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### **5090 BIOLOGY**

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Paper 2 (Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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Mark schemes will use these abbreviations:

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

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<b>1 (a)</b>	(cell) membrane / cytoplasm / nucleus ; pulled / moved away from (cell) wall / plasmolysed ; vacuole ; reduced in size / smaller / AW ;	[max. 3]	
<b>(b)</b>	ref. direction of water potential / concentration gradient / AW ; osmosis / diffusion ; (movement of) <u>water</u> out of cells ; ref. partial permeability AW of (cell) membrane ;	[max. 3]	
		<b>[Total: 6]</b>	

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2 (a)	<p><b>X</b> right ventricle ; pulmonary artery ;</p> <p><b>Y</b> left ventricle ; aorta ;</p>	[4]	
(b) (i)	<p>line decreases (lowest at capillaries) followed by increase ; vein diameter drawn to be higher than artery ;</p>	[2]	
(ii)	<p>ref. heart / ventricle + pump / source of pressure ; pressure relates to distance from heart / pump ; resistance / friction ; narrow lumen (in artery) ; thick / muscular / elastic <u>walls</u> (in artery) ; generation of <u>tissue fluid</u> in capillaries ;</p>	[max. 4]	<p><b>A</b> arteries take blood from / are close to heart</p> <p><b>ORA</b> for vein</p>
(c) (i)	<p><u>valve</u> ; prevents backflow of blood / allows flow in one direction only ;</p>	[2]	

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<b>(ii)</b>	<u>muscle(s)</u> ; <u>contract</u> ; put pressure + wall of vein / blood in vein ;	[max. 2]	
		<b>[Total: 14]</b>	

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3 (a) (i)	<u>discontinuous</u> ;	[1]	
(ii)	no intermediate values / distinct / separate categories ;	[1]	
(iii)	$(63 / 100) \times 10$ ; 6.3 million / 6 300 000 / $6.3 \times 10^6$ ;	[2]	award 2 marks for correct answer alone
(b) (i)	4 (%) ;	[1]	
(ii)	ref. alleles / genes ; each person has two (for blood group) ; different (allele / gene) frequency in different populations ; ref. inbreeding (of separate groups) AW ;	[max. 2]	<b>A</b> example of inbreeding e.g. geographical isolation / culture
(c)	blood transfusion / tissue ( <b>A</b> blood donor) / organ transplant ; clotting with ref. to blood / prevent rejection ; to check paternity ;	[max. 2]	<b>A</b> if ref. is to donor or recipient <b>A</b> ORA
(d)	$I^A I^O + I^B I^O$ ; A + B ;	[2]	
		<b>[Total: 11]</b>	

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<b>4 (a) (i)</b>	11/12 <u>day(s)</u> ; 13/14 <u>day(s)</u> ;	[2]	<b>A</b> 11 <sup>th</sup> or 12 <sup>th</sup> <u>day</u>
<b>(ii)</b>	day 14 ;	[1]	
<b>(iii)</b>	progesterone (concentration) falls/not maintained ; ref. figure day 24 – 28 ; progesterone needed to maintain lining/pregnancy ;	[max. 2]	
<b>(b)</b>	FSH ; development of follicle/maturation/release of egg/ovum ; stimulates production of oestrogen ;  oestrogen ; repairs/builds up/thickens/develops uterus lining ; maturation of egg/ovum ; inhibits production of FSH ; stimulates production of LH ;  LH ; ovulation/release of egg/ovum ;	[1] [max. 1] [1] [max. 1] [1] [1] [max. 4]	<b>A</b> oestradiol for oestrogen throughout
		<b>[Total: 9]</b>	

