

Characteristics and Classification of Living Organisms

Mark Scheme 1

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Question		Marks	Guidance Notes
1 (a) (i)	single celled / unicellular ; no (true) nucleus / no nuclear membrane ; loop of DNA ; no, (membrane-bound) organelles ; e.g. no mitochondria / chloroplasts (peptidoglycan / murein) cell wall ; reproduce by binary fission ; small(er) / 70S, ribosomes ; plasmids ;	[max 2]	I DNA strand unqualified A naked DNA I flagella, capsule, pili, cilia R cellulose cell wall
(ii)	swim / movement / AW ;	[1]	
(b)	harmless / attenuated / dead / AW, form of, (named) pathogen / antigen used ; (vaccine) injected / swallowed ; ref to <u>specific / unique / AW</u> , antigen ; <u>lymphocytes</u> make <u>antibodies</u> ; ref to memory cells ; ref to <u>active immunity</u> ; <u>rapid</u> , immune response / AW, if exposure to <u>same</u> pathogen ; herd immunity ; AVP ; e.g. detail of active immunity / smallpox became extinct	[max 4]	A long term immunity
(c) (i)	12 – 0.4 ; 11.6, <u>au</u> / <u>arbitrary units</u> ;	[2]	
(ii)	large / rapid / immediate increases ; peaks at, <u>50 s</u> / <u>12 AU</u> ; then decrease to, around 5 – 4.6 AU / by 125 – 150 s ; fluctuates / stays (fairly) constant, between 125 – 150 s and 250 s / 4.4 and 4.8 ± 0.2 AU ;	[max 3]	I comparisons to 'without toxins' on graph A increases and decreases from 50 s

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(iii)	active transport; (through) <u>protein</u> (molecules/gates/pumps/AW) ; (protein) in cell membrane ; using, energy/ATP (from respiration) ; (movement) against a concentration gradient/AW ;	[max 3]	
(d) (i)	(small) intestine ;	[1]	A large intestine / duodenum / jejunum / ileum / rectum / colon
(ii)	<u>oral rehydration</u> (therapy / salts / treatment / solution) ; drink mixture of, sugar / nutrients <u>and</u> , salt / ions ; <u>replace lost</u> , water / fluids ; water must be, uncontaminated / boiled / sterilised / clean / AW ; antibiotics ;	[2]	A receive intravenous fluids I drink more water
		[Total: 18]	

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Question	Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
2 (a)	E A B D C	[max 3]	all 5 correct = 3 marks 3/4 correct = 2 marks 1/2 correct = 1 mark
(b)	soft body ; not segmented ; mantle ; visceral mass ; (muscular) foot ; ignore feet/legs produce slime/have slimy body ; A mucus radula/rasping tongue/AW ; hydrostatic skeleton ;	[max 2]	
		[Total: 5]	

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3 (a) (i)		go to 2		5 / 6 right = 3 3 / 4 right = 2 1 / 2 right = 1 0 right = 0
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		<i>Gymnopsis multiplicata</i>	B	
		go to 3		
		<i>Triturus cristatus</i>	C	
		go to 4		
		<i>Necturus maculosus</i>	D	
		<i>Ambystoma tigrinum</i>	G	
		go to 6		
		<i>Oreophrynella quelchii</i>	E	
		<i>Polypedates leucomystax</i>	F	
		<i>Rana temporaria</i>	A	
		[max 3]		
(b)	1	habitat, destruction / change ; A examples of destruction, e.g. deforestation, soil erosion	[max 3]	
	2	(named) pollution ; A global warming / climate change / acid rain		
	3	(fungal) disease ;		
	4	hunting (for pet trade / food) ;		
	5	lack of food / starvation ; ignore competition for food		
	6	competition, with alien / introduced / exotic, species ;		
	7	predation by introduced species ;		
	8	roadkill ;		
	9	AVP ;		
		Total:	[6]	

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4 (b)	<p>encourages biodiversity ; ora</p> <p>prevents extinction ;</p> <p>encourages genetic diversity (within each species) ;</p> <p>maintain food, webs/chains ;</p> <p>food for predators ;</p> <p>increasing research/ source of medicine ;</p> <p>AVP ;;</p> <p>e.g. maintain habitats for other organisms / ethical / moral / aesthetic reasons / tourism</p>	max [3]	<p>A species diversity</p> <p>A an example of feeding</p>
(c) (i)	<p>reduced genetic diversity ;</p> <p>identical offspring ;</p> <p>negative traits passed on ;</p> <p>more competition for local resources ;</p> <p>less chance of survival in a varying environment ;</p> <p>one disease could wipe out total population ;</p> <p>AVP ; e.g. less chance of evolving</p>	max [2]	<p>A no genetic diversity</p> <p>A unfavourable / bad traits.</p>
(ii)	<p>offspring may not be as well adapted to environment ;</p> <p>slower process / takes longer (than asexual reproduction) ;</p> <p>requires partner / two parents ;</p> <p>less energy efficient / requires more energy / many eggs is wasteful ;</p> <p>AVP ;</p>	max [2]	A description e.g. good characteristics are not always passed on.
(d) (i)	<p>reduction division / chromosome number is halved / one set of chromosomes ;</p> <p>diploid to haploid ;</p> <p>for production of gametes ;</p> <p>daughter cells are not genetically identical / genetically different ;</p>	[2]	to each other or parent

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4 (ii)	for adaption to, new / changed environment ; causes (genetic) variation ; competition for survival ; best suited reproduce ; allows natural selection ; allows evolution ; AVP ;	max [3]	ignore mutations unqualified.
		[Total: 16]	

5 (a)	1 antennae ; 2 elongated bodies ; 3 <u>segmented</u> body / many <u>segments</u> ; 4 many (≥ 10) legs ; 5 (one or two pairs of) legs on each segment ; 6 exoskeleton ; 7 <u>jointed</u> legs ;	max [3]	
(b)	1 length of antennae ; 2 number of sections on antennae ; 3 presence / absence, of tail pieces / AW ; 4 length of tail pieces ; 5 length of legs ; 6 number of leg joints ; 7 total number of legs ; 8 position of legs on body ; 9 number of legs per segment ; 10 size / shape of segments ; 11 number of body segments ; 12 length of body ; 13 head shape ; 14 presence / absence 'spots / markings' ;	max [3]	

	(c) (i)	nucleus ;	[1]	Ignore chromosomes
5	(ii)	1 <i>idea that</i> animals are identified <u>accurately</u> ; R identify unqualified 2 barcoding is, cheap / easy / quick / efficient ; 3 barcoding is useful if distinguishing characteristics / dichotomous key are difficult ; 4 identify previously unknown species ; 5 helps to identify, threatened / endangered species ;	max [2]	
	(iii)	1 ref to genes ; 2 codes for (specific) proteins ; 3 <u>stores</u> genetic information ; 4 can be <u>copied</u> to pass on information to new cells ;	max [2]	
	(d) (i)	1 <u>all</u> arrows point from food to feeder ; 2 millipedes eat dead leaves <u>and</u> fungi ; 3 food chain : bacteria → nematodes → springtails → centipedes ; 4 centipedes eat millipedes, springtails and earthworms ;	[4]	
	(ii)	1 ref to, respiration / decomposition ; 2 release <u>carbon dioxide</u> ; 3 carbon dioxide is taken in by, plants / photosynthesis ;	max [2]	
			[Total:17]	