

GCSE MARKING SCHEME

SCIENCE - BIOLOGY (LEGACY)
SUMMER 2012

INTRODUCTION

The marking schemes which follow were those used by WJEC for the Summer 2012 examination in GCSE SCIENCE - BIOLOGY (LEGACY). They were finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conferences were held shortly after the papers were taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conferences was to ensure that the marking schemes were interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conferences, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about these marking schemes.

UNIT B1 (LEGACY)

FOUNDATION TIER

Question		1	Marking details		
1.	(a)		(Thick) fur	1	
			Accept hair		
	(b)		Rough (hair) gives good grip / prevents slipping	1	
	(c)	(i)	Any two from Fox / Eagle / Stoat	1	
		(ii)	High rate of (re)production / many young produced /	1	
	(d)		Camouflage / cannot be seen (by predators)	1	
			Accept: blends into background	·	
	(e)	(i)	Eats only plants/ does not eat animals/ it is a herbivore	1	
			NOT does not eat meat/ kill other animals/ does not hunt	·	
		(ii)	Eats/ takes/ destroys (farm) crops	1	
			Question total	[7]	

Question		1	Marking details			Marks Available
2.	(a)		17 (consistent wi	th graph)		1
	(b)		Two bars correct	height		2
			Tolerance +/- ½ s	small square		
	(c)		160 – 164			1
	(d)	(i)	All males / same	age		1
(ii)			Improves reliabilit	ry/ increases confidence	e in the results	1
			NOT fair test/ acc	curacy/ precision		
	(e)		Sexual	Continuous	Environmental	3
					Question total	[9]

Question		1	Marking details		Marks Available	
3.	(a)	(i)	Light		3 max	
			Sound		(-1 per	
			Touch		error)	
			Chemical			
			Chemical			
		(ii)	Eyes, ears		1	
	(b)	(i)	Receptors		1	
		(ii)	Electrical			
			NOT electric/ electricity		1	
				Question total	[6]	

FOUNDATION / HIGHER TIER

Question			Marking details	Marks Available	
4.	(a)		Fat/ glycogen/ lipids	1	
	(b)	(i)	Any two from heart disease / cancer / knee or joint damage/ harm	1	
		(ii)	Fish/ sushi	1	
		(iii)	Running	1	
		(iv)	1400 / 350 4 hours (2 marks for correct answer)	2	
	(c)		Increase/ regular/ lots of/ enough exercise (qualified)/ named activity e.g. football/ go to keep fit / OR {Not too much/ decrease} high energy food/ correct comparison	1	
			from table/ eat less fat or carbohydrate/ eat a balanced diet NOT eat less/ eat healthy/ ref to surgery or medication		

Question total [7]

Question		Marking details		
5.	(a)	A hair	1	
		B {carries / transports / conveys} sweat/ sweat travels through	1	
		C erector muscle	1	
		D produces/ makes sweat	1	
		E (blood) capillary/ blood vessel	1	
	(b)	Releases sweat / allows sweat out (onto skin surface)	1	
		NOT: water		
		Question to	tal [6]	

Question			Marking details				Marks Available	
6/1	(a)	(i)	RR					1
		(ii)	rr					1
		(iii)	Rr					1
	(b)	(i)	Award 1	mark for all 4	l gametes l	peing correc	rt	1
			Award 1	mark for all 4	1 offspring I	being correc	t	1
			Allow e.c	c.f from (a) if	different let	ters used		
				Gametes	r	r		
				R	Rr	Rr		
				r	rr	rr		
		(ii)	I The	e {appearanc	e / features	s/ looks/ cha	racteristic} of an	1
			org	anism that re	sults from	the (genotyr	oe / genes}.	
			II 1 <u>rc</u>	ose (comb) :	1 <u>single</u> (co	omb). (ecf fro	om punnett square)	1

NOT 2:2/ 50:50

Question			Marking details	Marks Available
7/2	(a)		DNA	1
			NOT saliva	
	(b)	(i)	Suspect 1;	1
			Has the same {genetic/ DNA} {'fingerprint'/ profile} as found at the	1
			scene of the crime;	
			Accept DNA matches the scene of the crime	
		(ii)	Reference to ownership of DNA of innocent suspect/ because it is	1
			an {invasion/ breach} of privacy/ it is against human rights	1
	(c)		Disputed paternity / parentage cases / classification/ correct	
			reference to use by insurance companies/ identification of dead	1
			bodies.	

