

Mark Scheme (Results)

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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	За	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	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1(a)(i)	B mitochondria	
	The only correct answer is B	
	A is not correct because vacuoles do not release energy	
	C is not correct because nuclei do not release energy	
	D is not correct because ribosomes do not release energy	

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(a)(ii)	An answer including: • thick walls (1)		(2) AO2 1
	continuous / hollow tubes / no end walls (1)	accept no cytoplasm accept made of lignin / made of dead cells (1)	

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
1(b)(i)	An explanation including three from:	(3) AO2
	 fan causes air to move / creates wind / increased air flow (1) 	2
	water (vapour) removed (from around leaf) (1)	
	• increased {rate of diffusion / evaporation / transpiration} (of water vapour from leaf) (1)	
	causing the plant to take up more water (1)	

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1(b)(ii)	to compare (the effect) / as a control	accept to get a baseline measurement	(1) AO2 2

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
1(b)(iii)	68 - 52 / 16 (1) (16 ÷ 2)	award full marks for correct answer with no working	(2) AO2 1
	8 (mm³ per minute)	e.c.f. for incorrect graph readings for 1 mark	

(Total for question 1 = 9 marks)

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(a)(i)	An explanation linking:	Baldance	(2) AO2 1
	 artery has {thicker / more muscular} wall (1) 		
	 because of the (blood) pressure (higher in artery than in vein) (1) 	accept prevent the artery bursting / maintain blood pressure	

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
2(a)(ii)		(1)
	valve / valves	AO11

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
2(b)(i)	5 x 60 = 300 (1) OR	award full marks for correct answer with no working	(2) AO2 1
	60 ÷ 100 = 0.6 (1)	accept other correct methods of calculation	
	(300 ÷ 100) = 3 (dm ³)	which is a percentage calculation	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2(b)(ii)	An explanation linking:	(2) AO2 1
	 because (during exercise muscles) require more {oxygen / glucose} (1) 	
	for respiration / to release energy (1)	
	OR • to remove more carbon dioxide / to remove lactic acid (1)	
	as this is a product of respiration (1)	

(Total for question 2 = 7 marks)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3 (a)(i)	D mutualism	(1) AO1
	The only correct answer is D	
	A is not correct because it is not parasitism	
	B is not correct because it is not indigenous	
	C is not correct because it is not biodiversity	

Question	Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		Guidance	
3(a)(ii)	7500 (µm)	accept 7.5 x 10 ³	(1) AO1 1
		reject 7.5 x 10 ⁻³	AOTT

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3(b)(i)	X – decomposers	accept fungi / decomposing bacteria	(2) AO1 1
	Y – nitrifying (bacteria)	accept named nitrifying bacteria reject denitrifying bacteria / nitrogen-fixing bacteria	

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Question	Answer		IVIdik
Number		guidance	
3(b)(ii)	An explanation linking three from:		(3)
	_		AO1
	leguminous crops planted (1)	accept named	
	legarimous crops planted (1)	leguminous crops	
		leguiriirious crops	
	 that have nitrogen-fixing 		
	bacteria (1)		
	in root (nodules) (1)		
	 which fix nitrogen (gas) (1) 	accept use	
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		_	
		air / use	
		atmospheric	
		nitrogen / make	
		ammonia	
		ignore produce	
		nitrates	

Question	Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		Guidance	
3(b)(iii)	An explanation linking:		(2)
			AO1
	 nitrates are needed to make {protein / amino acids} (1) 	accept for DNA / genetic material	
	which are needed for growth (1)		

(Total marks for question 3 = 9 marks)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(a)(i)	An explanation linking: • inhibits {FSH / LH} (1)		(2) AO2
	 which prevents {maturation of a follicle / ovulation} (1) 	ignore prevents production of eggs	
		accept thickens cervical mucus (1)	
		accept thickens cervical mucus blocks the sperm / stops them reaching the egg for 2 marks	

Question Number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
4(a)(ii)	doesn't prevent STI	Accept STDs for STIs Accept named STIs	(1) AO1
		accept still a chance of pregnancy	

Question	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
Number	7 (13)	Additional Galdance	Widik
4(b)	An explanation linking:		(3) AO1
	 blood glucose levels are not regulated / high (1) 	accept blood sugar levels	
	because cells are resistant to insulin (1)	accept there is insulin resistance / unresponsive to insulin reject immune	
	 (so the liver) does not convert glucose to glycogen (1) 		
		accept hyperglycaemia / symptoms of hyperglycaemia (1)	

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4(c)	An answer including four from: • {TSH / thyroxine} levels are	accept the hormones	(4) AO3 1a, 1b,
	higher than normal (1)	levels are high / above average	2a, 2b
	 TSH stimulates the thyroid gland / TSH stimulates the release of thyroxine (1) 		
	• increases metabolic rate (1)	accept digests / breaks down food faster accept hyperthyroidism / overactive thyroid	
	 {red blood cells / glucose} are within the normal range (1) 	accept RBC / glucose are not high	
	 suggesting oxygen is carried as normal (1) 	accept is not anaemic	
	 the symptoms are not due to diabetes (1) 		

(Total for question 4 = 10 marks)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)(i)	multiply the number of beats (in 10 seconds) by 6	accept times by six	(1) AO2

