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Biology

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Advanced GCE

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Annotation	Meaning				
DO NOT CREDIT	Answers which are not worthy of credit				
IGNORE I	Statements which are irrelevant				
ALLOW or ACCEPT	Answers that can be accepted				
()	Words which are not essential to gain credit				
_	Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark				
AW	Alternative wording				
ORA	Or reverse argument				
✓	Mark is awarded				
X	Answer incorrect				
Λ	Omission mark				
BOD	Benefit of doubt				
ВР	Blank page				
CON	Statement that contradicts a correct statement				
	Use to indicate when part of a mark point has been achieved				
ECF	Error carried forward				
GM	Mark has already been awarded (given mark)				
	Horizontal wavy line to indicate incorrect statements				
NBOD	Not giving the benefit of doubt				

Here are the subject specific instructions for this question paper

Unless otherwise stated, accept phonetic spelling throughout unless there is clear ambiguity with another term.

For each correct mark point awarded the tick annotation should be used.

Ensure that the answers to all part questions are acknowledged with a suitable annotation – e.g.

an omission mark or NBOD if the answer is incomplete or not good enough

a wavy line if some information is inaccurate

CON if a potential mark point is contradicted

a cross if the answer is completely wrong.

Use BOD with care and only if you are certain that the answer is close enough to the required information for the mark.

C	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	carrying capacity;	1	Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks CREDIT carrying capacity written on the graph, if no answer written or answer crossed out on answer line
		(ii)	(supply / amount, of) food / mice / prey; predation (upon mink); (inter/intraspecific) competition; (lack of) breeding / nesting, sites; disease;	2 max	Mark first two answers only, ignoring the numbered sections IGNORE activities of the Mink Project DO NOT CREDIT plants ACCEPT named predator e.g. eagles IGNORE mates / space / shelter / nests, alone IGNORE parasites
	(b)	(i)	loss of , (natural/original) biodiversity / species richness; planting/felling , in one go / not continuous; disruption to food chains/webs; prevents a climax community (from being reached); destruction of habitats; soil erosion;	2 max	ACCEPT prevent other species, growing (in conifer monoculture) ACCEPT pressure on, rare / endangered, species ACCEPT deflected succession , plagioclimax IGNORE disrupts / disturbs, habitats

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(ii)	social amenity / recreation / (eco)tourism; educational benefit (to visitors / children); improve (mental) well-being;	4 max	Mark as continuous prose IGNORE commercial / economic reasons
	aesthetic landscape more attractive / AW (for local people / visitors); ethical (continuous management) better for local employment; duty of care for, habitat / environment / biodiversity / food		ACCEPT landscape aesthetically pleasing e.g. greater variety of species to look at / deciduous leaf changes / more flowers to see ACCEPT prevents soil erosion IGNORE vague refs to "playing God" / species have the right
	webs /ecosystems;		to live
(c) (i)	root suckers / basal sprouts; from , meristem / undifferentiated , tissue; grow , up around / in circle / between , felled trees; correct ref. to time;	2 max	IGNORE suckers alone ACCEPT forms clonal patch / grows close to felled trees e.g. sprouts appear in a few months, not "years" / grow
(ii)	(new sprouts / trees are) <u>clones</u> / <u>genetically identical</u> OR no <u>genetic variation</u> ;	2 max	quickly
	(new sprouts) as susceptible, as parent tree (to fungus attack); idea that fungus, is systemic / remains in the tree;		ACCEPT original / mother tree ACCEPT fungal hyphae spread in vascular tissue
	Total	13	IGNORE fungal spread by, spores / beetles

Qı	uestio	n	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)			3	Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks
			DNA; polypeptide(s); tertiary, structure / shape;		IGNORE chromosomes IGNORE protein ACCEPT 3D, shape / structure IGNORE active site
	(b)	(i)	animal and plant and fungi;	1	any order DO NOT CREDIT other kingdoms
		(ii)		1 max	IGNORE dorso-ventral orientation / head , thorax , abdomen / polarity unqualified
			head-tail orientation / anterior-posterior axis;		ACCEPT head at one end, tail at the other
			position / development, of limbs;		ACCEPT has limbs
			(traces of) segmentation;		DO NOT CREDIT head segment / thorax segment / abdomen segment
			position / development , of eyes ;		
		(iii)	(A to B) disappearance of tail / AW; (B to C) webbing / tissues /cells, removed between fingers / toes;	2	(B to C) ACCEPT fingers / toes / digits , become more defined / separate / form individual digits IGNORE fingers / toes / digits, forming / developing

