

The roles of genes in determining the phenotype

Mark Scheme 1

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Sub Topic	The roles of genes in determining the phenotype
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Time Allowed : 81 minutes

Score : / 67

Percentage : /100

Grade Boundaries:

A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

1 (a) random/spontaneous ;

mutation ;

base/nucleotide/triplet, change/substitution ; **R** addition/deletion

2]

(b) (i) as altitude increases frequency of **A⁰** increases ; **ora** for **A¹**

A⁰ more frequent at high altitudes / **A¹** more frequent at low altitudes/
intermediate frequency of either allele at intermediate altitude ;

[2]

(ii) *idea of* (pre-existing) genetic variation in deer mouse population ;

at high altitude mice with, glycine/**A⁰**, more likely to survive/have selective
advantage ; **ora**

mice (with **A⁰**) reproduce (at high altitude) ; **ora**

and pass on the **A⁰** allele ; **ora**

partial pressure/concentration, of O₂ acts as a selection pressure ;

ref. to disadvantage of haemoglobin with very high affinity at low altitude ;

as less able to unload oxygen (in respiring tissues) ;

[max 4]

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- 2 (a) (i) idea of sugars unable to pass through phospholipid bilayer ;
hydrophilic/polar/not lipid-soluble/water soluble ;
large ; [max 2]
- (ii) forms bonds with hydrophilic heads (of phospholipids) ;
hydrophobic parts of SWEET ;
bond with, fatty acid chains/hydrophobic tails, (of phospholipids) ;
ref. hydrogen bonding/ionic bonds/hydrophobic interactions ; [max 3]
- (b) (i) (SWEET) gene cannot be switched on ;
no SWEET (protein) produced ;
no, glucose/sugar, secreted (into intercellular spaces) ;
(so) Xoo/bacteria, do not multiply/numbers remain low ;
(small numbers of Xoo/bacteria) so no disease ; [max 3]
- (ii) allele is recessive ;
idea of not expressed when dominant allele present ;
ref. promoter ; e.g. normal promoter must be inactivated or removed/must transfer mutated promoter [max 2]
- (iii) prevents diffusion of air (from leaves to roots) ;
ref. aerenchyma ;
roots respire anaerobically ;
(so) less ATP produced (for growth) ;
bacteria use of oxygen ;
more ethanol produced may be beyond tolerance/**AW** ; [max 4]

[Total:14]

- 3 (a) correct symbols ; e.g. X^A = (allele for) red-eye
 X^a = (allele for) white-eye

parental genotypes $X^A X^a$ and $X^a Y$;

gametes X^A X^a X^a Y ;

offspring genotypes $X^A X^a$ $X^A Y$ $X^a X^a$ $X^a Y$;

offspring phenotypes red-eyed red-eyed white-eyed white-eyed
female male female male ;

[5]

- (b) (i) passes **Y** chromosome onto son / passes **X** chromosome onto daughter ;

[1]

- (ii) heterozygous ;

[1]

- (iii) gene / allele, mutation ;

[1]

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- 4 (a) 1 *idea of genetic variation ;*
2 *increased heterozygosity / decreased homozygosity ;*
3 *hybrid vigour / decreased inbreeding depression ;*
4 *able to adapt to changing conditions ;*
5 *idea of some individuals surviving ;*
6 AVP ; e.g. reduced risk of expression of harmful recessive alleles [3 max]
- (b) (i) *most affected*
almond, because, 100% / all / only, pollinated by honey bee ;
least affected
orange, because only 25% pollinated by honey bee / 75% pollinated by other methods [2]
- (ii) *any three from*
1 parasites / mites / viruses / bacteria ;
A disease
2 detail of climate change ; e.g. temperature change
3 pollution qualified ; e.g. increased use of pesticides / increased sulfur dioxide concentration in air
4 inbreeding ;
5 competition for food / food shortage ;
6 increase in predator numbers ;
7 AVP ; e.g. ref. killer bees / plant monoculture provides limited nutrition [3 max]

