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General Certificate of Secondary Education  
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**BIOLOGY (HUMAN)  
HIGHER TIER**

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Monday 2 June 2003 1.30 pm to 3.45 pm

**In addition to this paper you will require:**  
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Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

**Instructions**

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want marked.

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 135.
- Mark allocations are shown in brackets.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

- 1 (a) The equation describes the process of photosynthesis.

carbon dioxide + ..... + light energy  $\longrightarrow$  glucose + .....

- (i) Write in the names of the **two** missing substances. (2 marks)

- (ii) Name the green substance which absorbs the light energy.

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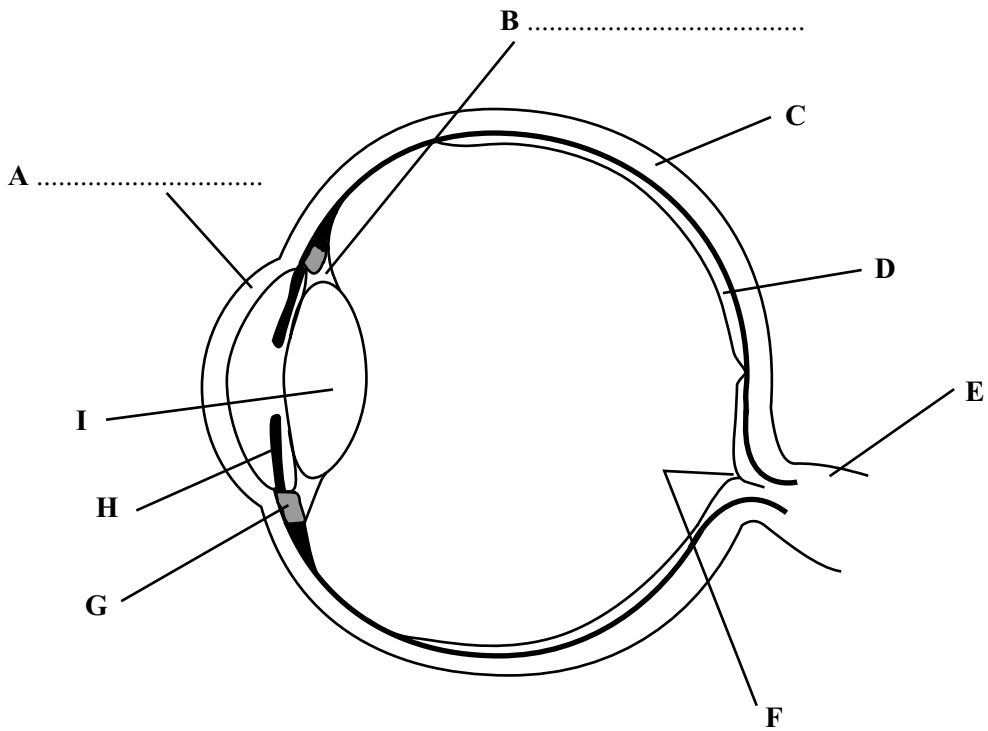
- (b) (i) In bright sunlight, the concentration of carbon dioxide in the air can limit the rate of photosynthesis. Explain what this means.

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- (ii) Give **one** environmental factor, other than light intensity and carbon dioxide concentration, which can limit the rate of photosynthesis.

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(1 mark)

2 The diagram shows a section through the eye.



(a) On the diagram, label parts **A** and **B**. (2 marks)

(b) Give the letter, **A** to **I**, of the part which controls the amount of light entering the eye.

Letter.....  
(1 mark)

(c) What is the function of part **E**?

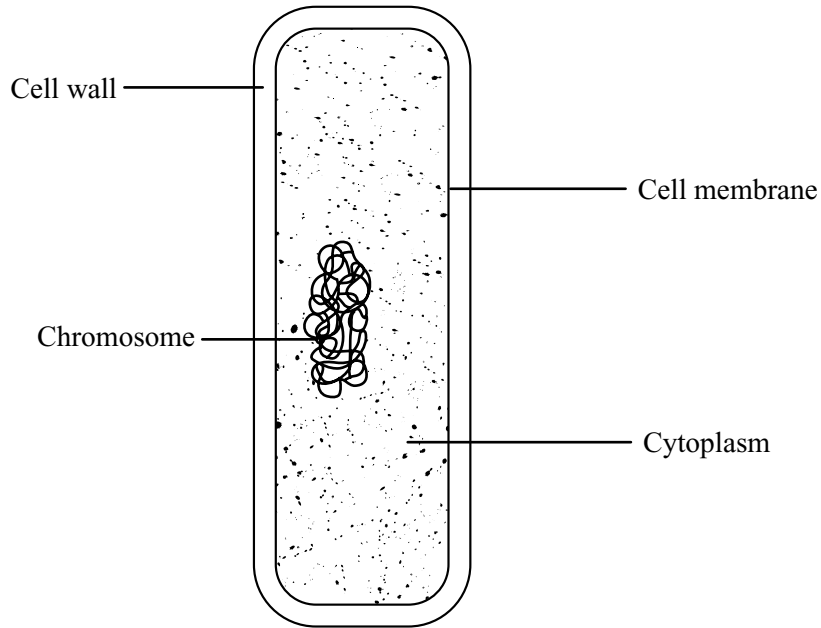
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3 (a) The diagram shows a bacterial cell.



A bacterial cell is smaller than a human cell. Give **two** other ways in which the bacterial cell is different from a cell in the human body.

- 1 .....
- 2 ..... (2 marks)

(b) Describe and explain **two** natural defences which help to prevent bacteria entering and harming the human body.

- 1 .....
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- 2 .....
- ..... (2 marks)

- (c) The table shows changes in resistance to the antibiotic penicillin in one species of bacterium between 1991 and 1996.

Years	Percentage of cases where bacteria were resistant to penicillin
1991–92	7
1993–94	14
1995–96	22

A doctor was asked to treat a patient who had a sore throat.

- (i) How does penicillin help to treat infection?

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- (ii) Use the data in the table to suggest why the doctor should **not** prescribe penicillin.

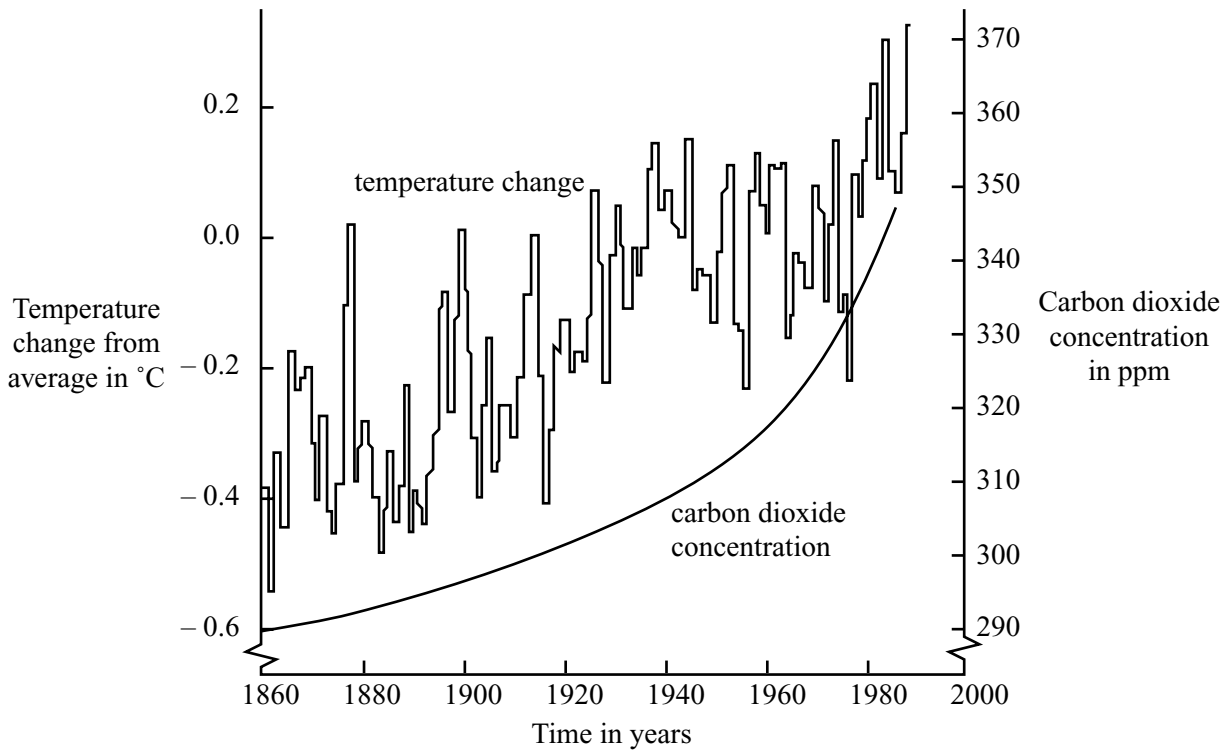
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4 The graph shows changes in temperature and in carbon dioxide concentration in the earth's atmosphere between 1860 and 1990.



