GCE

## Human Biology

## Mark Scheme for January 2013

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## Annotations

| Annotation | Meaning |
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| $\boldsymbol{l}$ | alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point |
| not | separates marking points |
| reject | answers which are not worthy of credit |
| ignore | answers which are not worthy of credit |
| allow | statements which are irrelevant |
| () | answers that can be accepted |
| $-\overline{\text { ecf }}$ | words which are not essential to gain credit |
| AW | underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark |
| ora | error carried forward |
| ü | alternative wording |
| û | or reverse argument |
| bod | correct response |
| nbod | incorrect response |
| ECF | benefit of the doubt |
| $\wedge$ | benefit of the doubt not given |
| I | error carried forward |
| R | information omitted |
|  | ignore |
|  | reject |


| Question |  |  | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
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| 1 | (a) | (i) | 1 idea that condom least effective ; <br> 2 use of figs with units ; <br> 3 idea that diaphragm is less effective qualified; <br> 4 idea that hormone method is (significantly) better ; | 2 | ACCEPT not very effective <br> 2 two figures with units <br> 3 look for reference to lowest percentage in any study eg sentence which includes fig comparison |
|  |  | (ii) | 1 (much) lower rate of pregnancy ; <br> 2 idea that potentially as good as each other ; ora <br> 3 use of figs ; <br> 4 may forget to take pill ; <br> 5 idea that oral pill could be affected by, vomiting / diarrhoea; | 2 | IGNORE ref to antibiotics / other factors that would affect both hormonal treatments equally <br> IGNORE refs to duration |
|  |  | (iii) | injected hormones results in peaks / troughs ; <br> (as) high concentration result in hormones being (quickly) metabolised ; <br> injections need to be replaced every 12 weeks but implants last 3-4 years; <br> implants release hormones continuously ; | 2 | look for idea of fluctuation <br> CREDIT injections temporary but implants long lasting |


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|  | (iv) | 1 (synthetic) progesterone, put under skin / sub-cutaneous ; <br> 2 (named) hormone diffuses into blood stream; <br> 3 inhibits (release of) FSH ; <br> 4 (which) stops, follicles maturing ; <br> 5 thickens cervical mucus; <br> 6 (results in) barrier to sperm ; <br> 7 causes endometrium to be thinner ; <br> 8 preventing implantation; | 3 | 1 CREDIT named product <br> DO NOT CREDIT if progesterone is part of a list with oestrogen <br> 2 ACCEPT description of diffusion <br> 3 DO NOT CREDIT if part of a list <br> 4 ACCEPT idea of preventing ovulation <br> 7 ACCEPT lining of womb / uterus |
| (b) |  | 1 increases risk of STDs <br> or <br> 2 idea that (large dose of) hormone, may be harmful / effect described <br> or <br> 3 short-term side effects named effects ; <br> 4 idea that (some believe that) life starts at fertilisation / (all) life is sacred / it is a form of abortion which is wrong <br> or <br> 5 may encourage promiscuity <br> or <br> 6 idea of (obtained by request so) records may be incomplete ; | 2 | 2 eg long term adverse effect on fertility <br> 3 eg stomach cramps <br> 4 IGNORE 'religious reasons' or 'playing God' they need to convey the views that life can be sacred or that abortion can be wrong |
|  |  | Total | 11 |  |


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| 2 | (a) | (i) | $\mathbf{X}$ adenine ; <br> Y ribose; | 2 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then $\mathbf{= 0}$ marks <br> IGNORE base IGNORE pentose / (5C) sugar |
|  |  | (ii) | ```ATP has three phosphates and NAD has two phosphates ; ATP has one, pentose (sugar) / ribose / Y, and NAD has two pentose (sugar) / ribose / Y; only NAD has nicotinamide ; only NAD is a dinucleotide / has two bases ;``` | 3 |  |
|  |  | (iii) | immediate <br> (ATP) hydrolysed / broken down (to release energy) <br> OR <br> energy released in small amounts ; <br> continuous <br> synthesised by (named) reactions during, photosynthesis / respiration <br> OR <br> idea of (rapid) regeneration / turnover ; <br> links metabolic processes <br> soluble so easily moved; | 2 max | CREDIT equation <br> ACCEPT '30.6 kJ released' <br> DO NOT CREDIT 'energy produced' <br> idea that as ATP is used it is replaced |


