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Mark Scheme for June 2011

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Q	uesti	on	Answer		Mark	Guidance
1	а	i	To find out if the results are repeatable	. (1)	1	
		ii	50 (1)		1	
		iii*	any two from: outlier / anomaly / 34 far outside other valu outlier; outlier discarded; lowest and highest of other values;	ues / 34 is an	2	answer such as 'ignore/discard 34' get 2 marks allow 'most of the values are in this range' for 3 rd marking point
	b		molecule ✓ (1) sliding over each other. ✓ (1)		2	1 mark for each correct answer
			Total		6	

Q	uesti	on	Answer			Mark	Guidance
2	а		New trees can be planted ✓ Poly(ethene) is made from crude oil.	(1)		2	
	b		1.7 MJ of energy is used in the life cycle of a paper bag. 2.4 MJ of energy is used in the life cycle of a poly(ethene) bag. The life cycle of a paper bag uses 0.3 MJ more energy than a poly(ethene) bag.	true	false	2	all 3 correct = 2 marks 2 or 1 correct = 1 mark
	С		candidate is aware that there are fewer journeys (with polythene bags than paper bags) (1); candidate is aware that there is less pollution (1)			2	allow implication that less fuel/energy used in transportation ignore answers relating to sustainability of fuel

Q	uestic	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
2	d			2	
			recycled, burned or thrown away? (1)		
			How much carbon dioxide is released ✓ (1)		
			Total	8	

Questic	on Answer	Mark	Guidance
3	description	gas 2	two marks for 3 links correct one mark for 1 or 2 correct
	a gas which is produced in photosynthesis	on dioxide	
	a gas which is produced in respiration	xygen	
	a greenhouse gas	Aygen	
	the commonest gas in the atmosphere	trogen	
	Total	2	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
4	а		electromagnetic (1) photons (1) smaller than (1)	3	
	b		Microwaves are absorbed by the food (1) Microwaves make particles vibrate (1)	2	

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
4 c	no mark for choice of infrared or microwaves correct example of device (linked to choice) (1) idea of the information being sent (1) names receiving device (1)	3	first marking point must correctly link to choice. if choice is missing / other radiation named (eg gamma, UV etc) do not award first marking point, but consider next 2 points with ecf the 2 nd marking point needs the candidate to exemplify the information being sent eg text, voice call, picture, sound etc microwaves: expect mobile phone (1) sound/texts/pictures (1) sent from one mobile phone to another (via base stations) (1) other possible applications for microwaves include: satellite TV, (broadcast transmitter, picture/sound signal, satellite dish/TV) wireless networks, (router/modem, any digital media, computer/ipod/kindle etc) Bluetooth, (named Bluetooth device eg ipod etc, any digital media, any 2 nd named Bluetooth device), games controller (eg Xbox/Wii controller, move character/shoot etc, Xbox/Wii) IR: expect (TV/open a door) remote control (1) changing something about the TV/radio (turning off/changing the channel) or opening the door (1) TV or door is the receiver / correct nature of the receiver (1) allow direct IR link between 2 mobile phones to exchange information (mobile phone, any digital media, 2 nd mobile phone)
	Total	8	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
5	а	i	both Dean and Kate (1)	1	
		ii	neither of them (1)	1	
	b		true false UV can be good for you. UV can damage living cells. UV is a non-ionising radiation. UV is part of the EM spectrum. UV more energetic than X-rays.	2	all correct = 2 marks 4 correct = 1 mark
			Total	4	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
6	а	i	2 or 3 (1)	1	accept either 2 or 3 or both
		ii	1 (1)	1	
	b		causes the production of antibodies (1)	1	tick in any other box = 0 marks
	С	i	any two from: put off by complications / side effects / autism; think risk of serious complications / death from measles is low; more frightened of autism than measles;	2	the first mark is for identifying a (perceived) risk a candidate clearly expressing the idea that they feel the perceived risk is greater than the benefit scores 2 marks

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
6 C ii	description conclusion MMR vaccination did not change MMR is not linked to autism.	2	first (description) mark for any CLEAR selection of ONLY top left box second (conclusion) mark can ONLY be scored for CLEAR selection of ONLY top left and ONLY bottom right boxes
	Total	7	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Mark	Guidance
7	а		arteries carry blood away from the heart compared to veins which carry blood towards the heart (1)	3	allow comparison in terms of oxygenated/deoxygenated blood, or other correct comparison for their job
			named difference in structure of arteries compared to veins (1)		eg arteries have thicker/more muscular walls / arteries have smaller lumen / veins have valves
			blood pressure in arteries is higher than veins (1)		allow stop backflow of blood in veins if valves given as the structural difference
	b	i		2	answers must be in the correct order
					all 3 correct = 2 marks 1 or 2 correct = 1 mark
			oxygen / O ₂ ;		the 2 on O ₂ can be written as e.g. O ₂ , O ² or O2 allow O for oxygen in first answer space
			carbon dioxide / CO ₂ / waste;		the 2 on CO ₂ can be written as eg CO ₂ , CO ² or CO2 allow toxin in second answer space
			fat / clot / plaque / cholesterol / lipids / fatty deposits		allow either HDL or LDL to mean cholesterol allow reference to types of fat in third answer space

Qı	Question		Answer	Answer			Mark	Guidance
7	b	ii	life style factor	increases	decreases		2	all correct = 2 marks 3 or 4 correct = 1 mark
			low-fat diet cigarette smoking	· -	√			
			moderate aerobic exercise eating five portions of fruit and vegetables a day		✓			
			working long hours in a difficult job	√				
			Total				7	

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