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(c)	1. (at start / parental) grey mice may be heterozygous / AW; 2. breed (grey) mice together; 3. only breed from individuals that never produce black offspring; 4. (continue breeding grey offspring together) for many generations; 5. carry out test cross (with black mice);	4 max	ACCEPT mp1 from annotated genetic diagram 2. IGNORE homozygous / heterozygous / IVF 3. ACCEPT exclude parents of black offspring from further breeding; 4. ACCEPT repeat the breeding (process) 5. ACCEPT breed black mice with grey mice 5. IGNORE back cross
	QWC;	1	Answer must obtain mp 2 followed by one mark from mps 3 to 5 Please insert next to the pencil icon: • a tick (✓) if QWC has been awarded • or a cross (×) if QWC has not been awarded • You should use the green dot to identify the QWC terms that you are crediting.
	Total	12	

C	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)	(i)	Biotic - any one from mowing (by workers); impoverished soil community; fewer, bees / insects / pollinators; lack of grazers; Abiotic - any one from limited space; soil chemistry; (named) pollution from vehicles (exhaust gases); wind from vehicle (slipstream); mud / dust, covering leaves;	2	Mark the first answer on each line. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is implausible or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks IGNORE any suggestion that would apply equally to both surroundings. ACCEPT nitrifiers / worms ACCEPT road-salt, toxins from oil or rubber , soil pH ACCEPT particulates / lead / NO _x / SO _x / CO DO NOT CREDIT carbon dioxide
		(ii)	(the shoot is) growing, towards light / upwards;	1	Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks IGNORE bending unqualified / away from wall / towards sun e.g. 'shoot bends and grows towards the light' = 1

Qı	uestic	n	Answer		Marks	Guidance
	(b)		Problem to be solved	Hormone	4	Mark the first answer in each box. If that answer is correct and other material is added that is incorrect or contradicts the
			Bananas picked green and shipped in a container are not ripe when the ship arrives.	E / Ethene ;		correct answer then = 0 mark
			Pot plants grown for sale at Christmas will not be bought if their leaves drop off.	A / Auxin ;		
			Barley grains delivered to a brewery do not contain much maltose for the yeast.	G / Gibberellins ;		
			In plant tissue culture, calluses on plain agar will be too slow in developing shoot buds.	C / Cytokinins ;		
	(c)		fungi / bacteria / microorganisms;		2 max	ACCEPT pathogens IGNORE parasites
			on / from, the <u>explant</u> ; contaminates / in, agar / medium;			ACCEPT culture IGNORE infection
			idea of competition for resources (between microorganisms and explant) / decrea			IGNORE competition for space
	(d)	(i)		,,	1 max	IGNORE refs to plant host / symbiosis / legume / nodules / not aquatic / not free living
			idea that Rhizobium is, involved in nitrinv	rogen fixation / not olved in nitrification;		ACCEPT description e.g. <i>Rhizobium</i> produces, ammonia / ammonium ions from nitrogen gas
			(<i>Rhizobium</i>) will not reduce / increase ammonia	es levels of, a / ammonium ions ;		ACCEPT NH ₃ / NH ₄ ⁺

Quest	tion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(ii)	use of (micro)organisms to, remove / oxidise, ammonia / ammonium ions;	1 max	ACCEPT NH ₃ / NH ₄ ⁺ IGNORE 'prevents build- up of ammonia'
		use of (micro)organisms for , commercial process / industrial process ;		IGNORE refs to products of nitrification / food production / drug production / for human benefit
	(iii)	idea that the desired product is Nitrosomonas (europaea) (cells);	3 max	ACCEPT increases yield of <i>N. europaea</i> IGNORE ref to products of <i>Nitrosomonas europaea</i>
		enzymes / proteins , are <u>denatured</u> (by incorrect pH);		DO NOT CREDIT nitrogenase is denatured
		enzymes needed for , (named metabolic) processes in growth;		CREDIT enzymes for, respiration / protein synthesis / cell reproduction / DNA replication
		(incorrect pH) disruption of, tertiary / 3D,structure / shape;		IGNORE active site
		ref to effect of hydrogen ions on , H / ionic , bonds ;		
(e)	(i)	unit should be in (column) headings;	1	
	(ii)	number of bacteria (in bacterial suspensions);	1 max	ACCEPT "concentration" of bacteria IGNORE amount of bacteria
		plantlets not sterilized;		10.10.12
		(initial) size / mass , of plantlets ;		IONODE designed places of anomal / duration of trial / a result
		concentration of ammonia solution;		IGNORE decimal places of grams / duration of trial / age of plantlets / time of day dry mass measured / volume of sand / number of plantlets
		Total	16	