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5 (a)	<p><i>wilting:</i>  root hairs removed / roots damaged ;  stem / xylem damaged ;  less water absorbed ;  plant loses water / transpires ;  cells lose water / cells become flaccid ;</p> <p><i>recovery:</i>  root (hairs) regrow ;  (more) water absorbed ;  cells gain water again / become turgid ;</p>	[max. 4]	<p><b>R</b> no water absorbed</p> <p>allow max.3 marks for <i>wilting</i> answers</p>
(b)	carbon dioxide + water → oxygen ;	[1]	<p>accept words or chemical formulae or a correctly balanced symbol equation</p> <p><b>I</b> light / chlorophyll</p>
(c) (i)	<p><b>P</b> = (lower) epidermal cell / epidermis / epidermal layer ;</p> <p><b>Q</b> = guard cell ;</p> <p><b>R</b> = stoma / stomata ;</p>	[3]	
(ii)	<p>fewer / no stomata / guard cells ;</p> <p>reduce / stop water loss / transpiration ;</p> <p>(appears) shiny / bright / ref. to cuticle ;</p>	[max. 2]	
		<b>[Total: 10]</b>	



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6 (a)	<p><u>molecules</u> large + must be converted to smaller ;</p> <p>insoluble + need to be converted to soluble / non-diffusible to diffusible AW ;</p> <p>to be <u>absorbed</u> ;</p> <p>from (small) intestine / ileum ;</p> <p>into blood / capillaries / lymph / lacteals ;</p>	[max. 3]	A across intestine wall / into villi
(b)	<p>bile from + liver / gall bladder / bile duct ;</p> <p>ref. emulsification ;</p> <p>increased surface area ;</p> <p>ref. provision of optimum pH / alkaline conditions ;</p> <p>small intestine / duodenum ;</p> <p>lipase ;</p> <p>from pancreas ;</p> <p>fatty acids ;</p> <p>glycerol ;</p>	[max. 7]	
		<b>[Total: 10]</b>	

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7 (a)	<u>ciliary muscles</u> ; relax ; <u>suspensory ligaments</u> ; tighten/become taut/pulled AW ; increased tension/pull on lens ; <u>lens</u> long + thin/flatter/less fat/convex ; light refracted/bent (by lens) ; (light) converges/(produces image) on retina/fovea ;	[max. 6]	R bent more
(b)	nervous system quicker AW/hormones slower ; example of relevant situation ; electrical/impulses ; via neurones/nerve cells ; hormones are chemical ; <u>carried/transported</u> via blood ;	[max. 4]	
		<b>[Total: 10]</b>	

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8	1 red blood cells + transport/absorb/carry oxygen AW ; 2 no nucleus/biconcave/'doughnut' shape AW + increased surface area ; 3 (oxy)haemoglobin ; 4 ref. (oxygen) diffusion into tissues/red blood cells ; 5 white blood cells/named + immunity/immune system/destroy pathogens/bacteria/viruses/named pathogen ; 6 phagocytes/phagocytosis ; 7 antibodies/anti-toxins ; 8 ref. tissue rejection ; 9 plasma + transport/carry ; 10 dissolved/in solution ; 11 <b>two</b> named chemicals transported ; 12 heat transported ; 13 platelets + blood clotting/plug hole ; 14 fibrinogen + to fibrin ;	[max 10]	<b>A</b> any three components named for 1 mark max. if no marks awarded for lack of accompanying explanations  <b>I</b> germs/foreign bodies  <b>A</b> urea, CO <sub>2</sub> , vitamins, etc.
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9 (a)	removal from organism/body ; toxic/poisonous ; waste (products) ; from metabolism ;	[max. 3]	
(b)	1 <u>blood</u> from patient to machine/returned to patient ; 2 using <u>partially permeable</u> membrane/tubes AW ; 3 ref. dialysis fluid ; 4 ref. relative concentrations AW ; 5 filters/removes substances from + blood/unwanted out/wanted in ; 6 by <u>diffusion</u> ; 7 urea/nitrogenous products/toxins/poisons ; 8 salt(s)/ions/small molecules ; 9 excess water/ref. osmoregulation ; 10 large molecules/proteins stay in blood ; 11 practical aspect e.g. bubble trap/repetition/frequency/duration of procedure/dialysis fluid frequently changed/temperature ref/counter flow ;	[max. 7]	
		<b>[Total: 10]</b>	