



Human Biology

Advanced GCE

Unit F225: Genetics, Control and Ageing

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Annotation	Meaning		
/ alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point			
(1)	separates marking points		
not	answers which are not worthy of credit		
reject	answers which are not worthy of credit		
ignore	statements which are irrelevant		
allow	answers that can be accepted		
()	words which are not essential to gain credit		
	underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark		
ecf	error carried forward		
AW	alternative wording		
ora	or reverse argument		

Annotations: the following annotations are available on SCORIS.

Annotation	Meaning
~	correct response
×	incorrect response
	benefit of the doubt
REED	benefit of the doubt <u>not</u> given
	error carried forward
	information omitted
—	ignore
	reject

Highlighting is also available to highlight any particular points on the script.

The following questions should be annotated with ticks to show where marks have been awarded in the body of the text:

C	luesti	ion	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	(i)	<i>phenotype</i> idea of observable characteristics / AW ;	1	ALLOW trait(s)
		(ii)	how two different genotypes can result in the same phenotype	4	 IGNORE reference to positive or negative. CREDIT equivalent answers for blood group B / I^B DO NOT CREDIT A B or O as an allele symbol but penalise once only DO NOT CREDIT I^A as a blood group but penalise once.
			 I^A (allele) is (co)<u>dominant</u>; i / I^O, (allele) is <u>recessive</u>; 		'I ^O is recessive to I ^A ' OR reverse argument would score 2 marks (as both mp 1 and 2 are implied)
			(so) blood group A (genotype) could be , homozygous / I ^A I ^A ; (or) blood group A (genotype) could be , heterozygous / I ^A i / I ^A I ^O ;		CREDIT answers shown on diagram DO NOT CREDIT incorrect use of gene / genotype /allele but penalise once only
	(b)	(i)	prophase ; 1 (one) ;	2	CREDIT 'Meiosis 1, prophase' (2 marks)
		(ii)	F;	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 = 0 marks

Q	uestion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
	(iii	autosomal not a sex chromosome ;	3	CREDIT reference to chromosome 9 being an autosome
		AND ANY TWO FROM <i>linkage</i> loci F and G close together (on chromosome) ; less chance of a , cross over event / chiasma formation, between them ;		 ACCEPT reference to genes or to genes for ABO and nail patella syndrome. CREDIT reverse argument - both exchanged together during cross over event
		(so more likely to be) inherited together ;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(c)	(messenger / m) RNA ;	2	ACCEPT RNA unqualified DO NOT CREDIT rRNA or tRNA
	another transcription factor ; protein / polypeptide ;		
(d)	Symptoms	3	MARK UP TO TWO SYMPTOMS
	(leads to) reduced field of vision / tunnel vision;		
	idea of misty vision ; 'halos' around objects ;		
	red / bloodshot eyes ; 2max		
	changes in the eye		MARK UP TO TWO CHANGES
	(tests detect) increased pressure inside eye;		CREDIT description of changes in eye which reduce
	(gradual) damage to optic nerve ;		drainage of fluid
	ref to closed / open angle ;		
	2max		

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
(e)	idea that basement membrane no longer acts as molecular filter ;	3	Can be awarded if candidate refers to reduced efficiency of filtration.
			CREDIT idea that 'cut off' size is no longer 70 000 Daltons / large molecules / proteins leave blood
	idea of substances entering, bowman's capsule / filtrate ;		DO NOT CREDIT 'glucose' as this normally appears in the filtrate DO NOT CREDIT protein if given as part of a list with glucose but penalise once only.
	(protein) not reabsorbed ;		gideose but permise once only.
	erythrocytes / red blood cells , present in urine ;		eg 'Glucose, protein and red blood cells will be present in urine' would score 1 mark.
	protein present in urine ;		
	Total	19	