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| (b) |  | idea that not all intermediates used or <br> (some) reduced NAD / reduced FAD / pyruvate, used in other reactions ; <br> (some) ATP used to transport (pyruvate into mitochondria) some energy lost as heat / respiration is exothermic ; protons may leak through (mitochondrial) membranes ; idea that (cell) may not be at optimum pH ; ref anaerobic respiration / high CO2 levels lead to low pH ; cell has finite amounts of, NAD / FAD ; | 2 | ACCEPT red NAD / NADH (+ $\left.{ }^{+}\right) / \mathrm{NADH}_{2} /$ red FAD / FADH $\left(+\mathrm{H}^{+}\right) /$FADH $_{2}$ <br> ACCEPT not all protons go through ATP synthase / stalked particles <br> ACCEPT lactic acid increase |
| (c) | (i) | ester ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then $=\mathbf{0}$ marks <br> ACCEPT covalent |
|  | (ii) | facilitated diffusion ; via, transport / carrier / channel protein ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then $=\mathbf{0}$ marks <br> ACCEPT active transport |


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|  | (iii) | 108; ; | 2 | Correct answer = 2 marks <br> If answer is incorrect, AWARD 1 mark for <br> 18 carbon atoms $=9$ acetyl CoA <br> OR <br> error carried forward (eg correctly calculated $12 \times$ candidate's stated number of acetyl CoA molecules) |
| (d) |  | saturated fatty acids have no double bonds so contain more hydrogen ; ora <br> (during) oxidative phosphorylation / (at the end of) electron transport chain, hydrogen combines with oxygen ; | 2 | ACCEPT hydrogen and oxygen combine in aerobic respiration |
|  |  | Total | 15 |  |


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| 3 | (a) |  | 1 transcription; <br> 2 gene(s) / described; <br> 3 hydrogen bonds between (complementary DNA) bases break ; <br> 4 ref to template strand; <br> 5 free RNA nucleotides (pair up with template); <br> 6 complementary base pairing / description ; <br> 7 phosphodiester bonds I sugar phosphate backbone; <br> 8 messenger RNA / mRNA, detaches; <br> 9 leaves through nuclear pore ; <br> 10 ref to named enzyme ; | 5 | 1 IGNORE translation <br> CREDIT 'DNA is transcribed' <br> ACCEPT transcribed or transcription as one term <br> 2 ref to start / initiation, codons / stop / termination, codons <br> 3 ACCEPT DNA unzips <br> 4 DO NOT CREDIT if more than one strand used <br> 6 eg C to G / A to U DO NOT CREDIT T in RNA <br> 10 DNA helicase (DNA unwinds) / RNA polymerase (promoter, phosphodiester bonds) |
|  |  |  | QWC ; | 1 | 3 of the emboldened terms used and spelled correctly |
|  | (b) | (i) | Golgi (apparatus/body) ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then $\mathbf{= 0}$ marks |


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| (ii) | 1 (haemoglobin has) four haem groups each containing iron / each polypeptide has one haem group containing iron ; <br> 2 oxygen (molecule) binds, reversibly / described, to, iron/haem ; <br> 3 co-operative binding / described; <br> 4 haemoglobin (almost) fully saturated at high $\mathrm{pO}_{2}$; <br> 5 (as) $\mathrm{pO}_{2}$ falls / at low(er) $\mathrm{pO}_{2}$, haemoglobin releases oxygen / AW ; <br> 6 high $\mathrm{pO}_{2}$ in lungs and low $\mathrm{pO}_{2}$ in (respiring) tissues ; | 3 | CREDIT 'prosthetic group' instead of haem <br> CREDIT idea that binding of oxygen to one haem affects affinity of binding to other groups <br> ACCEPT level / concentration for partial pressure <br> ACCEPT level / concentration for partial pressure regions of high and low $\mathrm{pO}_{2}$ needed |
|  | Total | 10 |  |


