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| 1 | (a) | (i) | sucrose ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the first answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks |
| 1 | (a) | (ii) | sink ; neither ; sink ; | 3 | Mark the first answer for each tissue. If the first answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks |
| | | | | 5 | |
| 1 | (b) | | | | Mark the first two adaptations. |
| | | | 1 elongated elements ; | | 1 ACC PT cells |
| | | | 2 elements , joined end to end / form column ; | | 2 ACC PT cells |
| | | | 3 sieve plates / pores in end walls / perforated end plates / sieve pores ; | | 3 response must refer to pores at ends of sieve elements |
| | | | 4 little cytoplasm / cytoplasm pushed to cell edges / thin (layer of) cytoplasm ; | | 4 IGNORE hollow |
| | | | 5 no nucleus / few organelles ; | max 2 | 5 IGNOR no organelles / few cell contents |

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| 1 (c) | 1 active transport of, hydrogen ions / protons / H ⁺ , out of companion cells; | | 1 ACCEPT description of active transport DO NOT CREDIT hydrogen, H, H ₂ , hydrogen molecules |
| | 2 creates , hydrogen ion / concentration / diffusion , gradient ; | | 2 ACCEPT description of gradient created |
| | 3 (facilitated) diffusion (of H^*) back into companion cells ; | | |
| | 4 sucrose / assimilates , move in with hydrogen ions ; | | |
| | 5 by cotransport / through cotransport protein ; | | 5 IGNORE carrier protein |
| | 6 sucrose / assimilates , (diffuse) through plasmodesmata (from companion cell to sieve element) ; | | |
| | 7 into sieve, tube / element ; | | For mark points 4 and 6 IGNORE sugar If wrong assimilate is named e.g. glucose |
| | QWC; | max 3 | penalise once and then apply ECF Any three with correct spelling and a suitable context |
| | | 1 | from: companion, diffuse / diffusion, gradient, concentration, facilitated, cotransport, plasmodesmata, sieve tube, sieve element, hydrogen ions / protons |
| | Total | [10] | |

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| 2 | (a) | | U; R; V; | 3 | Mark the first answer for each tissue. If the first answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks . |
| | (b) | | no cross walls / cells joined end to end / continuous ; | | IGNORE ref to dead cells / tubes |
| | | | hollow / no contents / no organelles / no cytoplasm ; | | |
| | | | (walls / vessels) lignified ; | | DO NOT CREDIT lined / covered with lignin DO NOT CREDIT (walls) made of lignin ACCEPT xylem has lignin |
| | | | (bordered) pits in walls ; | | |
| | | | | 2 max | |
| | (c) | (i) | | | movement of water vapour out of leaf = 2 marks |
| | | | evaporation / loss of water vapour ; | | DO NOT CREDIT loss of water alone |
| | | | from, aerial parts of plant / leaf / leaves ; | | |
| | | | via stomata ; | | CREDIT loss through cuticle / epidermis |
| | | | | 2 max | |

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| (c) (ii) | <i>In the leaf: idea of :</i> 1 water loss (from leaf) is replaced ; | | DO NOT CREDIT ref to water potential in context of xylem IGNORE ref to root pressure or capillarity ACCEPT Ψ / WP for water potential | |
| | 2 via, apoplast / symplast / vacuolar, pathways; 3 down water potential gradient / AW; 4 (lost water replaced) by water from the xylem; | | For mp 2 & 3 DO NOT CREDIT in context of root CREDIT pathways described in correct context Idea of : water leaving xylem to enter leaf cells (that have lost water) | |
| | <i>In the xylem:</i> 5 (loss of water) causes, low / negative, (hydrostatic) pressure (at top / in leaf) OR creates pressure gradient ; | | | |
| | <i>idea of :</i> 6 water moves, from higher pressure to lower pressure / down pressure gradient ; | | IGNORE 'water moves by the cohesion-tension theory' without further explanation ACCEPT along pressure gradient | |
| | 7 under tension / pulled up / drawn up ; | | Idea of: pulling force and not just water movement created by transpiration DO NOT CREDIT mp 7 or 8 in context of adhesion / capillarity or water potentials | |
| | 8 by <u>mass flow</u> ; | | IGNORE suction, transpiration pull unqualified | |
| | 9 cohesion / attraction, between water molecules ; | | CREDIT hydrogen bonding between water molecules | |
| | <i>idea of :</i> 10 column / stream / chain, of water (molecules) ; | 4 max | IGNORE long unqualified | |
| | QWC ; | 1 | TWO terms used appropriately and spelt correctly: xylem , apoplast/symplast/vacuolar , hydrostatic , gradient , cohesion / cohesive , tension , mass flow , water potential | |

