AUTONOMIC NERVOUS SYSTEM

ANSWERS & MARK SCHEMES

QUESTIONSHEET 1

- (a) (i) B; (ii) C; (iii) A; (iv) E; (v) D;
- (b) (i) sympathetic = increase; parasympathetic = decrease;

(ii)

Chemical	Effect on rate of heart beat
adrenaline	increased;
acetylcholine	decreased;
atropine	increased;
nicotine	increased;
thyroxine	increased;

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2

TOTAL 12

QUESTIONSHEET 2

(a)

Receptor	Function	Site
Proprioceptor	senses tensions/positions/movements;	in muscles/tendons/joints;
Thermoreceptor	senses temperature of blood/body surface;	in hypothalamus/skin;
Baroreceptor	senses blood pressure;	in aortic/carotid bodies/ great veins/arches;
Osmoreceptor	senses osmotic pressure of blood;	in hypothalamus;

(b) (i)	A: rod; scotopic/black and white vision/night vision/vision in dim light; B: cone; photopic/colour vision/vision in bright light;	4
(ii)	X: this is the blind spot; where there is no room for receptors due to optic nerve fibres leaving the retina at this point;	2
	Y. this is the fovea which is responsible for the best colour vision; thus only cones present giving great sensitivity;	2
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QUESTIONSHEET 3

(a) no relay neurone in autonomic reflex; visceral ganglion in autonomic reflex; two motor neurones instead of one (in autonomic reflex); controls smooth muscle rather than striated muscle/or equivalent;

Effect	Sympathetic stimulation	Parasympathetic stimulation
Increases cardiac output	\checkmark	X
Constricts pupils	X	\checkmark
Increases peristalsis in gut	x	\checkmark
Increases sweat secretion	\checkmark	X
Stimulates bronchoconstriction	x	\checkmark
Stimulates salivation	x	\checkmark
Causes vasoconstriction of skin arterioles	√	X

TOTAL 10

QUESTIONSHEET 4

(a) a reflex that is initiated not only by the normal unconditioned stimulus but also by a second acquired conditioned stimulus;	
the animal learns to associate the second stimulus with the first and thus responds to both;	
for example, Pavlov always rang a bell when he presented food to his dogs;	
in time the dogs associated presentation of food with the ringing of the bell;	
salivation reflex was then initiated by the bell ringing even if food was withheld;	max 4
(b) the sight of the product to be sold is presented with another pleasurable stimulus such as well-loved music or beautiful scenery;	
the potential purchaser then associates the product with pleasure;	2
(c) short term memory lasts for only a few minutes but long term memory can last for a life time;	
STM is probably present as electrical impulses;	
in loops of neurones called 'reverberating circuits';	
LTM is probably stored chemically in forms of RNA/protein codes in synapses;	max 3
	TOTAL 9

max 3

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QUESTIONSHEET 5

- (a) (i) to regulate the quantity of light entering the eye/pupil/to prevent dazzling/damage to retina/rods and cones;
 - (ii) smooth/involuntary/visceral muscle;
 - (iii) reflex action;
 - (iv)

Feature	Effect of sympathetic stimulation	Effect of parasympathetic stimulation	
radial iris muscles	contraction	no effect/relaxation	
circular iris muscles	no effect/relaxation	contraction	
pupil size	dilation/gets larger	constriction/gets smaller	

(b) lachrimal; protease; lysozyme; disinfect; parasympathetic; conjunctiva;

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TOTAL 12

QUESTIONSHEET 6

(a) (i)	nerve ending/sensory neurone/neurone; (not 'nerve')	1
(ii)	<u>pressure;</u> receptor;	2
(iii)	Any two of: joints/tendons/muscles/mammary glands/external genitalia;;	2
(b) (i)	changes pressure differences into nerve/electrical impulses;	1
(ii)	pressure distorts the capsule/lamellae; transmitted by lymph/fluid to nerve endings; causes depolarisation/sets up an action potential;	max 2
		TOTAL 8

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QUESTIONSHEET 7

(a) (i)	A = cone B = rod; 1
(ii)	A is conical in shape and B is rod shaped;a cone synapses to only one relay neurone but several rods synapse to one relay neurone;2
(iii)	to absorb light to prevent internal reflection/dazzling; 1
(b) (i)	rods (B) are sensitive to dim light but cones (A) are sensitive to bright light only; rods are sensitive to all wavelengths of visible light but cones are only sensitive to specific wavelengths (of light); ref to blue, green and red cones; max 2
(ii)	retinine combines with photopsins in cones in the dark/during blinking; to give light sensitive rhodopsin/visual purple; three different types of photopsin/rhodopsin/cones; are sensitive to red, green or blue wavelengths; light breaks the rhodopsin down to retinine and photopsin which causes depolarisation/sets up action potentials; brain analyses the pattern of impulses as different colours/shades; max 4
	TOTAL 10
QUES	TIONSHEET 8
(a) A =	cornea; $B = iris$; $C = pupil$; $D = lens$; $E = ciliary$ muscle; $F = sclerotic$; $G = choroid$;

