MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2010 question paper
for the guidance of teachers

0610 BIOLOGY

0610/61 Paper 61 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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General notes

Symbols used in mark scheme and guidance notes.

/ separates alternatives for a marking point

; separates points for the award of a mark

A accept – as a correct response

R reject – this is marked with a cross and any following correct statements do not gain any marks

I ignore/irrelevant/inadequate – this response gains no mark, but any following correct answers can gain marks.

( ) the word/phrase in brackets is not required to gain marks but sets context of response for credit. e.g. (waxy) cuticle. Waxy not needed but if it was described as a cellulose cuticle then no mark.

Small underlined words – this word only/must be spelled correctly

ORA or reverse argument/answer

ref./refs. answer makes appropriate reference to

AVP additional valid point (e.g. in comments)

AW alternative words of equivalent meaning

ecf error carried forward
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<td>1 (a) (i)</td>
<td>Drawing: O quality mark – clear complete lines, shape and larger than photograph, no shading; L more than 1 layer of wall recognised; D asymmetric right side / inside layer folded – detail; Any two labels if correct: lumen / space / hole; muscles; thick(er) wall / AW; elastic (wall / fibres); connective tissue (outer layer); folded inner layer / endothelium / lining;</td>
<td>Score the drawing by a vertical row of ticks or crosses in order O, L and D shown to the uncluttered side of the drawing. A. if circles are incomplete to show more than one layer. If drawn only the vein, Y – award O only. Accept lumen label. If a compass or equivalent has used – do not award O mark. Look for ‘bulge’ in wall of blood vessel not the ‘floating’ bit in the middle. Lumen = AW e.g. ‘room for blood’ I. blood alone. A. correct terms referring to tunica adventitia = outer layer; tunica media = muscle + elastic tissue; tunica intima = endothelium. I. reference to ‘smooth’ ‘longitudinal’ ‘stretching layer. ‘radial’. R. striated / cardiac. L. cytoplasm / cell wall / cell membrane / nucleus. If inner layer or wall, must have folded. Endothelium alone = 1 mark. If both blood vessels are drawn, mark the artery only. Longitudinal views – mark the end section only.</td>
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<td>1 (a) (ii)</td>
<td>X – artery:</td>
<td>A. arteries. or arteriole or specific named artery. Mark in list order. R. vein.</td>
<td>‘thick muscular wall’ = 2 marks from either side depending on approach. Not comparative. If capillary points are made… ignore – question is to distinguish between X and Y.</td>
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<td>(b) (i)</td>
<td>14, 15, 16, 17, 17, and 18 in table</td>
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<td>all numbers correct in table.</td>
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<td>(ii)</td>
<td>Axes – orientations and labels; Scales – linear scale, to fill more than half the printed grid; Plot – all correct; Line – joined point to point with ruled lines;</td>
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<td>(X – mass of weight g and Y – increase in mm) +/- half a small square. ecf – from table. All plotted points (11) to be included on the graph. If plot internal diameter (2nd column) allow: A and L – Max 2. A. smooth curve passing through most points. R. extrapolation of line beyond 100g. R. thick lines. Straight line, non linear scale allow A only if correct. Score the drawing by a vertical row of ticks or crosses in order A, S, P and L. Histogram – A, P only.</td>
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<td>(iii)</td>
<td>original size, shape or position / decrease / contract; (reason) elasticity must be linked to return in size / recoil; thick wall / elastic tissue / AW; AVP e.g. ref blood pressure / pulsation ;</td>
<td>[max 3]</td>
<td>I. expansion / damaged / overstretched. I. reference to elastic limit and to overstretcheding.</td>
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2 (a) (i) **One visible from;**
Skin / peel / outer wall / shell;
outer layer darker than inside;
side buds / spots / ‘eyes’ present;
inner tissue – similar colour;

(ii) **feature** | **sweet potato** | **irish potato**  
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inner tissue | spotted / speckled | no spots, uniform;  
skin / peel / wall | darker thicker | lighter; thinner;  
shape of ends | pointed / slanted (both ends) | rounded (both ends);  
overall shape | long / narrow | short / round / more circular / oval;  
margin | two layers visible not smooth / uneven | one layer; smooth;  
section shape | circular /rounded smaller | oval; larger;  
stalk / root * | absent | present;  

I. differences in composition – starch / storage.

Any **two** differences.
Comments should match and accept one difference per printed row on the question paper.
Both spaces on mark scheme for 2 differences can refer to the same feature e.g. skin or margin.

