# Markscheme 

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Biology

Higher level

## Paper 2

## Section B

## Extended response questions - quality mark

- Extended response questions for HLP2 each carry a mark total of [16]. Of these marks, [15] are awarded for content and [1] for the quality of the answer.
- [1] for quality is to be awarded when:
- the candidate's answers are clear enough to be understood without re-reading.
- the candidate has answered the question succinctly with little or no repetition or irrelevant material.
- It is important to judge this on the overall answer, taking into account the answers to all parts of the question. Although, the part with the largest number of marks is likely to provide the most evidence.
- Candidates that score very highly on the content marks need not necessarily automatically gain [1] for quality (and vice versa).

Section A

| Question |  | Answers | Notes | Total |
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| 1. | a | $470 \checkmark$ | Accept answers in the range of 460 to 480 «mg dL-1». | 1 |
|  | b | a. «autoimmune» destruction of beta/ß cells $\checkmark$ <br> b. reduced/insufficient/no production of insulin | Accept $B$ cells instead of $\beta$ cells. | 1 max |
|  | C | a. indicates «stem» cells can produce insulin OR is needed for insulin production OR shows insulin gene is working/being translated $\checkmark$ <br> b. insulin is needed to treat type I diabetes OR insulin is needed to bring blood glucose level down $\checkmark$ | Answers must relate to insulin mRNA. | 1 max |
|  | d | a. decrease in transplant group «after treatment» in contrast to control group which does not decrease/decreases only very slightly «initially»/increases/is higher than treatment group $\checkmark$ <br> b. glucose «remains» lower in transplant group «than control group» for 2 weeks/3 weeks/for a time $\checkmark$ <br> c. «in the $4^{\text {th }}$ week» transplant group rises back to level before transplant/to higher level than before transplant/to «near» level of control group $\checkmark$ | The answer must include some indication of time or non-permanency. | 2 max |


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| e | e | a. glucose level still higher than normal/higher than 100 «mg»/higher than it was before the drug injection $\checkmark$ <br> b. effective/lowers blood glucose for 3 weeks/temporarily/for a short time OR <br> glucose level rises back in $4^{\text {th }}$ week/by day 28 <br> OR <br> rises back to level of control group <br> OR <br> rises again but not above control group $\checkmark$ | This can either be positive (the treatment is effective for a while) or negative (it isn't effective permanently). <br> There must be a correct indication of the timing of the effects. | 2 |
| f |  | $700 \checkmark$ | No other answer accepted. | 1 |
| g | $g$ | a. more pancreatic beta-cell/ $\beta$-cell function/more insulin «production»/less severe diabetes in group $1 \checkmark$ <br> b. stem cell transplant is more successful/more effective/more stem cells survived in group $1 \checkmark$ <br> c. «group $1 »$ produces more proinsulin $\checkmark$ | Do not accept answers suggesting that only Group 1 produces insulin, <br> Reject more C-peptide. | 2 max |




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| 2. | a | i | $60 \mathrm{~kg} \checkmark$ | Units required. | 1 |
|  |  | ii | coronary heart disease or coronary artery disease or thrombosis or stroke or hypertension or high blood pressure or atheroma or fatty deposits in arteries or plaque «in arteries» or arteriosclerosis or atherosclerosis $\checkmark$ |  | 1 |
|  | b |  | $\left[\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right]_{n} /$ hydrocarbon chain with single bonds and at least four carbons $\checkmark$ <br> COOH head at one end $\boldsymbol{A N D}$ three hydrogens on other end $\checkmark$ | The minimum of four carbons includes the end of the hydrocarbon chain and the COOH group. | 2 |
|  | C |  | a. hormone produced by adipose/fat cells/adipose tissue $\checkmark$ <br> b. acts on/target cells are in the hypothalamus «of the brain» $\checkmark$ <br> c. inhibits/reduces appetite/hunger <br> OR <br> causes feeling of satiety <br> OR <br> makes you feel full <br> d. more leptin with more adipose tissue/fat «storage» tissue/cells <br> e. eat less/decreases/reduces food intake/in humans obese people can have leptin resistance $\checkmark$ | Reject produced by fat. <br> Reject produced by pituitary. | 3 max |


