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Science A
Unit Biology B1

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Wednesday 5 June 2013  1.30 pm to 2.30 pm

For this paper you must have:
• a ruler.
You may use a calculator.

Time allowed
• 1 hour

Instructions
• Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
• Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
• Answer all questions.
• You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
• Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information
• The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
• The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
• You are expected to use a calculator where appropriate.
• You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.
• Question 9 should be answered in continuous prose. In this question you will be marked on your ability to:
  – use good English
  – organise information clearly
  – use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice
• In all calculations, show clearly how you work out your answer.
Answer all questions in the spaces provided.

1 The photograph shows an athlete at the start of a race.

1 (a) The athlete’s sense organs contain special cells. These special cells detect changes in the environment.

1 (a) (i) **List A** shows changes in the environment.

**List B** shows some of the athlete’s sense organs.

Draw one line from each change in the environment in **List A** to the sense organ detecting the change in **List B**.

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<th>List A</th>
<th>List B</th>
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<td>Change in the environment</td>
<td>Sense organ</td>
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<td>Sight of the finishing line</td>
<td>Ear</td>
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<td>Sound of the starting gun</td>
<td>Nose</td>
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<td>Pressure of the ground on the fingers</td>
<td>Eye</td>
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<td>Skin</td>
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(3 marks)
1 (a) (ii) Which cells detect changes in the environment?

Tick (✓) one box.

- Gland cells
- Muscle cells
- Receptor cells

(1 mark)

1 (b) During the race, the concentration of sugar in the athlete’s blood decreases. Why?

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(1 mark)

1 (c) Some athletes use anabolic steroids to improve performance.

1 (c) (i) Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete the sentence.

Anabolic steroids increase

- breathing rate.
- growth of muscles.
- heart rate.

(1 mark)

1 (c) (ii) Sporting regulations ban the use of anabolic steroids. Suggest one reason why.

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(1 mark)
2 Many organisms are adapted to avoid being eaten.

2 (a) The photograph shows a gecko on a leafy branch.

The gecko is adapted to avoid being eaten by predators. Explain how.

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(2 marks)

2 (b) Ants can give a painful bite.

The photograph shows a type of ant living on acacia trees. Acacia trees have thorns on their branches.
2 (b) (i) Predators are less likely to eat ants living on acacia trees than ants living on the ground.

Suggest why.
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(1 mark)

2 (b) (ii) Giraffes eat the leaves of acacia trees.

Giraffes do **not** eat the leaves of acacia trees that have ants living on them.

Suggest why.
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(1 mark)

2 (c) The photographs show a wasp and a hoverfly.

The wasp and the hoverfly both have black and yellow stripes.

Wasps have stings, but hoverflies do **not**.

The stripes on the hoverfly help the hoverfly to avoid being eaten by predators.

Explain why.
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(2 marks)
Students in a school investigated the effect of five different antibiotics, A, B, C, D and E, on one type of bacterium.

The students:
- grew the bacteria on agar jelly in a Petri dish
- soaked separate paper discs in each of the antibiotics
- put the paper discs onto the bacteria in the Petri dish
- put the Petri dish into an incubator.

The diagram shows what the Petri dish looked like after 3 days.

3 (a) (i) What is the maximum temperature the incubator should be set at in the school?

Draw a ring around your answer.

10°C 25°C 50°C

(1 mark)

3 (a) (ii) Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete the sentence.

The incubator should **not** be set at a higher temperature because the higher

pathogens. toxins. viruses.

(1 mark)
3 (b) Which antibiotic, A, B, C, D or E, would be best to treat a disease caused by this type of bacterium?

Write your answer in the box. □

Give the reason for your answer.

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(2 marks)

3 (c) Antibiotics **cannot** be used to treat diseases caused by viruses.

Why?

Tick (✔) **one** box.

Viruses are not pathogens □

There are too many different types of virus □

Viruses live inside cells □

(1 mark)

5

Turn over for the next question
There are two forms of peppered moth, dark and pale. Birds eat the moths when the moths are resting on tree bark.

Pollution in the atmosphere may:
- kill lichens living on tree bark
- make the bark of trees go black.

4 (a) Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete the sentence.

Lichens are very sensitive to air pollution caused by
- carbon dioxide.
- nitrogen.
- sulfur dioxide.

(1 mark)

4 (b) The photographs show the two forms of peppered moth, on tree bark.
4 (b) (i) The dark form of the peppered moth was produced by a change in the genetic material of a pale moth.

Use one word from the box to complete the sentence.

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<tr>
<th>characteristic</th>
<th>clone</th>
<th>mutation</th>
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A change in genetic material is called a ..................................................................

(1 mark)

4 (b) (ii) In the 19th century, pollution made the bark of many trees go black.

Explain why:
- the population of the pale form of the moth in forests decreased
- the population of the dark form of the moth in forests increased.

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Question 4 continues on the next page
4 (c) (i) The larvae (young) of the peppered moths eat the leaves of birch trees.

The diagram shows the food chain:

birch trees → peppered moth larvae → birds

Draw a pyramid of biomass for this food chain.

Label the pyramid.

4 (c) (ii) Which two reasons explain the shape of the pyramid you drew in part (c)(i)?

Tick (✓) two boxes.

- Some material is lost in waste from the birds
- The trees are much larger than peppered moth larvae
- Peppered moth larvae do not eat all the leaves from the trees
- The trees do not use all of the Sun’s energy

(2 marks)
This question is about recycling.

