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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.

Mark schemes have been developed so that the rubrics of each mark scheme reflects the characteristics of the skills within the AO being targeted and the requirements of the command word. So for example the command word 'Explain' requires an identification of a point and then reasoning/justification of the point.

Explain questions can be asked across all AOs. The distinction comes whether the identification is via a judgment made to reach a conclusion, or, making a point through application of knowledge to reason/justify the point made through application of understanding. It is the combination and linkage of the marking points that is needed to gain full marks.

When marking questions with a 'describe' or 'explain' command word, the detailed marking guidance below should be consulted to ensure consistency of marking.

Assessment Objective		Command Word	
Strand	Element	Describe	Explain
AO1*		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description	An explanation that links identification of a point with reasoning/justification(s) as required
AO2		An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description, showing application of knowledge and understanding	An explanation that links identification of a point (by applying knowledge) with reasoning/justification (application of understanding)
AO3	1a and 1b	An answer that combines points of interpretation/evaluation to provide a logical description	
AO3	2a and 2b		An explanation that combines identification via a judgment to reach a conclusion via justification/reasoning
AO3	3a	An answer that combines the marking points to provide a logical description of the plan/method/experiment	
AO3	3b		An explanation that combines identifying an improvement of the experimental procedure with a linked justification/reasoning

\*there will be situations where an AO1 question will include elements of recall of knowledge directly from the specification (up to a maximum of 15%). These will be identified by an asterisk in the mark scheme.

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(a)	<p>An explanation linking:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• exercise {requires energy/ uses respiration} (1)</li> <li>• {obtain from/reducing} fat (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept burns calories</p> <p>accept sweating causes water loss for 1 mark</p>	<p>(2)</p> <p>AO 1 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(b)	<p>An explanation linking two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• reduces the volume of the stomach (1)</li> <li>• so it reduces food intake (1)</li> <li>• so stored {fat/lipids} is used up (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept restricts the amount of food entering the stomach</p>	<p>(2)</p> <p>AO 2 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(c)(i)	<p>Substitution (1)  <math>72 \div 1.81^2</math></p> <p>Evaluation (1)  <math>= 21.977 / 21.98 / 22</math></p> <p>3 s.f. (1)            22.0</p>	<p>accept <math>72 \div 3.2761</math></p> <p>award 2 marks for correct evaluation</p> <p>award full marks for correct numerical answer without working</p> <p>accept 21.9 for 2 marks</p>	<p>(3)</p> <p>AO 1 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(c)(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the BMI shows male A is overweight but his waist:hip ratio {shows he is not abdominally obese / is below 0.9/is healthy} (1)</li> <li>• male A's weight distribution is not around the {vital organs/abdomen} (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept male A's weight is distributed evenly over the body</p> <p>accept more weight on the hips than the waist</p> <p>accept mass for weight</p>	<p><b>(2)</b></p> <p>AO 3 2a AO 3 2b</p>

**Total for Question 1 = 9 marks**

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(i)	$(2 \times 5.0 \times 2.0) + (2 \times 5.0 \times 2.0) + (2 \times 2.0 \times 2.0)$ or $20 + 20 + 8$ (1)  48.0	Allow full marks for correct final answer  accept 48	<b>(2)</b>  AO 1 1

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>chip B has greater surface area (1)</li> <li>therefore <b>more</b> water {absorbed / moved into the potato chip} (1)</li> </ul>	accept chip B is bigger / has more cells	<b>(2)</b>  AO 3 2a AO 3 2b

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(iii)	An explanation that links the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(cells) lose water / become plasmolysed (1)</li> </ul> followed by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(water moves out) by <u>osmosis</u> (1)</li> <li>from a high concentration of water molecules (in the potato) to a low concentration of water molecules (in the solution) / through the partially permeable membrane (to the salt solution) (1)</li> </ul>	accept get smaller/shrink/lose mass  accept from low solute concentration to a high solute concentration  accept from high to low water potential	<b>(3)</b>  AO 1 1

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)	<p>An explanation that links:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no chloroplasts (in the potato) (1)</li> <li>• (as there is no light) for <b>photosynthesis</b> / potato cells do not <b>photosynthesise</b> / ORA (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept fewer chloroplasts /chlorophyll (in the potato)</p> <p>more amyloplasts / starch grains in the potato (1) for storage (1)</p>	<p>(2)</p> <p>AO 2 1</p>

**Total for Question 2 = 9 marks**



Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(i)	Any two from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>wash hands after contact (1)</li> <li>avoid direct contact / wear {gloves/protective clothes} (1)</li> <li>wear a (protective) mask (1)</li> <li><b>sterilise</b> equipment {before /after} use (1)</li> </ul>	accept hand gels  accept protect your face  be immunised (1)	(2)  AO 2 2