(a) Give **two** human activities which may have helped to increase the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

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(2 marks)

(b) (i) Describe the changes in temperature shown by the graph between 1860 and 1990.

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(ii) Do the data in the graph prove that increased carbon dioxide concentrations in the atmosphere caused the changes in temperature you described in part (b) (i)? Give a reason for your answer.

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(1 mark)

- (c) Describe **one** way in which a change in temperature such as that shown in the graph might affect the environment.

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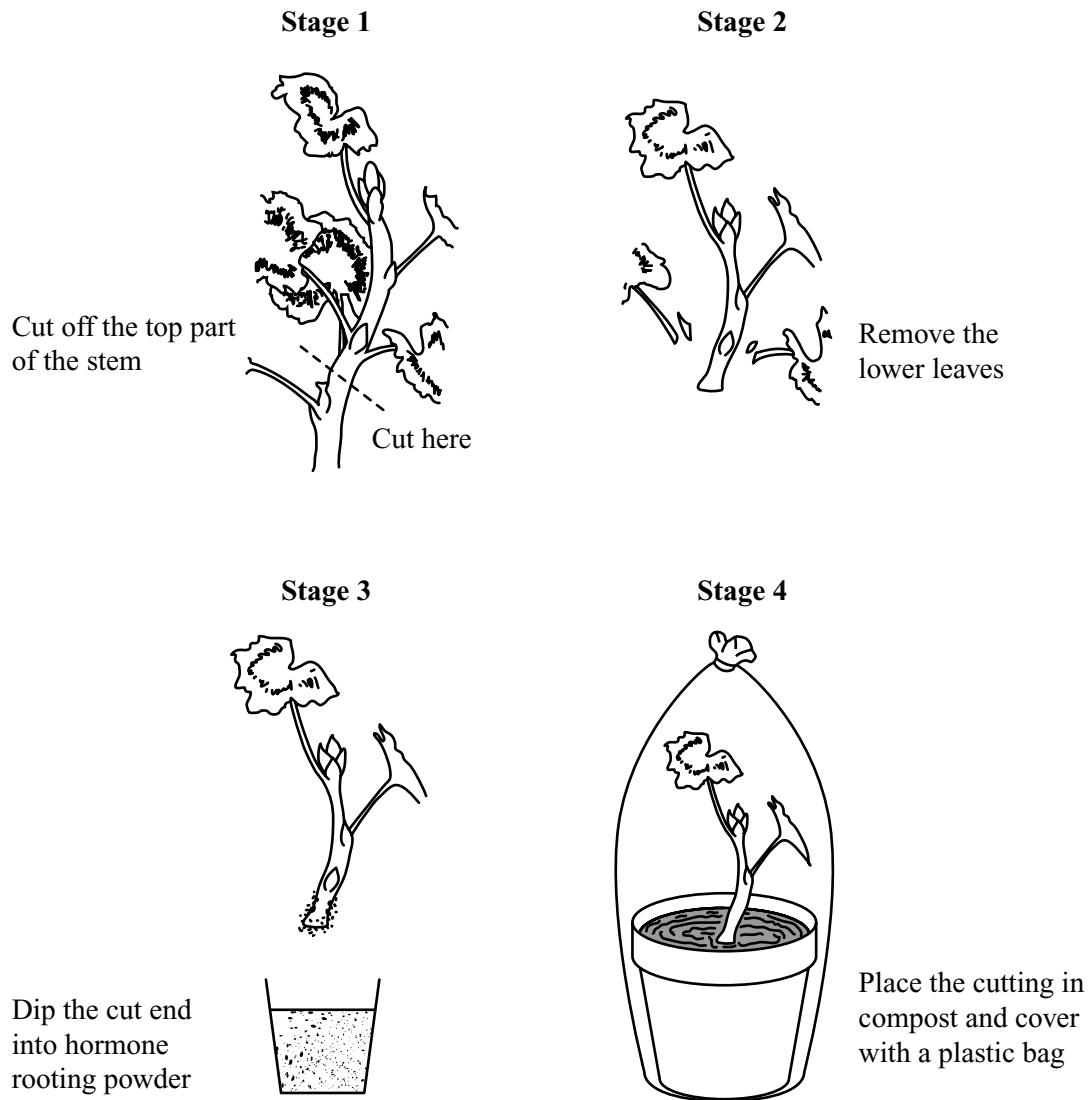
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- 5 (a) New plants can be produced from a parent plant by taking cuttings. The diagram shows how this is done.





(i) Hormone rooting powder stimulates the growth of new roots (Stage 3). Why would the cutting die without roots?

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(1 mark)

(ii) Why were the cutting and the pot of soil covered with a plastic bag (Stage 4)?

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(1 mark)

(b) A new variety of plant was developed by a gardener. Would the first plant of this new variety have been grown from a seed or from a cutting taken from another plant? Explain your answer as fully as you can.

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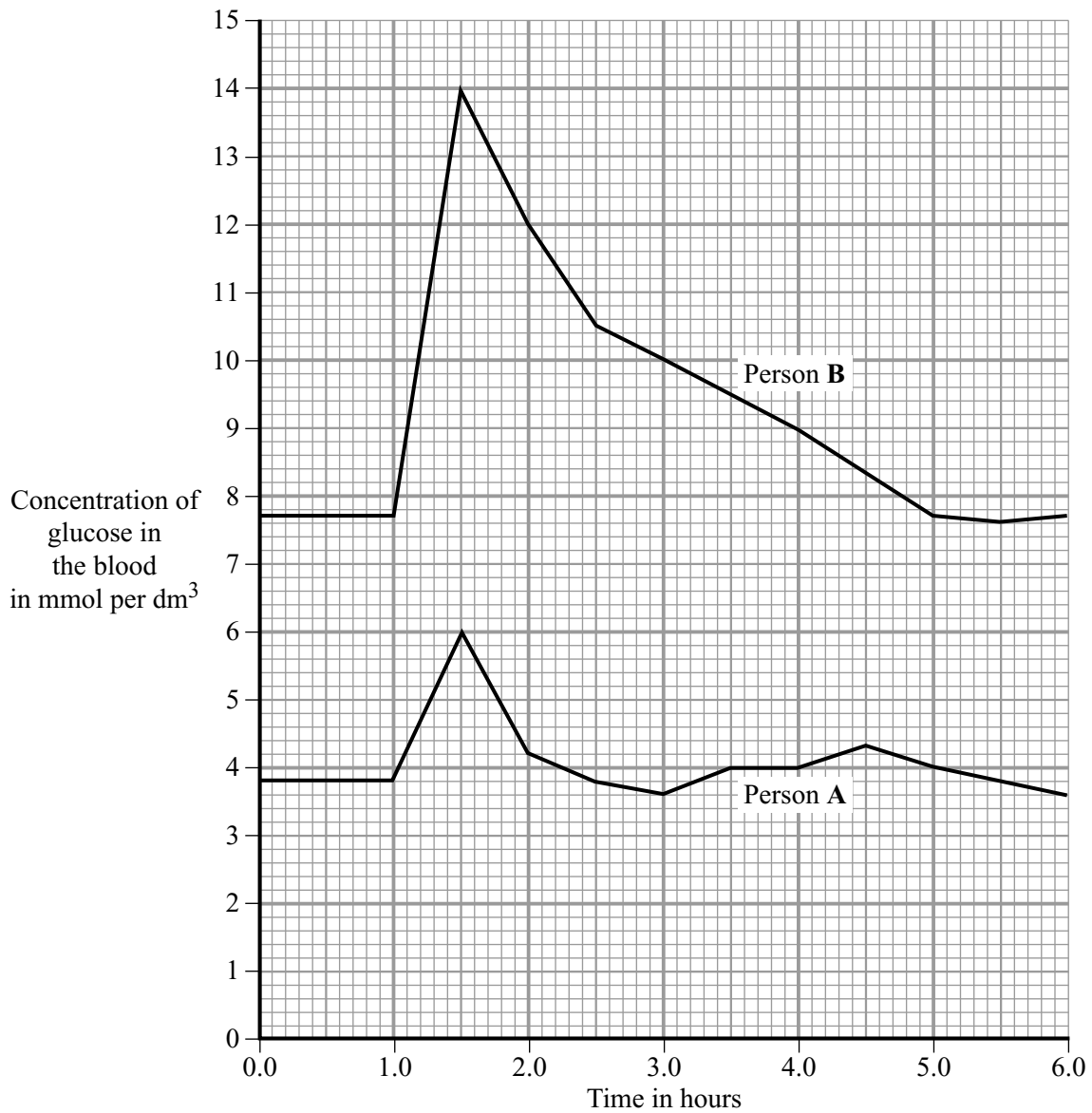
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- 6 The graph shows the concentration of glucose in the blood of two people. Person A is a non-diabetic. Person B has diabetes. Each person ate 75 grams of glucose at 1.0 hours.