Question total

[5]

Question		Marking details	
8/3	(a)	Number of prey has fallen and so numbers of spotted owls fall;	1
		Something wrong with environment;	1
		OR	
		More prey species leading to more owls;	
		Showing environment is healthy;	
		To check if there is anything wrong with the environment = 1 mark	
	(b)	Common names are different in different {parts of USA / areas}/	1
		scientific names are the same all over the world (OWTTE)/	
		scientific names are always the same	
		Question total	[3]
		TOTAL FOUNDATION TIER	50

HIGHER TIER

Question		Marking details	
4.	(a)	{ <u>Jellyfish /fluorescent protein</u> } gene/allele is cut out of <u>DNA</u>	1
		OR gene is cut out of jellyfish DNA;	
		Zebrafish DNA (in egg) cut open;	1
		{Jellyfish /fluorescent protein} gene {inserted / spliced} into	
		zebrafish DNA;	1
	(b)	Concerns of escape of gene into wild/native population/transfer gene to other fish;	1
		Question total	[4]

Question		Marking details	
5.	(a)	Alcohol slows reaction time / the time taken to react is longer with	1
		alcohol/ reaction time is increased with alcohol/ reactions are	
		slower with alcohol/ ORA	
		Must be clear whether answer refers to alcohol	
		NOT reaction time decreased/ reduced/ lowered	
	(b)	Improves reliability / confidence in the results.	1
		NOT accuracy/ validity/ fair test	
	(c)	50%	1
	(d)	Alcohol slows reaction times/ increases thinking time/	1
		Alcohol affects sight / impairs vision;	
		Increases the time taken to brake/ increase likelihood of accident;	1
	(e)	liver damage or cirrhosis / mouth cancer/ heart disease/ stomach	1
		damage/ kidney damage/ damage to foetus;	
		NOT heart attack.	

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Question total

[6]

Question			Marking details	
6.	(a)		Increased {number/ rate} of mutations or cancers;	1
	(b)	(i)	2.5 <u>mSv</u> Accept any figure 0 – 2.5 mSv (unit must be written correctly)	1
		(ii)	{Time / distance} for radioactivity to {be blown to/ travel to / be carried to/ reach} (Wales) / time for radioactivity to enter food chain.	1
	(c)	(i)	{Meat/ sheep} could not be sold / sheep could not be moved to other areas; NOT less meat sold	1
		(ii)	so loss of income/ lose jobs;	1
			Question total	[5]

Question			Marking details		Marks Available
7.	(a)	(i)	Pancreas		1
		(ii)	DNA		1
		(iii)	Hormones		1
	(b)	(i)	Mitosis (correct spelling)		1
		(ii)	Chromosome		1
	(c)		Any 2 from		2
			(Objections) to use of embryos;		
			(Objections) to use of monkeys / animals;		
			genetically modified;		
			animals may respond differently to humans;		
			NOT unethical/ cruel (unqualified)		
				Question total	[7]

Question			Marking details	Marks Available
8.	(a)		D.C.B.E.A.	3
			4/5 correct = 3 marks	
			3 correct = 2 marks	
			2 correct = 1 mark	
			0/1 correct = 0 marks.	
	(b)		Any 2 = 1 mark.	1
			Protective or stops body being harmed /	
			fast or rapid or quick /	
			automatic or involuntary or does not involve brain/thought;	
	(c)	(i)	Muscle /any named voluntary muscle	1
		(i)	Spinal cord	1

Question total

[6]