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| | | | <i>Ref to :</i> bubbles / air (present / being removed) ; (blockage) in xylem ; restore (continuous) column of water (in xylem) ; | | air in the xylem = 2 marks | |
| | | | | 2 max | | |
| | | | Total | 14 | | |

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| 3 | (a) (i) | | osmosis ; | 1 | | |
| | | (ii) | 2 = symplast (pathway) ; 3 = apoplast (pathway) ; | 2 | ACCEPT symplastic ACCEPT apoplastic | |
| | | (iii) | S; | 1 | | |
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| 3 | (b) | | This is a QWC question | | |
| | | | 1 water moves into xylem down water potential gradient ; | | ACCEPT ψ for water potential |
| | | | | | ACCEPT water moves from high ψ to low ψ |
| | | | 2 root pressure / high (hydrostatic) pressure at bottom of xylem ; | | |
| | | | 3 water vapour loss / transpiration / evaporation , at leaves / top of | | |
| | | | plant ; | | |
| | | | 4 (creating) low (hydrostatic) pressure at top of xylem ; | | |
| | | | 5 water, under tension / pulled up (in a continuous column) ; | | IGNORE drawn for pulled up |
| | | | 6 cohesion between water molecules / described ; | | |
| | | | 7 adhesion of water molecules to xylem / described ; | | |
| | | | 8 capillary action / described ; | | ACCEPT ref to xylem being very narrow so water rises |
| | | | 9 water moves up (xylem / stem) by mass flow ; | | |
| | | | 10 from high(er) (hydrostatic) pressure to low(er) (hydrostatic) | | |
| | | | pressure / down (hydrostatic) pressure gradient ; | max 4 | |
| | | | QWC (three terms used in correct context and spelt correctly); | | Any three terms from the following : |
| | | | | | water potential, hydrostatic pressure, |
| | | | | | transpiration / evaporation, cohesion / cohesive, |
| | | | | | adhesion / adhesive, tension, root pressure, |
| | | | | 1 | capillary action / capillarity, mass flow |

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| 3 (c) | xylem vessel | phloem sieve tube element | | | One mark per row Both statements must be correct to achieve mark |
| | present | absent | ; | | DO NOT CREDIT ticks and crosses |
| | present | absent products of | ; | | Read whole list – if any suggestion is wrong then do not award mark |
| | (water and), minerals / ions / salts | photosynthesis / sucrose / assimilates / amino acids / minerals / ions / salts / plant 'hormones' | ; | | XYLEM DO NOT CREDIT 'nutrients' OR 'water' alone PHLOEM ACCEPT 'sugar' in place of sucrose IGNORE unspecified 'solutes' DO NOT CREDIT glucose |
| | (only) up stem / towards leaves | both directions / up and down / from source to sink | ; | | ACCEPT arrows ↑ (xylem) ↓↑ (phloem) DO NOT CREDIT 'all directions' IGNORE ref to pits / lateral movement |
| | Total | | | 13 | |

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| 4 | 4 (a) | | timer OR scale / ruler ; | 1 | |
| 4 | 4 (b) | | | | <i>Mark the first three suggestions</i> irrespective of numbered points IGNORE reasons – just mark steps in the process |
| | | | shoot is healthy ; | | ACCEPT shoot not wilted |
| | | | assemble apparatus / cut shoot, under water ; | | |
| | | | cut last 2-3 cm off cut end / cut at an angle ; | | ACCEPT cut end off shoot |
| | | | check there are no air bubbles in apparatus ; | | ACCEPT make sure cut end of shoot is in contact with water once apparatus assembled |
| | | | apparatus, water tight / air tight / has no leaks ; | | ACCEPT screw clip tight DO NOT ACCEPT use Vaseline unqualified |
| | | | leaves dry ; | | |
| | | | | 3 max | DO NOT CREDIT allow time for acclimatisation, equilibration |

