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B003 Principles of food nutrition

Question Number	Answer	Marks		Additional Guidance
1 (a) (i)	Identify FOUR convenience foods from the diagram. One mark for each correct answer, FOUR required. Cook chill lasagne Can of chopped tomatoes Frozen pastry Instant mashed potato Frozen cauliflower Pasta	[4x1]	[4]	
1 (a) (ii)	Give TWO reasons why convenience foods are popular One mark for each correct answer, TWO required Can be cheaper Lack of time for cooking of food/time saving Lack of time for preparation of food/ready to eat instantly People working long hours Lack of skill for cooking/preparing foods/easy to cook Lack of space (kitchen) for storage of fresh foods. Effects of advertising Can be stored for longer periods Do not accept "convenient".			
		[2x1]	[2]	

Question Number	Answer	Mark	(S	Additional Guidance
1 (a) (iii)	Give TWO disadvantages of convenience foods. One mark for each correct answer, TWO required.			
	More expensive More fat/sugar/energy/salt Not within healthy eating guidelines/harder to consume a balanced diet Less fibre/vitamins/minerals/less nutritive value Not fresh Contains more additives/preservatives Not as much flavour/taste as home-made/prepared More packaging — environmental issues Lack of texture/processed texture/un-natural texture.			
	Do not accept "Not as healthy".	[2x1]	[2]	

Question Number	Answer	Marl	ks	Additional Guidance
·	Give THREE reasons for the advice of reducing fat in the diet. One mark for each correct answer, THREE required. Fat has the highest energy density Too much energy/fat – leading to obesity & overweight Reduce risk of diabetes Reduce risk of CHD/heart problems/heart attacks Reduce risk of clogged arteries Reduce cholesterol To achieve a balanced diet Do not accept healthy /lowers blood pressure Describe what advice you could give someone trying to reduce their sugar intake. This question is marked according to the quality of response. High level response 5-6 marks Structured sentences, no bullet points Specific terms used appropriately with some reasoning given for suggestions	Mari	(3)	Additional Guidance
	Mid level response 3-4 marks Some structured sentences, some listing/bullet points Attempt at explanation/reasoning 3-4 ideas for reducing sugar intake. Low level response 0-2 marks Bullet point answers Repetition Limited facts No explanation/reasoning to why 1-2 ideas for reducing sugar intake.			

Question Number	Answer	Marl	KS	Additional Guidance
1 (b) (ii) continued	 Avoid adding sugar to drinks such as tea or coffee Choose no added sugar drinks Use sweetener instead Include more naturally sweet foods in meals (ie) fruit without adding sugar Use reduced sugar products such as baked beans Buy tinned fruit or products in natural juices rather than sugar or syrup Restrict intake of sweets/candy and confectionary or have them less regularly/eat fruit or vegetables to prevent snacking on sugary foods Read labels and be aware of all the names/types of sugar Consume less processed products Reduce (by up to half) the sugar used in recipes (ie) cakes Choose wholegrain cereals rather than sugar coated ones Do not accept eat less sugar or reduce sugar 	[6x1]	[6]	
1 (c) (i)	What is meant by the term "hidden sugar"? One mark for each correct term. Sugar(s) you can not see in a food Food not associated with a high sugar content.	[1x1]	[1]	
1 (c) (ii)	Identify two foods containing hidden sugar. One mark for each correct answer, maximum of TWO. Tomato ketchup/sauce Named cereal e.g Cocoa Pops Baked beans Soup Canned spaghetti Cereal bars Processed foods/fast foods Yogurt Question 1 Total	[2x1]	[2]	