Que	stion	Marking details	Marks Available
9.	(a)	(Gregor) Mendel (Spelling of Mendel must be correct).	1
	(b)	Medium	1
	(c)	Any 2 from	2
		Variation;	
		Medium stem length better adapted;	
		(survival advantage) increased chance of pollination/ reproduction;	
		genes/ DNA/ alleles passed on;	
	(d)	Any 3	3
		Wind;	
		Soil / pH;	
		minerals / nutrients / water/ rain;	
		Light / shade;	
		Temperature; NOT heat	
		Grazing/ grazers;	
		Salt spray;	
		NOT disease/ habitat destruction/ space/ pollution/ predators/	
		weather/ climate	

TOTAL HIGHER TIER 50

UNIT B2 (LEGACY)

FOUNDATION TIER

Question		1	Marking details	
1.	(a)	(i)	A <u>Cell</u> membrane;	1
			B Nucleus;	1
			C Cytoplasm;	1
		(ii)	Any two from	2
			cell wall;	
			chloroplast;	
			vacuole;	
	(b)	(i)	Stem;	1
		(ii)	Plants grow throughout life but animals grow to a definite size;	1
			Question total	[7]

Question		1	Marking details	Marks Available
2.	(a)	(i)	Takes {land/area/ ground} needed {for breeding/ nesting/ laying	1
			eggs}	
			NOT prevent breeding	
		(ii)	There will be {less/ fewer} {eggs/ young/ baby birds}/	1
			fewer eggs will hatch;	
		(iii)	Kills/ reduces/ less/ fish needed for food;	1
			Accept No fish available for food	
			Accept poisons birds.	
	(b)		Decrease fishing / stop over-fishing/ limit fishing/ stop fishing;	1
	(c)	(i)	{Pollution / tourism / fishing} increasing;	1
			To prevent extinction/ being endangered;	
			Help numbers increase or to prevent numbers declining;	
			The numbers are decreasing;	
		(ii)	Reference to an economic factor (More jobs / more money);	1
			Question total	[6]

Question		1	Marking details	Marks Available
3.	(a)	(i)	Snake / frog;	1
		(ii)	Lettuce;	1
			Sun(light); NOT light alone	1
	(b)	(i)	12000 – 1600 and 10400;	1
		(ii)	Lettuce to slug; (allow e.c.f)	1
	(c)		Heat (qualified) e.g. from respiration / maintenance and repair of	1
			cells / waste materials or named waste material (as specification)	
			NOT death/ decomposition	
			Question total	[6]

FOUNDATION / HIGHER TIER

Question			Marking details	
4.	(a)	(i)	Correctly Placed	
			Accept Words or correct formulae	
			Water;	1
			Glucose;	1
		(ii)	Absorbs light;	1
	(b)	(i)	Oxygen/ O ₂ ;	1
		(ii)	I Increase then no change / steady/ level;	1
			NOT increase and stops	
			II Correct from graph – 38 (a.u);	1
			Not incorrect units	
			III Calculation consistent with II 38 (allow ECF) and	1
			graph (26/ 25.5)	
			38-26=12	
			Or 38-25.5=12.5;	
		(iii)	Reduced / lower / decreased;	1
			Question total	[8]

Que	stion	Marking details	Marks Available
5.	(a)	Protein;	1
		Chemical;	1
		pH (value); correct cases	1
	(b)	All plots correct. +/- 1/2 small square ;;	2
		Deduct one mark for extrapolation	
		Line through centre of plots;	1
	(c)	Sketch line consistent with clear decrease in activity and must	1
		reach/ cross 70°C vertical;	
	(d)	Denatures / destroys; NOT kills/ loses shape/ stops it working	1

[8]

Question total

Question			Marking details	Marks Available
6/1	(a)		A – Oesophagus / gullet;	1
			B – Stomach;	1
			C – Small intestine/ ileum;	1
			D – Large intestine/ colon;	1
			Allow phonetic spelling	ı
	(b)	(i)	(pH) 1.5;	1
		(ii)	Stomach;	1
		(iii)	Temperature / mass of protein <u>at start</u> / same protein / same volume / same mass or concentration of enzyme; NOT amount	1

Question total

[7]

