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Additional Applied Science A

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A334/01: Agriculture and Food

Mark Scheme for June 2012

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Annotations

Used in the detailed Mark Scheme:

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

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2	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
1.100	benefit of doubt
(HOL)	Contradiction
×	incorrect response
1-8-2	error carried forward
0	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
<u>~~</u>	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
PRESE	no benefit of doubt

R	Reject
	correct response
2	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	information omitted

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- a. If a candidate alters his/her response, examiners should accept the alteration.
- b. Crossed out answers should be considered only if no other response has been made. When marking crossed out responses, accept correct answers which are clear and unambiguous.

E.g.

For a one mark question, where ticks in boxes 3 and 4 are required for the mark:

Put ticks (✓) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.	Put ticks (\checkmark) in the two correct boxes.
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₹	*	\checkmark
This would be worth 1 mark.	This would be worth 0 marks.	This would be worth 1 mark.

c. The list principle:

If a list of responses greater than the number requested is given, work through the list from the beginning. Award one mark for each correct response, ignore any neutral response, and deduct one mark for any incorrect response, e.g. one which has an error of science. If the number of incorrect responses is equal to or greater than the number of correct responses, no marks are awarded. A neutral response is correct but irrelevant to the question.

d. Marking method for tick boxes:

Always check the additional guidance.

If there is a set of boxes, some of which should be ticked and others left empty, then judge the entire set of boxes. If there is at least one tick, ignore crosses. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, e.g. shading or crosses. Credit should be given for each box correctly ticked. If more boxes are ticked than there are correct answers, then deduct one mark for each additional tick. Candidates cannot score less than zero marks.

E.g. If a question requires candidates to identify a city in England, then in the boxes

Edinburgh	
Manchester	
Paris	
Southampton	

the second and fourth boxes should have ticks (or other clear indication of choice) and the first and third <u>should be blank</u> (or have indication of choice crossed out).

Edinburgh			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Manchester	✓	×	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Paris				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Southampton	✓	×		✓		✓	✓		✓	
Score:	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	NR

MARK SCHEME:

Qı	Question		Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)		yeast;	1	both answers required for mark
			sugar		
	(b)		respires; carbon dioxide	2	
	(c)		D; uses oxygen	2	
	(d)	(i)	fungi/ bacteria	1	accept mould reject yeast
		(ii)	any two contaminate/ poison; with waste; feed on it	2	accept makes it not edible; rots ignore references to smell/ colour/taste
		(iii)	chilled in a refrigerator in a warm room frozen in a deep freezer next to an open window	1	if more than 1 tick, no marks
			on a damp surface		

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Qı	uestic	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
2	(a)		arable dairy poultry horticulture	1	if more than one tick, no marks
	(b)		correct answer (2 marks) D A C (B) E	2	D and E in correct position 1 mark A and C in correct position 1 mark
	(c)		the shop from charging too much for food the farmer from charging too much for his crop customers getting infected food customers buying food they don't like	1	if more than one tick, no marks
	(d)		pollination; fertilisation	2	
	(e)	(i)	evidence of dividing by 6; 37	2	correct answer = 2 marks
		(ii)	photosynthesis	1	
		(iii)	mass/weight/ number	1	accept width/circumference/amount

Q	uestic	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
3	(a)		4; 2	1	both answers required
	(b)	(i)	eat bigger variety of plants (than sheep); more people eat goat/ export potential/wider market	2	
		(ii)	(sheep) suffer less in high rainfall/ goats suffer more in high rainfall	1	reject easier to keep
	(c)		any three temperature; shelter; food; water; pests; disease/health; age; gender; genetics; space/ exercise	3	ignore vague answers such as location/ weather/ climate ignore predators
	(d)	(i)	selection of animals; collection of sperm; check sperm; storage of sperm/ using liquid nitrogen/ frozen sperm inserted (manually) / inseminate; into vagina/cervix/womb/ uterus; at ovulation	3	any three in correct sequence
		(ii)	idea of preparation eg book vet; get goats inside; care for baby; help with birth; idea of importance of timing e.g. avoiding births in bad weather; to coincide with market	1	reject prepare/organise for birth unless qualified

Q	uestion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
4	(a)	Nettle plants don't need pesticides or herbicides. Nettle plants are easy to harvest. Nettle fibres can be mixed with wool. Nettle fibres can replace polyester fibres. Nettle plants can sting.	2	if more than two ticks, deduct a mark for each extra tick
	(b)	cotton	1	
	(c)	any two can use poor land; easy to harvest; don't need pesticides / herbicides grow quickly	2	
	(d)	adds market value/ can charge more/ makes more money	1	accept sell more/ so more people will buy it
		Total	36	

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