Mark schemes

Q1.

(a) from light / sunlight ignore sun unqualified

1

absorbed by chlorophyll / chloroplasts

if no other mark awarded allow by
photosynthesis for 1 mark

1

(b) krill / herring / copepod

(c) algae

1

(d) 1 algae 2 krill **or** copepod 3 squid 4 mackerel (5 Human)

all correct for 1 mark

1

- (e) any **two** from: (losses due to)
 - non-eaten parts (of squid / krill)
 allow bones / shells
 allow eaten by other animals
 - respiration or respiring (in mackerel)
 do not accept respiration produces /
 makes / creates energy
 - excretion (by mackerel)

 allow loss of a named waste product such as CO₂ / urea
 ignore loss of waste unqualified
 ignore faeces

2

(f) 2.3 and 0.1 (million)

allow in the range 2.25 to 2.3 for 2.3

(million)

1

$$\frac{2.3-0.1}{2.3} \times 100 \text{ or } \frac{220}{2.3}$$

1

	95.65217			
		allow answer from correct substitution of incorrect values from Figure 3	1	
	96			
		allow student's calculated answer correctly rounded to the nearest whole number		
			1	
(g)		judgement, strongly linked and logically supported by a ange of correct reasons, is given.	5-6	
	Level 2: S a simple ju	some logically linked reasons are given. There may also be	may also be	
	a simple je	agement.		
	Level 1: R	televant points are made. They are not logically linked. 1–2	1-2	
	No releva	nt content	0	

Indicative content

figures may be given without units (million tonnes) throughout

points for:

- small fish are not caught so can live long enough to reproduce
- biomass / stocks have generally increased after these laws introduced
- '77-'81 law (total ban) resulted in increase in biomass, eg 0.1 to 0.48 **or** to 0.9 by '84
- '84 law (mesh size) resulted in increase in biomass, eg 0.9 to 1.8 (by '90)
- '97 law (quotas) resulted in increase, eg 1.15 to 1.25
- '98 law (ban in breeding season) resulted in increase, eg 1.25 to 2.5

points against:

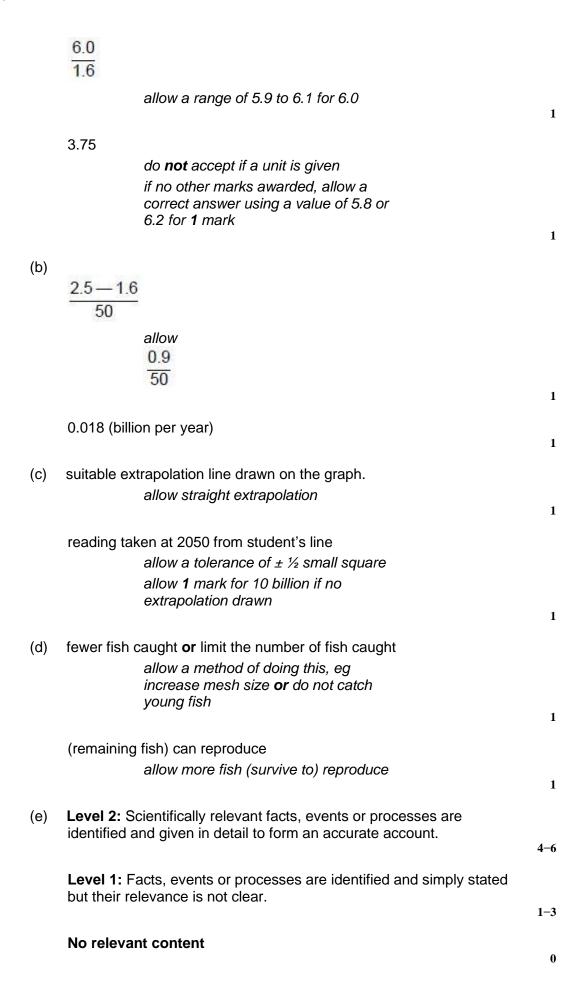
- could be a cause other than the law or correlation does not necessarily indicate causal relationship or other factors
- laws superimposed so can't necessarily tell the effect of each
- each law results in an increase followed by a decrease
- quotas lead to dead fish being thrown back into sea

For **Level 3** points both for and against must be considered together with appropriate use of data

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Q2.