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)(ii)	Any two from:		(2) AO3b
	 use a heart rate monitor / electronic device (to measure HR) (1) 	ignore use a stopwatch	
	 take readings more frequently than 5 minutes (1) 		
	 record the pulse for longer than 10 seconds (1) 		
	 take repeat readings / calculate a mean (1) 	accept repeat it	

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(a)(iii)	An answer linking three from:	Guidance	(3) AO3
	 heart rate {remains relatively constant / fluctuates slightly} when walking (1) 	accept heart rate stays at 90 b.p.m.to 96 b.p.m. when walking	
	heart rate increases when running (1)	accept heart rate is higher when running / data illustrating the difference	
	 heart rate levels off {at 15 minutes / at 180 b.p.m.} when running (1) 		

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(b)(i)	adrenal (glands)	ignore kidney / adrenalin glands	(1) AO1

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5(b)(ii)	An explanation linking three from:		(3) AO2
	 binds to receptors (on the liver) (1) 		
	 (triggers liver cells to) convert glycogen (1) 		
	• into glucose (1)	ignore sugar	
	 increasing the concentration (of glucose) in the blood / which is released into the blood (1) 	accept blood sugar	

Question	Answer	Additional	Mark
Number		Guidance	
5(c)	An explanation linking: • because of lactic acid (1)		(2) AO2
	 from anaerobic respiration (1) 		

(Total for question 5 = 12 marks)

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(a)(i)	substitution (12 x 18 ÷10) = 21.6 (1)	award full marks for correct answer with no working	(3) AO2
	whole organism (1) = 21 / 22	e.c.f. from incorrect substitution using data from the table	
	(50 - 21 / 22) = 28 / 29	e.c.f. from incorrect whole organism	
		award two marks for 28.4 or 27.9 or 22 or 21 without working	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
6(a)(ii)	 Any two from: sample at the (same) time of day (1) sample for the (same) length of time (1) use the (same) equipment / techniques (1) (same) time period between first and second sample (1) (same) marking process (1) 	(2) AO2
	do not harm organisms when sampling (1)	

Question Number	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6(b)	 An explanation linking two from: leaching / run off / fertilisers / dead organic matter (1) 	accept {sewage / mineral ions}	(2) AO1
	 (causes) a build up of nitrates / nitrates in the water (1) 	accept phosphates ignore nutrients	

Question number	Indicative content	Mark
6 *(c)	AO1 6 marks	(6)
	Reforestation	
	 reforestation is planting of trees 	
	 trees take up water from the soil 	
	 prevents erosion and reduces flooding 	
	 trees can be used for renewable resources 	
	 provides habitats 	
	 increases the rate of photosynthesis 	
	removes carbon dioxide and releases oxygen	
	 reduces greenhouse gases / global warming 	
	 provides a source of medicines / food for consumers 	
	Animal conservation	
	 increase numbers of endangered species / prevent 	
	extinction	
	 through controlled breeding programmes /reduction 	
	in poaching /maintaining habitats	
	 generating income to fund conservation projects 	
	through zoos / animal parks / ecotourism	
	 improves the number of animals / range of species 	
	maintains the food web	
	 maintains the rood wes maintains genetic diversity 	
	allows re-introduction of animals into the wild	
	allows re-introduction of allithats into the wild	

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	no rewardable material.
Level 1	1-2	 demonstrates elements of biological understanding, some of which is inaccurate. Understanding of scientific ideas lacks detail.
		 presents an explanation with some structure and coherence.
Level 2	3-4	 demonstrates biological understanding, which is mostly relevant but may include some inaccuracies. Understanding of scientific ideas is not fully detailed and /or developed. presents an explanation that has a structure which is mostly clear, coherent and logical.
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Level 3	5-6	 demonstrates accurate and relevant biological understanding throughout. Understanding of the scientific ideas is detailed and fully developed.
		 presents an explanation that has a well-developed structure which is clear, coherent and logical.

Additional Guidance

Level 1	1-2	 A brief explanation of either the benefits of reforestation OR animal conservation projects. The response refers to changes in atmospheric gases OR photosynthesis OR HOW animal conservation improves biodiversity
Level 2	3-4	 A brief explanation of the benefits of reforestation AND animal conservation projects The response refers to changes a named atmospheric gas OR photosynthesis OR HOW animal conservation improves biodiversity
Level 3	5-6	 A detailed explanation on the benefits of reforestation and animal conservation projects The response refers to changes in both named atmospheric gases AND HOW animal conservation improves biodiversity including why endangered species are preserved or the impact on food webs

Level	Marks	Possible responses
Level 1	1	Animal conservation protects endangered species / reforestation provides habitats for animals
	2	 Reforestation is planting trees which take in carbon dioxide / reforestation provides habitats for animals and reduces greenhouse gases
Level 2	3	 Animal conservation protects endangered species and reforestation provides habitats for animals / Animal conservation protects endangered species from hunting. Reforestation is the planting of trees which provides habitats for animals.
	4	 Animal conservation protects endangered species so the numbers increase and reforestation is the planting of trees. The trees take in carbon dioxide and provide habitats for animals
Level 3	5	Animal conservation protects endangered species so the numbers increase by protecting them from hunting and maintaining habitats. Reforestation is the planting of trees. The trees take in carbon dioxide and provide habitats and food source for animals.
	6	 Animal conservation protects endangered species so the numbers increase by protecting them from hunting and maintaining habitats. Reforestation is the planting of trees. The trees release oxygen and take in carbon dioxide. They also provide habitats and food source for animals.

(Total for question 6 = 13 marks)