- (a) (i) What was the maximum concentration of glucose in the blood of Person A?

.....mmol per dm<sup>3</sup>  
(1 mark)

- (ii) After eating the glucose, how long did it take for the concentration of glucose in the blood of Person B to return to normal?

.....hours  
(1 mark)

(b) A diabetic person does not produce enough insulin.

(i) Which organ produces insulin?

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(1 mark)

(ii) Write the letter **X** on the graph to show one time when the blood of Person **A** would contain large amounts of insulin. (1 mark)

(c) A high concentration of glucose in the blood can harm body cells as a result of osmosis. Explain why.

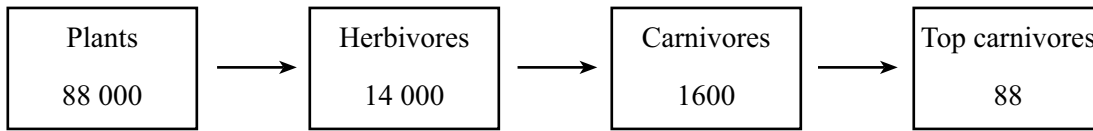
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7 The diagram shows a food chain in a pond. The figures show the amounts of energy in each type of organism, in kilojoules per m<sup>2</sup> of pond per year.



(a) Calculate the percentage of the energy in the plants that is passed to the top carnivores. Show clearly how you work out your final answer.

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Answer .....%  
(2 marks)

(b) In the space below, draw a pyramid of biomass for this food chain. Label your drawing with the names of the organisms.

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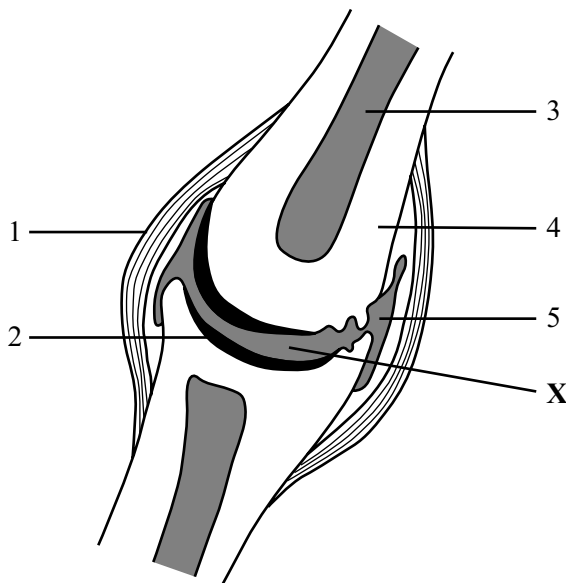
(c) If humans ate organisms from this food chain, it would be more efficient to eat plants than to eat herbivores. Why is this?

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(1 mark)

8 The diagram shows a section of a synovial joint.



(a) One of the numbered tissues has great strength to hold the bones together. It is also slightly elastic so that movement at the joint is possible. Give the number which labels this tissue and its name.

Number of tissue .....

Name of tissue..... (1 mark)

(b) Describe the function of the part labelled X.

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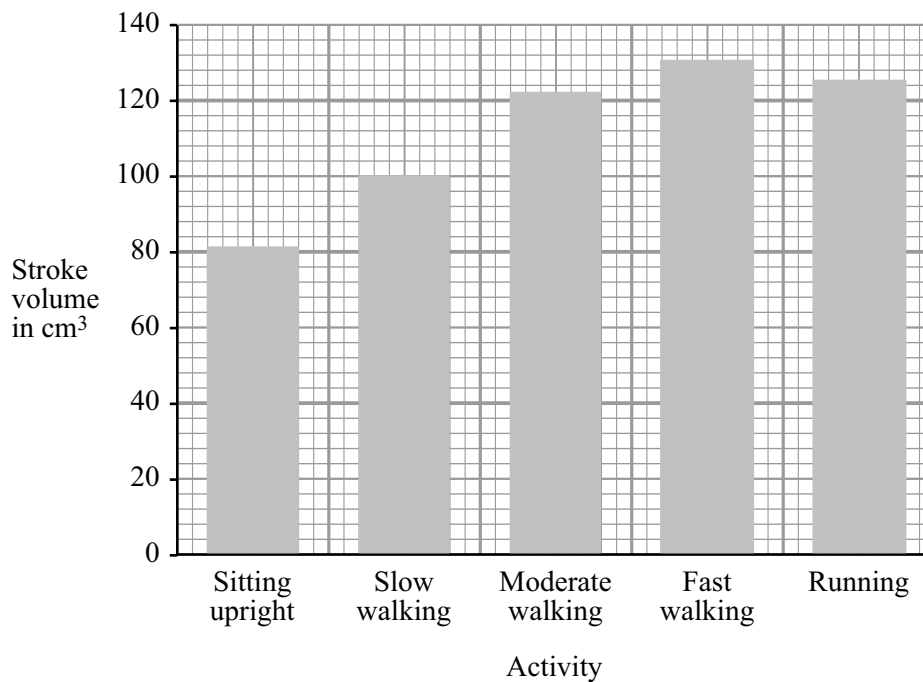
(c) The joint shown in the diagram has been damaged by osteoarthritis. A person with a joint like this would find movement difficult. Use information in the diagram to help explain the reason for this.

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(3 marks)

- 9 A person did five different activities in turn. These activities needed increasing amounts of energy. For each activity two measurements were made. These were the rate of contraction of the left ventricle and its stroke volume (the volume of blood pumped at each beat). From these measurements the cardiac volume was calculated.

Some of these results are shown in the table and the bar chart.

Activity	Rate of contraction of left ventricle in beats per minute	Cardiac output in cm <sup>3</sup> per minute
Sitting upright	68	5 500
Slow walking		8 000
Moderate walking	98	12 000
Fast walking	130	17 500
Running	150	19 000



- (a) (i) Describe how a person can count the rate of beating of the left ventricle.

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(1 mark)

- (ii) Calculate the rate of ventricle contraction in beats per minute when the person was walking slowly. Show clearly how you work out your final answer.

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Rate of ventricle contraction ..... beats per minute.  
(2 marks)

- (iii) The pattern of results for stroke volume shows an anomalous result when the person is running. In what way is it anomalous?

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(1 mark)

- (iv) There was a change in cardiac output when the person's movement changed from fast walking to running. How did the heart produce this change?

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(1 mark)

- (b) Over a period of time, regular exercise can strengthen the heart muscle. This change in the heart muscle enables a person to run for longer before lactic acid build up occurs. Explain the reason for this.

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10 Humans are primates. The diagrams show the skeletons of two other primates.

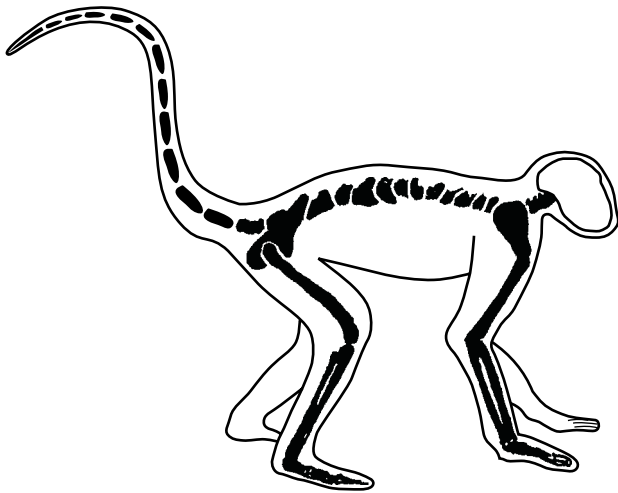


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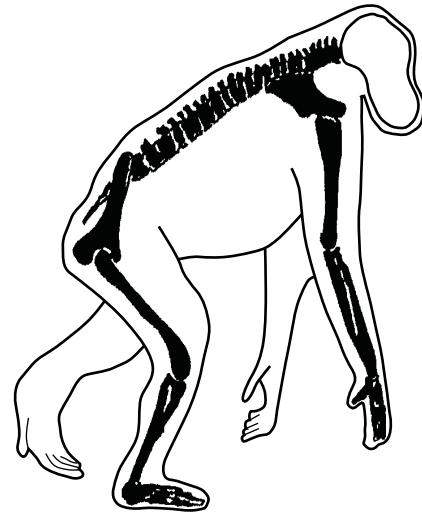


Diagram B

(a) Give **one** characteristic of primates which has not been shown in the diagrams.