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| $\mathbf{4}$ | (a) | used ; <br> used ; <br> produced ; | 3 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | (b) | (i) | community of different organisms interacting with <br> each other / AW ; <br> community / AW, interacting with their environment / AW ; | 2 | Look for idea of living things interacting with each other |
| look for idea of living things interacting with environment |  |  |  |  |  |


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| (ii) | Two methods stated from the list below ; increased size of fields / destruction of or hedgerows <br> use of pesticides <br> or <br> use of fertilisers <br> or <br> monoculture of crops <br> or <br> idea of heavy machinery <br> or <br> use of antibiotics <br> Description of effect from the list below, correctly matched to method(s) ; ; <br> loss of, habitats / nesting sites /niches / AW <br> or <br> extinction of species <br> or <br> (pesticides) accumulating in food chain / food web or <br> (fertilisers) run off into river ecosystems <br> or <br> eutrophication / correct description of effects <br> or <br> decrease in biodiversity <br> or <br> loss of soil structure <br> or <br> increased use of fuel adds to greenhouse effect or <br> idea of excessive use of antibiotics leads to resistance in pathogens | 3 | IGNORE refs to pollution unqualified One mark for two correctly stated methods <br> ACCEPT megadairies <br> IGNORE refs to pollution unqualified Two marks for descriptions of effects correctly matched to method |
|  | QWC ; | 1 | 3 of the emboldened terms used and spelt correctly |


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| (c) | (i) | as carbon dioxide concentration increases the sea level rises ; <br> figures to support ; | 2 | CREDIT positive correlation <br> DO NOT CREDIT 'as the sea level rises the carbon dioxide concentration increases' <br> value for sea level, with correct units, for two years and value for $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ conc, with correct units, for two stated years |
|  | (ii) | (increased $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ ) traps heat (energy) / raises (air) temperature ; <br> (polar) ice (caps) melt / glaciers break off into water ; | 2 | ACCEPT description IGNORE reference to greenhouse unqualified |
|  | (iii) | supports statement <br> (the mean figures) in 2000 is higher than the mean in 1990 ; <br> does not support statement <br> overlapping error bars <br> OR <br> no reference to a (named) statistical test ; | 2 | DO NOT CREDIT reference to RANGE BARS overlapping as the bars are evenly distributed |
|  |  | Total | 15 |  |


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| 5 (a) | embryo / cells, contain(s) water ; <br> idea that when water freezes it expands ; <br> (ice crystals) destroy / damage, <br> embryo / organelles / cells ; <br> without vital organelles the cell cannot, metabolise / divide ; <br> idea of problems with, long term storage ; <br> idea of problems with, viability, of embryos ; | 2 |  |
| (b) | 1-6 days ; | 1 | ACCEPT any value between 1 and 6 days |
| (c) | 1 cells (in blastocyst) are undifferentiated ; <br> 2 each cell is totipotent / described ; <br> 3 (remaining cells) divide by mitosis ; <br> 4 ref to stem cells ; | 2 | ACCEPT unspecialised <br> Look for idea that they can differentiate into all types of tissue |
| (d) | thickness of, endometrium / lining of uterus / lining of womb ; | 1 | ACCEPT correct stage of uterine cycle |


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| (e) | 1 no corpus luteum present; <br> 2 idea that not enough, oestrogen / progesterone, produced ; <br> 3 to maintain, endometrium / lining of uterus / lining of womb; <br> 4 placenta, formed by 8 weeks ; <br> 5 (placenta) then produces oestrogen / progesterone ; | 3 |  |
|  | Total | 9 |  |

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