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Introduction

This was the sixth series of the new specification for Animal Management and the third January paper, and as such, the sixth time that this mandatory unit has been assessed via an external assessment rather than via centre based internal assessment.

The parts A & B task paper followed the format identified in the both the sample assessment material, the additional sample assessment materials and the 1706, 1801, 1806, 1901 and 1906 past papers published on the Pearson website.

The paper had four activities. Each task was based on an area of the specification. Learners were required to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of a range of specification topics and to apply this knowledge to the specific task scenarios. The intention was to offer as broad coverage as possible for all areas of the unit content. Activities had varying weightings attached to them and these weighting were consistent with the sample assessment materials and the previous papers.

There was also a focus on the use of suitable technical and vocational language and terminology within each activity response.

A number of learners included their preparatory notes completed in part A with their scripts and centres are reminded these should be retained by the centre as per the assessment rules. Where the preparatory notes had been included some of the notes contained notes that were plans for the different activities rather than factual notes that learners could apply to the stimulus material, the lead examiner considers this is wasted opportunity as learners could have had key facts with them to prompt discussion.

Introduction to the Overall Performance of the Unit

The overall performance of the paper and standard of the work produced was good and most of the activities performed as were expected, the activities allowed for good differentiation between pass, merit and distinction candidates.

Individual Questions

Activity 1

In this activity learners have been asked to review the information provided in the stimulus material booklet and conduct an appraisal of animal welfare. Within this they are asked to identify the welfare issues of the animals detailed in the stimulus material making relevent links to animal welfare legislation.

This activity provides an opportunity for learners to apply their knowldege and skills of animal welfare, care, husbandry, licensing requirements and legislation to the scenario. It is due to the application nature of this activity that led to on average good marks being achieved in this activity.

A surprisignly large number of learners failed to identify any legislation other than the Animal Welfare Act 2006.

A number of learners identified the Zoo licensing Act whilst a number identified the Licensing of Activities involving Animals. A number of learners discussed the differences between England, Scotland and Wales which is commendable. Both pieces of legilsation were valid as whilst the new licensing is active some establishments still have valid licenses under the previous licensing.

A number of learners used a traffic light system to carry out their welfare apprasial, the idea behind this that they rank welfare issues red, amber or green asper the unit specification. However a large number of learners ranked the actual stimulus material and missing information as red, amber or green rather than the actual welfare issues that they identified. In addition to this a number of learners completed their action plan based on what was missing rather than the actual welfare issues identified.

A number of learners focussed very little on the actual welfare of the animals within their appraisal discussing, health and safety and the needs of the public.

The quality of care pravided is well given as there health check sheets pravaled to ensurce that cell the all the needs are met. This positively shows that they are fallowing the regulations of the Aninal Welgare Act, 2006. Hawever, the health check sheets do not have dates an them, therefore making it immpossible to knew when they are done are her after. This should be connected in the nett Queeks as it is vital to understand that checked after and nat loe after as this will to stress. Even so, they are fallowing the laws of trasportation, by making serve that basic need are met for the animals i've good/water and access to ventilation. Despite thes, there is no shawn system por costH, meaning that public heath is possibley at risk. le would be uital to have proof as this system shown to

an inspector T investigator. If there is no documentation / proof of this they, wanted be requirely fallewing the requilations of COSHH 2002, fallanced by HASAWA 1974 . Mis waved put both the publics' health and stags' health. This should be carinected within the next Sweeks (if net having It). there would also be challenges acompanied with the read show, for example a break down. If the wheele of trasporting those animals braceleour an the read, you must ensure that all tempreteries are within check, in case of aver heating. This would mean you a system to be placed to ensure the animal's welfare. This should be done in two weeks to justher enserve the animals' well being they have a handling session, allowing athen members ay staff to show haw long an anewel has been handled so nocherce starts. This follows pascively an Animal welfare Act 2006 as they are preventing haven / disease to the animal by not aver handling and stressing the animals ant. Misalse, enphasises great care shown and a high anaunt of knowlage.