Que	stion	Marking details	Marks Available
7/2	(a)	A species { <u>introduced/ brought in/ imported</u> } from another <u>country/</u> the <u>introduction</u> of a species not native to the <u>country</u> .	1
	(b)	Biological control/ biocontrol	1
	(c)	{Research/ tests / trials/ experiments} have to be carried out;	1
	. ,	To make sure that the species (biological control agent) {does not	
		become a pest itself /doesn't harm non target species or humans}	1
		(OWTTE)/ to check species does not introduce disease.	
		Question total	[4]

Question			Marking details	Marks Available
8/3	(a)		Insecticide is on the {food/ plants/ crops} (that it eats).	1
	(b)	(i)	Sparrowhawk eats {many/ lots of} {pigeons / blue tits/ prey}; insecticide is {persistent / bioaccumulates / builds up in the body / not excreted/ not broken down}; NOT concentration increases/ more concentrated/ becomes concentrated	2
		(ii)	It reaches {toxic/poisonous} level in sparrowhawk (ORA) Question total	1 [4]
			TOTAL FOUNDATION TIER	50

HIGHER TIER

Questic	n Marking details	Marks Available
4. (a)	A Respiration; NOT anaerobic respiration	1
	B Photosynthesis;	1
	C Feeding/ eating;	1
(b)	{Decomposers/ bacteria/ fungi} {feeding on / break down/	1
	decompose/ putrefy/ decay/ rot} the bodies;	
	Release {it/ carbon dioxide} during respiration;	1
	Decomposers respire producing carbon dioxide = 2	
	OR	
	Dead plants and/ or animals become fossilised;	
	{Combustion/ burning} of fossil fuels releases {carbon dioxide/ it};	
	Question total	[5]

	(b)	(i)	Not enough light available/ low light intensity; Any reference to carbon dioxide being in low concentration negates a correct answer.	1
		(ii)	Photosynthesis is taking place at the maximum rate for the (concentration of) Carbon dioxide available/ CO_2 is {a/the} limiting factor/ not enough carbon dioxide available to increase the rate of photosynthesis; (amount= neutral) Any reference to light being the limiting factor negates a correct answer.	1
	(c)		Any one of: Measure the volume /concentration/ number of bubbles of \underline{O}_2 ; Measure volume of CO_2 taken up; Measure the mass of starch / glucose produced (NOT volume of water used/ any record of light used). (NOT amount).	1
	(d)		Any one from: Respired to provide energy/ respiration; Converted/ changed to starch; Used to make cellulose / proteins / lipids;	1
			NOT cell walls/ growth and repair Question total	[5]
ô.	(a)		Oystercatcher;	1
	(b)		Spire shell / clam / sandhopper;	3
			crab / fish;	
			sandpiper / turnstone;	
	(c)	(i)	Sandpiper and turnstone;	1
		(ii)	Industry / factories/ relevant named industry e.g. paper mill;	1
			Question total	[6]

Question			Marking details		Marks Available
7.	(a)	(i)	67/68 mg/100cm ³ ;		1
		(ii)	Anaerobic respiration;		1
		(iii)	Glucose;		1
	(b)		Oxygen debt has to be repaid/ paid back/ removed; to remove/ break down lactic acid;		2
				Question total	[5]

Que	stion	Marking details	Marks Available
8.	(a)	Light / temperature / pH;	1
		(amount = neutral)	
	(b)	Useful up to a maximum concentration / can increase growth up to	2
		stated concentration (0.6);	
		then does not increase growth / decrease growth/ kills plants	
		above 0.6M/ kills plants at 0.8M;	
	(c)	To show NITRATE causes growth;	2
		not SODIUM;	
	(d)	Any 3	3
		Overgrowth/ excess growth of plants or algal bloom and they die;	
		Decayed/ decomposed by bacteria/ decomposers;	
		Take in oxygen by respiration and the fish die;	

Question total

[8]

Que	stion	Marking details	Marks Available
9.	(a)	Osmosis (correct context);	4
		water passes out of {cells / eggs / animals];	
		from where $\underline{i}\underline{t}$ is in high concentration to low concentration/ down a	
		gradient / from high to low water potential (must be clear that high	
		concentration of water is inside newt);	
		through {selectively / partially / semi} permeable membrane.	
	(b)	{Make / provide/ choose} {new ponds / habitat/ safe area}; relocate newts;	2
		Question total	[6]
		TOTAL HIGHER TIER	50