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| 3. | a |  | a. I and II are both muscle $\checkmark$ <br> b. circular and longitudinal |  | 2 |
|  | b |  | a. neonicotinoid pesticides are similar to nicotine «chemically» $\checkmark$ <br> b. bind to nicotinic/acetylcholine receptors $\checkmark$ <br> c. not broken down by «acetyl»cholinesterase <br> OR <br> binding is irreversible <br> d. prevents/blocks acetylcholine binding $\checkmark$ <br> e. blocks transmission from CNS <br> OR <br> blocks signals going to muscle <br> OR <br> muscle contraction blocked <br> OR <br> causes paralysis $\checkmark$ | Reject slows transmission. | 3 max |
|  | C |  | a. mutations «for resistance in some insects» $\checkmark$ <br> b. «mutation causes» breakdown of pesticide/detoxification of pesticide/changes to receptor site <br> c. natural selection for resistance <br> OR resistant insects survive and reproduce OR non-resistant killed leaving only resistant insects $\checkmark$ | Do not award mark if the answer implies directed mutations or that the pesticide causes the mutation. <br> Do not accept natural selection if not in context. Do not accept answers that use the term immunity instead of resistance. | 2 max |


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| 4. | a |  | a. A: gills or fins or scales or no limbs or external fertilization $\checkmark$ <br> b. B: homeothermic or warm-blooded or endothermic or lungs or tetrapod or four limbs or pentadactyl limbs or internal fertilization $\checkmark$ <br> c. C: hair or fur or mammary glands or milk $\checkmark$ |  | 3 |
|  | b |  | a. gene pool is all genes/all alleles $\checkmark$ <br> b. geographic isolation <br> OR <br> migration to different areas <br> OR <br> temporal isolation <br> OR <br> behavioural isolation $\checkmark$ <br> c. speciation/gene pool split if populations are reproductively isolated/do not interbreed $\checkmark$ <br> d. in different environments there are different selection pressures/opportunities/ natural selection/adaptations/niches «to exploit» $\checkmark$ <br> e. allele frequencies change/diverge $\checkmark$ | Reject all alleles/genes in a species. <br> Reject isolation if no type of isolation given. <br> Reject gene frequencies. | 3 max |


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| c |  | a. double membrane/small intermembrane space/small gap between inner and outer membrane for a gradient «of protons» to develop $\checkmark$ <br> b. cristae/folds in inner membrane/large surface area of inner membrane for ATP synthesis/chemiosmosis/proton pumping/electron transport chains $\checkmark$ <br> c. ATP synthase/stalked particles generates ATP from ADP + phosphate/Pi $\checkmark$ <br> d. electron transport chains for generating a proton gradient/for releasing energy from reduced NAD $\checkmark$ <br> e. matrix contains enzymes for Krebs cycle/link reaction/oxidation of fats/oxidation of substrates/aerobic respiration $\checkmark$ <br> f. ribosomes/DNA for protein synthesis/replication $\checkmark$ | Accept only the first two adaptations in the answer. <br> Reject ATPase. <br> Allow ATP synthetase. | 2 max |

## Section B

## Clarity of communication: [1]

The candidate's answers are clear enough to be understood without re-reading. The candidate has answered the question succinctly with little or no repetition or irrelevant material.

| Question |  | Answers | Notes | Total |  |
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| 5. | a |  | a. catalyse/speed up reactions $\checkmark$ <br> b. substrate-specific $\checkmark$ <br> c. lower the activation energy «of a chemical reaction» $\checkmark$ <br> d. substrate collides with/binds to active site $\checkmark$ <br> e. enzyme-substrate complex formed <br> OR <br> transition state formed <br> OR <br> bonds in substrate weakened $\checkmark$ |  |  |


