

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Advanced GCE

BIOLOGY F215 MS

Unit F215: Control, Genomes and Environment

Specimen Mark Scheme

The maximum mark for this paper is 100.

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Question Number	Answer	Max Mark
1(a)(i)	gene length of DNA; codes for a (specific), polypeptide / protein / RNA; allele alternative form of a gene; found at a, locus / particular position on, a chromosome; max 1	[2]
(a)(ii)	assume allele refers to coat colour allele (coat colour) gene / alleles, only on X chromosome; A no (coat colour), gene / allele, on Y chromosome male cats, XY / only have one X chromosome; males have only one (coat colour) allele / cannot have two (coat colour) alleles; need black and orange alleles for tortoiseshell colour;	[2]
(b)	parental genotypes C C x C C; gametes C, C; F ₁ genotypes and phenotypes 1 mark: F ₁ genotypes (all) C C F ₁ phenotypes (all) pink; F ₂ genotypes and phenotypes 1 mark:	
	gametes C, C, C, C; F ₂ genotypes C C C C C C C C F ₂ phenotypes red pink (pink) white; F ₂ ratio 1:2:1; accept other symbols if key given. accept r and w as symbols without key.	[6]
(c) (i)	65; 130; 65;	[3]

Question Number	Answer				
(c) (ii)	0.138 + 0.007 + 0.061; (or other suitable working) 0.206 – 0.208; 2 marks for correct value if no working shown ecf for both marks but calculated value must be to three decimal places	[2]			
(c)(iii)	support, figure lower than 5.991 / figure lower than critical value;				
	R 'support' on its own.				
	ecf applies if value in (ii) is incorrect	[1]			
(d)	named characteristic; named environmental factor; (mark first answer only)	[2]			
		[-]			
(e)	 ref to operon; normally repressor substance bound to operator; prevents RNA polymerase binding (at promoter) / prevents transcription; lactose binds to repressor; changes shape of protein molecule; unable to bind (to operator); RNA polymerase binds (at promoter) / transcription occurs / genes switched on; AVP; e.g. production of lactose permease / production of betagalactosidase; 	max[5]			
	Total:	[23]			
2(a)	a change in the genetic material; unpredictable / AW; extra detail; e.g. addition / substitution / deletion / frame shift / small part of chromosome / may code for different protein / may code for no protein	[2]			

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(b)	1 mark max for general effect of mutations:			
(**)	mutation may give different, amino acid / primary structure;			
	A ref stop codon			
	some mutations alter, molecular shape / tertiary structure / binding;			
	max 3 for explaining data in Table:			
	so unable to, accept / transport, HCO ₃ ;			
	unable to bind ATP;			
	so increase in acidity / decrease in pH;			
	effect on mucus;			
	effect on enzyme(s) /ref pH optimum of enzyme(s);			
	poor digestion of, protein / lipid / starch;			
	AVP; e.g. some mutations, give some transport / have less effect.			
	>33% (of norm) allows normal digestive function / < 6%	max[4]		
	[A very low] does not.			
	Total:	[6]		
3(a)(i)				
- (/(-/	award both marks for correct answer			
5(3)(4)				
	10 000 / 800 000 (x 100); 1.25 / 1.3 / 1(%);	[2]		
-(-)(-)	10 000 / 800 000 (x 100);	[2]		
(ii)	10 000 / 800 000 (x 100);	[2]		
	10 000 / 800 000 (x 100); 1.25 / 1.3 / 1(%);	[2]		
	10 000 / 800 000 (x 100); 1.25 / 1.3 / 1(%); R any reference to energy / light missing the plant reflected (off plant) / only certain wavelengths of light can be, absorbed / used; ora	[2]		
	10 000 / 800 000 (x 100); 1.25 / 1.3 / 1(%); R any reference to energy / light missing the plant reflected (off plant) / only certain wavelengths of light can be, absorbed / used; ora absorbed by / hits, non-photosynthetic parts; e.g. bark	[2]		
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	10 000 / 800 000 (x 100); 1.25 / 1.3 / 1(%); R any reference to energy / light missing the plant reflected (off plant) / only certain wavelengths of light can be, absorbed / used; ora absorbed by / hits, non-photosynthetic parts; e.g. bark passes through leaf / misses chlorophyll / misses chloroplasts;			

