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Paper 2 (Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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Mark schemes will use these abbreviations:

- ; separates marking points
- / alternatives
- () contents of brackets are not required but should be implied
- **R** reject
- **A** accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)
- **AW** alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
- **AVP** alternative valid point (where a greater than usual variety of responses is expected)
- **ORA** or reverse argument
- underline actual word underlined must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
- **max** indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given
- **+** statements on both sides of the + are needed for that mark

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Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
1 (a) (i)	stem ;	[1]	
(ii)	<u>phloem</u> ;	[1]	
(b)	(photosynthesis) produces glucose / sugar / starch / carbohydrates ; changed into <u>sucrose</u> ; passes down the phloem / tissue A ; concentration (of sucrose) varies ; highest when photosynthesis rate is highest / AW ;	[max. 4]	
(c)	(sucrose / sugar turned to) glucose ; used for respiration ; to release energy ; amino acids ; used to make protein ; for growth / repair ;	[max. 4]	R produce/make
		[Total: 10]	

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Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
2 (a)	B = protein / (poly)peptide ; C = protease or named* ; D = amino acids* ; E = <u>glycogen</u> ; F = urea ;	[5]	*A ecf for incorrect substrate *A ecf for incorrect substrate R urine
(b) (i)	broken down / converted / changed ; (role of) glucagon / adrenaline ; to <u>glucose</u> ; made soluble ;	[max. 2]	
(ii)	<u>respiration</u> ;	[1]	

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(iii)	to release energy ; <i>any 3 from:</i> for growth ; mitosis / meiosis / cell division ; active transport ; impulse production ; temperature regulation ; muscular activity / movement ;	[1] [max. 3]	A production of complex molecules
		[Total: 4]	A named example
		[Total: 12]	

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Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
3 (a) (i)	deeper voice / hair on face or named body part / stronger muscles / sperm production / larger genitalia ;	[1]	A broadening of shoulders
(ii)	testosterone ;	[1]	
(iii)	testes ;	[1]	A testicles / gonads
(b) (i)	F – oestrogen ; G – progesterone ;	[2]	
(ii)	ovulation / release of egg or ovum ;	[1]	
(c)	line drawn at 3 weeks \pm 2 squares ; uterus (lining) increasing in thickness ; in preparation for receiving (fertilised) ovum / egg ; ref. time + menstruation ;	[4]	A zygote / embryo
		[Total: 10]	

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Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
4 (a)	0.3–0.4 minutes ;	[1]	A 18–24 s
(b)	<u>aerobic</u> respiration ;	[1]	
(c)	<p>O₂ curve not as high at start/finish ;</p> <p>O₂ curve drops more quickly / ORA ;</p> <p>damage to alveoli ;</p> <p>less surface area for O₂ absorption ;</p> <p>less O₂ to blood / muscles ;</p> <p>lactic acid curve rises sooner / higher / takes longer to return to normal ;</p> <p>shorter period of aerobic / longer period anaerobic respiration ;</p> <p>more lactic acid build-up ;</p>	[max. 5]	A uptake / diffusion
		[Total: 7]	

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Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
5 (a)	Incisor / canine ;	[1]	
(b)	blood vessels or named ; nerves / nerve endings ;	[2]	
(c)	sugar ; ref. bacteria ; (converted) to acid ; dissolves enamel ; teeth not cleaned / build-up of plaque / tartar ; weak enamel / ref. lack of Ca/F/vit. D ;	[max. 4]	
(d) (i)	reduction in tooth decay ;	[1]	
(ii)	fluoride occurs naturally / addition in toothpaste ; diet with less carbohydrate ; better education / teeth cleaned more often ; genetic differences / teeth less prone to acid attack ;	[max. 3]	
		[Total: 11]	

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Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
6 (a)	continuous variation ; gradual change / range ; between extremes ; genes + environment ; discontinuous variation ; few and distinct differences ; controlled by genes alone ; any correct example of one or the other correctly linked ;	[max. 5]	R if one e.g. correct, the other incorrect

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(b)	<p>some variations are advantageous ;</p> <p>competition ;</p> <p>in the organism's habitat / environment ;</p> <p>organism survives / differential survival / ORA ;</p> <p>breeds / reproduces ;</p> <p>passes on the advantage / beneficial gene / allele ;</p> <p>over many generations / ref. time ;</p> <p>continuous adaptation to the changing environment ;</p> <p>evolution / natural selection / AW ;</p> <p>changes that result from the environment not so important ;</p>	[max. 5]	
		[Total: 10]	

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7 (a)	<p><i>structural similarities:</i> long / elongated ; providing large surface area ;</p> <p><i>functional similarities:</i> absorption / uptake ; active transport / diffusion ; ions / salts / minerals / named ; water ;</p>	[max. 4]	
(b)	<p><i>structural differences:</i> cell wall / no cell wall ; (root hair) part of one cell ; (villi) many cells / multicellular ; ref. absence of blood vessels / lacteals / ORA ; AVP ;</p> <p><i>functional differences:</i> root hairs + absorb from the soil ; villi + absorb from the gut ; villi + absorb amino acids ; villi + absorb glucose ; villi + absorb lipids / glycerol / fatty acids ;</p>	[max. 6]	
		[Total: 10]	

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8 (a) (i)	<p>in testes / anthers / ovaries ;</p> <p>cell division ;</p> <p>halving of chromosome numbers/haploid ;</p> <p>so that <u>diploid</u> number is restored on fertilisation ;</p>	[max. 2]	
(ii)	<p>one (either) colour is controlled by a dominant <u>allele</u>;</p> <p>one by a recessive <u>allele</u> ;</p> <p>one parent heterozygous – (or described, e.g. Rr) ;</p> <p>one is homozygous recessive (or described) ;</p> <p>correct ref. to gametes ;</p> <p>gametes correctly identified for both parents ;</p> <p>how gametes pair to produce offspring in 1:1 ratio ;</p>	[max. 6]	(all points acceptable on an annotated genetic diagram)
(b)	<p>mutation ;</p> <p>ref to a named mutagen ;</p> <p>possible co-dominance ;</p> <p>ref. to heterozygous plants having pink flowers ;</p> <p>ref. availability of certain ions (as in <i>Hydrangea</i>) ;</p>	[max. 2]	
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9 (a)	between guard cells / through stoma ; into intercellular / air space ; dissolving in water (film) ; diffusion ; through cell wall ; of mesophyll cell (or named) ; to <u>chloroplast</u> ; during photosynthesis ; links with water molecule ; glucose + forms starch ;	[max. 7]	
(b)	little magnesium absorbed ; deficiency in chlorophyll ; less light energy trapped ; photosynthesis inhibited / limiting factor / AW ; less glucose / starch / carbohydrate formed ;	[max. 3]	
		[Total: 10]	