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(a)(ii)	subtraction $5943 - 2830 = 3113$ (1)  $3113 \div 2830 \times 100 = 110\%$	accept $5943 - 2830 \div 2830$  award full marks for correct numerical answer without working  accept other valid methods for the calculation	(2)  AO 2 1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3(a)(iii)	A it does not have flagella  <b>1. The only correct answer is A</b>  <i>B is not correct because plasmids do not allow motility.</i>  <i>C is not correct because it does have ribosomes.</i>  <i>D is not correct because acrosomes are not found in bacteria.</i>	(1)  AO 2 1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3(b)	<p>D testing using cultured cells → testing in healthy volunteers → double blind trials on patients</p> <p><b>1. The only correct answer is D</b></p> <p><i>A is not correct because the medicine is tested on cultured cells first.</i></p> <p><i>B is not correct because double blind trials are used after testing in healthy volunteers.</i></p> <p><i>C is not correct because the medicine is tested on cultured cells first.</i></p>	<p><b>(1)</b></p> <p>AO 1 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
3(c)	<p>An answer linking three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• exposure to the {toxin/antigen/pathogen/bacteria} (1)</li> <li>• stimulates an <b>immune response</b> (1)</li> <li>• production of {(B)<b>lymphocytes</b> /antibodies} (1)</li> <li>• production of memory lymphocytes (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept immunised /vaccinated</p> <p>accept antitoxins</p>	<p><b>(3)</b></p> <p>AO 2 1</p>

**Total for Question 3 = 9 marks**

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(a)	<p>Any three from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have the potential to produce any cell type (1)</li> <li>• no need to use embryonic stem cells (1)</li> <li>• less chance of patient rejecting their own cells (1)</li> <li>• used to treat conditions which are currently incurable / used for <b>cell</b> transplants /used to replace faulty cells (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept can turn into <b>many</b> cell types /pluripotent /totipotent</p> <p>accept embryos do not need to be killed</p> <p>accept named conditions e.g Parkinson's / diabetes</p> <p>ignore references to cloning body parts / replace organs / treat cancer unless qualified</p>	<p>(3)</p> <p>AO 2 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4(b) (i)	<p>B                    R → Q → S → P</p> <p><b>1. The only correct answer is B</b></p> <p><i>A is not correct because Q is after R</i></p> <p><i>C is not correct because S is after Q</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct because R is before Q and S</i></p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>AO 3 1b</p>

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4(b)(ii)	<p>A anaphase</p> <p><b>1. The only correct answer is A</b></p> <p><i>B is not correct because R is prophase</i></p> <p><i>C is not correct because P is telophase</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct because Q is metaphase</i></p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>AO 3 1a</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(b)(iii)	<p>Any two from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNA is replicated (1)</li> <li>• production of cell {components /proteins / organelles} (1)</li> <li>• {metabolic activities / cell reactions} occur / <b>cell</b> growth(1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept DNA duplicates /chromosomes duplicate</p> <p>accept sub-cellular structures / named structures</p> <p>chromosomes coil up / condense (1)</p>	<p>(2)</p> <p>AO 1 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(c)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• selection of 40 x <b>objective</b> lens (1)</li> <li>• combines with 10 x <b>eye piece</b> lens (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept other combinations that multiply together to make 400 x with the eye piece as equal or the lower power</p> <p>accept use two lenses with correct magnification to make 400x for 1 mark</p>	<p>(2)</p> <p>AO 1 2</p>

**Total for Question 4 = 9 marks**

Question Number	Answer	Mark
5(a)(i)	<p>B substrate</p> <p><b>1. The only correct answer is B</b></p> <p><i>A is not correct because oxygen and water are the products</i></p> <p><i>C is not correct because the active site is part of the catalase enzyme</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct because a control would use water and not hydrogen peroxide</i></p>	<p><b>(1)</b></p> <p>AO 2 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(a)(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>mass is a variable/controlling a variable (1)</li> <li>so the results could be compared/equal amount of catalase in each reaction (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept the idea that different masses would need more or less oxygen/rise quicker or slower</p> <p>ignore references to fair test or reliable results</p> <p>accept enzyme for catalase</p>	<p><b>(2)</b></p> <p>AO 2 2</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(a) (iii)	<p>Any two from:</p> <p>temperature (1)</p> <p><b>volume</b> of hydrogen peroxide (1)</p> <p>the distance the potato had to rise (1)</p> <p>pH (1)</p> <p>size of test tube (1)</p> <p>age/variety/type of potato (1)</p> <p>surface area of potato (1)</p>	<p>ignore amount of hydrogen peroxide</p> <p>accept mass for volume</p> <p>accept all discs from the same potato</p> <p>the same stock solution of hydrogen peroxide (1)</p>	<p>(2)</p> <p>AO 3 3b</p>

