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Question Number	Answer	Mark
1 (a) (i)	Award one mark for the correct identification of a response of the skeletal system to exercise.	
	Increased synovial fluid (production)Reduction in viscosity of the synovial fluid	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1 (a) (ii)	Award one mark for each correct identification of the role of the bone cell. Credit to a maximum of three marks.	
	Osteoblasts build new bone (1) 	
	 Osteoclasts destroy/clear away/reabsorbs (old) bone (1) 	
	 Osteocytes become trapped in the bone matrix <u>control</u> bone resorption and formation (1) maintain strength of bone direct osteoclasts to areas of bone needing remodelling 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	(3)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1 (b) (i)	Award one mark for each correct identification of a reason why blood flow increases. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	 Increased oxygen delivery for exercise (1) Increased removal of carbon dioxide/reduce CO₂/removal of waste products (1) 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1 (b) (ii)	Award one mark for correct identification of how blood flow is increased and one additional mark for a linked descriptive point. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	 Vasodilation (1) increasing the diameter of the lumen/blood vessel (which increases blood flow to the working muscles) (1) Vasodilation of blood vessels to muscles vasoconstriction of blood vessels to inactive areas/digestive system (1) 	
	 Increased heart rate/increased stroke volume (1) <u>which</u> increases cardiac output (1) 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	(2)

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1 (c)	Answers will be credited according to the learner's demonstration of knowledge and understanding of the material using the indicative content and levels descriptors below. The indicative content that follows is not prescriptive. Answers may cover some/all of the indicative content but should be rewarded for other relevant answers.
	 Knowledge and understanding (respiratory system/nervous system) (Need) more O₂ during exercise BR/depth of breathing will increase during exercise During exercise CO₂ levels increase During exercise blood acidity increases/pH decreases The respiratory system expels CO₂/intakes O₂ Increased rate/depth of breathing will increase gas exchange Nervous system uses receptors to monitor body systems Nervous system sends messages to control breathing rate/increase or decrease breathing rate Breathing control is automatic/involuntary The medulla (oblongata) controls breathing rate
	Linked factors to controlling breathing rate through:
	 Chemical control Respiratory centre (RCC) controls breathing rate/depth by the percent CO₂ in blood Increased CO₂ (carbonic acid) increases blood acidity/lowers blood pH Chemoreceptors detect high concentrations of CO₂/low pp O₂/change in pH Chemoreceptors send signals to increase/decrease BR based on CO₂ levels/pH levels
	 Neural control The respiratory control centre (RCC) is in the brainstem/medulla/pons (The RCC) sends messages to the respiratory muscles telling them when to contract (The RCC) sends messages to diaphragm/intercostal muscles via the phrenic nerves The medulla directs the spinal cord to maintain breathing
	 Application to question context of different intensities During high intensity messages sent from CNS to speed up breathing rate due to increased demand for oxygen During exercise increased CO₂ as more is produced by the body in energy production to meet the increased demands of exercise Maintain elevated breathing rate during less intense sections to help with recovery after the intense part of the session Breathing rate slowly decreases as levels of CO₂ in the blood drop as less is produced during the less intense parts of the session Accept other appropriate responses.

