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HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Unit 6 – Understanding Common Illnesses, Diseases and Disorders

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1½ hours

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question carries 25 marks.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded of the need for good English and orderly, clear presentation in your answers. Assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers.



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Answer all questions in the spaces provided.

1. (a) Explain the term coronary artery disease (CAD). [4]

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(b) State two main symptoms of coronary artery disease. [2]

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(c) Describe one technique which may be used to diagnose coronary artery disease. [3]

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2. Viruses are causal agents of infectious disease.

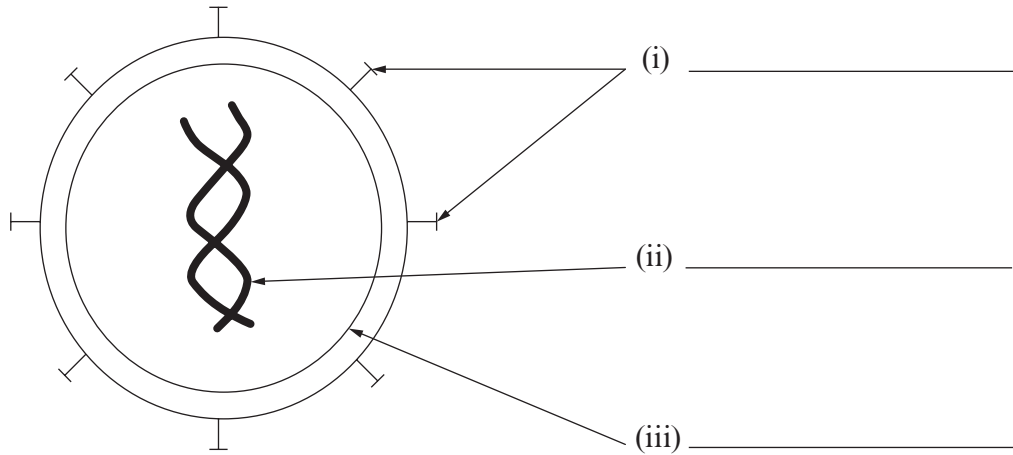
(a) Label the diagram of a virus, using the following terms:

Capsid/capsule proteins

Nucleic acid

Surface proteins/spikes

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(b) (i) State three symptoms of **either** influenza **or** AIDS.

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(ii) Explain how influenza **or** HIV may be transferred between individuals. [3]

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How we behave as individuals can contribute greatly to the control of infectious diseases.

(c) (i) Give an example of a personal hygiene method for controlling the spread of infectious diseases. [1]

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(ii) Explain how this method reduces the spread of infection. [2]

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(iii) Give an example of safe behaviour as a method of controlling the spread of infectious diseases. [1]

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(iv) Explain how this method reduces the spread of infection. [2]

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3. Adult women are the subject of specific routine screening tests.

One such test is breast screening (mammography).

(a) (i) Explain the purpose of breast screening. [2]

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(ii) State the age range of women who are routinely offered breast screening. [2]

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(iii) Explain why a woman might be offered breast screening at an earlier age. [2]

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Another test routinely offered is the cervical smear.

The following is a quote from the NHS Cervical Screening Programme Annual Review 2010, by Dr. Jo Waller:

“The number of women attending screening appointments has fallen gradually over the last 10 years from 82.3 per cent to 78.9 per cent. This downward trend has been most significant in younger women.”

(b) (i) Explain the purpose of a cervical smear test. [2]

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(ii) State the age range of women who are routinely offered cervical smear tests. [2]

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4. (a) Define the World Health Organisation (WHO) model of health. [2]

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(b) Explain each of the following concepts as they are used in the biomedical model of health.

(i) Reductionism [2]

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(ii) Single-factor causes [2]

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(iii) Mind-body distinction [2]

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(iv) Illness, not health [2]

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Study this table adapted from a report of the Local Government Association on working days lost to ill-health in 2006-07.

Category of ill-health	Percentage of days lost to short-term illness	Percentage of days lost to long-term illness
Back and neck pain	7.5	9.2
Other musculo-skeletal problems	10.9	16.7
Stress, depression, anxiety, mental health and fatigue	13.2	30.1
Infections	19.4	5.4
Neurological; headaches and migraines	3.8	2.3
Eye, ear, nose; mouth/dental; sinusitis	5	2.1
Genito-urinary; menstrual problems	2.7	2.5
Pregnancy-related	1.5	1.2
Stomach, liver, kidney, digestion	12	6.1
Heart, blood pressure, circulation	1.8	3.7
Chest, respiratory	8	3.9
Other	14.2	16.8
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- (c) (i) State the category of ill-health which contributed most to the percentage of days lost to short-term illness. [1]

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- (ii) State the category of ill-health which contributed most to the percentage of days lost to long-term illness. [1]

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- (iii) Identify the category of ill-health which appears to be the biggest cause of days lost overall. Explain your answer. [3]

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