Q	uestio	n Answer	Marks	Guidance
2	(a)	 <i>mechanism</i> M1 (regulated by) negative feedback ; M2 <u>stimulus</u> is rise in blood glucose / ORA ; 	9max	CREDIT fall in blood glucose is <u>stimulus</u> for glucagon release.
		 M3 (rise or fall) detected by (cells in) Islets of Langerhans; M4 (rise in blood glucose) β / beta , cells release insulin; M5 insulin stimulates increased uptake of glucose by , 		
		liver / muscle , cells ; M6 (insulin stimulates) increased respiration		M6 ACCEPT glucose respired instead of fats
		of glucose ; M7 (insulin stimulates) conversion of glucose		
		to glycogen / glycogenesis ;		
		 M8 (fall in blood glucose) α / alpha , cells release glucagon ; M9 glucagon stimulates , glycogenolysis / 		CREDIT conversion of , amino acids / AW , to glucose
		breakdown of glycogen to glucose;		
		M10 (glucagon stimulates) gluconeogenesis / described ;		
		M11 (glucagon stimulates) increased respiration of fats / less respiration of glucose ;		R1 CREDIT for correct reference to high and low water potential
		 reasons R1 idea that glucose has an osmotic effect ; R2 water drawn out of cells (by osmosis) ; R3 (water loss) leads to , cellular damage / described ; 		R3 ACCEPT any named example of damage due to high blood glucose eg neuropathy / retina damage
		 R4 idea that high glucose results in increase in blood,volume / pressure (leading to heart attacks) ; R5 blood glucose is respiratory substrate ; 		R7 ACCEPT ref to low blood glucose leading to dizziness

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
			R6 necessary for neurones / AW ; R7 ref to (diabetic) coma ;		Look for a general comment on the use of glucose in respiration in cells for R5
			QWC ;	1	Award QWC if answer has been awarded at least 3 M marks plus R1 and R5.

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(b)	(i)	BMI < 20 / BMI > 40 ;	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 = 0 marks
			all data, on / close to, the line ;		ACCEPT 'confidence limits very, small, narrow'
		(ii)	confidence limit increases / AW ; <i>idea that</i> this data is ,	2	ACCEPT idea that zone gets wider
			generated by the model / not real, actual data / extrapolated ;		CREDIT idea that data is more of an estimate IGNORE ref to 'predictions' as this is given on the graph
			<i>idea that</i> there is no guarantee that , conditions / factors , affecting this will occur as expected ;		CREDIT idea that eg lifestyle could change in the future
		(iii)	from Table 2.1 (large) increase risk of diabetes (over time) in groups where BMI is greater ;	3	
			data quote in support ;		must be a comparative statement – two BMI ranges and two risk values from Table 2.1
			from fig. 2.1 percentage of people in higher (risk) BMI categories increases (over time);		ACCEPT responses which use BMI 30 – 40 as high(er) risk
			data quote in support ;		category
					must be a comparative statement (30 – 40 BMI range) and two years from Fig. 2.1 OR calculated difference

Questic	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
	(iv)	BMI ranges overlap / AW ; BMI ranges are different on the graph and in the table ;	2	LOOK FOR an example from Table 2.1 or Fig 2.1 eg '23 is in 2 categories' (Table), / '30 is in two categories' (graph)
(c)	(i)	BMI ranges vary in size (on the graph / Table 2.1) ; GL of basmati rice 22 ;	2	Mark the first answer on each prompt line. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given
		mass of digestible carbohydrate		that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks
		32;		DO NOT CREDIT if answer is not given as a whole number (as data in table is also given as whole numbers). Penalise once only.
	(ii)	low GI foods contain , undigested carbohydrate / AW ;	2	IGNORE reverse argument 'not a lot of digestible carbohydrate'
		undigested material / AW , acts as dietary fibre ; fibre / AW , increases , bulk of stools / AW ;		eg named undigested carbohydrate such as cellulose
		fibre / AW , decreases time spent in, (large) intestine / colon ;		
			Total 23	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)		iris ; vitreous humour ; macula / fovea / yellow spot ; cone ; autonomic / peripheral ; sympathetic ; parasympathetic ; reflex ;	8	Mark the first answer on each prompt line. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = 0 marks ACCEPT phonetic spelling IGNORE 'arc'
	(b)	(i)	(dim light) idea that pupil partially dilated so some constriction will be seen OR to standardise the test each time ; (several times) for a <u>reliable</u> result OR one response could be atypical ;	2	Look for the idea of 'so it is dilated to start with' ACCEPT idea that light within the room could also affect the pupil size DO NOT CREDIT 'reliable' if part of a list with 'accurate' or 'precise' or 'valid'
		(ii)	$\bullet \bullet$	1	Look for both pupils same size and smaller than on Fig. 3.1(a) IGNORE position of pupils within the circle