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Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (a) (i)	Award one mark for correct identification of an aerobic adaptation and one mark for a related explanation. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	Increased number/size of mitochondria (1) therefore increased energy production (1)	
	Increased myoglobin stores (1) therefore more resistant to fatigue/work for longer with tiring (1)	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (a) (ii)	Award one mark for correct identification of an anaerobic adaptation and one mark for a related explanation. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	Increased muscle strength (1) due to hypertrophy/increased muscle size (1)	
	Increased hypertrophy (1) due to increased muscle <u>fibre</u> size (1)	
	Increased tolerance to lactic acid (1) due to increased buffering capacity (1)	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (b) (i)	 Award one mark for correct identification of the muscle fibre type and one mark for a related explanation of muscle fibre type. Credit to a maximum of two marks. Long distance running Type I/slow twitch muscle fibres (1) as they have a very high resistance to fatigue (1) Type I/slow twitch muscle fibres (1) as they can utilise oxygen (1) Accept other appropriate responses. 	
		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (b) (ii)	Award one mark for correct identification of the muscle fibre type and one mark for a related explanation of muscle fibre type. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	 Single maximum weight lift Type IIx muscle fibres (1) as they produce high force (1) Type IIx muscle fibres (1) as they break down ATP very quickly (1) 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (b) (iii)	Award one mark for correct identification of the muscle fibre type and one mark for a related explanation of muscle fibre type. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	 Repeated 30-second stair climb Type IIa muscle fibres (1) as they produce medium to high force (1) 	
	• Type IIa muscle fibres (1) as they have medium resistance to fatigue (1)	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(2)

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	Cardiovascular system adaptations to high altitude
	 Increase in red blood cell (RBC) production Increase in haemoglobin concentration Increased capillarisation
	Explained adaptation and impact
	• More RBCs/greater concentration of haemoglobin, therefore more oxygen can be carried in the blood
	 Capillarisation means the rate of diffusion is increased/improved transfer of oxygen and carbon dioxide
	 Therefore, capillarisation allows increased a-vO₂ diff/greater oxygen uptake (at the muscle)
	Assessment of impact of adaptations on future football performance
	 Training adaptations will be lost after 21 days at sea level (so only effective for a limited period)
	 Initially will have an increased VO₂ max at sea level so will be able to sustain a higher level of performance throughout a game
	 Will have impact on aerobic aspects of game rather than anaerobic, although recovery from anaerobic exercise will be quicker
	Accept other appropriate responses.

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Level 2	4-6	 Demonstrates some accurate knowledge and understanding. Line(s) of argument occasionally supported through the application of relevant references to context in question. Judgement is made from a partially-developed discussion, although the discussion may be imbalanced or superficial in places. Learners will produce some statements with development in the form of mostly accurate and relevant factual material leading to an assessment being presented. The response may contain parts which lack clarity or organisation. There is evidence of correct technical language being used.
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Question Number	Answer	Mark
3 (a)	Award one mark for each correct identification of ATP yield. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	Lactate system 2 (ATP) (1)	
	Aerobic system 34 (ATP) (1)	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3 (b) (i)	Award one mark for correct identification of the recovery process and up to two additional marks for each linked descriptive point. Credit to a maximum of three marks.	
	• Oxygen is used (1) to break down the accumulated lactic acid/lactate (1) into carbon dioxide and water (1)	
	 Lactate is removed by buffering (1) by hydrogen carbonate ion (1) absorbing the lactate/forming carbonic acid (1) 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(3)

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3 (b) (ii)	Award one mark for correct identification of the recovery process and up to two additional marks for each linked descriptive point. Credit to a maximum of three marks.	
	 Re-association of oxygen (1) with myoglobin in the muscle (1) ready for use by mitochondria (1) 	
	 Repletion of <u>glycogen</u> stores (1) within the muscle (1) through the use of oxygen/diet (1) 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(3)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3 (c)	Award one mark for correct identification of a type of thermogenesis and one mark for a related explanation. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	Shivering (thermogenesis) (1) where skeletal muscles rapidly contract and relax to generate heat (1)	
	Non-shivering (thermogenesis) (1) an increase in the release of hormones/maintains metabolic rate (1)	
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		(2)