The pie chart shows the different types of waste from an average household in England.

In 2010, councils in England collected 23 million tonnes of waste from households. Most of the waste was put into landfill sites. Councils pay to use landfill sites.

Organic kitchen waste can be put onto compost heaps.

Calculate the mass of organic kitchen waste from households that could have been put onto compost heaps in 2010.

Answer = ......................... million tonnes

Some householders put organic kitchen waste onto their compost heaps.

Suggest one advantage of this to the council.

Suggest one advantage of this to the householder.
6 The photographs show two breeds of cow.

Friesian cow

Jersey cow

In parts (a) and (b) draw a ring around the correct answer to complete each sentence.

6 (a) Cows produce their young (calves) by

- asexual reproduction.
- cloning.
- sexual reproduction.

(1 mark)

6 (b) Cows and their calves have many similar characteristics.

6 (b) (i) The information for characteristics is carried by

- clones.
- embryos.
- genes.

(1 mark)

6 (b) (ii) The information for characteristics is passed to the next generation in cells called

- body cells.
- gametes.
- neurones.

(1 mark)
Friesian and Jersey cows can both be used for meat or to produce milk.

The information shows features of Friesian and Jersey cows.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Friesian cows</th>
<th>Jersey cows</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Body mass up to 600 kg</td>
<td>Body mass up to 400 kg</td>
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<td>Milk contains 3.4% protein</td>
<td>Milk contains 3.8% protein</td>
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<td>Can be milked for 325 days after giving birth</td>
<td>Can be milked for 250 days after giving birth</td>
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<tr>
<td>Produce no milk for 55 days before having a calf</td>
<td>Produce no milk for 45 days before having a calf</td>
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<td>Produce &gt; 30 litres of milk per day</td>
<td>Produce &lt; 30 litres of milk per day</td>
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Use only the information above to answer these questions.

In your answers you must make comparisons between the two breeds of cow.

6 (c) (i) Give two advantages of a farmer keeping Friesian cows and not Jersey cows.
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6 (c) (ii) Give two advantages of a farmer keeping Jersey cows and not Friesian cows.
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(2 marks)

Question 6 continues on the next page
6 (d) Cow’s milk is different from human milk. Cow’s milk should not be given to young human babies.

Scientists in China have genetically engineered cows to produce human milk. Milk from these cows can be fed to young human babies.

6 (d) (i) What is genetic engineering?

Tick (✓) one box.

- Genes from one organism are transferred to a different organism
- Cells are separated from an embryo and are transferred to host mothers
- The nucleus from a body cell is transferred to an egg cell

6 (d) (ii) Some people are worried about using milk from genetically engineered cows, to feed human babies.

Give one reason why.

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(1 mark)
In the 1800s, many women died from disease after giving birth.

Dr Semmelweis compared the death rates of women in two hospital wards, Ward A and Ward B.

Table 1 shows some of the results.

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<th>Year</th>
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<td>1834</td>
<td>7.7</td>
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<td>1836</td>
<td>7.5</td>
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<td>1844</td>
<td>8.4</td>
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<td>1846</td>
<td>11.3</td>
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Before 1840
Doctors and nurses worked in Ward A and in Ward B. The doctors often worked in other wards with patients who had diseases. The doctors did not wash their hands.

After 1840
Doctors only worked in Ward A and not in Ward B. Only nurses worked in Ward B. The nurses did not work in other wards with patients who had diseases.

7 (a) (i) Look at the data for Ward A and Ward B after 1840.
Describe the effect on death rate of having only nurses working in Ward B and not doctors.
To gain full marks you must refer to the data in Table 1.

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7 (a) (ii) Suggest an explanation for the difference you described in part (a)(i).

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(2 marks)

7 (b) In 1847, Dr Semmelweis told the doctors to wash their hands each time before they began to work in Ward A.

Table 2 shows the death rates in the two wards, after 1847.

Table 2

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<tr>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Ward A</td>
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<td>1848</td>
<td>2.7</td>
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<td>1849</td>
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Dr Semmelweis was right to tell the doctors to wash their hands.

What evidence is there to support Dr Semmelweis telling the doctors to wash their hands?

Use information from Table 1 and Table 2 in your answer.

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(3 marks)

Question 7 continues on the next page
7 (c) In modern hospitals less than 0.1% of women die from disease after giving birth.

Medical understanding has improved since the 1850s to reduce the death rate.

Other than improvements in hygiene, give two reasons for the low death rate from infectious diseases in modern hospitals.

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(2 marks)
Scientists investigated the effectiveness of three slimming programmes, A, B and C. The scientists recorded the body mass of four groups of volunteers each month for 6 months. Three of the groups were each given a different slimming programme. The fourth group was a control group.

The graph shows the mean change of body mass each month for all four groups.

8 (a) (i) What should the control group eat?
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(1 mark)

8 (a) (ii) Why did the scientists include a control group in this study?
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(1 mark)
8 (b) (i) The three groups of volunteers using the slimming programmes each showed a similar pattern of body mass loss over the 6 months. Describe this pattern.

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(2 marks)

8 (b) (ii) All the slimming programmes seemed to be effective. How does the information in the graph show this?

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(1 mark)
The diagram shows part of the carbon cycle.

Describe how living things are involved in the constant cycling of carbon.

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