(a)



Indicative content

human land use

- increasing population requires more food
- crops / livestock for food
- farming crops for biofuels
- peat use as compost
- peat use as fuel
- increased use of pesticide / insecticide / herbicide / fertilisers
- use of free-range / organic methods increases land use (for same vield)

link to biodiversity

- deforestation
- monocultures
- loss of hedgerows to make fields larger
- loss of habitat
- consequence of loss of habitat e.g. (change in) migration
- fertiliser run off polluting water
- use of pesticide / insecticide / herbicide reduces insects / plants which damages food chains
- more soil erosion

link to atmospheric pollution

- more carbon dioxide (from farm animals / machinery)
- more methane (from cows)
- climate change or global warming
- example of impact on biodiversity
- acid rain
- desertification

Answers referring to only land use or only biodiversity are level 1

(f) golden rice has improved nutritional value

1

- (g) any **one** from:
 - gene may contaminate / enter other breeds / species
 - reduction / extinction of population of wild / traditional rice
 - reduction / extinction of population of flowers / insects
 - high cost of seeds

allow decrease in biodiversity

may have too much vitamin A (in diet)

allow decrease in gene pool allow may harm (human) health allow may cause side effects (on humans)

ignore references to religious beliefs ignore may harm humans unqualified

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3-4

1–2

Q3.

-, -			
(a)	triangular pyramid with 3 levels	1	
	correct labels: (waste) vegetables / plants; insect(s); dog(s) do not accept additional incorrect labels		
	do not accept additional incorrect labels	1	
(b)	any two from:carbon dioxide from respiration (from dog)		
	allow carbon dioxide breathed out (by dog)		
	urea from excretion (from dog)		
	 allow urea in urine (from dog) not all parts (of insects) are absorbed / digested (by dog) 		
	allow faeces from egestion (from dog)		
	ignore references to loss of energy		
	if no other mark awarded allow two factors without descriptions for 1 mark		
		2	
(c)	less land required	1	
	(so) more space for crops (for humans)		
	allow more meat (from cows etc) for humans		
		1	
	less methane (from animals) therefore less global warming		
	allow less methane from rotting vegetables in landfill		
		1	
	(therefore) less harmful effects of global warming on (human) food production		
	allow example such as less flooding of farmland		
	allow may lead to the development of more foods for humans made from		
	insects	1	
			[8]
Q4.			
(a)	Level 2: The method would lead to the production of a valid outcome. All key steps are identified and logically sequenced.		

Level 1: The method would not necessarily lead to a valid outcome. Most steps are identified, but the plan is not fully logically sequenced.

	No relevant content	0	
	Indicative content		
	use of quadrat		
	 (quadrat) of given area / dimensions – e.g. 0.25 m² or 1 m × 1 		
	quadrats are placed randomly		
	 method of obtaining randomness – e.g. random coordinates from a calculator or 		
	throw over shoulder or throw with eyes closed		
	• suitable number of quadrats (10 or more or a large number)		
	count number of plants (in each quadrat)		
	 calculation of mean per quadrat or per unit area determination of area of field (length x width) 		
	 population = mean per m² x area of field 		
	population – mean per m- x area or neid		
(b)	more bacteria so more divisions / reproduction (per unit time)	1	
(c)	any three from:		
	add (more) sugar		
	add (more) amino acids / protein		
	if neither point given, allow add (more) nutrients		
	add (more) oxygen		
	 increase temperature 		
	allow in range 26 °C to 40 °C		
	 allow maintain optimum temperature remove toxins / waste or maintain pH 		
	stir the culture		
	if no other mark awarded allow 1 mark		
	for add more food		
		3	
(d)	an answer in the range of 2.9 to 3.4		
	scores 4 marks		
	an answer in the range of 2.08 to 3.77 scores 3 marks		
	tangent drawn to the curve at 12 hours		
	do not accept if there is an incorrect		
	tangent at 7 hours	1	
	<u>Δy</u>		
	calculation of rate at 7 hours		
	allow an answer that correctly rounds to		
	a value in range 10.0 to 11.7	1	
		1	
	Δy		
	calculation of rate at 12 hours Δx		

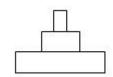
allow an answer that correctly rounds to

	a value in range 3.1 to 4.8	1
	3.3	
	allow in range 2.9 to 3.4 if both rates	
	are in the correct ranges	1
(e)	can use the glyphosate / weed killer to kill weeds but not kill / affect	
	crop allow only kills weeds	
		1
	(so) less competition for light / water / minerals / ions allow less competition for nutrients	
	ignore food / carbon dioxide / space	1
	(aa) arana haya high(ar) yiald	1
	(so) crops have high(er) yield allow crops grow better / well	
		1 [15]
Q5.		
(a)	kills microorganisms / bacteria / fungi / viruses / microbes allow to remove microorganisms /	
	bacteria / fungi / viruses / microbes	
	ignore germs	
	allow so mycoprotein is not contaminated	
		1
	(which) compete for food / oxygen or which make toxins	
	allow so mycoprotein is safe to eat	
	or which are pathogens	
	or	
	which might kill the fungus / Fusarium	1
(b)	30 °C	
		1
(c)	for (aerobic) respiration	
	do not accept anaerobic	1
	(which) releases energy (for growth)	
	do not accept produces energy	
	allow glucose is used to make other organic substances e.g. protein	

