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## GCSE MARKING SCHEME

## SCIENCE - BIOLOGY

SUMMER 2015

## INTRODUCTION

The marking schemes which follow were those used by WJEC for the Summer 2015 examination in GCSE SCIENCE - BIOLOGY. They were finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conferences were held shortly after the papers were taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conferences was to ensure that the marking schemes were interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conferences, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about these marking schemes.

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| 3 |  | (a) | i |  | 1 | 2; |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii |  | 1 | $\mathrm{pH} \underline{\text { falls/ water becomes }}$ \{acidic/pH5\}; |  |  | $\mathrm{PH} / \mathrm{Ph} /$ pH is acidic |
|  |  | (b) | i |  | 1 | mayfly (nymph); |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii |  | 2 | - (mayfly nymph) is not found in acid water/ only found in \{neutral and alkaline water/ water at pH 7 and above\}; <br> - \{bloodworms/rat tailed maggots/ the others\} are found in acidic (water); <br> The only one that is found in only neutral and alkaline water/ only one not found in acidic water = 2 marks |  |  |  |




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| 6 |  | (a) |  | 1 | hormone; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) |  | 3 | pancreas; (phonetic spelling) glucose; (correct spelling) glycogen; (correct spelling) |  |  | pancrease |
|  |  | (c) |  | 2 | ```(type 1 or type 2) diabetes; one from: low {sugar/ carbohydrate} {diet/foods}/ {injections/shots} of insulin/insulin pen/ insulin pump/ pancreas transplant/ named tablets (e.g. novonorm/metformin);``` |  |  | Take insulin/ take tablets |
|  |  | Total Mark |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |







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|  | 6 | (a) |  |  | 1 | 1985-1986; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { I\& } \\ & \text { II } \end{aligned}$ |  | 1 | 1980 and 1990; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (c) |  |  | 3 | Line begins at 1980 above 0 and rises; peaks between1985-7; <br> Then drops but not to 0 ; |  |  |  |
|  |  | Total Mark |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |



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|  | 8 | (a) |  | 1 | Less objection/ more agreement / more positive /more accepted/more popular; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) |  | 2 | gene for herbicide resistance from \{bacteria / plant / organism /species\}; <br> \{Inserted into/ added into\} \{chromosome/ DNA\} (of host plant / soya plant); | weed |  |  |
|  |  | (c) |  | 3 | Any three from <br> - Crop yield increases with use of GM; <br> - GM crop not $100 \%$ resistant; <br> - GM plants not resistant to sap sucking insects/ sap sucking insects are not affected; <br> - GM effective against leaf eating insects/ GM plants are resistant to leaf eating insects; <br> - Less total insecticide used with GM crops/ less insecticide used to control leaf eating insects with GM crops; <br> - A correct statement relating to data in table; |  |  |  |






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| 3 |  | (a) |  | 4 | Cells; Oxygen; Water; Enzymes; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) |  | 2 | carbon dioxide; (Lime water)turns \{cloudy/milky/ white\}; | $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ cream |  | $\mathrm{CO}^{2}$ |
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| 5 |  | (a) | 1 |  | 2 | paralyse cilia/ cilia unable move; mucus becomes \{clogged/ dried\}/ mucus builds up/ mucus thicker; | Mucus production increases | cilia \{harmed/ don't work\}/ mucus increases | cilia killed |
|  |  |  | ii |  | 1 | tar; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) | i |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | suitable scale, correctly labelled; plotting must start at $y$ axis all plots correct ( $1 / 22$ small square tolerance);; <br> not extrapolated <br> (all correct = 2 marks, 1 error = 1 mark, $>1$ error $=0$ marks) line quality; drawn with ruler |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii |  | 2 | Increase in number of cigarettes smoked increases number of deaths (from lung cancer); <br> Small increase to $\underline{20}$ then a sharp increase; |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | iii |  | 1 | 60; | Ecf from graph |  |  |
|  |  |  | iv |  | 1 | Some lung cancer deaths for 0 cigarettes/ some people who do not smoke die from lung cancer; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (c) |  |  | 1 | Reference to \{dangers/ harm\} of \{passive smoking/ second hand smoke /secondary smoking\}; | Passive smoking makes people ill |  | second hand smoke affects people |
|  |  | Total Mark |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |