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| 4 | (c) | (i) | <u>25.3</u> ; | 1 | IGNORE any units |
| | | | | | |
| 4 | (c) | (ii) | to make results (more) <u>reliable</u> ; | | DO NOT ACCEPT accurate and reliable (use of both terms) anywhere in the answer |
| | | | to help identify anomalies ; | | Look for idea of spotting the anomaly e.g. spot, notice, recognise, show, detect. |
| | | | | | DO NOT CREDIT prevents / take out / remove / accounts for, anomalies |
| | | | | | DO NOT CREDIT 'ensure there is no anomaly' unless qualified |
| | | | | | ACCEPT outliers for anomalies |
| | | | | 2 | ACCEPT to identify other factors / (uncontrolled) variables that may be having an effect |
| 4 | (c) | (iii) | | | Mark first response in each numbered section (1-2). If not all sections are used, return to the first section and mark further suggestions |
| | | | in afternoon: | | Assume answer is for different conditions in the afternoon ACCEPT ORA if stated 'in morning' |
| | | | plant dying / less healthy / wilting ; | | IGNORE ref to light / dark |
| | | | ref to stomatal closure ; | | |
| | | | more humid / high <u>er</u> water (vapour) potential in air ; | | Look for comparative statements – high <u>er, g</u> reat <u>er</u> etc |
| | | | less air movement / wind / draughts ; | | DO NOT CREDIT more moisture in air |
| | | | | 2 max | |

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| 4 | (c) | (iv) | (potometer) measures (water) uptake ; | | |
| | | | not all water (taken up) is lost ; | | ACCEPT ref to figs e.g. 99% water <i>taken up</i> is lost ACCEPT the assumption that water loss is equal to water uptake is incorrect |
| | | | some water used (in photosynthesis / making cells turgid) ; | 2 max | |
| | | | Total | 11 | |

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| 5 | (a) | | <u>transpiration</u> ; <u>xylem</u> ; <u>osmosis</u> ; stoma(ta) / stomatal pore; | 4 | DO NOT ACCEPT 'diffusion' alone ACCEPT diffusion with osmosis used as qualification DO NOT ACCEPT 'pore' or 'guard cells' | |
| 5 | (b) | (i) | stomata (open to) allow, gaseous exchange / carbon dioxide in / oxygen out / AW ; (gaseous exchange) for photosynthesis ; (photosynthesis) essential for plant to, gain energy / make sugars ; some water lost through cuticle ; | 2 max | look for reverse argument DO NOT ACCEPT ref to air OR to get gases OR let gases in ACCEPT 'gases in <u>and</u> out' | |
| | (b) | (ii) | xerophyte; | 1 | DO NOT ACCEPT cactus | |

| Question Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
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| (b) (iii) Allow the first point once as further explanation for A1 – A4 in addition to the linked explanation: reduce water (vapour) potential gradient / diffusion gradient ; [A 1] hairy leaves ; trap water vapour / moisture ; [A 2] stomata, in pits / sunken ; pits trap, water vapour / moisture ; [A 3] rolled leaves / presence of hinge cells ; reduce surface area OR (rolled leaves) trap water vapour / moisture ; [A 4] high solute concentration in cells ; reduces water potential inside leaf cells ; [A 5] thick(er) cuticle ; (which is) waterproof / (relatively) impermeable ; [A 6] small leaves / needles ; smaller surface area ; [A 7] fewer stomata ; reduces diffusion (of water vapour) ; [A 8] stomata close, during the day ; reduces diffusion (of water vapour) ; [A 9] most stomata on lower surface ; less exposure to sun OR cooler OR reduces diffusion (of water vapour) ; | | MARK FIRST <u>TWO</u> ADAPTATIONS <u>ONLY</u> ALLOW max 2 for adaptation [A] marks Explanation must be linked to an appropriate statement of adaptation. Allow an explanation mark even if adaptation mark not awarded. DO NOT ACCEPT 'water' for 'water vapour' throughout DO NOT ACCEPT 'transpiration' for diffusion of water vapour throughout DO NOT ACCEPT surface area to volume ratio ACCEPT 'spines' DO NOT ACCEPT surface area to volume ratio |

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| | | | [A 10] more densely packed spongy mesophyll ; smaller surface area for evaporation (from mesophyll cell surface) ; 4 max | | Use three terms from: cuticle, impermeable, water vapour, potential gradient, diffuse / diffusion, stoma(ta), needles, surface area, hinge cells, saturated |
| | | | QWC - technical terms used appropriately and spelt correctly; | 5 max | |
| | | | Total | 12 | |