	Questio Numbe		Answer	Mari	ks	Additional Guidance
2	(a) (i)	Where are the wholewheat pasta spirals produced? One mark for the correct answer, maximum of ONE.			
			Italy.	[1x1]	[1]	
2	(a) (ii)	How much fibre is found in 75g wholewheat pasta spirals when cooked? One mark for the correct answer, maximum of ONE.			
			6.8g or 6.8.	[1x1]	[1]	
2	(a) (iii)	How much protein is found in 100g dry wholewheat pasta spirals? One mark for the correct answer, maximum of ONE.			
			12.5g or 12.5.	[1x1]	[1]	
2	(a) (iv)	How should the wholewheat pasta spirals be stored? One mark for the correct answer, maximum of ONE.			
			In a cool dry place.	[1x1]	[1]	
2	(a) (v)	What does the V symbol mean on the packaging? One mark for the correct answer, maximum of ONE.			
			Suitable for vegetarians Vegetarians can eat it Vegetarian friendly			
			Do not accept "vegetarian".	[1x1]	[1]	

	Question Number	Answer	Marl	Marks Additional Guidance	
2	(b)	Describe TWO changes to pasta when cooked. One mark for description one mark for explanation. TWO required from each.			Soften and expand descriptions – the explanations for these 2 descriptions are interchangable
		 Softens Starch breaks down ExpandsAbsorbs water Becomes edible/easier to access nutrientsStarch breaks down allowing access to nutrients Lighter/change in colour (wholemeal pasta)Fibre breaks down, becoming more accessible and therefore changes colour 	[2x2]	[4]	
2	(c)	Give THREE reasons why pasta has become popular. One mark for each correct answer, maximum of THREE. Cheap Large variety available Quick to cook Easy to store/lasts a long time/long shelf life Convenient/easy to cook with/requires little cooking skills Versatile to use Increasing interest in Italian foods – predominant ingredient in Italian dishes Slow release energy/good source of carbohydrate	[3x1]	[3]	

Question	Answer	Mar	ks	Additional Guidance
Number 2 (d)	Name THREE carbohydrate staple foods other than pasta. One mark for each correct answer, THREE required. Rice or any named rice MAXIMUM of ONE Potatoes/sweet potatoes Bread or any named bread for a MAXIMUM of ONE Yam Sago Tapioca Corn Oats Barley Rye Wheat Noodles			Additional Galdanes
	Couscous	[3x1]	[3]	
	Question 2 Total		[15]	

Question Number	Answer	Mar	ks	Additional Guidance
3 (a) (i)	Give THREE reasons why food is cooked. One mark for each correct answer, maximum of THREE marks. Makes the food edible/easier to eat Softens the food Kills bacteria/makes safe to eat Improves colour/appeal/attractiveness/appetising Improves flavour/taste/texture/pleasant to eat Improves digestion/absorption/utilisation of nutrients Makes food last longer/improved shelf life Greater variety in the diet Some things require cooking in order to make them what they are (ie) cakes/bread			
	For warmth on a cold day (ie) soup	[3x1]	[3]	
3 (a) (ii)	Give TWO advantages of micro-waving vegetables. One mark for each correct answer, maximum of TWO. Quicker than other methods Reduces vitamin and mineral losses Reduces cost/less energy used Saves washing up/can serve in same dish Less likely to boil dry/less skill required No steamy kitchen Retains the flavour			
	Do not accept "healthier". Do not accept loss of nutrients on its own Do not accept easier or convenient	[2x1]	[2]	

Question Number	Answer	Mark	(S	Additional Guidance
3 (b) (i)	Label the diagrams below showing the different types of heat transfer. Radiation has been labelled for you.			
	Radiation			
	Conduction			
		[2x1]	[2]	

Question Number	Answer	Marks	S	Additional Guidance
3 (b) (ii)	Explain TWO different methods of heat transfer used when cooking food. TWO points required for each method, TWO different methods required.			
3 (b) (ii) continued	Conduction Heat is conducted from one molecule to another in solid or liquids. Heat is conducted round a metal pan and through a joint of meat as it roasts. Wood and plastic are poor conductors whereas metal is a good conductor.			
	Convection Heat travels round liquids and air by convection current. Convection currents heat ovens. Hot air rises and cold air falls, which is why a traditional oven is hotter at the top and a fan-assisted oven, has a constant heat throughout. Boiling food in a saucepan and baking in the oven are examples of convection.			
	Radiation Heat travels in waves or rays that heat up the food. Toasted or grilled food is cooked by radiation with the direct rays heating up the food.			
	Some foods are cooked by a combination of methods (ie) a baked potato is cooked by convection with the heat around the oven and by conduction through the potato. Therefore candidates can use the same foods as examples as long as the method is explained correctly.			
	Examples are not requested but candidates may feel that using examples makes it easier to explain. Therefore generic responses such as "grilling" or a more specific "grilling of bacon" will be accepted.	[2x2]	[4]	