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(iv)	take the first 2 answers:	
	death / dead remains;	
	excretion; R waste products	
	egestion; other suitable method; e.g. insects moulting	
	hatched eggs	
	moulting (fur / feathers)	[0]
	R leaves	[2]
(b)	Primary consumers are eating and	
	producers have, cell walls / cellulose; ora	
	difficult to digest / much material, wasted / egested;	
	energy used by gut microorganisms; ora much material cannot be eaten (by primary consumer); ora	
	(1)	[3]
	Total:	[10]
4(a)(i)	plasmid cut by restriction enzyme;	
. , . ,	at specific sequence;	
	same enzyme as used to cut (insulin) gene; sticky ends / described;	
	ref. complementary sticky ends;	
	ligase seals (sugar-phosphate) backbone / AW;	max[4]
(ii)	credit any two from the following:	
(ii)	1 antibiotic resistance (gene) introduced and survivors have plasmid;	
	2 fluorescent marker (gene) introduced and glowing bacteria have plasmid;	
	3 identify bacteria producing insulin using antibodies;	[2]

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(b)	referring to pig insulin: ethical / religious, reasons; incompatibility / lack of tolerance / immune response; ora not exactly the same as / less effective than, human insulin; ora				
	referring to human insulin from bacteria: engineered insulin is cheaper; ora greater supply of engineered insulin; ora	[1]			
4(c)	allow max 5 for following: transcription; DNA unzips / H bonds break; exposing required, gene / sequence of bases; RNA nucleotides align with DNA; U with A, A with T, C with G, and G with C; RNA polymerase; mRNA formed (using DNA strand as template); leaves nucleus through pore;				
	allow max 5 for following: translation; mRNA attaches to ribosome; tRNA brings amino acid (to, ribosome / mRNA); each tRNA attached to specific amino acid; tRNA binds to mRNA using complementary, base triplet / anticodon; peptide bond formed between amino acids; DNA / mRNA, (nucleotide / base) sequence determines sequence of amino acids;				
	AVP; e.g. 2, base triplets / codons, in ribosome AVP; e.g. ref. to: start / stop, codons	[10]			
	Total	[17]			
5(a)	from below / ventral / AW; A idea of brain being seen from below R upside down, looking upwards	[1]			

Question Number	Answer	Max Mark
(b)(i)	 reject choice of answers, accept any reasonable spelling A cerebrum / cerebral hemisphere / cerebral cortex / frontal lobe; ignore refs to right or left R incorrect lobe B pituitary (gland); R hypothalamus C cerebellum; D medulla (oblongata) 	[4]
(b)(ii)	control of breathing; control of heart rate; control of circulation; control of swallowing / salivation / vomiting reflex;	[2]
(c)	If blood hormone concentration rises inhibits output of trophic hormones by pituitary gland; which inhibits output of hormones by endocrine glands; blood hormone concentration falls to normal levels;	
	ref. negative feedback; ORA	max[2]
	Total:	[9]
6(a)	(apical / terminal) bud is source of auxin; auxin inhibits growth of side shoot / ora; remove bud and auxin concentration drops; (this allows) cell division / elongation to take place; ecf – marking points 2 and 3 if growth regulator or hormone used instead of auxin	max[3]
(b)	award two marks if correct answer (80%) is given award one mark for calculation if answer is not correct $(90 - 50 = 40) 40 / 50 \times 100;$ 80%;;	[2]
(c)	no growth until day, 8 / 10; auxin moves out of paste / AW; inhibits growth; growth occurs after, 8 / 10, days; because auxin, levels fall / 'used up'; Total:	[3]

