

# Natural and Artificial Selection

## Mark Scheme 5

Level	International A Level
Subject	Biology
Exam Board	CIE
Topic	Selection and evolution
Sub Topic	Natural and artificial selection
Booklet	Theory
Paper Type	Mark Scheme 5

Time Allowed : 59 minutes

Score : / 49

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 **A<sup>0</sup>** increases ; **ora** for **A<sup>1</sup>**

**A<sup>0</sup>** more frequent at high altitudes / **A<sup>1</sup>** 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/**A<sup>0</sup>**, more likely to survive/have selective  
advantage ; **ora**

mice (with **A<sup>0</sup>**) reproduce (at high altitude) ; **ora**

and pass on the **A<sup>0</sup>** allele ; **ora**

partial pressure/concentration, of O<sub>2</sub> 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]

**[Total:8]**

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— TUITION —

2	(a)	parental genotypes ; e.g. AaBb x AaBb gametes ; correct use of punnett square ; F1 genotypes ; F1 phenotypes ; (must link to genotypes) yellow and sphere $\frac{1}{16}$ ;	[6]
	(b) (i)	contract / die from, malaria ;	[1]
	(ii)	contract / die from, sickle-cell anaemia ;	[1]
	(c)	resistant to malaria ; detail ; more likely to survive ; and reproduce ; pass on sickle-cell allele ;	[3 max]
			[Total: 11]

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— TUITION —

- 3 (a) (i) 1. coelacanth  $\alpha$  chain has higher percentage of matches ;  
2. with both adult and larval amphibians  
3. coelacanth  $\beta$  chain has higher percentage of matches with larval amphibians (rather than adults) ;  
4. figures to support mp1 or mp3 or mp6 (comparing coelacanth with lungfish  
5. supports closer relationship of coelacanth and amphibia  
6. (but) lungfish  $\beta$  chain has higher percentage of matches with adult amphibian (than coelacanths) ;  
7. does not support suggestion / supports closer relationship lungfish and amphibia [max 4]
- (ii) 1. larvae aquatic **and** adults (partly) terrestrial / AW ;  
2. different oxygen concentration available  
3. need haemoglobins with different oxygen affinities [max 2]
- (b) (i) 1. idea of, unchanging / constant, environment ;  
2. oxygen concentration acts as a selective agent  
3. organisms best adapted to these conditions survive ora  
4. extreme (phenotypes) selected against  
5. ref. narrow range of genetic variation / allele frequency maintained  
6. sketch graph  
7. ref. mutation — TUITION — [max 3]

- (ii)
1. ref. change in oxygen concentration ;
  2. (low) oxygen concentration acts as selective agent
  3. some individuals (in population) are better adapted
  4. these are more likely to survive ora
  5. directional selection
  6. sketch graph
  7. populations develop in different concentrations of oxygen
  8. disruptive selection
  9. sketch graph

*allow either mp6 or mp9 but not both*

[max 3]

- (c)
1. (same) species separated into separate populations ;
  2. (by) geographical isolation / named example
  3. prevents interbreeding between populations / no gene flow
  4. ref. to different selection pressures
  5. change in allele frequencies
  6. eventually do not successfully interbreed
  7. allopatric speciation ;
  8. ref. to genetic drift / founder effect / different mutations / (different) new alleles

[max 3]

**[Total: 15]**

- 4 (a) 1 occur during meiosis I ;  
           2 *crossing over*  
           3 between non-sister chromatids ;  
           4 of, (a pair of) homologous chromosomes / a bivalent ;  
           5 in prophase 1 ;  
           6 at chiasma(ta) ;  
           7 exchange of genetic material / AW ;  
           8 *R genes unqualified*  
           9 linkage groups broken / AW ;  
          10 new combination of alleles (within each chromosome) ;  
          11 *independent assortment*  
          12 of homologous chromosomes pairs / bivalents ;  
          13 each pair lines up independently of others ;  
          14 line up on equator ;  
          15 (during) metaphase 1 ;  
          16 results in gametes that are genetically unique / AW ;

[9 max]

(b)

	<i>artificial selection</i>		<i>natural selection</i>
14	selection (pressure by) humans	or	environmental selection pressure ;
15	genetic diversity lowered	or	genetic diversity remains high ;
16	inbreeding common	or	outbreeding common ;
17	loss of vigour / inbreeding depression	or	increased vigour / less chance of inbreeding depression ;
18	increased homozygosity / decreased heterozygosity	or	decreased homozygosity / increased heterozygosity ;
19	no isolation mechanisms operating	or	isolation mechanisms do operate ;
20	(usually faster	or	(usually) slower ;
21	selected feature for human benefit	or	selected feature for organism's benefit ;
22	not for, survival / evolution	or	promotes, survival / evolution ;

[6 max]

**[Total: 15]**