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- 5 (a) (i) 1. anthers, versatile / loosely attached / attached at one point (to filaments) ;
 2. anthers / stamens / tassels / androecium, on long filaments / hang out (of, plant / flower) ;
 3. anthers / stamens / tassels / androecium, above leaves / high up ;
 4. stigmas / silks, hang out (of, plant / flower) ;
 5. stigmas / silks, large surface area / hairy / feathery / long, (to catch pollen) ;
 6. no / small, petals allow access to wind / AW ; *ignore references to pollen* [3 max]
- (ii) 1. increased genetic variation / increased heterozygosity / more diverse gene pool / increased gene pool ;
 2. reduced inbreeding / prevents inbreeding depression ;
 3. less likely that harmful recessive alleles will be expressed ;
 4. hybrid vigour ;
 5. ability to respond to named change in conditions ; e.g. climate / disease / pests [2 max]
- (b) (i) *must be comparative statements*
 1. maize has greater rate of photosynthesis (at all temperatures) / *ora* ;
 2. optimum for maize is at 23°C while optimum for wheat is at 17.5°C ;
or
 highest rate for maize is 39 units while highest rate for wheat is 26 units ;
 3. after 17.5°C increase for maize while decrease for wheat ; [2 max]
- (ii) 1. maize is C4 ;
 2. PEP carboxylase more efficient at higher temperatures (than rubisco) ;
 3. photorespiration occurring in wheat ; **ora**
 4. oxygen, instead of carbon dioxide, combines with RuBP ;
 5. less fixation of carbon dioxide ;
 6. Calvin cycle slows down ;
 7. AVP ; e.g. detail of krantz anatomy **R** ref. denaturation [3 max]
- (c) (i) 1. protein in aleurone layer ;
 2. which is removed in white rice ; **A** outer layer(s) removed
 3. ref. different species ; [2 max]
- (ii) 1. wheat has more iron / comparative figs ;
 2. ref. haemoglobin ;
 3. low haemoglobin linked to anaemia ; [2 max]

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- 6 (a) 1. (amino acid) code is three, bases / nucleotides ; **A** triplet code
 2. (gene) mutation ; **R** chromosome mutation
 3. base / nucleotide, substitution / addition / deletion
 4. addition / deletion, has large effect (on amino acid sequence) ;
 5. frame shift ;
 6. completely new code after mutation / alters every 3 base sequence which follows ;
 7. substitution may have little or no effect / silent mutation ;
 8. different triplet but same amino acid / new amino acid in non-functional part of protein ;
 9. substitution may have big effect (on amino acid sequence) ;
 10. could produce 'stop' codon ;
 11. sickle cell anaemia / PKU / cystic fibrosis ;
 12. reference to transcription or translation in correct context ; **A** description [8 max]

- (b) 13. (haemophilia) allele on X chromosome ; **A** gene
 14. sex-linked ;
 15. (haemophilia) allele recessive ;
 16. man, homogametic / has one X chromosome ;
 17. Y chromosome does not have blood clotting gene ;
 18. only daughter(s) get his X chromosome ;
 19. daughter(s) carrier(s) of (haemophilia) allele ;
 20. grandson(s) 50% chance of having, (haemophilia) allele / haemophilia ;
 21. granddaughter(s) 50% chance of carrying, (haemophilia) allele ;
allow following marks from diagram
 22. correct symbols ; e.g. X^H and X^h explained
 23. man's genotype ; e.g. X^hY *ignore partner's genotype*
 24. F1 (daughter's) genotype ; e.g. X^HX^h *ignore her partner's genotype*
 25. F2 (grandson's) genotypes ; e.g. X^hY X^HY *both required*
 26. F2 (granddaughter's) genotypes ; e.g. X^HX^H X^HX^h *both required* **or** X^hX^h X^HX^h [7 max]

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