Look for comparative terms … ‘-er’.

* scar or hairs at the base.
1. **starch**
   - equal sample size of each potato; ONCE
   - iodine solution / iodine in KI / iodine reagent;
   - same concentration / volume of iodine solution;
   - expected colour change; (yellow / orange / red brown to blue / blue black / purple)
   - compare colour change; (how fast / darker) (using colorimeters)

   **Safety** – one from:
   - Tie back hair / tie; ONCE
   - Safety goggles / spectacles; ONCE
   - Lab coat; ONCE

2. equal samples – same volume of water / same preparation / grinding; ONCE
   - Benedict’s reagent;
   - same volume / amount of Benedict’s solution;
   - heating;
   - expected colour change; (blue → green / orange / red)
   - compare colours; (intensity of colour – or timing of colour change) (use of colorimeters)

   **Safety** – one from:
   - water bath;
   - test-tube holders;
   - same as above

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**A.** drops of iodine if stated number of drops but ignore vague references such as few or several.

'**same volume of iodine solution**' = 2.

I. using ethanol.

Need original and final colours for expected change.

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3 (a) (i) dish A – 19/20, dish B – 2/20, and dish C 9/10; [2] A. numbers 19, 2 and 9 only. Mark wherever these figures occur e.g. on dish. 1 mistake – 1 mark / 2 mistakes – no marks.

(ii) 800%; possible working

\[ \frac{16}{2} \times 100 = 800\% \]

Correct answer = 2 marks. Credit alternative methods of working if answer is incorrect.

Might round down dish B to 1 / 10. = 1 mark.

Might round up dish C to 18 / 20. = 1 mark.

80% = 1 mark. If error in table – award one working mark if applicable.

(iii) (dish C no tomato juice and dish B has therefore) there is another chemical in juice which stops the germination AW; same pH as dish B but higher % in C so not pH sensitive;

Correct reference to osmotic / turgor / concentration of tomato juice / contains less water / absorbs less water;

stops seeds developing near parent plant / prevents competition / saves overcrowding / lack space;

AVP e.g. alleopathy / bacteria in juice; [max 2] Dish C is referred to from the question by implication. I. dish C has more nutrients

Chemicals – accept suitable named examples e.g. Vit. C.

(iv) dish A – control;

for comparison purposes / see difference;

to show it was not pH 6 – weak acid solution; [max 1] Ignore fair test / efficiency.

A. to test viability of seeds.
| (b) | 1. same batch of seeds / same type / same maturity;  
|     | 2. same volume of solution;  
|     | 3. same environmental conditions of oxygen;  
|     | 4. same environmental conditions of light / warmth;  
|     | 5. same number of seeds for each test;  
|     | 6. wash surface of seeds first to remove juice of fruit chemicals / bacteria / spores / AW;  
|     | 7. suitable range of pH solutions / suggest 3 or more named pH / acid solutions;  
|     | 8. how obtained such as use of buffers or named liquids e.g. vinegar.;  
|     | 9. same period of time for soaking or germinating;  
|     | 10. repeat whole procedure / two + dishes or use replicas at the same time;  
|     | 11. plot graph; | I. mass.  
|     | I. Same environment alone – too vague.  
|     | A. Same temperature.  
|     | Need more than one seed for pt 5. few / several – too vague.  
|     | from low pH to high pH – 3 or more examples. (pt 7) e.g. strong and weak acid and weak alkali = 3 solutions.  
|     | I. ‘few’ or ‘several’ days. (specified number of days not months)  
|     | Not just for number of seeds – that is pt. 5. | [max 6]  

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