A consequentualist would look at this need they as an eleventional peint of very. they wanted make sure that a popular species is a being used se colucate the public and one wat harraring any of the animents.envinenmentalis A chanterist would look at this noodstow as an descructive idea as it is taking animals away from their natural environment proces many. They wanted be against this as some of these species are unethically resourced in is the wild. Dat any that, it wave winders of breeding pairs in the wild. A demantalogist well also, be against this as it whethical nessenacing, degree the effectiveness of education. They walle loall at it that the annual and not Aneated as fainly as they carry They have also negatively followed the Aprimal welfare & Act 2006 allse thay haused 4 consnakes cogletter Rase legether. these anenals need kept walated due to them eating eachather one causing sensus injuries.

The above response discussed the quality of care provided which was linked to the Animal Welfare Act, however, they only discussed it interms of what information they did not know. The response then went on to discuss public safety and ethical theories until the end a very small section raised the issue that animals were housed in groups. Therefore they did not demonstrate a thorough knowledge and understanding of welfare issues, how these are linked to legislation and their implications resulting in 7 marks being awarded.

From the information that is provided I can tell that Bug Bazar has a pead prometer well kyed out record card, they are have many key points that they seeve address such as health checks morning and evening recording base temperature e humidity both morning and evening, this is espesially suportant with repitites as with there hearth the there hearth relies a lot on the lighting & the heat sorters, any changes in this could result in Metabolic bone disease which is caused by a lack et calculum in lack of exposure to UVB light. If these problems wheren't dealt with it could be fatel. this keeping up to date with records is important as it falls under the unimal Weltare (licensing of activities involving animals) (England regulations (2018) However ITa like to see a little more detail for the Food box, not just a tick, as if an animal starts to exhibit

abnormal behaviour, or starts to become usine we can have there detailed records of what they have been eating. Another thing to be add to the record card is a risk assessment box. I would like this to be done as some of the speecies that day hight not be up for being handled that day and I leel as though this then allows the animal the space if needs be and it attains for that particular species is a little more aggressive. This falls under the animal reliare act 2006 it the animal docort exhibits normal behaviour like it a snakes striking out, we know this is a defense mechanishmen and I will be allowing many to use the you to use these four changes to the record card I am pleased to see that in the handling policy you ensure that everyone must clean hands before & after handling sessions. However copenially for the and White tree proops clients must where gloves and ensure that the gloves are Keppt moist at an times. Our skin can be extremely harmful to the troje + 14 taili potentially causesing a 6t of damage and under the Animal Wefare Act 2006 they must be

postected from pain. also 1,9 their vivarium to be longer in side size. these are arboreal anyhibiant and they writing must exhibit nautral behaviour which would be climbing, this falls under the Animal tet (2006). to set In order to change Vellare the handling Policy x there accompation size I will be allowing \$3 weeks for these changes to happen. Mybiggest & main concurr here though is your if chilean tose totantulas being poused together. the fact that they haven't killed each other yet is incredible, these poer inverts must be under extreme amounts of stress. Tarantulas are solitary species the meaning they must be housed alone! the only time that parantulas Come togetter is to make but even that can be a dangerous game. It is stated ender Although invertebrate don't have there an legislation, it still falls under the Animal welfare Act 2006 for needs ap a situble convironent. It also calls mass The Animal Leffare (liccensing

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activities involving animals) (2018) Liher nons the State that Shound be apart atte It also ralls u aninal onivale (ou (inide 15 Annals must be kept alone state 01 po r the ir needs. groups 3 major factor that Missed up~ har there taranthias needs. under where a time cost s th bing Brews To No. Vivarium, however for the protection st tarantutas 1 will be dellawing these days.

The above response whilst is not a perfect response has been structured around both around the five needs and legislation and is balanced outlining both negative and positive aspects of welfare. They have linked the welfare to legislation and given good application and reasoning, and as a result of this they have gained 15 of the 20 marks available for this activity.