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3 (d)	Answers will be credited according to the learner's demonstration of knowledge and understanding of the material using the indicative content and levels descriptors below. The indicative content that follows is not prescriptive.
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 Expert Knowledge and understanding (Isolated elements of knowledge Through thermoregulation the body maintains core temperature of 3 Convection (through air flow over the skin) Conduction (through direct contact) Radiation (the body radiates heat so needs covering) Evaporation (of sweat from the surface of the skin) 	
	 Application to question context Heating pads The heating pads will heat the body through <u>conduction.</u>
	 Blankets By providing blankets the skin is not exposed to the cold <u>air</u> decreasing heat loss from the body via <u>convection</u> Heat loss through <u>radiation</u> can be controlled by insulating the body with the blankets to trap the <u>warm air</u> between the body and the blanket reducing heat loss Can act as a barrier between a cold surface (eg. seat) and therefore avoid heat loss through <u>conduction</u>
	 Warm seat cushions By providing warm seat cushions heat won't be lost through <u>conduction</u> (due to direct contact with the seat)
	 Evaporation The spectators should make sure they do not get too hot from the additional items to cause them to sweat and then lose heat through evaporation
	 Applied logical chains of reasoning/judgement (Assessment) Heat loss through evaporation is not a factor as the spectators are sedentary therefore unlikely to be sweating and losing heat as a result A lot of body heat is lost through the head – hats could also have been supplied, if the head isn't covered there will still be a lot of heat lost Spectators are sedentary therefore not generating heat so need to conserve heat therefore these additional measures should help the spectators stay warm All of the measures will help, although the spectators could also use layering to trap a warm layer of air reducing heat loss The most effective method will be the heating pads as they are a heat source, so generate additional heat for the spectators
	Accept other appropriate responses.

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4 (a)	Award one mark for correct identification of the role and up to two additional marks for each related explanation. Credit to a maximum of three marks	
	• Muscle spindles detect changes in the muscle length (1) when the muscle is being overstretched (1) they send a signal to reduce the stretch (1)	
	• They provide information to the central nervous system (CNS) (1) if the muscle is being overstretched (1) a stretch reflex is activated (1)	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	(3)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (b) (i)	 Award one mark for correct identification of the hormone responsible for anticipatory rise in heart rate. Adrenaline (1) 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	(1)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (b) (ii)	Award one mark for correct identification the effect on cardiac output and one mark for a related expansion. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	 Cardiac output increases (1) as cardiac output = SV x HR (1) Cardiac output increases (1) as more blood will be leaving the heart <u>per minute</u> (1) 	
	Accept other appropriate responses.	
		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (b) (iii)	Award one mark for correct identification of the effect on blood pressure and one mark for a related expansion. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	 Increased blood pressure (1) due to increased blood flow/increased speed of blood flow/increased force through vessels (1) Accept other appropriate responses. 	
		(2)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (c)	Award one mark for correct identification of the effect on muscle temperature and one mark for a related expansion. Credit to a maximum of two marks.	
	 Muscle temperature will increase (1) as muscle contraction generates heat/breakdown of ATP generates heat (1) 	
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	 Knowledge of nutritional strategies Amount of protein to eat Carbohydrate intake Rehydration Use of dietary supplements Use of energy drinks (as alternative `once' where appropriate)
	Applied to question context
	 High intensity exercise can cause micro tears in muscle Routine will use muscle glycogen and blood glucose Routine will deplete muscle stores of ATP and PC Fluid will be lost in the form of sweat during the routine
	 Analysis As there are limited supplies of ATP/PC in the body she will need to find a way to resynthesis stores, this can be done between events through the aerobic system, which can utilise glycogen or fatty acids to generate the energy needed to resynthesise CP. After exercise glycogen levels will need restoring by eating carbohydrate to have sufficient energy stores to compete again. After exercise blood glucose levels will need restoring by eating carbohydrate/drinking a sports drink Nikki should also consider her protein intake as her activity is intense and will break down muscle tissue, which will need protein to repair the muscle tissue/allow the muscle to adapt. Protein intake should be spread throughout the day in small amounts so Nikki could consider dietary supplements to consume all of her protein requirements, e.g. a protein bar or shake. Nikki must ensure she is hydrated for her performance, if not performance will be impaired due to poor circulation/poor temperature control/to lubricate joints.
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