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(c)	choroid / underlying layer , supplies , oxygen / glucose , to retina / rod cells / cone cells ; retinal cells / AW , cannot , respire / produce ATP ;	2	
	<i>idea that</i> retinal cells / AW , cannot act as receptor ; AVP ;		Look for idea that an action potential is not being triggered by the light
(d)	blink reflex / AW ;	1	CREDIT a description of the blink reflex
	AVP ;		eg 'hello, can you hear me?' ACCEPT 'MRI (scan) as these can be used to assess 'locked in syndrome'
			IGNORE ref to knee jerk response as this is not normally used to assess consciousness
	Total	14	

Q	uestion	Answer		Guidance	
4	(a)		9	CREDIT annotations on diagram	
		1 arterial blood removed / AW ; 2 description ;		2 eg taken from , a shunt / fistula DO NOT CREDIT 'stent'	
		3 A keeps <u>blood</u> , moving / pressurised ;		3 CREDIT 'A pumps <u>blood</u> '	
		 4 B adds (named) anticoagulant ; 5 (anticoagulant) prevents clotting (in machine) ; 		4 DO NOT CREDIT ref to sodium citrate 5 DO NOT CREDIT 'agglutination'	
		6 C idea of tubes of , dialysis membrane / partially permeable membrane ;		6 ACCEPT visking tubing	
		7 tubes / AW , surrounded by dialysis fluid ;		7 ACCEPT idea that C contains dialysis fluid	
		8 <i>idea that</i> composition of dialysis fluid has correct levels of , glucose / ions / urea ;			
		9 <i>idea that</i> urea / ions , <u>diffuse</u> , from blood to (dialysis) fluid / AW ;		9 CREDIT idea that <u>diffusion</u> occurs so blood equilibrates levels of ions etc	
		10 detail of fluid flow (in dialyser);		10 eg blood and fluid flow in opposite directions / countercurrent	
		 11 D is air trap / air detector / bubble detector ; 12 prevents , embolisms / air bubbles in blood vessels ; 			
		13 blood returned into a vein ;			
		<pre>14 reference to time taken ; 15 reference to frequency ;</pre>		14 eg 3–4 hours (daily) or 6–10 hours (nocturnal) 15 eg 3–4 times per week	
		QWC ;	1	Award QWC mark if answer has been awarded for any two marks from mps 3, 4 , 6 ,11	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(b)	(calcium) phosphate / minerals , build up/ AW, (in wall of) <u>artery</u> ;	2	IGNORE ref to blood vessels (as given in question) DO NOT CREDIT if vein included
	loss of elasticity ; (blood vessel) does not , expand / AW , during (ventricular) systole ;		ACCEPT 'hardening of arteries' / arteriosclerosis
(C)	removes calcium ions ; acts as an anticoagulant / prevents blood clotting ; calcium ions are co-factor for blood clotting ; (removing calcium) prevent calcium ions combining with phosphate ; acts as a buffer ; reason for change in pH ;	2	
	Total	14	

