits / characteristics / features	
	 idea of new {allele / gene} can be {advantage / disadvantage} ; 		
	 4. reference to (advantageous) {(mutated) gene / (new) allele} passed onto offspring ; 		(2)