H = fovea/yellow spot;	I = blind spot;	J = optic nerve;	K = retina;	11
(b) refraction by cornea/aq	ueous humour/vitr	eous humour forms	s image on retina;	
lens enables fine adjust	ment to obtain a cl	lear/sharp image;		
for near vision ciliary r	nuscles contract th	us reducing pull/te	nsion on suspensory ligaments;	
elastic lens thus becom	es thicker so has r	nore focussing/con-	verging power;	
for distant vision ciliary	muscles relax the	us pulling suspenso	ry ligaments;	
(elastic) lens thus pulle	d to become thinn	er with less focussi	ng/converging power;	
ref to autonomic contro	l of ciliary muscle	s/sympathetic for d	istant vision/parasympathetic for near vision;	max 5
(c) ref to <u>antagonistic</u> iris n	nuscles regulating	diameter of pupil;		
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- in bright light, radial (iris) muscles relax and circular muscles contract; thus pupil smaller so less light enters; in dim light, radial muscle contract and circular musles relax; thus pupil widens and more light enters; ref to autonomic control/sympathetic stimulates dilation of pupil/parasympathetic stimulates constriction of pupil; max4
- (d) the fovea/yellow spot is the most sensitive part of the retina/contains a high density of cones for colour vision/does not contain rods; blind spot does not contain rods or cones/photoreceptors/all room taken up by optic nerve fibres (leaving the retina); 2

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QUESTIONSHEET 9

 (a) A = malleus/hammer; B = incus/anvil; C = stapes/stirrup; D = tympanic membrane/ear drum; E = fenestre ovalis/oval window; F = fenestre rotunda/round window; 	6
(b) (i) transducer changes one form of (signal) energy into another form; ear changes sound energy/air pressure changes into electrical energy/nerve impulse;	2
 (ii) sound waves directed by pinna into the (external) ear canal; ear drum vibrates in sympathy with sound waves/in relation to frequency/amplitude; vibrations transmitted/amplified by middle ear ossicles/malleus + incus + stapes; cause fenestre ovalis/oval window to vibrate; this causes pressure waves in fluid/perilymph of cochlea; energy of these is released by sympathetic vibrations of fenestre rotunda/round window; 	max 5
(b) maintains (balance of) air pressure in middle ear cavity;by opening to pharynx/throat;pressure changes caused by movements of ear drum and windows thus compensated for;	max 2
	TOTAL 15

QUESTIONSHEET 10

(a) decreases cardiac output/reduces frequency of heartbeat/reduces force of contraction of cardiac muscle (thus a	llowing heart to rest);
stimulates gastric secretion so that (energy containing) food can be digested;	
stimulates pancreatic/intestinal secretion so that food can be digested;	
promotes glycogen synthesis in liver/insulin release by islets of Langerhans/β-cells;	
increases motility of stomach/intestines causing better mixing/absorption of food;	
stimulates bile release/contraction of gall bladder to enhance digestion;	max 5
(b) pupils dilate;	
cardiac output raised/heart rate increases/force of beat increases;	
arterioles to skin and viscera contract diverting blood to muscles/lungs/heart muscle;	
arterioles to heart muscle/lungs/skeletal muscles dilate to enable faster flow of blood;	
breathing becomes faster and deeper/bronchioles dilate, improving O, uptake;	
more liver glycogen converted to glucose to supply more energy;	
adrenalin release promoted to enhance sympathetic effects;	
energy using non-essential muscular movements/secretions of gut are suppressed;	max 5
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QUESTIONSHEET 11

(a) ((i)	iris; sclerotic;	2
((ii)	cornea; aqueous humour; lens; vitreous humour;	4
((iii)	rods; cones; melanin containing retinal epithelium; (allow 1 mark for 'retina' unqualified)	3
((iv)	rods; cones;	2
(b) ((i)	pinna; external ear canal;	2
((ii)	ear drum/tympanic membrane; ossicles/named ossicles; oval window/fenestre ovalis;	3
((iii)	ossicles/named ossicles (act as a lever system); ear drum <u>and</u> oval window (area of ear drum much larger/22x larger than oval window so energy magnified 22x);	2
((iv)	ear drum (sound waves/air pressure waves to mechanical vibrations); cochlea/basilar membrane/organ of Corti (pressure waves to electrical);	2
		TOTAL	20

QUESTIONSHEET 12

(a) (i)	sympathetic stimulation increases the frequency of the heart beat;
	by increasing the signal/output frequency of the sino-atrial node/accept alternative wordings if clear;
	and by reducing the delay of impulse passage through the atrio-ventricular node;
	also increases the force of contraction of the cardiac muscle;
	increases coronary blood flow/dilates coronary arteries/arterioles, thus improving blood supply to cardiac muscle;
	max 4
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(11)	parasympathetic/vagal stimulation reduces frequency of heart beat;
	by suppressing/reducing signal/output frequency of sino-atrial node;
	and by increasing delay of impulse passage through atrio-ventricular node;
	decreases force of contraction of the cardiac muscle;
	decreases coronary blood flow/constricts coronary arteries/arterioles since heart muscle does not need to work as hard;
	max 4

(a)	voluntary nervous system can stimulate muscular movements/activity of skeletal muscles/physical activity;
	resulting increased CO ₂ concentration in blood stimulates cardiac output;
	voluntary nervous system can be conscious of stress which can result in adrenaline secretion;
	adrenaline will increase cardiac output;

TOTAL 10

max 2