G	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	(a)	(i)	25 (%);	1	IGNORE working
		(ii)		4 max	ACCEPT ORA for mp 2 – 5
			1. (island edges / cacti) subject to, sea/salt, spray;		IGNORE mist / sea water for mp1 and 2 ACCEPT homozygous recessive / 'they' for qq genotype
			2. qq (genotype) confers ability to obtain water from <u>salt</u> spray;		2.ACCEPT qq gets water supply from salt spray 2.ACCEPT qq genotype confers tolerance to salt (spray)
			3. (gives) selective advantage;		3.ACCEPT description e.g. 'they are (at an advantage and are) selected for'
		4. (individuals with qq genotype) survive / reproduce; 5. allele / q, frequency increases;		5.DO NOT CREDIT gene frequency increases5. IGNORE 'qq frequency increases'	
			6. directional selection;		6.IGNORE natural selection
			7. geographic, isolation / barrier; 8. (means) no new alleles coming in;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(b)	T1. lay, tape / string , in a line / across zones ; T2. from sea to post-pioneer (boundary) / AW ; T3. perform , line / belt, transect; Q4. (frame / open / point) quadrat; Q5. placed systematically / back to back / intervals (along tape) ; K6. use a key; K7. identify species present; K8. estimate percentage cover / count plants / species frequency / use ACFOR scale;	6 max	Look for wording that indicates up to the end of the pioneers or to first post-pioneers, e.g. top of dune ' lay tape across salt spray and rain - watered zone' = T1 and T2 Q5. DO NOT CREDIT randomly K8. IGNORE percentage abundance
	R9. ref. to repeated sampling over time; R10. ref. to repeated sampling in one area; QWC – award if TWO items of equipment above is linked	1	Award if any TWO of the following pairs of marking points
	to description of correct use ;	'	have been awarded: T1,T2/T3 Q4,Q5
			 K6,K7/ K8 Please insert next to the pencil icon: You should use the green dot to identify each pair of mps that you are crediting a tick (√) if QWC has been awarded or a cross (×) if QWC has not been awarded

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(c)	Activity: agriculture / farming / roads / building /	3 max	Marks awarded for activity (within the categories given) correctly linked to effect
	deforestation, Effect: soil erosion / habitat destruction / loss of biodiversity;		IGNORE disruption / disturbance, of, habitat / biodiversity
	Activity: introduced (animal) species, Effect: (native) animal / bird / egg, predation OR (native) plant damage / grazing OR (interspecific) competition;		ACCEPT named animal species e.g. cats ACCEPT destroys nests
	Activity: tourism / recreation, Effect: litter / sewage / habitat destruction / loss of biodiversity;		IGNORE pollution unqualified IGNORE disruption / disturbance, of, habitat / biodiversity
	Activity: shipping , Effect: oil spills / sewage / bilge / (named) flotsam ; Activity: (over-)fishing / hunting, Effect: disruption of food chains OR		ACCEPT named example (e.g.plastic) IGNORE pollution unqualified IGNORE loss of biodiversity
	(native) species, are threatened / may become extinct;		ACCEPT 'kills species' ACCEPT named species e.g. sea cucumber / sharks / tortoises
	Total	15	

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5	(a)		1 (named) receptor detects, stimulus / change in	4 max	For mp2,4,6 action potentials / impulses must be mentioned at least once
			environment; 2 sensory neurones conduct action potentials; 3 (from receptors) to CNS;		2.ACCEPT impulses 2.IGNORE messages / signals. 3.ACCEPT brain/spinal cord
			4 motor neurones conduct action potentials; 5 (from CNS) to effector;		4.ACCEPT impulses 4.IGNORE messages / signals.
			6 relay / intermediate, neurones conduct action potentials; 7 from sensory to motor neurones;		6.ACCEPT impulses 6.IGNORE messages / signals.
			8 ref to role of synapses;		8.ACCEPT summation / creation of new pathways / interconnection of existing pathways / memory / learning / filtering (out) low-level stimuli / inhibitory / excitatory
			9 (CNS / brain) coordinates response;		9.ACCEPT coordination described
	(b)		glycogen converted into glucose (in liver); glucose released into blood; (carried / available) to cells;	3 max	ACCEPT increased levels of blood glucose
			(glucose needed for) respiration / glycolysis; to release energy / make ATP;		DO NOT CREDIT ref to producing / creating , energy ACCEPT more energy available
			for increased, breathing rate / heart rate / muscle contraction;		ACCEPT increased muscle activity IGNORE 'adrenaline increases breathing rate /heart rate' alone , 'rabbit runs quicker'