C	Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance		
5	(a)	hearing normal at low(er) frequencies for both ears ; hearing in left ear better than right ear at , lowest frequency / 250 Hz, up to 500 Hz ; in both ears, hearing loss greater at higher frequencies ;	4	CREDIT 'pitch' instead of 'f	frequency' in all	mark points
		loss in left ear greater than right ear, from 500 to 3600 Hz;		ACCEPT idea the idea of 'n	niddle of the fro	equency range'
		severe hearing loss in both ears at highest frequency / 6000 - 8000 Hz ;		data quote must contain ref level and must include units	6	
		data quote in support of description ;		frequency (Hertz /Hz)	left ear	cibels / dB) right ear
				250	15	20
				500	20	20
				1000	25	20
				2000	40	35
				3000	50	40
				4000	65	70
				6000	80	80
				8000	80	80
	(b)	<pre>idea that: may misunderstand what is said ; may feel , frustrated / angry/ embarrassed / depressed / AW ; may be, isolated ; may avoid social gatherings / less sociable ; may speak loudly (and not realise) ; AVP ; ;</pre>	2	Mark the first two answers any two of experience problems with eg telephone conversation doctors' surgeries / sl crossing the road communicating with y	ons nops	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(c)	<i>location</i> myelin sheath / Schwann cell(s) ;	3	
	<i>confirmation - max 2</i> MRI scan ; CT scan / CAT scan ;		
	correct detail of technique given ;		eg use of magnetic field in MRI or X-Rays in CT DO NOT CREDIT inappropriate methods eg PET scan but allow ecf if correct details of the technique are given.
	Total	9	

C	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
6	(a)		released from pre-synaptic, membrane / neurone / bulb ; move / diffuse, across synaptic cleft ; binds to, post synaptic membrane, receptors ; triggers action potential in post-synaptic neurone / AW ;	3	
	(b)	(i)	it , has similar shape to endorphin / has complementary shape to the receptors ;	1	DO NOT CREDIT has the 'same shape'
		(ii)	(drug) induces , false /AW, feeling of well being / AW ; <i>idea that</i> users form <u>habit</u> of using, heroin / diamorphine to feel good ;	2	Look for idea that feeling induced is an escape from reality LOOK FOR idea that users believe eg they must or need to take heroin regularly / that it is only way to be happy IGNORE references to 'tolerance' 'withdrawal', etc as these are linked to physiological dependency
	(c)	(i)	<i>type of protein</i> enzyme / globular (protein) ; <i>substance X</i> carbon dioxide / CO ₂ ;	2	
		(ii)	Parkinson's (disease) ; <i>Plus up to two marks for any two of the following</i> tremors stiffness slow / difficult, movements loss of balance uncoordinated movements AVP ; ;	2	CREDIT correct symptoms associated with Parkinson's even if disease has not been correctly identified.

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
	(d)	(i)	(because code is a) <u>triplet</u> (genetic) code ;	2	CREDIT in context of DNA or RNA (codons)
			3 bases / nucleotides, code for each amino acid ; correct ref to (role of) tRNA and anticodons ;		
		(ii)	idea that gene will contain , introns / non-coding regions ; idea that only exons contribute to length of polypeptide ; idea that polypeptide is made as a longer pre-cursor ;	2	
			AVP ;		eg ref to stop triplets ref to gene control regions
			Total	15	

Q	uestion	Answer		Guidance	
7	(a)	<i>idea that</i> counsellor explains the risk of having another child with the same disease ;	2	ACCEPT idea that family tree or pedigree will be discussed.	
		discusses possible options (eg IVF) ; AVP ;		IGNORE 'to discuss possible, cures/ treatment' as this is given in the question	
				eg to provide emotional support	
	(b)		2	IGNORE ref to testing for genetic disease(s)	
		tissue / MHC alleles / , compatibility ; <i>plus any one from</i> idea that HLA antigens controlled by (MHC) alleles ; OR tissue must be a close match ;		(as stated in question) ACCEPT compatible blood group, haplotype	
		sex of baby ; explanation ;		CREDIT to prevent rejection	
				ACCEPT a response which implies it is possible to choose the sex of the baby in some circumstances	
				IGNORE references to sex linkage	
	(c)	use of , somatic cell nuclear transfer / SCNT / AW , to produce embryo OR patient's own, (embryonic) stem cells / nucleus (used) ;	2		
		to grow into replacement tissues / organs to be used in treatment / AW ;		CREDIT named tissues eg blood	
		Total	6		

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