| Question |  | Answers | Notes | Total |
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| b | b | a. «DNA» gyrase/topoisomerase «Il» prepares for uncoiling/relieves strains «in the double helix» $\checkmark$ <br> b. helicase uncoils/unwinds the DNA/double helix $\checkmark$ <br> c. helicase separates/unzips/breaks hydrogen bonds between the two strands of DNA $\checkmark$ <br> d. «DNA» primase adds an RNA primer/short length of RNA $\checkmark$ <br> e. DNA polymerase III adds «DNA» nucleotides/replicates DNA/synthesizes complementary strand in a 5' to $3^{\prime}$ direction $\checkmark$ <br> f. DNA polymerase III starts replication/adding nucleotides at the primer $\checkmark$ <br> g. DNA polymerase I removes the primer OR replaces RNA with DNA $\checkmark$ <br> h. «DNA» ligase seals the nicks OR <br> links sections of replicated DNA <br> OR <br> links Okazaki fragments $\checkmark$ <br> i. DNA polymerase I/DNA polymerase III proofreads for mistakes $\checkmark$ | Accept RNA primase. | 7 max |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C |  | a. key or text giving alleles with upper case for dominant allele and lower case for recessive allele/allele causing disease $\checkmark$ <br> b. Punnett grid showing that both parents can pass on either a dominant or a recessive allele in their gamete <br> c. four possible genotypes for child correctly shown on grid <br> d. double/homozygous recessive shown having the disease $\checkmark$ <br> e. $25 \%$ or 0.25 or $\frac{1}{4}$ chance of inheriting the disease | Reject key showing a sex linked gene such as hemophilia. <br> Reject if $X$ or $Y$ chromosomes are shown with the alleles. <br> Accept Aa or any other upper and lower case letters. <br> For example row and column headings with $A$ and $a$. <br> This mark can be awarded if $X$ or $Y$ chromosomes are shown but each parent has one recessive and one dominant allele as if for autosomal inheritance. <br> $A A, A a, a A$ and aa for example. <br> This mark can be awarded if $X$ or $Y$ chromosomes are shown but the genotypes are correct for autosomal inheritance. <br> Cannot be awarded with sex linkage. <br> This mark can be awarded if $X$ or $Y$ chromosomes are shown but the ratio is correct for autosomal inheritance. | 4 max |


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| 6. | a |  | a. phospholipid bilayer drawn and labelled with at least one protein labelled and drawn embedded either in one or both halves of the bilayer <br> b. integral/intrinsic/transmembrane/carrier/pump/channel/pore protein labelled and shown crossing the membrane <br> c. extrinsic/peripheral protein labelled and shown on membrane surface/not embedded in bilayer $\checkmark$ <br> d. glycoprotein labelled and shown integral and with a clear carbohydrate region projecting out on one side of the membrane | Reject if only peripheral proteins are shown. <br> The carbohydrate should be shown differently from the protein but need not be labelled specifically. <br> The protein part can be embedded in one or both phospholipid layers. | 3 max |