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(1 mark)

(b) Diagram **B** shows a primate which is more closely related to humans than the animal shown in Diagram **A**. Describe **one** feature shown in the diagrams which shows this to be true.

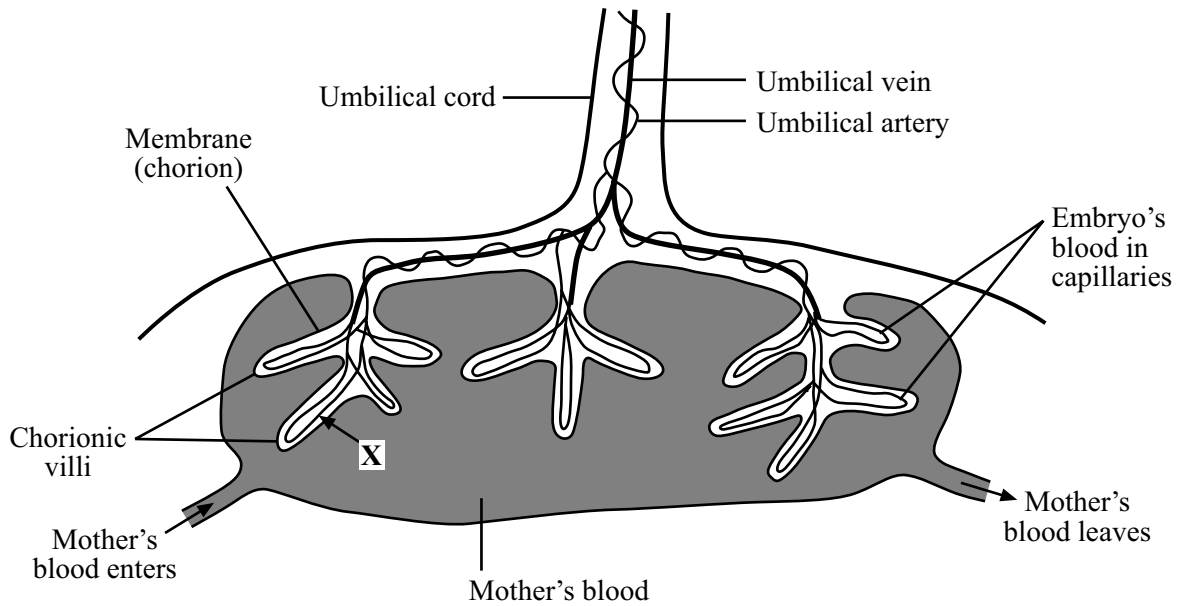
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(c) The animal shown in Diagram **B** is a primate related to humans. It also has certain features which are different from those in humans. Describe **two** of these differences.

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(2 marks)



11 The simplified diagram shows some parts of the placenta and umbilical cord.



(a) Clearly draw an arrow on the diagram to show the direction of blood flow in the umbilical vein. (1 mark)

(b) Name **one** substance which passes in the direction of arrow X.

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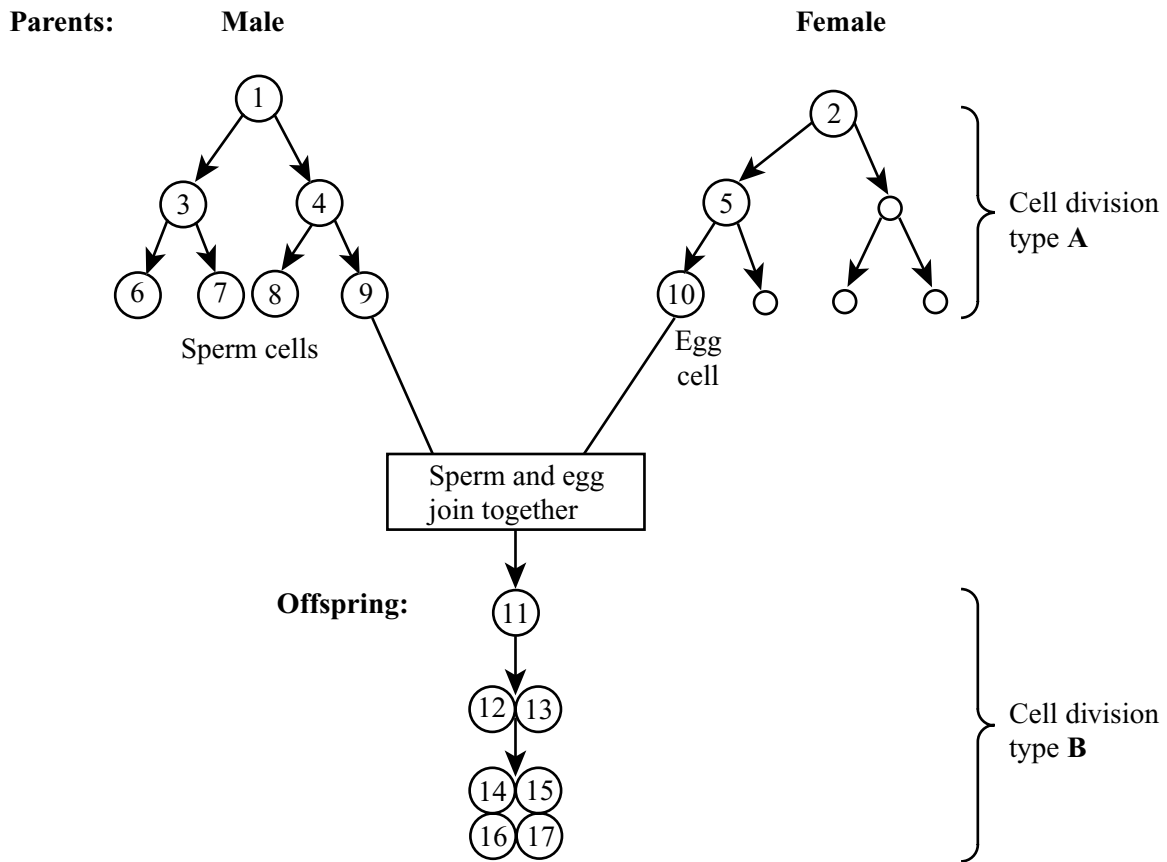
(c) The chorion is a thin membrane which is not fully permeable. Explain the importance of both of these features to an embryo.

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(d) Describe how the shape of the chorionic villi, as shown in the diagram, helps the placenta to function.

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12 The diagram shows two patterns of cell division. Cell division type **A** is used in gamete formation. Cell division type **B** is used in normal growth.



(a) Name the two types of cell division, **A** and **B**, shown in the diagram.

Type **A** .....

Type **B** .....

(2 marks)

(b) Name the process in which an egg and sperm join together.