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(c)	(i)	Organ	Type of muscle	Action of muscle in fight or flight response		3	Mark the first answer in each box. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks.		
		Heart	cardiac	increase pulse rate] ;				
		Leg muscle	voluntary / skeletal/striated	contract	;		IGNORE relax for second box		
		Arteriole to liver	smooth	contract / relax	;		ACCEPT (vaso)constrict / (vaso)dilate for third box (as in context of effect of muscle on arteriole) IGNORE increases/decreases, blood flow		
	(**)						IGNORE increases/decreases,diameter		
	(ii)	myosin;				1	IGNORE thick filament. DO NOT CREDIT myelin Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks.		
(d)	(i)	avoidance of p	redation / desiccat	ion / overhea	ting;	1 max			
	(ii)	Idea of repeate	orch on slugs, when ed (stimulus); ction / response, d	·	dark;	2 max	ACCEPT no longer moves away from light IGNORE ' slugs learn to ignore the light'		
	(iii)					1	Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks.		
		taxis / kinesis ;	j				ACCEPT (negative)phototaxis DO NOT CREDIT positive phototaxis		

C	Question		Answer		Guidance	
	(e)	(i)	social behaviour;	1	If more than one box is ticked then = 0 marks.	
		(ii)		2 max	each marking point must be comparative	
			bones of lower arm / radius and ulna, are longer;		IGNORE longer arms / longer levers / longer bones	
			muscles are long <u>er</u> / more muscle tissue;		ACCEPT 'they' for muscles ACCEPT muscles have greater, volume / mass IGNORE more muscles / bigger muscles / muscle density	
			(so) more muscle fibres (to deliver contracting force);		ACCEPT more, muscle cell / myofibrils / sarcomeres / motor units	
			Total	18		

Q	Question		Answer	Marks		Guidance					
6	(a)	(i)	$\chi^2 = 10.48 / 10.480 / 10.5;;;$	4		Indicator species	E	0	0 - E	(O – E) ²	(O – E) ²
						Stonefly nymph	58	44	-14	196	3.38
						Freshwater shrimp	33	43	10	100	3.03
						Water louse	7	12	5	25	3.57
						Sludge worm	2	1	-1	1	0.50
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					If ti C	answer is inchen REDIT correct All figures O NOT CRED Dissing or incor GNORE numb REDIT fraction LLOW ecf from	work in on IT col rect er of cons for	ct or m ing in t e colur umn m d.p.in ta last co	able colur mn correct ark if min able lumn	: = 1 mark to (us signs or	3 max n figs

Que	stion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(ii)	calculated value / χ^2 / 10.48 / 10.5, is (much) larger than, critical value / 7.81 ; ORA		ALLOW ecf for a correct explanation that corresponds to the candidate's incorrect calculation for (a)(i)
		idea that probability that these results are due to chance is (much) less than, 5% / 0.05; ORA		ACCEPT probability lies between, 5%/0.05, and 1%/0.01 confidence limits
		conclusion is justified / result not due to chance / significant difference between observed and expected results (at the 0.05 level);		IGNORE ref to null hypothesis
(i	o) (i)	all the living organisms and non-living components (in a habitat), and their interactions;	1	ACCEPT all the biotic and abiotic components (in a habitat), and their interactions ACCEPT all community and abiotic environment and their interactions ACCEPT (inter)relationships for interactions
	(ii)	manure contains, bacteria / microorganisms; manure contains, straw / plant material (for bacteria);	1 max	Green blob biotic, then look for reason. If biotic not given = 0 mark ACCEPT 'it' for manure IGNORE food IGNORE refs to oxygen concentration / BOD.
((c) (i)	feeding / eating / consuming / ingesting;	1	IGNORE digestion/ heterotrophic nutrition/ predation
	(iii)	shrimp to fish; (because) more indigestible parts (in shrimp); OR	2	Marks awarded for link in food chain correctly linked to explanation ACCEPT named parts e.g. outer skeleton /shell
		fish to kingfisher; (because) more indigestible parts (in fish); OR kingfisher to hawk;		ACCEPT named parts e.g. scales/ bones
		(because) kingfisher, is small / has large SA : Vol ratio / has more indigestible parts;	4.	ACCEPT more energy lost as heat ACCEPT named parts e.g. bones /feathers/beak
		Total	11	

