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Objective Test Answer Key
BLY1AP (Human Biology)
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Foundation Tier

Question	Key			
One	A	contains light receptors		1
	B	contains receptors sensitive to some liquid chemicals		3
	C	contains sound receptors		4
	D	contains receptors sensitive to some gaseous chemicals		2
Two	A	cannabis	2	
	B	painkiller	4	
	C	antibiotic	1	
	D	statin	3	
Three	A	egg	1	
	B	embryo	4	
	C	fertilised egg	3	
	D	sperm	2	
Four	A	muscle		1
	B	neurone		4
	C	central nervous system		3
	D	receptor		2
Five	A	10	2	
	B	20	4	
	C	31	1	
	D	78	3	
Six	A	a hypothesis	1	
	B	a result	4	
	C	an investigation	2	
	D	the initial observation	3	
	A	B	C	D
Seven	2	3	1	1
Eight	2	1	4	3
Nine	3	2	2	3

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Higher Tier

Question	Key			
One	A	a hypothesis	1	
	B	a result	4	
	C	an investigation	2	
	D	the initial observation	3	
Two	A	carbon monoxide	1	
	B	processed foods	2	
	C	polyunsaturated fats	3	
	D	nicotine	4	
	A	B	C	D
Three	2	1	4	3
Four	3	2	2	3
Five	1	2	3	4
Six	2	4	3	3
Seven	4	4	4	2
Eight	3	4	1	4
Nine	4	1	2	2