Question Number	Answer	Marks	Additional Guidance
3 (c)	Jam making is one method of home preservation. Complete the table below with TWO other methods of home preservation. Give ONE different example of a food suitable for each method. One mark for each correct answer, TWO from each required.		
	Preservation method and Food to be preserved		
	Freezing Any vegetable Fruits Meats Fish Portions of home cooked meals Pickling/vinegar Eggs Cabbage Onions Beetroot Cucumbers/Gherkins Carrot Cauliflower Aubergine Rollmops Fish Okra Asparagus Beef Pork Ham Capers Olives		
		[4x1] (4)

Question Number	Answer	Marks		Additional Guidance			
	Bottling Fruit for juices Vegetables for juices Grapes for wine						
	Drying Herbs or named herb Spice or named spice						
	Question 3 Total		[15]				

Question Number		Answer		Mari	ks	Additional Guidance
4 (a) (i)	Vitamins and table below:	d minerals are essential for goo				
	One mark for	each correct answer, maximum of	FIVE.			
	Nutrient	Good food source	Deficiency disease			
	Calcium	Milk	Rickets Osteoporosis Soft bones			
	Iron	Red meat, Fish, Liver Dark green leafy vegetables Nuts, Dried fruits	Anaemia			
	B Vitamins	Cereals Beans Seeds Nuts Soya products Bread	Beriberi			
	Vitamin A	Eggs Liver Fish/fish oils Red or yellow fruits/ vegetables Fat/oils	Night blindness Keratomalacia Xerophthalmia Bitot's spots Eyesight problems			
				[5x1]	[5]	

Question Number	Answer	Mark	(S	Additional Guidance
4 (a) (ii)	Explain why a pregnant woman needs an increased intake of folic acid. One mark for each correct answer, maximum of TWO required. Reduces risk of neural tube defect in baby Part of the spine or nervous system formation To normalise brain function. Do not accept "for normal growth".	[2x1]	[2]	

Question Number	Answer	Marks	Additional Guidance		
(b)	Mid to high level response 7-8 marks Structured sentences Use of explanation and reasoning Virtually balanced discussion General terms used and attempt at specialist terms 3-4 ideas and or reasons. Mid to low level response 4-6 marks Some structured sentences, some listing/bullet points Attempt at explanation/reasoning Both areas covered, one more heavily than the other 2-3 ideas and or reasons Low level response 0-3 marks Bullet point answers				
	Repetition Limited facts No explanation/reasoning to why One sided discussion 1-2 ideas or reasons				

Question Number	Answer	Marks	Additional Guidance
4 (b) continued	Specific information that may be covered by the candidate: Ideas and reasons		
	Planning spending/creating a budget-Know there are enough foods for the week. Maximise nutrient intake for minimum cost		
	Taking a shopping list- Only get what is planned, saves money. Allows people to plan to get a variety of nutrients		
	Plan meals -No wasted money		
	Buy in bulk (go shopping with friends) -Cheaper in the long run. Can spread the cost. Make the most of special offers/money saving		
	Store products correctly-Products keep longer so less waste		
	Make use of the home freezer-Can take advantage of offers. Cooking in bulk to save time & money/freezing leftovers		
	One pot meals/slow cookers/one heat source- Limited skill & time but nutritious. Saves money on utilities		
	Buy tinned/frozen/local/pick your own foods-Cheaper but can be as nutritious		
	Buy store own brands/compare prices-Cheaper but can be as nutritious/value for money		
	Shop at stores which offer products at a cheaper price/ research prices-Get the best deals, value for money		
	Buy in season fruits and vegetables-Often cheaper and more nutritious	[8] [8]	