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(1 mark)

(c) Cell **1** contains 46 chromosomes. How many chromosomes will there be in:

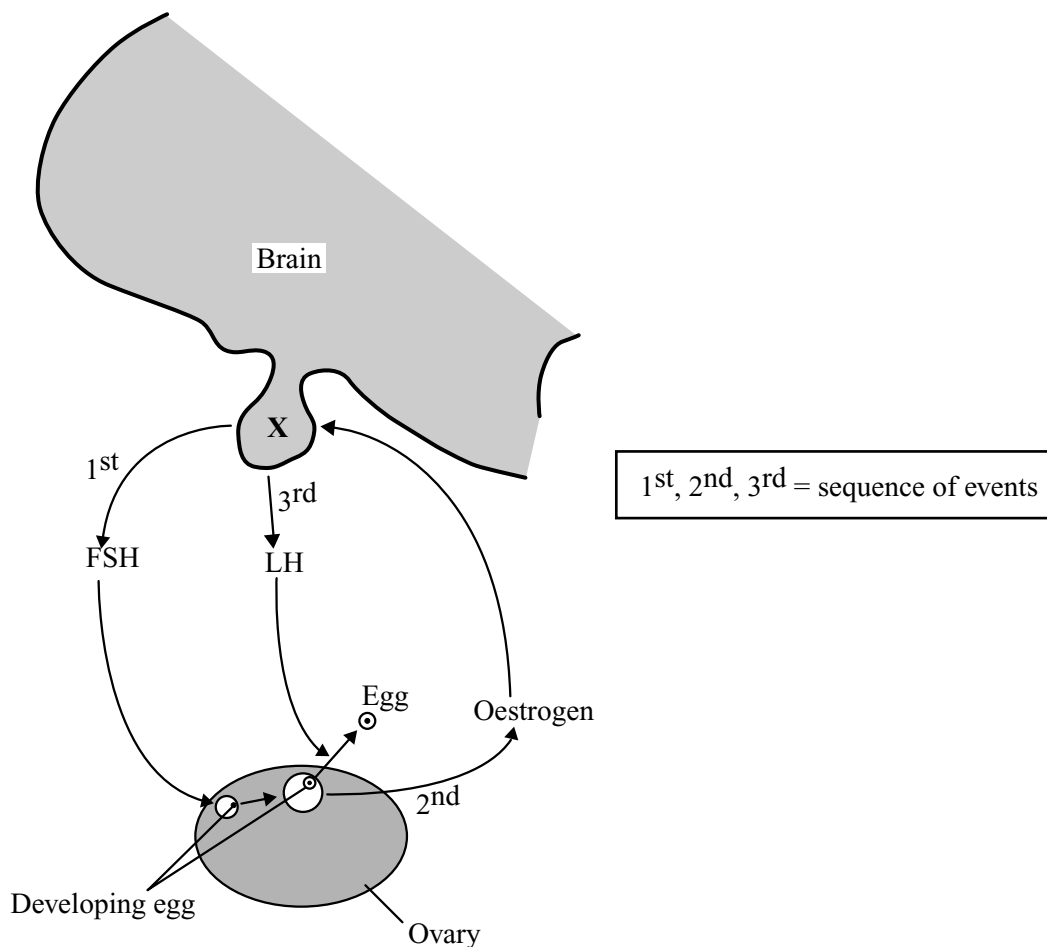
(i) cell **10**; .....

(1 mark)

(ii) cell **14**? .....

(1 mark)

13 The diagram shows how three hormones, FSH, LH and oestrogen, work together in a woman's body.



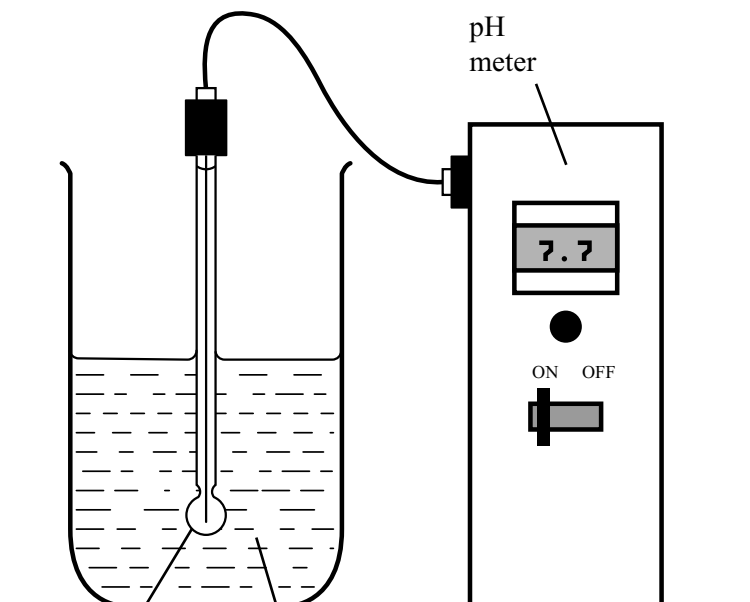
(a) Name the part of the brain labelled X.

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(b) Use information from the diagram and your own knowledge to explain why some oral contraceptive pills contain oestrogen.

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- 14 The diagram shows the apparatus used to investigate the digestion of milk fat by an enzyme. The reaction mixture contained milk, sodium carbonate solution (an alkali) and the enzyme. In Experiment 1, bile was also added. In Experiment 2, an equal volume of water replaced the bile. In each experiment, the pH was recorded at 2-minute intervals.



pH  
electrode

Reaction mixture containing:

**Either: Experiment 1**

milk (contains fat)  
sodium carbonate solution  
bile  
enzyme

**or: Experiment 2**

milk (contains fat)  
sodium carbonate solution  
water  
enzyme

The results of the two experiments are given in the table.

Time in minutes	pH	
	Experiment 1: with bile	Experiment 2: no bile
0	9.0	9.0
2	8.8	9.0
4	8.7	9.0
6	8.1	8.8
8	7.7	8.6
10	7.6	8.2

(a) Milk fat is a type of lipid. Give the name of an enzyme which catalyses the breakdown of lipids.

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(1 mark)

(b) What was produced in each experiment to cause the fall in pH?

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(1 mark)

(c) (i) For Experiment 1, calculate the average rate of fall in pH per minute, between 4 minutes and 8 minutes. Show clearly how you work out your final answer.

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.....pH units per minute  
(2 marks)

(ii) Why was the fall in pH faster when bile was present?

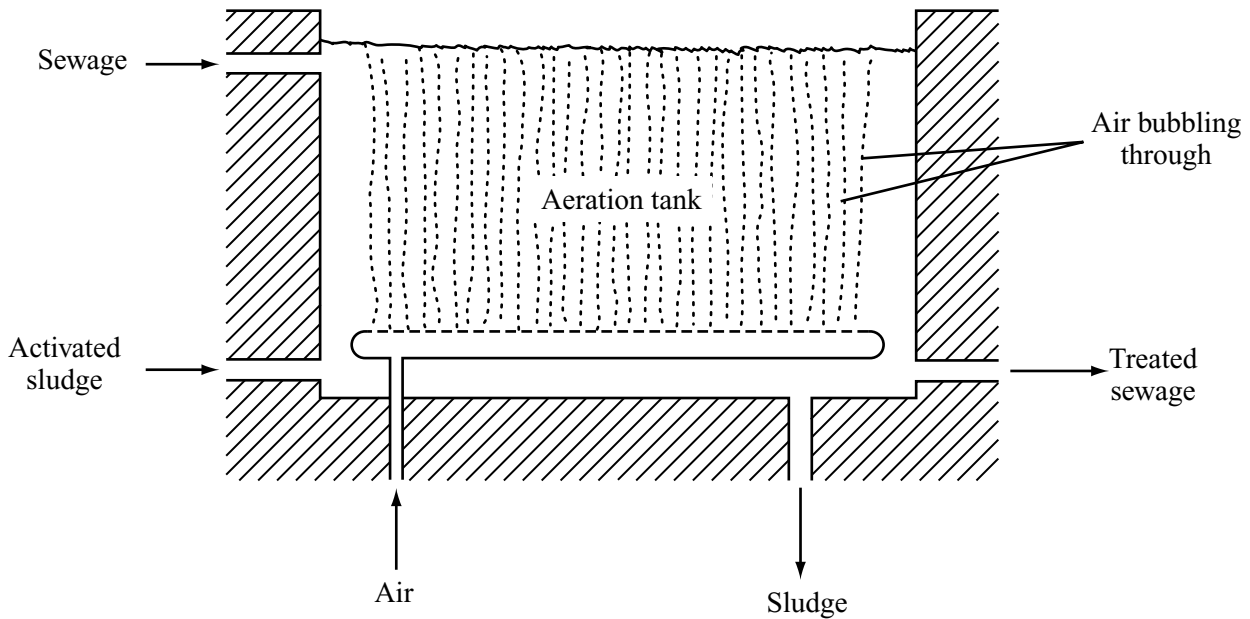
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15 The diagram shows how sewage may be treated in an aeration tank, by the activated sludge process. The sewage is mixed with ‘activated sludge’ (organic matter rich in microorganisms). Many tiny bubbles of air are blown through the mixture.



(a) Many types of bacteria are present in the activated sludge. These include putrefying bacteria and nitrifying bacteria. Both of these are aerobic bacteria.

