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ENVIRONMENTAL AND LAND-BASED SCIENCE

Plant Cultivation (Foundation Tier)

MONDAY 28 JUNE 2010: Morning DURATION: 45 minutes

SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Candidates answer on the Question Paper

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

None

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

Electronic calculator Pencil Ruler (cm/mm)

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the boxes on the first page.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer <u>ALL</u> the questions.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. Additional paper may be used if necessary but you must clearly show your Candidate Number, Centre Number and question number(s).

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- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is <u>36</u>.

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Answer <u>ALL</u> the questions.

- 1 Which <u>TWO</u> of the following do <u>ALL</u> seeds need in order to germinate?
 - A carbon dioxide
 - B cold
 - C compost
 - D light
 - E oxygen
 - F water

Answer A, B, C, D, E or F _____ and _____ [2]

2 A geranium plant has 28 chromosomes in each leaf cell.

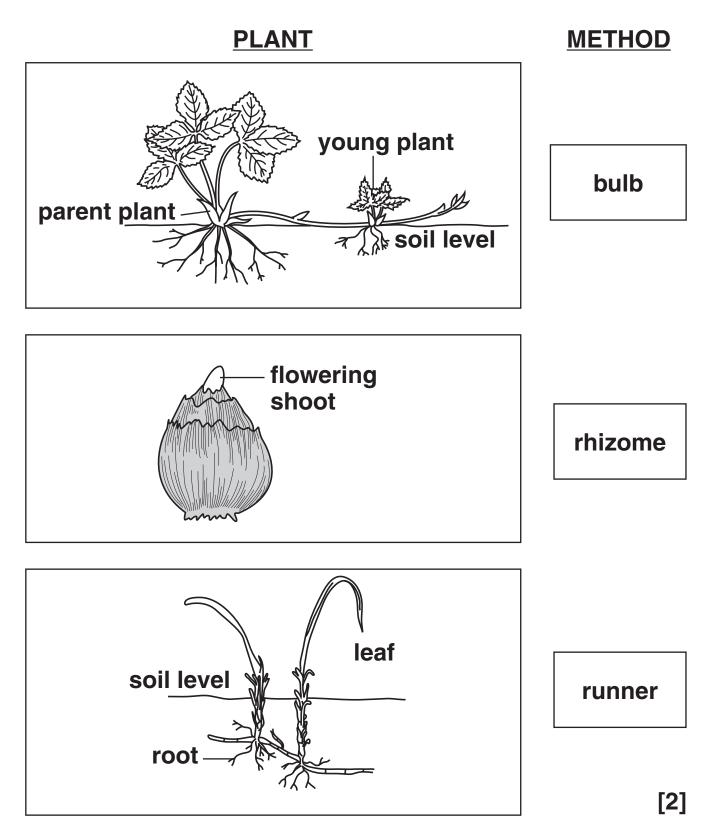
How many chromosomes would it have in a pollen cell (gamete)?

- A 7
- **B** 14
- C 28
- D 56

3 Some plants reproduce by vegetative propagation.

This is called asexual reproduction.

Draw a straight line to link each <u>PLANT</u> with its correct <u>METHOD</u> of vegetative propagation.



4 Different tools are needed to grow vegetables.

Put a ring around the correct tool to complete the sentences below.

To produce a trench for planting peas it is best to use a

GARDEN FORK	HOE	RAKE	SPADE.
To weed between	rows of bee	etroot it is be	est to use a
GARDEN FORK	HOE	RAKE	SPADE.
To lift potatoes rea	ady for eati	ng it is best	to use a
GARDEN FORK	HOE	RAKE	SPADE.
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[3]

5 The photograph shows part of a damaged leaf.



Which of the following is the most likely cause of the damage?

- A disease
- **B** lack of nutrients
- C lack of water
- **D** pests

Answer A, B, C or D _____ [1]

6 Organic fertilisers can be added to the soil to improve crop growth.

Which of the following is an advantage of <u>ORGANIC</u> fertilisers?

Organic fertilisers

- A do not cause pollution.
- B contain equal quantities of NPK.
- C improve the crumb structure of the soil.
- D are easy to store and apply.

Answer A, B, C or D _____ [1]

7 Root crops such as carrots often deteriorate during storage.

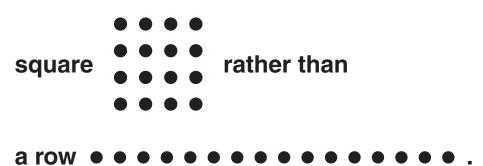
Their storage life can be extended using the correct conditions.