Assessment	Band 0	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4
focus Appraisal of	0	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20
animal welfare issues/factors based on information provided	No rewardable material	 Generic statements or isolated elements of knowledge and understanding. Welfare issues/factors identified link to some of the welfare needs and are supported by occasionally relevant examples. Limited lines of reasoning evident in support of the welfare issues/factors identified which address either strengths or weaknesses. A limited attempt to link issues/factors to relevant welfare legislation/policy. A limited approach to scaling/ranking the issues/factors in terms of their impact is evident 	 Demonstrates generally accurate knowledge and understanding. Welfare issues/factors identified link to all welfare needs supported by a few relevant examples. Occasional lines of reasoning evident in support of the welfare issues/factors identified which address both strengths and weaknesses although there may be some imbalance. Partially developed linkage of issues/factors to relevant welfare legislation/policy. An adequate approach to scaling/ranking the issues/factors in terms of their impact is evident. 	 Demonstrates mostly accurate knowledge and understanding Welfare issues/factors identified link to all welfare needs supported by some relevant examples. Lines of reasoning evident in support of the welfare issues/factors identified which address both strengths and weaknesses with a reasonable balance. Developed linkage of issues/factors to relevant welfare legislation/policy. An effective approach to scaling/ranking the issues/factors in terms of their impact is evident. 	 Demonstrates accurate and thorough knowledge and understanding. Welfare issues/factors identified clearly link to all welfare needs through the sustained use of relevant examples. Comprehensive lines of reasoning evident in support of the welfare issues/factors identified which address both strengths and weaknesses in a balanced way Comprehensive linkage of issues/factors to relevant welfare legislation/policy. A comprehensive approach to scaling/ranking the issues/factors in terms of their impact is evident.

Activity 2

This activity asked learners to identify to what extent was the information provided in the stimulus materials useful and what additional information would have allowed them to complete a more comprehensive appraisal. This activity performed as expected with learners structuring their response around each piece of stimulus material and stating what judgements it allowed them to make and then going on to discuss what additional information would have helped them with a more thorough appraisal. There were though a number of learners that simply stated what additional information would have been useful.

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The above response has scored 2 marks as it just states some additional stimulus material that they would have liked to have had included in the stimulus material without any reasoning as to why it would have allowed for a comprehensive welfare appraisal to be conducted.

On one hand there is a detailed handling policy report which allows us to see how exactly the practice is done and what precautions are taken. This is useful information as we can see what needs to be reformed and changed to fit legislations. The sizes of vivoriums is also useful as we can see what space the animals have, what we are not given however is the age of the animals for example the 40cm× 30°cm × 30 cm would be appropriate for 4 hatching corn snakes but if that is the case they are too young to be regularly handled by small children so there are two possible faults, been cause of thes lack of detail, ways must be suggested that fit both criter to which will improve the animals welfore and help fit to legislation which might not be best for the company such as getting vid of hatle the cornsnakes or buying the the larger vivoriums. The age problem also hinders the ability to

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fix the 5 needs, Specifically the need to be housed apart or together socially. Chilean torantulars cannot be noused together as adults, from the photos provided by the Bug Bazaar leaflet taxing at uast one is seen to be matured. This means they will all need seperate vivariums even though the other 3 could be the babies of the mature spicler and so could live with her for a while Another of the 5 needs we can't comment on is correct diet. We see the record cord where this should be filled in so we know staff have acess to dietary requirments but we cannot see the final records. There is also a lack of staffing knowledge. In the Animal welfare act it states The license holder or designated manager and any stapp employed to core for the enimals must have compitence to identify the normal behaviour of the species for which they are caring. As we have no staff qualification or experience sheet we do not know if this can be verified. Another thing we do not know is if Bug Bazaar has a register of each animal as per

legislation stating A register must be kept of each mimal exhibited or to be exhibited which must include (a) the full name of the supplier of the animal (b) 1ts date of birth (c) the date of arrival (d) its name (if any) Qlus Sex neuter status, description and microchip or ving number (e) the name and contact details of the animals normal veterinarian we dont have any of GC. these detail about We cant go into the and Legislation failures and followings each individual animals.

The above response is a clear evaluation it is structured around each piece of material provided stating its usefulness and what it allowed them to discuss, then going on to outline what additional information would allow for a more comprehensive appraisal giving of evident lines of reasoning to support the need for additional information. Therefore this response was awarded the full ten marks for this activity.