| Question |  | Answers | Notes | Total |
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| b |  | a. hypertonic solution has more solutes/higher solute concentration «than the tissue/cells/cytoplasm» <br> b. water moves out of the cells/tissue by osmosis «into the hypertonic solution» $\checkmark$ <br> c. water moves from lower solute concentration to higher solute concentration/up the solute concentration gradient $\checkmark$ <br> d. pressure inside cell drops <br> OR <br> cell no longer turgid <br> OR <br> cell becomes flaccid $\checkmark$ <br> e. volume of cytoplasm drops <br> OR <br> «plasma» membrane retracts from the cell wall <br> OR <br> cell is plasmolysed $\checkmark$ | Reject answers based on water concentrations. <br> Reject cell decreases in size. Reject plant wilts and other answers about whole plants. <br> Reject plant cells shrink or shrivel. | 4 max |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C | c | a. osmoregulation/excretion of nitrogenous waste/urea «is a function of the» kidney $\checkmark$ <br> b. ultrafiltration in the glomerulus/smaller molecules filtered out in the glomerulus OR capillary walls/glomerulus permeable to smaller molecules $\checkmark$ <br> c. basement membrane/filtration slits/podocytes act as filter/prevent loss of «large» «proteins»/prevent loss of blood cells $\checkmark$ <br> d. high «blood» pressure in glomerulus due to larger afferent than efferent arteriole <br> e. «selective» reabsorption of glucose/useful substances in proximal convoluted tubule <br> f. microvilli/coiling/convolutions give large surface area OR pump proteins to reabsorb specific solutes «in proximal convoluted tubule» $\checkmark$ <br> g. water reabsorbed in descending limb «of loop of Henle» OR descending limb permeable to water $\checkmark$ <br> h. active transport/active pumping of sodium ions/ $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$out of ascending limb «from filtrate to medulla» $\checkmark$ <br> i. ascending limb is impermeable to water <br> j. loop of Henle creates solute gradient/high solute concentration/hypertonic conditions in medulla $\checkmark$ <br> k. distal convoluted tubule adjusts pH/adjusts concentration of $\mathrm{Na}^{+} / \mathrm{K}^{+} / \mathrm{H}^{+} \checkmark$ <br> I. water reabsorbed in collecting duct $\checkmark$ <br> m . collecting duct permeability to water varies due to number of aquaporins/ADH $\checkmark$ <br> n. osmoregulation by varying the amount of water reabsorbed «in the collecting duct» $\checkmark$ | Reject ultrafiltration in the Bowman's capsule | 8 max |


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| 7. | a |  | a. cell wall shown with two continuous lines to indicate the thickness $\checkmark$ <br> b. plasma membrane/cell membrane shown as a single continuous line <br> c. nuclear membrane/nucleus shown with double membrane and nuclear pores $\checkmark$ <br> d. vacuole «membrane»/tonoplast shown as a single continuous line <br> e. chloroplast/plastid shown with a double line to indicate the envelope and thylakoids/grana <br> f. mitochondrion shown with double membrane/cristae $\checkmark$ | Accept inner line of wall as membrane if clearly labelled | 4 max |
|  | b |  | a. only a small proportion/20 \%/10 \% «of energy» can pass from one trophic level to the next <br> OR <br> large proportion/80 \%/90 \% lost between one trophic level and the next $\checkmark$ <br> b. energy released by respiration AND lost as heat $\checkmark$ <br> c. energy losses due to uneaten parts/undigested parts/feces/egestion $\checkmark$ <br> d. not enough energy for $4^{\text {th }} / 5^{\text {th }} / l a t e r$ stages of a food chain OR more energy available if feeding at an earlier stage in a food chain | Accept named trophic levels or named stages in a food chain in place of "trophic levels". <br> Accept if clearly shown in a diagram such as a pyramid of energy. <br> Not just respiration or heat. | 3 max |


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|  | c | a. evaporation of water «in leaf/mesophyll» creates tension/low pressure/negative pressure «potential»/pulling force/transpiration pull <br> b. water drawn through cell walls/out of xylem «in leaf» by capillary action/adhesion «to cellulose» $\checkmark$ <br> c. low pressure/tension/suction/pulling force in xylem $\checkmark$ <br> d. hydrogen bonds make water cohesive/allow water to be pulled up under tension/allow the transpiration pull «to move water» <br> e. xylem resists tension/low pressure/collapse with thickened/lignified walls <br> f. water travels from the roots to the leaves in xylem $\checkmark$ <br> g. water absorbed in roots by osmosis $\checkmark$ <br> h. active transport of ions/solutes into roots «enabling osmosis» $\checkmark$ <br> i. deep/wide ranging/extensive root systems/taproots/many root hairs $\checkmark$ <br> j. thick/waxy cuticle reduces transpiration/water loss/evaporation $\checkmark$ <br> k. small/no leaves/reduced surface area of leaves/thorns instead of leaves <br> I. few stomata/stomata in pits/rolled leaves <br> m . hairs on leaf surface «to reduce air flow near the leaf/reflect sunlight» $\checkmark$ <br> n. stomata open at night/CAM physiology to reduce water loss $\checkmark$ |  | 8 max |

(Plus up to [1] for quality)