1

(d)	any two from:			
	 so Fusarium can grow faster / better get sufficient food / glucose / minerals allow more / enough 			
	get sufficient oxygen allow more / enough			
	get rid of sufficient carbon dioxide allow more / enough allow waste			
	be kept at a (suitable) temperature allow to avoid 'clumping'	2		
(e)	200 grams	1 [8]		
Q6.				
(a)	correct figures from graph: 5.0 / 5 and 2.60 / 2.6			
	2.40 / 2.4 an answer of 2.40 / 2.4 scores 2 marks			
		1		
	allow correct answer from candidate's figures from graph for 1 mark	1		
	1			
(b)	3	1		
(c)	protein			
()		1		
(d)	a genetically-modified variety of seed was sown in 2004			
	more rain fell in spring and early summer in 2004 the mean summer temperature was lower in 2003			
		1		

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(e)

1

(f) 80

1

(g) chickens use energy for movement and for keeping warm

1

1

much of the food eaten by chickens is wasted as faeces

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Q7.

(a)
$$0.03 = \frac{\text{output}}{5950 + 50} \times 10$$

an answer of 1.8 scores 3 marks

1

output =
$$\frac{0.03 \times (590 + 50)}{100}$$

1

1.8

1

(b) indoor % efficiency =
$$\frac{40}{10000 + 6000} \times 100$$

1

$$\frac{\text{or}}{40} \times 100$$

0.25(%)

an answer of 8.33 scores **3** marks allow 8 / 8.3 / 8.333...

1

$$\left(\frac{0.25}{0.03}\right) = 8.33 \text{ (times)}$$

1

(c) any **two** from:

• in faeces / egestion

or

not all food is absorbed

- not all food is ingested
- in urine / excretion
- in respiration
- keeping warm

movement

do **not** accept 'for respiration' allow as 'heat'

2

(d) warmer indoors so less energy wasted in keeping warm allow less energy lost as 'heat'

1

1

less movement indoors so less energy wasted

if no other mark awarded, allow it is warmer and there is less movement indoors for 1 mark

[10]

Q8.

- (a) any **two** from:
 - diseases spread more rapidly
 - antibiotics can build up in the food chain
 or
 over use of antibiotics
 - increased use of fossil fuels (to heat the barn)

2

(b) Level 2 (3-4 marks):

Clear statements made identifying the farming methods which are linked to relevant explanations of how this increases the efficiency of food production.

Level 1 (1-2 marks):

Simple statements made identifying the farming methods used, but no attempt to link to explanations of how this increases the efficiency of food production.

0 marks:

No relevant content.

Indicative content

statements:

- kept inside or in a temperature controlled environment
- kept enclosed or in a restricted environment

explanations:

- less energy / heat is lost in controlling body temperature
- less energy required for movement
- so more energy is available for growth
- less energy / heat is transferred to the environment

4

(c) $(362 - 67 = 295) / 362 \times 100$

1

81 / 81.49 / 81.5

		allow 81 / 81.49 / 81.5 with no working shown for 2 marks	1	
(d)	d) aboriginal people can eat other foods (so they may not be in food insecurity)		1	
	we d	we do not know if other (traditional) food sources have declined		[10]
Q9. (a)	(i)	 any three from: lights to help guide / attract fish (to the holes) (rigid so) holes stay open (holes) allow small / young fish to escape (so that) they can breed 	3	
	(ii)	(fishing) quotas / legislation	1	
(b)	(i)	movement is restricted	1	
		(in a building or close together so) heat is conserved allow in heated buildings to reduce heat loss	1	
	(ii)	 any two from: it is cruel allow descriptions of 'cruelty' disease spreads faster (meat) often has antibiotics in it 	2	[8]
Q10. (a)	(i)	fewer cows any one from:	1	
		 less methane do not allow CH⁴ less CO₂ in the atmosphere because of less deforestation or less plants consumed. allow less CO₂ released into the atmosphere because less fuel used e.g. to heat cowsheds or to transport meat do not allow CO² 	1	

	(11)	any two from:		
	. ,	 could be mass produced to feed an increasing population 		
		disease free meat		
		 no / low fat 		
		 no harm to animals or less intensive farming 		
		allow (may be) suitable for vegetarians		
		antibiotic free meat		
		 more land available for farming crops 		
		allow no energy loss along a food chain		
			2	
(b)	fung	us / Fusarium	1	
			1	
	with	glucose (syrup)		
	******	<u>gracece</u> (cyrap)	1	
	in aerobic conditions or in presence of oxygen			
		ignore air		
			1	
	myc	oprotein is harvested / purified		
		allow ammonia added (as source of nitrogen)		
		ignore stirring / mixing and temperature		
			1	
				[8]