Assessment	Band	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4
focus	0				
Additional	0	1-2	3-5	6-8	9-10
information necessary to complete the appraisal	No rewardable material	 A limited evaluation of the suitability of the information. Additional information identified is of limited relevance and would only partially improve the appraisal. Limited lines of reasoning evident in support of either the evaluation or additional information. 	 A partially developed evaluation of the suitability of the information. Additional information identified is generally relevant and would adequately improve the appraisal. Occasional lines of reasoning evident in support of both the evaluation and additional information. 	 A developed evaluation of the suitability of the information. Additional information identified is relevant and would effectively improve the appraisal. Lines of reasoning mostly evident in support of both the evaluation and additional information. 	 A comprehensive evaluation of the suitability of the information. Additional information identified is consistently relevant and would considerably improve the appraisal. Comprehensive lines of reasoning evident in support of both the evaluation and additional information.

Activity 3

In activity 3 learners are asked to produce an action plan based upon the welfare issues that they have raised in activity 1. A number of learners produced an action plan that did not apply and priority or realistic timescales and a number of learners based their actions plans around the information that was missing rather than the welfare issues raised and as a result of this scored limited marks. As seen in previous series the learners that achieved the best marks in this activity paid attention to the structure of their response and these included drawing a table or the use of headings and subheading and due to the formatting, they outlined the action, why the action was required and a timescale and priority.

(10) First of all the enclosures must be changed around. To start with swap the leapard geckos and the cornshakes - 48 hours - Bus Whilst still not enough this is a better temporary fix to give the cornsnakes more room. Next buy another 55 730230 Diverium mathema 55×cm× 30cm×30 cm VIV. 40 cm x 30 cm Viv 30 cm Viv, Brazzette three 25×cm×15cm×15 cm vivs and a 12"× 12" + 18" minimum VIV. the martitle this should be done in 3 months. This gives each animal sufficient room if they are placed like this. 2 corns - 55 cm × 30 cm viv 2 corns-55cm×30cm×30cm ViV 2 leopard geckos - 40 cm ×30 cm ×30 cm viv 2 leapard geckos-40cm × 30 cm × 30 cm viv 2 hissing cockroaches - Original viv Each chilean vose in own 25cm×15cm×15cmviv Each Scorpion in own 25cm × 15cm × 15cm viv

2 whites tree progs - 12" x 12" x 18" This will allow all animals sufficient space. Another option would be to rehome 2 tarontulas tousave touting 2 to save on buying 2 extra vivariums, this can be done with any of the animals except the tree frogs and the hissing cockroaches as they will be in multiple vivariums. If this is done it should still be within the 3 month time unit. The white tree frog vivarium should however be made from glass without a removable ventilated lid as it will not conserve humidity Petailed feeding plans must be kept up to date and accessable for all members of staff. - I week - This will make swe all animals get a specific dietary need pulpilled A rotational exhibition plan but must be put in place to follow regislation - I weekthis is to ensure for example one corn snake is over handled and gets stressed whilst another is never handled and becomes aggressive.

The above activity scored only 4 marks of the 10 available as the learner had produced an action that whilst it addressed a number of the welfare issues raised two of the suggested actions had the same timeframe, the other two had a significantly shorter timeframe without discussing the priority or reasoning for this. This action plan therefore, failed to demonstrate differentiation between the issues and failed to show an understanding of the priorities for the actions and their links to the animal's welfare. Your action plan must include:

- · actions required by the management and staff
- reasons for the actions
- timescales for the actions to be completed.

Here will be creating an achon planto address the isrue chare identified in my appraisal at Bugs Bazaar. This plan will be in priority order and will include actions required, reasons her ne actions, and timescales.

Achon	Reason	Time	Traffic light
Seperate Tarantula	prevents the	24 hours	Red
scorpions, and	animals from		
corn snakes.	haming eachone		
add missing information to doc- unents.	misleading unform- and portray	12hours	Red
update boxes for the record card	allow, better maintenence	Rhours	Amber
for the Frogs and shales.	pehanours to		Ræd.
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(10)

Add more unformation to the leaf-let.	show customen what hey will purchase	12 how	Cive
Key: Red: Severe for o Amber: bad for and Creen: not bad for	mal welfore an	d Law	/

The above response has scored all of the 10 available marks as the action plan has been well formatted as the learner has put all of the information in a table as seen. Which has resulted every action having reasons, timescales and priority demonstrating a clear understanding of the reasons for priorities and timescales.