Biology 2 - Common questions

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|  | 1 | (a) |  |  | 2 | Water; Oxygen; |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \\ & \mathrm{O}_{2} \end{aligned}$ | Sunlight or Chlorophyll on arrow | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{H} 2 \mathrm{O} \\ & \mathrm{O} 2 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | (b) | i |  | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { All correct = } \\ & 1 \text { error }=1 \mathrm{~m} \\ & >1 \text { error }=0 \\ & \hline \text { Apparatus } \\ & \hline \\ & \text { A } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Presence or absence of starch <br> $\checkmark$ or $x$ <br> $x$ <br> $\checkmark$ <br> $x$ <br> $\times$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii | I | 1 | $B$ and C; |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | II | 1 | A and B; |  |  |  |  |
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| 9 | 4 | $6$ <br> QWC | Indicative content: <br> - use of disinfectant to wash both sets of peas <br> - (fill) a Thermos flask with these living peas <br> - ref to dead peas acting as control <br> - same \{mass/ volume/ number\} of peas should be used in both flasks <br> - place a thermometer into the peas <br> - place/ put cotton wool into the neck of the flask <br> - record temperature at \{regular intervals/ every hour/ every day/ stated times\} <br> - compare temperatures in both flasks <br> 5-6 marks <br> The candidate constructs an articulate, integrated account correctly linking relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, which shows sequential reasoning. The answer fully addresses the question with no irrelevant inclusions or significant omissions. The candidate uses appropriate scientific terminology and accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 3-4 marks <br> The candidate constructs an account correctly linking some relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, showing some reasoning. The answer addresses the question with some omissions. The candidate uses mainly appropriate scientific terminology and some accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 1-2 marks <br> The candidate makes some relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, showing limited reasoning. The answer addresses the question with significant omissions. The candidate uses limited scientific terminology and inaccuracies in spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 0 marks <br> The candidate does not make any attempt or give a relevant answer worthy of credit. |
| Total Mark |  | 6 |  |







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|  | 10 | 6 QWC | Indicative content <br> - Harmful effects on cilia and mucus <br> - Tar/ carcinogens and lung cancer <br> - Smoke inhalation causes coughing <br> - Which can result in emphysema leading to shortness of breath due to alveoli damage <br> - Smoking is less/ not socially acceptable now because of proof of harmful effects <br> - Passive smoking <br> - Attempts at reduction include <br> - stopping adverts, <br> - banning smoking in public places, <br> - warnings on packets and increase in cost <br> - stopping the display of cigarettes in shops <br> 5-6 marks <br> The candidate constructs an articulate, integrated account correctly linking relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, which shows sequential reasoning. The answer fully addresses the question with no irrelevant inclusions or significant omissions. The candidate uses appropriate scientific terminology and accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 3-4 marks <br> The candidate constructs an account correctly linking some relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, showing some reasoning. The answer addresses the question with some omissions. The candidate uses mainly appropriate scientific terminology and some accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 1-2 marks <br> The candidate makes some relevant points, such as those in the indicative content, showing limited reasoning. The answer addresses the question with significant omissions. The candidate uses limited scientific terminology and inaccuracies in spelling, punctuation and grammar. <br> 0 marks <br> The candidate does not make any attempt or give a relevant answer worthy of credit. |
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| 3 |  | (a) | ii | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | ```plots correct }1/2\mathrm{ small square tolerance all correct = 2 marks 1 error = 1 mark >1 error = 0 marks Line;``` |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) |  | 1 | 94; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (c) | i | 1 | 45 [bpm]; |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline(86 / 85)-(73 / 72) \\ & =14 / 13 / 12 ; \\ & \text { Correct answer = } 2 \text { marks } \\ & \text { Correct readings = } 1 \text { mark } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | iii | 1 | Person1 - returns to normal in shorter time/ Person 2 - shows a greater increase (after running); | Reverse arguments |  |  |
|  |  | (d) | i | 1 | More people/ repeats; |  |  | Fair testing |
|  |  |  | ii | 1 | same age/ same level of \{sporting activity/ fitness level\}/ OWTTE; |  |  | Same sex |
|  |  | Total Mark |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |



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| 5 |  | (a) | i |  | 1 | There were 800 tonnes 2001 and 1100 tonnes in 2011/ there is an increase from 2001 to 2011; |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii |  | 2 | ```(1100-800)/10; 30 [tonnes per year]; Correct answer = 2 marks Incorrect answer but correct method = 1 mark``` |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | iii | I | 1 | break down plastic; |  | Feeding on plastic/ destroys plastic |  |
|  |  |  |  | II | 1 | pathogen / cause disease; |  | Releasing harmful chemicals |  |
|  |  |  | iv |  | 2 | phthalates/ organic toxins; could be taken up \{by organisms/ in feeding/ in food chains\} / bioaccumulation; |  | Poisons organisms |  |
|  |  | (b) |  |  | 1 | ethanol/ alcohol; | Carbon dioxide |  |  |
|  |  | Total Mark |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |







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|  | 6 | (a) |  | 1 | controls\{loss of water/transpiration\} and allows \{gases/correctly named gas\} to pass in or out ; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) |  | 1 | Guard cells; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (c) |  | 1 | To prevent loss of too much water/ reduces loss of water; |  |  | Stops loss of water |
|  |  | (d) | i | 1 | Decrease/ less time; |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii | 1 | Increase/ more time; |  |  |  |
|  |  | Total Mark |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |



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|  | 8 | (a) | i | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{X}=\text { Renal artery; } \\ & \mathrm{Y}=\underline{\text { Renal vein; }} \end{aligned}$ | Afferent/ efferent |  |  |
|  |  |  | ii | 1 | Clots would clog the pump/ stop blood flow/ prevent blockage; |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | iii | 1 | Diffusion/ ultrafiltration; |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | iv | 1 | \{maintains/ increases\} concentration gradient/ allows \{maximum/greatest\} rate of diffusion or removal of waste; |  |  |  |
|  |  | (b) |  | 1 | Have a kidney transplant; | peritoneal dialysis |  |  |
|  |  | Total Mark |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |




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