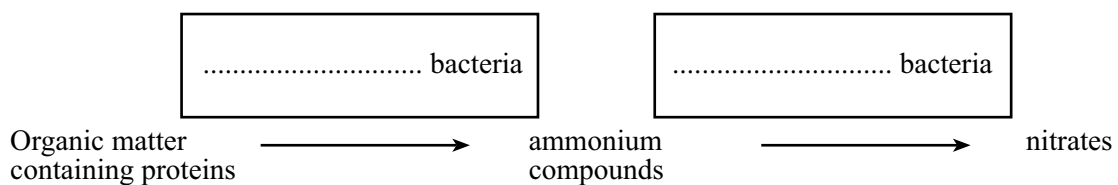
(i) What gas, present in the air, is used by these bacteria?

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(ii) Why do the bacteria need this gas?

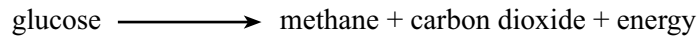
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(b) Write the names of the bacteria in the correct boxes in the flow-chart.



(1 mark)

- (c) The sludge from the aeration tank is processed further in a 'sludge digester' tank containing anaerobic bacteria. The equation below shows how these anaerobic bacteria break down glucose.



- (i) How is anaerobic breakdown of glucose in human muscle different from its breakdown by these bacteria?

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(2 marks)

- (ii) The sludge digester tank is kept at about 35 °C. Suggest a reason for this.

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(1 mark)

- (d) Explain how a large amount of untreated sewage entering a river could cause the death of the fish in the river.

*To gain full marks in this question you should write your ideas in good English. Put them into a sensible order and use the correct scientific words.*

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- 16 The table shows the concentrations of some substances in human blood plasma, in the filtrate produced by the kidney and in the urine.

Substance	Concentration in grams per dm <sup>3</sup>		
	Blood plasma	Filtrate	Urine
Glucose	1.0	1.0	0.0
Amino acids	0.5	0.5	0.0
Urea	0.3	0.3	20.0
Protein	80.0	0.0	0.0
Ions	7.2	7.2	15.0
Water	912.0	990.0	970.0

- (a) Explain why:

- (i) the concentration of glucose in the filtrate is the same as in the blood plasma;

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 (1 mark)

- (ii) there is no glucose present in the urine.

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 (1 mark)

- (b) Suggest why there is no protein present in either the filtrate or the urine.

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- (c) The volume of water removed in the urine is variable. Explain how the human body reduces the volume of urine produced when less water is consumed.

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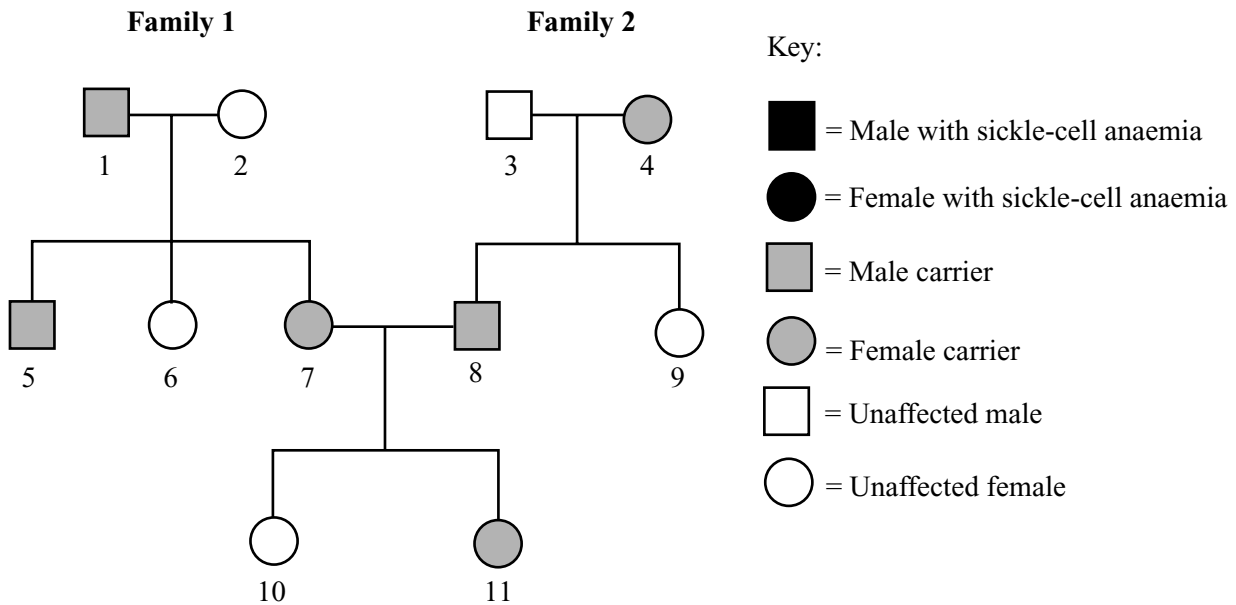
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- 17 The diagram shows the inheritance of sickle-cell anaemia in two families. A person with sickle-cell anaemia has red blood cells which form a 'sickle' shape at low oxygen concentrations. In the sickled condition, the red cells may block tiny blood vessels and, while normal red blood cells may live for about 120 days, sickled red cells die after about 10 to 20 days. A person who is a carrier usually shows no ill effects.



- (a) Sickle-cell anaemia is caused by a change in a gene which codes for the production of haemoglobin.

- (i) What biological term describes a change in a gene?

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(1 mark)

- (ii) Suggest why a person with sickle-cell anaemia may become breathless during even light exercise.

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(1 mark)

(b) Person 7 is pregnant with her third child. The father is Person 8.

- (i) Use a genetic diagram to show how it is possible for this child to have sickle-cell anaemia.

Use the following symbols:

$H^A$  = allele for unaffected haemoglobin;

$H^S$  = allele for sickle haemoglobin.

	Person 7	Person 8
Phenotype:	Carrier	Carrier

(4 marks)

- (ii) What is the probability that Person 7's third child will have sickle-cell anaemia?

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(1 mark)

- (c) Give the number of any **one** person from the families on the opposite page who would **not** have been resistant to malaria.

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(1 mark)

8

Turn over ►

- 18 (a) The table shows the concentrations of some mineral ions in the cells of a pond plant and in the surrounding pond water.

	Concentration in mmol per dm <sup>3</sup>		
	Potassium	Calcium	Sulphate
Plant cells	49.0	7.0	7.0
Pond water	0.5	0.7	0.4

- (i) The plant cells would not have been able to absorb these mineral ions from the pond water by diffusion. Explain why not.

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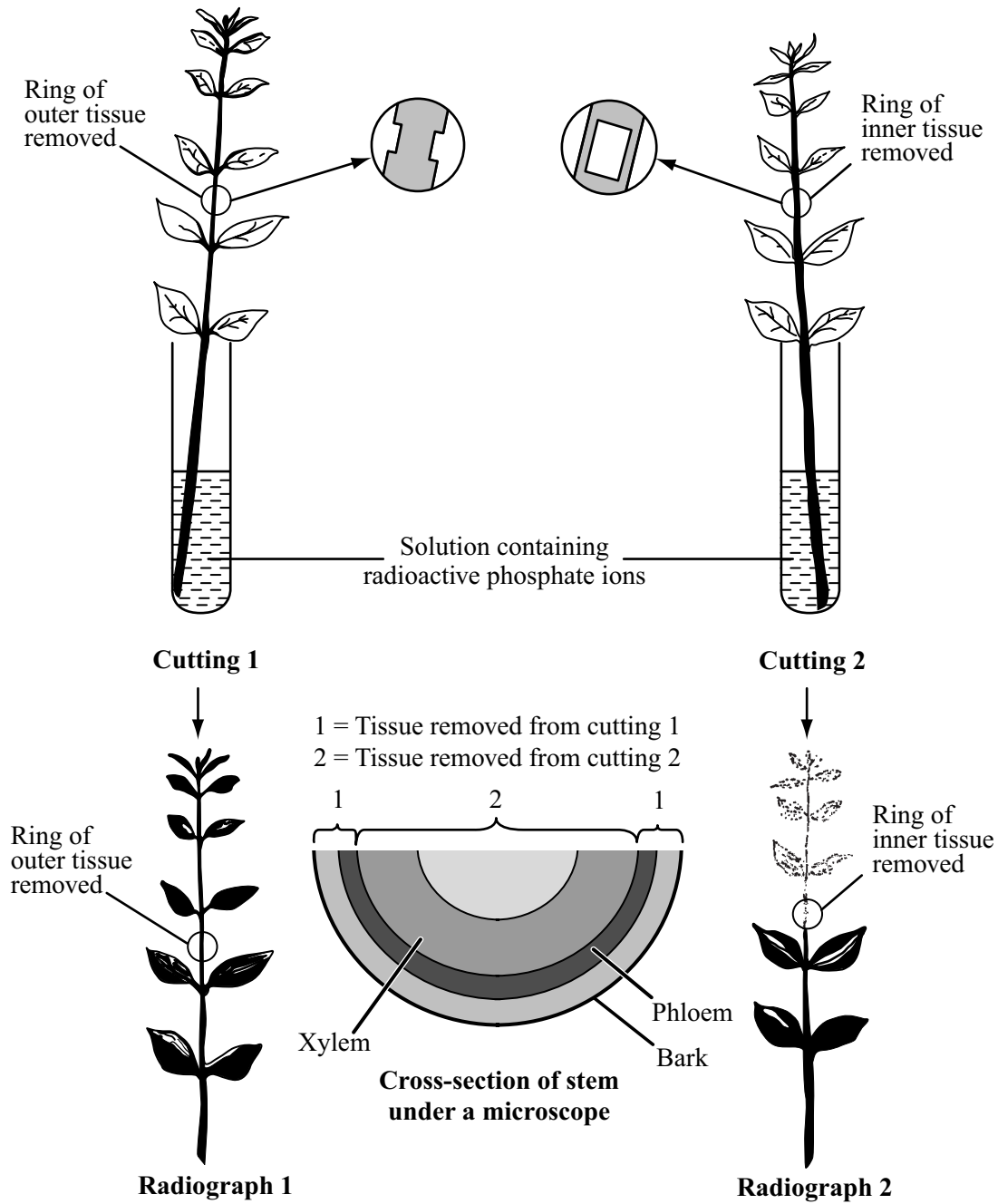
- (ii) Suggest a process which would allow these ions to be absorbed from the pond water by the plant cells.