Question Number	Answer				
7(a)(i)	max 1 for meaning of term attached to an insoluble material / AW; max 2 for description (micro)encapsulation / (trapped) in alginate beads; adsorption / stuck onto, collagen / clays / resin / (porous) glass; cross linkage / covalent / chemical, bonding to, cellulose / collagen fibres; gel entrapment / trapped inside gel e.g. silica (lattice / matrix); partially permeable membrane (polymer) microspheres;				
(ii)	any three from the following: urine can be processed / no problem of removing urine / AW;				
	pure / drinkable / useable, water produced; A water recycled space saving / less water needs to be taken into space; payload limit / weight reduction / AW; no problem in separating enzyme from products / product not contaminated; ref. to longer shelf-life of enzyme; no need to take more enzymes into space / enzymes reusable; A enzymes recoverable				
	AVP; e.g. larger surface area of enzyme exposed, more stable at extremes, ref. to ease of use (of bioreactor)	[3]			
(b)(i)	adding / using, water to break, bond / ester bond, (in molecule); • A breakdown into smaller molecules	[1]			
(ii)	matrix, protects / stabilises, enzyme / lipase; functions, at optimal rate / more efficiently, at higher temperature / 45 °C; A greater activity / AW ref. to soluble lipase begins to denature (reducing activity); ora				
	functions, at optimal rate / more efficiently, at lower pH; ref. to presence of fatty acids changing pH; ref. to ionic bonds breaking (in soluble lipase); ora				
	AVP; e.g. ref to industrial uses ref to effect on R groups	max[4]			
	Total:	[11]			

Question Number	Answer	Max Mark
8(a)	starts with previously uncolonised area / bare ground / bare rock / AW; ref to pioneer species / named pioneer; series of recognisable, seres / stages; progresses to, climax / final equilibrium stage;	max[2]
(b)	stabilise environment; soil development / increase humus / organic material; change soil pH; hold more water; release more minerals or nutrients / increase N content or fix N / hold ions; form microhabitat / reduce exposure / provide shelter / reduce erosion;	max[3]
(c)	any two from following: grazing; burning; mowing / application of fertilizer / application of selective herbicide; exposure to wind; grass able to continue to grow (linked to a statement above);	[2]
(d)	increases; plants at later stages are large / plants in early stages are small; trees / shrubs. are woody, appear later in succession;	[2]

Question Number	Answer				
	max 1 mark from following:				
(e)	1 economic definition of sustainable; e.g. similar quantities of timber				
	can be harvested year on year				
	grants for planting forests / management schemes;				
	3 planting to ensure sustainable harvest rate;				
	max 3 marks for planting strategy:				
	4 trees not planted too closely together;				
	5 support young trees to prevent damage e.g. from grazing animals;				
	6 species planted that are suitable for prevailing conditions / native spp;				
	7 softwood sp. / conifers / named conifer / fast growing sp. planted;				
	8 deciduous broadleaved species around edges for aesthetic reasons;				
	9 creates different habitats / named habitat / protected habitats/ some fallen trees left to rot;				
	max 3 marks for felling/cropping strategy:				
	10 ref. to clear felling having negative effects e.g. soil erosion;				
	11 only mature trees removed / selective felling / individual trees;				
	12 some clearings / rides / glades in woodland / strip felling;				
	13 control of, pests / diseases / fire prevention;				
	14 ref to coppicing / pollarding;				
	15 (deciduous trees) regrow from base/ idea of rotation/ cycle;				
	16 standards / large trees not coppiced, as encourages biodiversity;	[7]			
	Total:	[16]			
	Paper Total	[100]			

Assessment Objectives Grid (includes QWC)

Question	AO1	AO2	AO3	Total
1(a)(i)	2			2
1(a)(ii)		2		2
1(b)		6		6
1(c)(i)		3		3
1(c)(ii)		2		2
1c(iii)		1		1
1(d)	2			2
1(e)		5		5
2(a)	2			2
2(b)		4		4
3(a)(i)		2		2
3(a)(ii)		2		2
3(a)(iii)	1			1
3(a)(iv)	2			2
3(b)		3		3
4(a)(i)	4			4
4(a)(ii)			2	2
4(b)		1		1
4(c)	10			10
5(a)		1		1
5(b)(i)	2	2		4
5(b)(ii)	2			2
5(c)	2			2
6(a)		3		3
6(b)		2		2
6(c)		3		3
7(a)(i)	1		2	3
7(a)(ii)		3		3
7(b)(i)	1			1
7(b)(ii)		2	2	4
8(a)	2			2
8(b)	2	1		3
8(c)		2		2
8(d)		2		2
8(e)	4	3		7
Totals	39	55	6	100
Targets	36	54	10	100

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