(a)	(i)	step 3, should be between 1 and 2 / should be second;		
		OR step 2, should be between 3 and 4 / should be third;	1	Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks.
	(ii)	step 2, enzyme should be <u>restriction</u> ;	1	Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks.
(b)		chemical synthesis / polynucleotide sequencing;	1	ACCEPT make an artificial (gene) / manufactured (gene) / synthetic (gene)
				IGNORE refs to gene bank, cDNA library, BAC's , using reverse transcriptase/ making cDNA from RNA
(c)	(i)	(bacteria) acquire / take up / gain , (useful) genes ;	2 max	ACCEPT sharing genetic information/ increase genetic variation / sharing DNA IGNORE ' transfer / passing on genes'
		example of useful gene;		ACCEPT (gene for) antibiotic resistance, enzyme to metabolize new nutrients DO NOT CREDIT 'become immune to antibiotics'
		fast <u>er</u> / without waiting for mutation ;		Look for the idea of accelerated acquisition .e.g. quicker /in one generation
	(ii)	(DNA) <u>ligase</u> ;	1	Mark the first answer. If that answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks.
	-	b) c) (i)	c) (i) (bacteria) acquire / take up / gain , (useful) genes; example of useful gene; faster / without waiting for mutation;	c) (i) (bacteria) acquire / take up / gain , (useful) genes; example of useful gene; faster / without waiting for mutation;

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(d)	(i)	phytoene synthase is, limiting / in low quantities / low activity;	2 max	
		little, phytoene / substrate, for phytoene desaturase;		
		little, lycopene/ substrate, for <i>lycopene</i> β cyclase;		
	(ii)	different base sequences (in the different genes/ DNA);	2 max	ACCEPT different, triplet /codon/ nucleotide, sequences.
	(11)	different base sequences (in the different genes/ DNA);	Zillax	ACCEPT different, triplet/codon/ nucleotide, sequences.
		different amino acid sequences (in the different enzymes);		ACCEPT different primary structures
		different, tertiary/3D, structures/ shape (in the different enzymes);		ACCEPT refs to active site different shape
(e)			2 max	IGNORE refs to other instances of genetic engineering.
		For: relief of, vitamin A deficiency / symptoms of vitamin A deficiency;		ACCEPT prevents blindness, improves immune system, increase vitamin A uptake IGNORE helps eyesight / prevents death
		Against: expense of, seed to (poor) growers / grain to consumers;		ACCEPT refs to putting (non GM) farmers out of business
		(uncontrolled) hybridization with other <u>rice</u> , species / types / varieties;		IGNORE refs to gene crossing to different plant species.
		unknown long-term effects on consumers' health;		IGNORE refs to "against nature", "playing God", loss of biodiversity

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(f)	differences in organ size; difference in body temperature;	1 max	e.g. organs too small / organ size not compatible
	earlier aging of organs;		IGNORE rejection idea (as applies to both animals)
(g)		2 max	one mark for somatic (S) and one mark for germ line (G) IGNORE ref to legality / ethical issues
	S1 cannot be inherited OR G1 can be inherited;		S1 /G1 ACCEPT (gene /allele) passes e.g. S (gene / allele) does not pass to offspring S1 / G1 IGNORE (gene / allele) affects e.g. G (gene / allele) does not affect offspring
	S2 introduces (functional), gene/allele, into, patient/ body cell /non reproductive cell OR G2 introduces, (functional), gene/allele, into sperm / egg		S2 / G2 DO NOT CREDIT altering / removing / replacing, genes
	/ zygote/ embryo ; S3 only some cells have (functional), gene/ allele		
	OR G4 all cells have (functional), gene/ allele;		
	S5 short lived / temporary / needs repeating OR G5 long lived / permanent / does not need repeating;		
	Total	15	

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