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- (b) Absorbed mineral ions must be transported to all parts of the plant. The following experiment was carried out to discover which tissue transported phosphate ions up a plant.

A complete ring of tissue was cut from the outside of a woody stem cutting. The cutting was then placed with its base in a solution containing radioactive phosphate ions. After one hour the cutting was removed from the solution and left in contact with some X-ray film for several days. The film was then developed, giving a 'radiograph' of the cutting (the film was turned black by radiation from the radioactive phosphate ions). A second cutting was treated in the same way except that the inner tissue was removed from part of the stem, leaving the top and bottom of the stem connected by a few strands of the outer tissue. The diagram on the opposite page shows the stages of this experiment.



Use the information from the diagram to draw conclusions from this experiment.

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- 19 (a) How does contraction of the muscles between the ribs and contraction of muscles in the diaphragm help to take air into the lungs?

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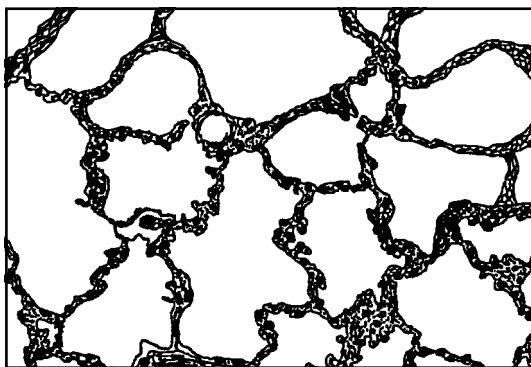
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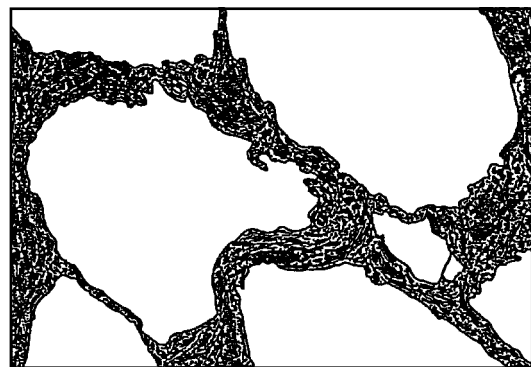
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- (b) Emphysema is a disease of the lungs. People who smoke cigarettes are more likely to suffer from emphysema. The diagrams show lung tissue from a healthy person and lung tissue from a person with emphysema. The diagrams are drawn to the same scale.



Lung tissue from a healthy person



Lung tissue from a person with emphysema

Explain how emphysema reduces the amount of oxygen which diffuses into the blood.

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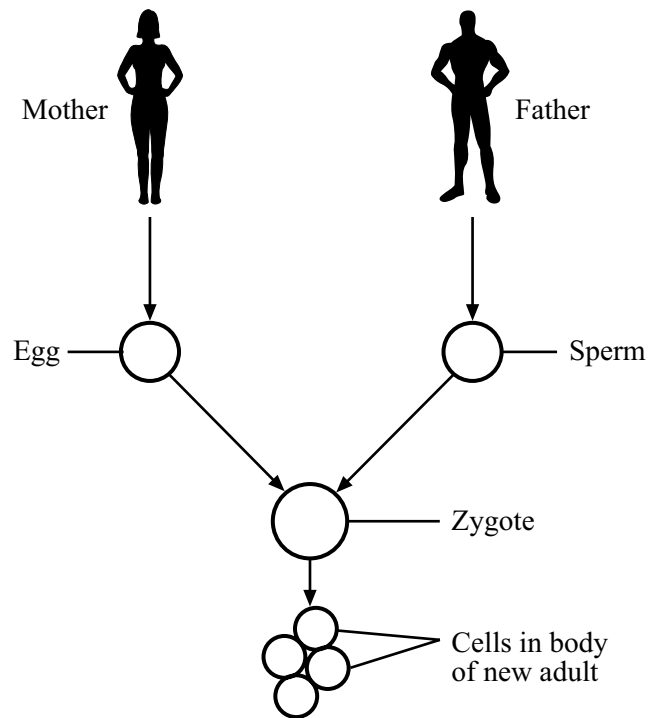
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20 (a) The diagram represents the human life cycle.



Some students were asked to alter this diagram to show how fraternal (non-identical) twins are formed. What important changes would they have to make?

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(1 mark)

- (b) After fertilisation, a zygote implants into the uterine lining and develops into an embryo. Certain hormones prevent the embryo from aborting from the lining. Some of these hormones are secreted by the ovary, the embryo and the placenta. Describe the role of these structures and their hormones in ensuring that the embryo does not abort.

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- (c) (i) At the end of pregnancy, birth occurs. What is the final stage of labour?

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- (ii) Shortly following birth, the mother’s breasts produce colostrum. Give **one** reason why this secretion is valuable to her baby.

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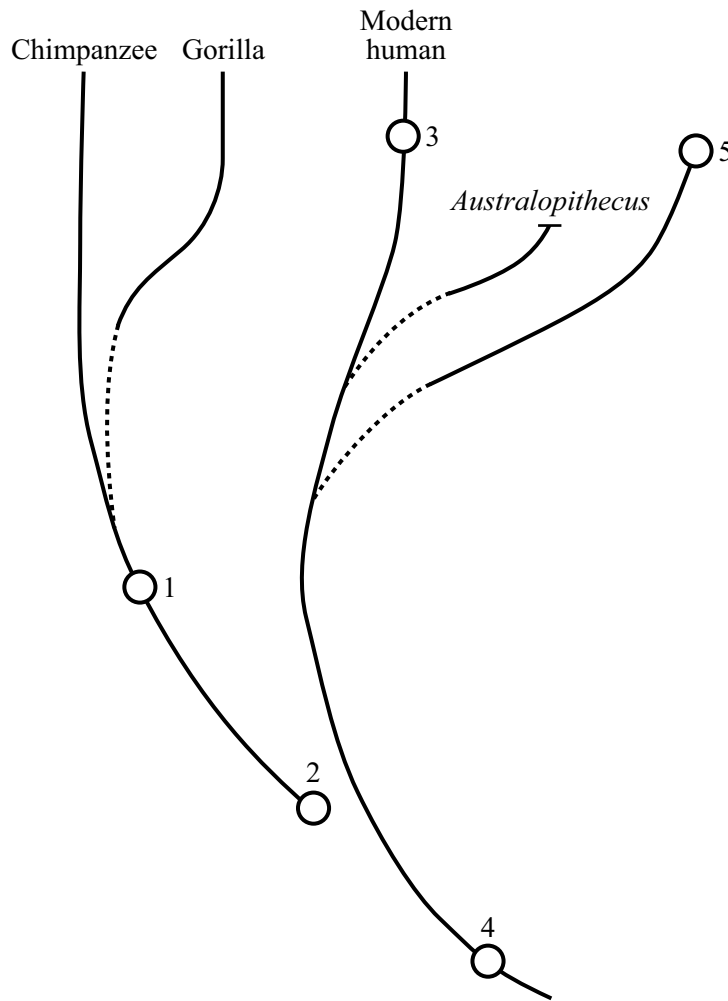
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- 21 (a) The diagram shows some of the evolutionary relationships of modern humans and other related primates.