Question Number	Answer		Mark
5(b) (i)	<p><b>Conclusion for 1 mark</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>increasing the concentration of hydrogen peroxide {increases the rate of reaction/decreases the time taken for the disc to rise} (1)</li> </ul> <p><b>and any three from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>provides more substrate (1)</li> <li>increases collisions (1)</li> <li>more active sites occupied (1)</li> <li>forming more enzyme-substrate complexes (1)</li> <li>oxygen is released faster (1)</li> </ul>	<p>accept hydrogen peroxide for substrate</p> <p>accept more oxygen released</p>	<p>(4)</p> <p>AO 3 2a</p> <p>AO 3 2b</p>

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(ii)	substitution $1 \div 75 = 0.013333$ / 0.01 (1)  correct number of decimal places 0.013 (s <sup>-1</sup> ) (1)	2 marks for correct answer to 3 decimal places with no working	<b>(2)</b>  AO 2 2

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
5(b)(iii)	substrate is not the rate limiting factor/all active sites (of catalase) are occupied	accept the {enzyme/another factor} is the limiting factor	<b>(1)</b>  AO 2 1

**Total for Question 5 = 12 marks**

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(a)(i)	<p>An explanation linking two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• cut the {plasmid/gene/DNA} with a <b>restriction enzyme</b> (1)</li><li>• insert the gene into the plasmid using <b>ligase</b> (1)</li><li>• gene and plasmid have the same sticky ends / complementary sticky ends (1)</li></ul>	accept vector for plasmid	<b>(2)</b> AO 1 1



Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
6(a)(ii)	<p>An evaluation that combines three of the following points:</p> <p>At least one from benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (yeast grows rapidly) increasing yield (1)</li> <li>• it can be produced in a shorter time period (1)</li> <li>• production is cheaper/easier to extract (1)</li> <li>• takes up less space than growing plants (1)</li> <li>• yeast growth is not weather dependent (1)</li> </ul> <p>At least one from risks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• concerns over the genetically modified yeast being manufactured illegally (1)</li> <li>• the painkillers may not be identical/as effective (1)</li> <li>• concerns over GM organisms entering environment (1)</li> </ul>	<p>Max of 2 marks for benefits.</p> <p>Max of 2 marks for risks.</p> <p>accept possible health risks of painkillers from GM yeast</p>	<p><b>(3)</b></p> <p>AO 2 1</p>

Question Number	Answer	Mark
6(b) (i)	<p>C      sugar</p> <p><b>1. The only correct answer is C</b></p> <p><i>A is not correct because the base is the rectangle</i></p> <p><i>B is not correct because the phosphate is the circle</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct because a polymer is composed of repeated subunits</i></p>	<p><b>(1)</b></p> <p>AO 1 1</p>

Question Number	Indicative content	Mark
* 6(b) (ii)	<p><b>DNA sequences</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNA has 4 different bases</li> <li>• changes in the DNA are mutations</li> <li>• results in different alleles for these genes</li> <li>• affects the phenotype / produces variation</li> </ul> <p><b>Outcome of DNA sequencing for the individual</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identify genetic diseases</li> <li>• identify the risk of developing diseases</li> <li>• impact of knowing that a disease could develop</li> <li>• allow the individual to modify their lifestyle to reduce risk</li> </ul> <p><b>Impact on medical treatment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HGP has determined the location of genes/determined the function of proteins</li> <li>• we have a better understanding of some diseases</li> <li>• take preventative medicine</li> <li>• provide tailor-made medical treatments/personalised medicines</li> </ul>	<p><b>(6)</b></p> <p>AO 1 1</p>

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1–2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrates elements of biological understanding, some of which is inaccurate. Understanding of scientific ideas lacks detail. (AO1)</li> <li>• Presents an explanation with some structure and coherence. (AO1)</li> </ul>
Level 2	3–4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrates elements of biological understanding, which is mostly relevant but may include some inaccuracies. Understanding of scientific ideas is not fully detailed and/or developed. (AO1)</li> <li>• Presents an explanation that has a structure which is mostly clear, coherent and logical. (AO1)</li> </ul>
Level 3	5–6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrates accurate and relevant biological understanding throughout. Understanding of the scientific ideas is detailed and fully developed. (AO1)</li> <li>• Presents an explanation that has a well-developed structure which is clear, coherent and logical. (AO1)</li> </ul>

**Total for Question 6 = 12 marks**





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