-	and 0	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4
focus Action plan in response to welfare factors/issues identified	rewar uable	 1-2 Suggested actions are limited in terms of addressing the issues/factors identified. Limited lines of reasoning evident in support of the actions. Actions are listed without an attempt to prioritise. Limited attempt to 	 3-5 Suggested actions are adequate in terms of addressing the issues/factors identified. Occasional lines of reasoning evident in support of the actions. Actions are listed with an attempt to prioritise. Adequately applies 	 6-8 Suggested actions are good in terms of addressing the issues/factors identified. Lines of reasoning evident in support of the actions. Effectively prioritises most actions identified. Effectively applies realistic timescales to the actions. 	 9-10 Suggested actions are comprehensive in terms of addressing the issues/factors identified. Comprehensive lines of reasoning evident in support of the actions. Comprehensively prioritises all actions identified. Comprehensively applies realistic timescales to the actions.

Activity 3 - Action plan in response to issues identified

As per the usual structure of this paper learners are given an additional scenario for activity 4, they are to use their knowledge and understanding of the ethical issues outlined in the specification and apply this to the stated scenario, in this case trade and importation of animals as pets and in collections.

As seen in the previous series a number of learners addressed the scenario with no reference to any of the ethical theories. Again, as seen in previous series many learners simply outlined the ethical theories without any application to the given scenario, producing a very generic response and limiting their ability to gain good marks on this activity.

From a consequentialist point of View, if the animal is being transported an traded because of population decrease or breeding then everything is fine beause they believe it is the greater good for the ann animal to breed and increase their population in collections.

From a deontologist point of view, importing and trading animals is wrong because you are taking them away from their home lands, causing stress, and # keeping them in captivity which they believe is Wrong.

From an environmentalist point of view trade and expectally importation is wrong because it creates carbon dioxide when transporting because it increases climate change. They will also think the

it is wrong because trading and	
importing the animals will take them ou	f
of a decreasing food chain.	

The above response only achieved 5 marks of the 20 marks available as although a number of the ethical theories were discussed showing knowledge and understanding of them. The learner failed to engage with the scenario providing a very generic response that was not linked to the ethics of the welfare issues that experienced as a result of trade and importation. some disadvantages & advantages.

A religious person would believe that broading # importation is wrong. If it is being pronspurted to someone for no good reasons then it shouldn't be done at all christians believe that we are gods stewards of creation # if the animals are bransported for nothing but collections, they disagree 3 believe they need to be kept in their patural environment, # let them live freely # not theat them badly.

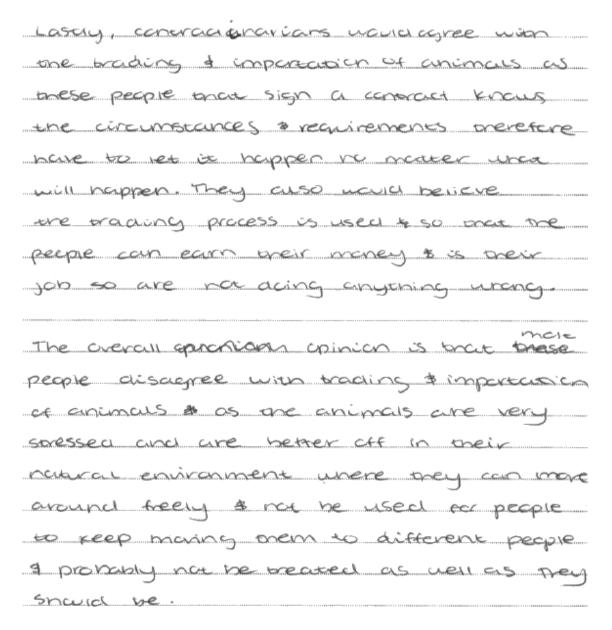
An anthropornophist would alson agree with a religious person & think this wrong. They believe animals have emotions too & if this is causing them too much stress, are pain 3 are just not happy, they should be able to use their lives freely & wherever they want to be 3 not used for conections to sell to people. Therefore, they would want

to stop puin & suffering for these animuls.