UNIT B3 (LEGACY)

FOUNDATION TIER

Question		1	Marking details	Marks Available
1.	(a)		Red (blood) cell;	4
			White (blood) cell;	
			Platelet;	
			Plasma;	
	(b)	(i)	Capillary;	1
		(ii)	{Named substances/ substances} {diffuse/ pass} {through/ in/ out}	1
			OR less distance for diffusion;	
			Allow reference to white blood cells passing through	
			Allow exchange of materials	
			NOT diffusion unqualified or Blood passing through	
			If use named substance must be in correct direction	
	(c)		Artery/ arteries;	1

Question total

[7]

Question		l	Marking details	Marks Available
2.	(a)		Ureter; Bladder; Urethra; SPELLING correct	3
	(b)	(i)	I Eat normally/ not a strict diet / only one hospital visit/ fewer hospital visits; NOT you can have a operation II No drugs;	1
		(ii)	I Low blood pressure / vomiting; II Rejection;	1
	(c)		(Measures to encourage) <u>more</u> donors/ make donation compulsory;	1
	(d)		Urea/ <u>excess</u> water/ <u>excess</u> salt; Question total	1 [9]

Question		1	Marking details	Marks Available
3.	(a)		Day $2 = 37/38/39$ Day $3 = 52$ (both correct for 1 mark);	1
	(b)		Three correct bars (height and position and labelled 1,2,3);;	2
			3 bars correct = 2 marks	
			2 bars correct = 1 marks	
			0/1 bars correct = 0 marks	
	(c)	(i)	Consistent with bar chart (allow e.c.f.) (should be B);	1
		(ii)	C;	1
			Largest/ Highest at day 1;	1
			OR first bar is the highest	
	(d)		Prevents entry of {unwanted/ other} {micro-organisms/ bacteria/ microbes/ fungi/ viruses} (from the air)/ prevent exit of bacteria; NOT to prevent contamination unqualified NOT reference to germs/ pathogens	1
	(e)	(i)	Cannot kill viruses;	1
		(ii)	Resistance/ Bacteria become immune (accept MRSA); NOT disease or patient becomes {immune/ resistant}/ the bacteria start to fight it/ germs becoming resistant	1

[9]

Question total

FOUNDATION / HIGHER TIER

Question	Marking details		Marks Available	
4. (a)	Bacteria;		1	
	27-33(°C);		1	
	Protein;		1	
(b)	{Prevents / slows} {bacterial growth/ reproduction} NOT kills bacteria		1	
(c)	Any one from Bread and yeast; {Mycoprotein/ Quorn} and fungus; {Single Cell Protein/ Pruteen} and bacteria; Cheese and fungus; Cheese and bacteria;		1	
		Question total	[5]	

Question			Marking details	Marks Available
5.	(a)		3/ 4 correct = 3 marks;;; 2 correct = 2 marks 1 correct = 1 mark	3 max
	(b)	(i)	Nitrate / potassium / phosphate/ calcium/ magnesium; NOT nitrogen/ phosphorus	1
		(ii)	Support / prevent wilting/ keeps cells turgid/ photosynthesis NOT carries minerals	1
			Question total	[5]

Question

Marking details

Marks Available

3

6/1 (a) (i)

	Α	В	С
Drawing of			
micro-organism			
Name of type of	Bacterium/	Virus	Yeast/ Fungi
micro-organism	Bacteria		
Outer Coat		Protein	
	Divide/ split		
	in two		
Reproduction	NOT asexual		
	reproduction		
	/ mitosis		
Nucleus			Yes/ nucleus

1 mark is awarded for each correct column;;;

(b) (i) 2-3 hours;

1

1

- (ii) Sugar being {used up/ decreases}/ less sugar available/ sugar solution is becoming less concentrated;
 NOT sugar has run out/ no sugar left
- 1
- (iii) Optimum or best temperature {for yeast growth/ for yeast to work/
 - for fermentation);

1

(iv) Bread making / brewing / winemaking or any other correct answer; NOT bread alone or baking unqualified

Question total [7]