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	•	Ensure a variety of foods is bought/eaten-Maximum nutrition intake		
	•	Use all oven space -To save money on utilities		
	•	Make your own dishes rather than buying pre-prepared		

Question 4 Total

[15]

Check best before date- longer time to use/ less waste

Question Number	Answer		Additional Guidance
5	Everyone requires different amounts of energy.		
	Describe the factors that influence an individual's energy requirements		
	Discuss the effects of an energy imbalance.		
	This question is marked according to the quality of response.		
	A high level response 12-15 marks The candidates present a well-balanced answer covering equally both areas and linking directly to the questions. Good reasoning for answers and ideas. A whole range of specialist terms are used with precision. The candidate can demonstrate the accurate use of spelling, punctuation and grammar. The response will be well presented and in structured sentences throughout.		
	A mid to high level response 9-12 marks The format will be predominately structured sentences, giving equal coverage to both areas or mainly presenting a balanced discussion. Specialist terms will be used accurately. The candidate will offer some justification and reasoning for answers given. Some spelling, punctuation and grammar errors.		
	A mid to low level response 5-8 marks The answer will be presented in a mixture of bullet points/list and structured sentences. The candidate will have made a limited attempt to cover the different factors affecting individual's energy balance and apply this to the consequences of an imbalance of energy intake. General terms will be used with some spelling, punctuation and grammar errors.		

Question Number	Answer	Marks	Additional Guidance
Number 5 continued	A low level response 0-4 marks The candidate presents a one sided answer, looking at either the factors affecting energy needs or the consequences of an energy imbalance. The candidate presents the information in a bullet pointed or listed format throughout the answer. Basic information is offered to support statements although facts may not always relate to the question. Errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar. Subject specific material that the candidate may cover: Factors: Age – Different needs at different stages of life. Can also link to BMR Gender – Males have a higher energy need than females Occupation – Manual labour or physical activity at work increases needs Exercise – More exercise generally requires more energy intake Illness – Energy is needed for growth, repair, fighting infections Pregnancy – Increased need as providing for a growing foetus Lactation – Providing milk for the baby and may be more active Greater weight or muscle mass – a heavier person requires more energy for maintaining their mass. Muscle uses more energy per kilogram than fat tissue. BMR – This is the resting rate of energy usage before activity levels are applied. Higher BMR has a higher need for energy Reference to where we get our energy from – better to have more from carbohydrates & protein than fat. This mix can change for certain		
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5 continued	Energy imbalance: Consuming too much energy can lead to: Increased risk of overweight/obesity Increased risk of coronary heart disease/heart problems Increased risk of diabetes Increased risk of some cancers Possibility of financial problems (due to eating a larger amount or the			
	high cost of foods) Reduced/low self-esteem Lack of energy to do things/sluggish/poor concentration/motivation Lack of specific nutrients may lead to the onset of deficiencies such as rickets Hard(er) to lose weight after pregnancy Shorter life span if over weight or obese.			
	Consuming too little energy can lead to: Risk of losing weight Risk of becoming anorexic Reduction in energy levels/increased tiredness/reduced productivity/do not enough energy to do the things they need to do Risk of stopping or reducing milk production (harm to baby-reduction of nutrients/anti-bodies) if lactating Risk of low weight baby if pregnant Increased risk of infection			
	Not receiving the correct nutrients – risk of deficiencies such as anaemia Periods stops Reduction in fertility Low self-esteem (if very thin). Growth implications for children/do not grow or develop properly	[15]	[15]	
	Question 5 Total		[15]	

Grade Thresholds

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Unit Threshold Marks

Unit	Max Mark	A *	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G
B003	80	72	64	56	48	40	32	24	16
UMS	80	72	64	56	48	40	32	24	16

Overall

	A *	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G
Percentage in Grade	0.0	0.0	3.7	7.41	11.1	22.2	40.7	7.41
Cumulative Percentage in	0.0	0.0	3.7	11.1	22.2	44.4	85.2	92.6
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