

GCSE

Biology A

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Unit A222/02: Modules B4, B5, B6 (Higher Tier)

Mark Scheme for January 2013

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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	
<u>words</u>	underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark	
ecf	error carried forward	
AW/owtte	credit alternative wording / or words to that effect	
ORA	or reverse argument	

Available in scoris to annotate scripts:

?	indicate uncertainty or ambiguity
BOD	benefit of doubt
CON	contradiction
×	incorrect response
ECF	error carried forward
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
·~	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
NBOD	no benefit of doubt

R	reject
✓	correct response
35	draw attention to particular part of candidate's response
	information omitted

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- a. Accept any clear, unambiguous response (including mis-spellings of scientific terms if they are *phonetically* correct, but always check the guidance column for exclusions).
- 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 the third <u>and</u> fourth boxes are required for the mark:

		₹
		₽
₹	\checkmark	\checkmark
*	₹	\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-box questions:

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 and other markings. If there are no ticks, accept clear, unambiguous indications, e.g. shading or crosses. Credit should be given according to the instructions given in the guidance column for the question. 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 cities in England:

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

- e. For answers marked by levels of response:
 - i. Read through the whole answer from start to finish
 - ii. **Decide the level** that **best fits** the answer match the quality of the answer to the closest level descriptor
 - iii. To determine the mark within the level, consider the following:

Descriptor	Award mark		
A good match to the level descriptor	The higher mark in the level		
Just matches the level descriptor	The lower mark in the level		

iv. Use the L1, L2, L3 annotations in Scoris to show your decision; do not use ticks.

Quality of Written Communication skills assessed in 6-mark extended writing questions include:

- appropriate use of correct scientific terms
- spelling, punctuation and grammar
- developing a structured, persuasive argument
- selecting and using evidence to support an argument
- considering different sides of a debate in a balanced way
- logical sequencing.

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)		brain skin brain	2	3 correct = 2 marks 2 correct = 1 mark 1 or 0 correct = 0 marks
	(b)		respiring	1	accept any clear response eg. underlined
	(c)		The change The increase The maintenance The decrease total natural external internal	2	
			Total	5	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2 (a)	proteins that slow down chemical reactions in cellsproteins that speed up chemical reactions in cellscarbohydrates that slow down chemical reactions in cellscarbohydrates that speed up chemical reactions in cells.	1	more than one response = 0 marks accept a clear response eg underline the correct sentence, use a single cross, shade the box
(b)	B C E A	2	C before E = 1 mark E before A = 1 mark
(c)	 affects the collision rate between the enzymes and the molecules. affects the shape of the active site of the enzyme. is dependant on temperature. only affects the substrate molecules. 	1	more than one response = 0 marks accept a clear response eg underline the correct sentence, use a single cross, shade the box
(d)	right wrong Helen Kiran Cheryl James	2	all four correct = 2 marks two or three correct = 1 mark 1 or 0 correct = 0 marks if a name appears in both boxes — incorrect response (one response cancels out the other)
(e)	any three from: poison has same shape (as the substrate) (1) poison changes the shape of the enzyme/active site(1) poison fits into active site (1) stops substrate/reactant from attaching to enzyme (1)	3	
	Total	9	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	(a)		A fertilisation (1) B mitosis (1) C mitosis (1)	3	if more than 3 responses deduct one mark for each additional response accept another clear correct response eg lines linking the correct term to each box
	(b)		double that found in the parent cellsthe same as that found in the parent cellshalf that found in the parent cells. ✓	1	more than one response = 0 marks accept another clear correct response eg a cross
	(c)		D B A C	2	B before A = 1 mark A before C = 1 mark
			Total	6	

Q	Question		on Answer		Guidance
4	(a)		Rupert (1) Jemma (1)	2	
	(b)		meristem/ cambium	1	
			Total	3	

Q	Question		Answer				Marks	Guidance	
5	(a)						1	more than 1 response = 0 marks	
			fully permeable to all molecules.						accept any other clear response eg cross, shaded or ring
			not permeab	le to any mole	ecules.				around partially permeable or box, underlined etc.
			not permeab	le to water mo	olecules.				
			partially pern	neable.			✓		
	(b)						-	2	one mark for each correct row
			Decreases Stays the same Increases		Increases			minus 1 mark for each additional tick in each row accept any other clear indication of correct response	
			pure water			✓			
			sucrose solution	✓					
	(c)	(i)	any two from:					2	
			movement of water (molecules); (1) from high solvent to slow solvent concentration OR						accept from a dilute to a concentrated solution
			low solute to high solute concentration; (1)					ignore from high concentration to low concentration	
			through a partially permeable membrane. (1)						(unqualified) accept semi-permeable
		(ii)	diffusion includes molecules other than water; (1)					2	
			partially permeable membrane not involved; (1)						
						Т	otal	7	

Q	Question		Answer		Guidance
6	(a)		4 2 4 3	1	all correct in the sequence = 1 mark
	(b)		1 2 4 2	1	all correct in the sequence = 1 mark
	(c)		1	1	more than one response = 0 marks
			Total	3	

Q	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
7	(a)	(i)	Shoot B stops growing. Shoot A grows to the left. Shoot C grows to the right.	1	all correct responses = 1 mark accept any other clear response eg lines linking letters to boxes
		(ii)	Peta Nick	1	accept correct responses in either order accept any other clear response eg lines linking names to spaces, rings around correct names
	(b)		idea that plant stems or shoots <u>grow</u> towards <u>light</u> (1) (light needed) for <u>photosynthesis/</u> to make <u>food</u> (1) plants are <u>competing better/ gain an advantage</u> (1)	3	ignore bend/move towards light ignore unqualified reference to increased survival
			Total	5	

C	Question		Answer			Marks	Guidance
8	(a)		С	dog salivates	dog given food	2	C before B (1 mark), B before A (1 mark) if more than two responses – deduct 1 mark for each
			В	dog salivates	dog given food		additional response accept clear indication of correct response eg. use of arrows
			Α	dog salivates	dog given food		
	(b)			The bell was used The dog learned The conditioned reflex	True False	2	three rows correct = 2 marks two rows correct = 1 mark one or zero rows correct = 0 marks accept a clear indication of correct response eg. shaded, circled accept crosses in correct boxes – instead of ticks
					Total	4	
					Paper Total	42	

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