Question		Marking details	Marks Available
7/2	(a)	Any two from:	2
		(Same) {amount/ size/ volume/ area} of {egg stain/ egg/ stain};	
		(Same) {size/ material / brand/ type} of T-shirts/ use 4 identical t	
		shirts;	
		(Same) {volume/ concentration} of washing powder used/ same	
		pairs of washing powder; NOT amount	
		(Same) washing machine used/ same program/ same time.	
		NOT pH	
	(b)	Biological washing powders work {better/ best / are more effective}	1
		{at 35°C / lower temperatures} (ORA);	
		Biological washing powders work better than non-biological	
		powders at 35°C or lower temperature/ ORA;	
		Credit can be given for any other correct conclusion/ must imply comparison.	
	(c)	reference to: less {energy / electricity} used /financial {cost /	1
		savings/ more economical/ more cost effective};	
	(d)	Lipase;	1
		Question total	[5]

Que	stion	Marking details	Marks Available
8/3	(a)	{Destroy or kill} {bacteria / micro-organisms}/ to sterilise it; NOT denature/ get rid of bacteria/ sanitise	1
	(b)	Lid must be {sealed/ secured (with tape)};	1
		To prevent entry of other micro-organisms / prevent exit of {micro-	1
		organisms/ pathogens};	
		Question total	[3]
		Foundation tier total	50

HIGHER TIER

Question		1	Marking details	Marks Available
4.	4. (a)		To prevent the entry of {micro-organisms or named micro-	1
			organims}(which could kill the yeast / contaminate Penicillin /	ı
	culture.);		culture.);	
	(b)		Temperature monitor {measures/ takes temperature};	2
			And {controls / adjusts} the { <u>rate of movement/ flow of</u> /	
			temperature of }cooling water;	
	(c)	(i)	84 hours;	1
		(ii)	Penicillium; Correct spelling, (allow lower case p)	1
			Question total	[5]
5.	(a)		Single arrow (or many small arrows) starting at the soil, through	1
			root hair and passing out the stomatal pore.	
	(b)		Any four of the following points.	Max 4
			Water enters root hair by osmosis;	
			Water vapour lost through transpiration/ through stomata;	
			Creates a pull/ draws water up;	
			moves water up the xylem.	

Question total

[5]

Question			Marking details	Marks Available
6.	(a)	(i)	A Bowman's capsule; Allow Bowmens	2
			D Collecting duct;	
			NOT collection duct	
		(ii)	The pressure of blood is increased/ builds up pressure/ causes	2
			high pressure;	
			NOT for pressure	
			for ultrafiltration/ to increase filtration/ forces out small molecules or	
			named molecules;	
		(iii)	Urine;	1
		(iv)	{Molecules/ particles} too big {to pass through filter or capillary knot/ to be filtered/ to pass into Bowman's capsule};	1
	(b)		B;	2
			C;	
			Question total	[8]

Question			Marking details		Marks Available	
7.	(a)		Correct labels ;;		2	
	(b)		Both arrows leaving heart;;		2	
	(c)	(i)	l;		2	
		(ii)	III;			
				Question total	[6]	

Question			Marking details		Marks Available	
8.	(a)		Presence of antibodies; NOT memory cells (not neutral)		1	
	(b)	(i)	Antigen;		1	
		(ii)	White <u>blood</u> cells / lymphocytes; NOT phagocytes		1	
	(c)		Memory Cells;		1	
				Question total	[4]	

Question			Marking details	Marks Available
9.	(a)	(i)	Carbon dioxide is produced by respiration;	3
			Forms carbonic acid;	
			Lowers pH/ makes it more acid; NOT becomes 5	
		(ii)	(At 40%) yeast is killed (Not denatured)/ enzymes are denatured	3
			by alcohol;	
			No {carbon dioxide/ carbonic acid} produced / no respiration;	
			NOT less respiration	
			pH does not change;	
			ref to lactic acid - negates any marks	
	(b)		As concentration increases {more yeast is killed/ less respiration/ less carbon dioxide produced/ less carbonic acid produced};	1
			Question total	[7]
			PAPER TOTAL	50



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