- (i) The circles represent organisms which are now extinct. Which numbered circle is most likely to represent *Homo erectus*? Explain the reason for your answer.

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(1 mark)

- (ii) The brain size of *Homo habilis* was smaller than that of *Homo erectus* and it is unlikely that they used fire to cook food. Also, their tools were not as sophisticated. Place a letter X on this diagram to show where you think *Homo habilis* would be represented.

(1 mark)

(iii) Why are some parts of the diagram joined by dotted lines?

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*(1 mark)*

(b) After the publication of Darwin’s ideas on evolution, some people thought that this meant that humans had evolved from chimpanzees and gorillas. They began looking for an animal called “the missing link” which they thought would be intermediate between chimpanzees or gorillas and humans. Explain how the diagram shows that such a missing link is unlikely.

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(c) Suggest what use could be made of DNA to investigate the relationships in the evolution of different species of humans and their ancestors.

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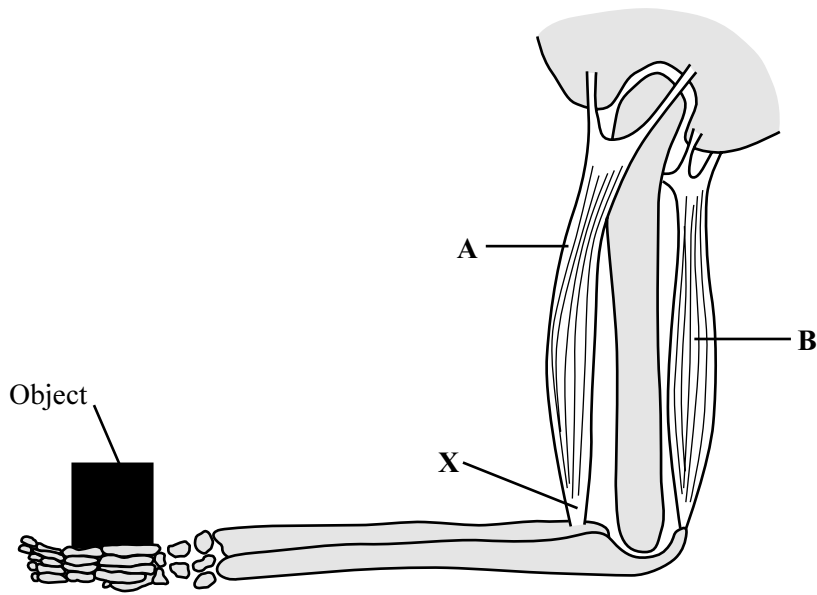
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22 The diagram shows the muscles and bones of an arm.



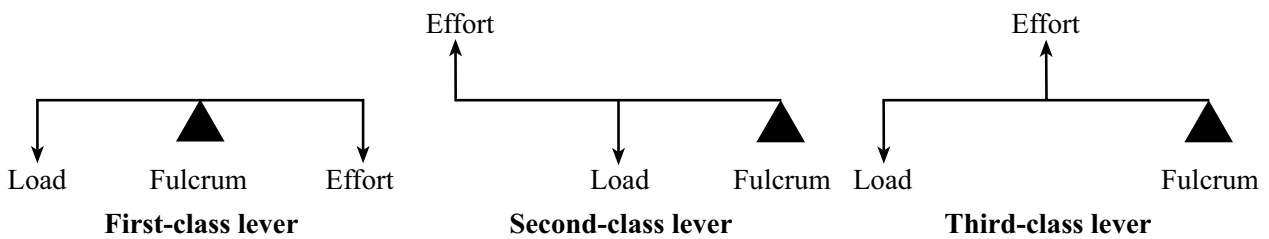
(a) X shows the *insertion* of muscle A. Explain what is meant by the term *insertion*.

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 (1 mark)

(b) One important property of part X is that it is inelastic. This property is important for the proper functioning of this joint. Explain why.

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 (1 mark)

(c) The diagram below shows three classes of lever.



When muscle B contracts, the lower arm moves as a first-class lever. What class of lever is the lower arm when muscle A contracts? Explain the reason for your answer.

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 (1 mark)

- (d) The object is acting on the hand with a force of 20N and it is 35cm from the fulcrum of the elbow joint. The attachment of muscle A is 5 cm from this fulcrum. Muscle A contracts with sufficient force to keep the object lifted. Calculate the force of the contraction of muscle A. Show clearly how you work out your final answer.

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Force of contraction of muscle A = ..... N  
(2 marks)

- (e) The type of lever which occurs when muscle A contracts is a common one in the body. Suggest **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of the use of such a lever in the body.

Advantage.....

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Disadvantage .....

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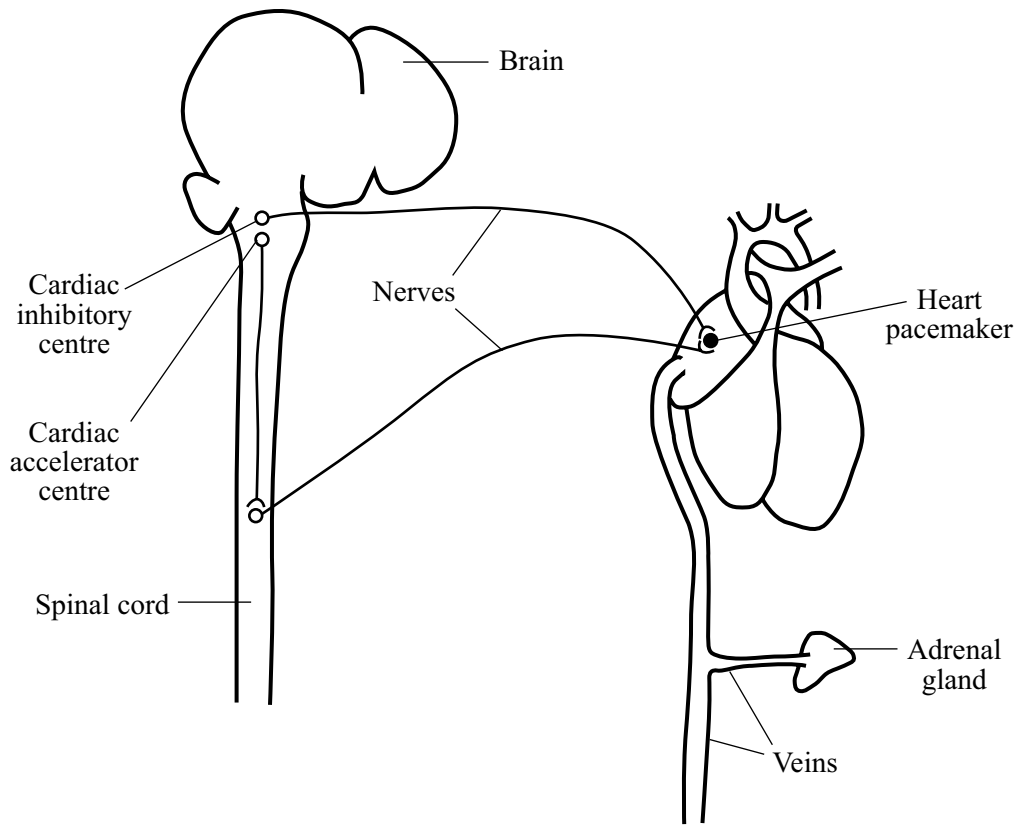
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**TURN OVER FOR THE NEXT QUESTION**

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23 (a) The diagram shows some of the factors which control the beating of the heart.



If a person suddenly suffers stress, the beating of the heart is quickly adjusted to produce the correct blood output. Use information from the diagram to help explain how the rate of beating is changed in such a situation.

*To gain full marks in this question you should write your ideas in good English. Put them into a sensible order and use the correct scientific words.*

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(3 marks)

(b) Damage to the coronary arteries can lead to a heart attack. A person with a blood pressure higher than normal has an increased risk of such an attack. Explain the reason for this.

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**END OF QUESTIONS**

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