A trititarian would eigree & aisagree with the bransport & importation of animals as because as long as this has a good reason ar it is good for the animal then they wouldn't mind. the providence of horiday, 3 no one could seem to help it but you as they couldn't stop it from being munted, pouched or chased by predators provided its doing the greater good. It would only be wrong if this animal diabit get provided with the right environment or environment to help express normal behaviour & washing happy, it would only be providing good for one ouner as it could be providing good for

A scientist may agree with trading these animals not as pet but collections. Bringing some of these animals will be good for these scientists only if they could end up providing special medicine or something the uk needs desperately. They would disagree about keeping energy for example an animal that not many people have heard of as it could be normful to everyone is the UK or she wher because it could carry a disease 7 end up affecting coner animals. This is why before people walt to brade for collections or pets then they need to know anything about it back could cause harm 7 if it does do not brack harmed its works.

3 anumoporphomises as mose animals prace are traded into the uk are not used to she aimake or environment arand prem. Therefore is could cause the animal to most likely suffer even if they by to minic their natural environments as it still is not the same \$ are not used to being kept \$ persor cappinity \$ will want more space \$ will be come alifficult for the author. Therefore, their arerall opinion is that these animals being kept in the wild any is noted be objected a coming to the UK shall be objected animal to any is noted be and the more space \$ animals here of the shall be and the shall be objected a coming to the UK shall be



The above response has scored 16 of the 20 marks available for this activity as it has demonstrated good knowledge and understanding of the ethical theories which have been linked well to the scenario of trade and importation giving a few examples and some reasoning within the response.

Assessment		Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4
focus	0	4 5	6.10		16.20
Exploration /discussion of ethical issues on basis of information provided	No rewardable material	 1-5 Generic statements or isolated elements of knowledge and understanding, with many irrelevant issues. Only one viewpoint is considered. Lines of reasoning are unsupported or unclear, with serious logical flaws in the arguments put forward. There is a lack of structure to the response with little use of appropriate terminology. Displays a superficial discussion leading to a superficial judgement rarely supported through the application of relevant evidence. 	 6-10 Demonstrates generally accurate knowledge and understanding of ethical issues relevant to the scenario with some lapses supported by occasional examples. Two contrasting viewpoints are explored with some consideration of how they are interrelated. Some occasional linkages present so that lines of reasoning are partially supported though following the argument may sometimes be difficult. There is a clear structure to the response and appropriate terminology is used. Displays a partially developed discussion leading to a judgement occasionally supported through the application of relevant evidence. 	 11-15 Demonstrates mostly accurate knowledge and understanding of ethical issues relevant to the scenario supported by some examples. Several viewpoints are explored with some consideration of how they are interrelated. Linkages present so that lines of reasoning are supported and clear. There is an effective structure to the response and consistent terminology is generally used. Displays developed discussion leading to a judgement supported through the application of relevant evidence. 	 16-20 Demonstrates accurate and thorough knowledge and understanding of the ethical issues relevant to the scenario supported by sustained examples. Several viewpoints are explored with sustained consideration of how they are interrelated. Comprehensive linkages evidenced so that lines of reasoning are well supported, clear and concise. There is a clear and logical structure to the response with thorough use of appropriate terminology. Displays a comprehensive discussion culminating in a judgement that is fully supported throughout by sustained application of relevant evidence.

Summary

Based on these performances on this paper learners should:

• Identify the welfare issues that they see within the stimulus material provided and link this to accurate and appropriate legislation.

• Show an understanding of welfare the implications of the issues they have identified.

• Link their response to both the requirements of the legislation and licensing in addition to the issues found within the stimulus material provided

• Use the number of marks awarded as a guide to the depth of the response required and read the question and ensure it is addressed

• Know the different ethical theories and be able to apply them in different scenarios demonstrating understanding through the use of relevant examples







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