Suggest, with reasons, <u>THREE</u> conditions that would extend the storage life of the carrots.

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8 Louise wants to grow some sweet corn on her allotment.

A book advises her to plant the sweet corn in a



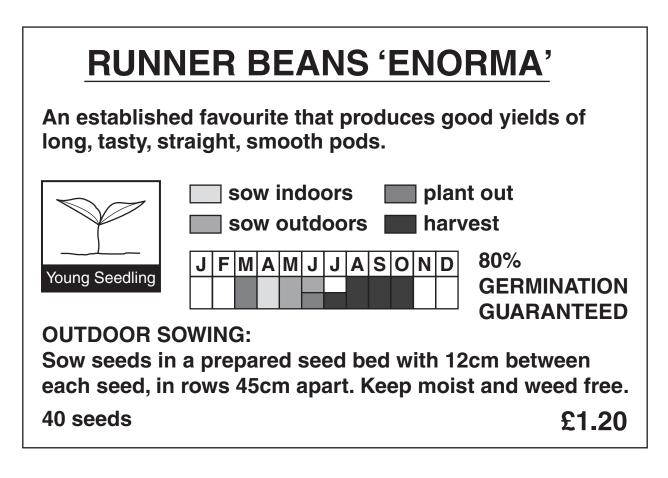
Explain why this is necessary if she wants the flowers of the sweet corn to be pollinated.

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- 9 Some students are raking the soil of their vegetable plot.
 - (a) Suggest <u>TWO</u> reasons why they need to rake the soil.

	1
	2
	[2]
(b)	State <u>TWO</u> hazards the students must be aware of when working with tools on the vegetable plot.
	1
	2
	[2]

10 The diagram shows instructions for growing runner beans.



Runner bean seeds can be sown indoors in pots to germinate.

After they have germinated, the seedlings are planted outside.

During which month does it recommend that the seedlings are planted out?

[1]

11 The table shows some information about five different varieties of tomato.

NAME	PRICE £	SIZE	YIELD	FOR COOKING	GROWING
Gardeners Delight	1.89	small	****	*	glasshouse/ patio
Ailsa Craig	1.69	medium	***	*	glasshouse/ patio
Shirley F ₁	3.49	medium	***	**	glasshouse
Beefeater	3.95	large	****	***	glasshouse
San Marzano Lungo	1.69	large	****	****	patio

Key:	*	=	poor
	**	=	below average
	***	=	average
	****	=	good
	****	=	excellent

A chef wants to start growing tomatoes for use in his restaurant.

He is hoping to use the tomatoes to make hot pasta sauce.

Which variety would you recommend?

12 The table shows some more information about the five different varieties of tomato.

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San Marzano Lungo	1.69	large	* * *	****	****	patio

poor

- * * * *
- good excellent II II ***

A primary school wishes to teach its students how to grow tomatoes.

It does not have a glasshouse but would like to grow enough tomatoes for each student to take some home.

The students prefer small tomatoes.

Which variety would you recommend?

Give <u>THREE</u> reasons for your answer.

13 A grower notices that planting carrots different distances apart has an effect on yield.

He monitors the growth of carrots and weeds.

The table shows his results.

		ROW S	PACING	
		60 cm	30 cm	
	CARROTS	2.4	3.4	
YIELD (kg/m ²)	WEEDS	0.8	0.4	
	CARROTS	63.4	90.9	
COVER (%)	WEEDS	14.0	5.1	

When rows are closer the carrot yield is greater.

Suggest <u>TWO</u> reasons for the difference in carrot yield.

Use information from the table.

1 _____ 2 _____ [2]

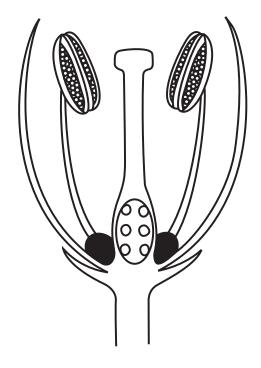
14 To be healthy a plant needs three nutrients.

Name these THREE nutrients.

1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____[2]

15 Plants can be pollinated in different ways. Diagram A shows a flower pollinated by <u>WIND</u>. Diagram B shows a flower pollinated by <u>INSECTS</u>.





A wind pollinated

B insect pollinated

(a) How is the flower in diagram A adapted for wind pollination?

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(b) How is the flower in diagram B adapted for insect pollination?

16 A grower uses a computer to keep records about the plants in a large, commercial glasshouse.

State <u>TWO</u> pieces of information, other than environmental conditions, that the grower might keep about the plants.

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17 Describe three signs of a healthy plant.

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