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Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
	Correct answer
	Incorrect response
	Benefit of Doubt
	Not Benefit of Doubt
	Error Carried Forward
	Given mark
	Underline (for ambiguous/contradictory wording)
	Omission mark
	Ignore
	Correct response (for a QWC question)
	QWC* mark awarded
	First Answer

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

FA in guidance column means: **Mark the first answer**. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = **0 marks**. Apply the same reasoning where the instruction is to mark the first 2 suggestions.

ACCEPT incorrect spellings if they are recognisable **and also** sound the same when pronounced. This **includes** underlined words. If a wrong spelling does not pass these two criteria, read on and **IGNORE** it.
Example - in 1 (a) describing fur pattern, **ACCEPT** “wildcat is stryped” but **IGNORE** “wildcat is stripped” and read on in case other information about fur colour or pattern does get the mark. Similarly **IGNORE** “absorption” in 1 (e) (ii) but read on in case correct description (of adsorption) is given.

CREDIT AW FOR ALL, i.e., credit any alternatively worded statement that conveys the same sense as the mark point. If a particular word or term is essential and no other will do it is underlined.

IGNORE additional vague information or statements that are incorrect but irrelevant, and read on as if this information was not there, unless it **directly contradicts a listed mark point**, in which case the wrong ‘statement’ contradicts the right one, and negates the mark (use annotation **CON**). The exception to this rule is if the instruction is **FA** or **Mark first 2 answers**.

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)		<p><i>a difference is stated relating to</i></p> <p>fur length ;</p> <p>pattern / colour, of fur ;</p> <p>eye colour ;</p> <p>temperament / tameness ;</p> <p>face shape ;</p>	max 2	<p>Mark the first 2 suggestions (see point 12 above)</p> <p>For each mark point CREDIT</p> <p>EITHER a paired comparison referring to both cats and identifying which has which feature, e.g. "the wildcat has green eyes and the Persian has blue" but allow top / bottom, Fig. 1.1 / 1.2, first and second cat, etc, as identifiers,</p> <p>OR a reference to only one cat but using a comparative adjective ending in '-er' such as "shorter fur on wildcat", "second one looks tamer" or "second one is more tame", or, conversely, "wildcat looks less fierce".</p> <p>IGNORE use of the word different. e.g. "they have different coloured fur" if there is no further statement about how they differ.</p> <p>IGNORE answers that do not attempt to describe a difference at all, e.g. "fur length".</p> <p>IGNORE albino</p>

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		(iv)	seal : blue : chocolate : lilac ; 1 : 1 : 1 : 1 ;	2	IGNORE absence of colons (:) CREDIT phenotypes all correct in any order ACCEPT dark brown for seal ACCEPT light brown for chocolate ACCEPT ratio of 1 : 1 : 1 : 1 as stand alone mark, even if only one, two or three colours stated for phenotypes DO NOT CREDIT fractions, percentages or decimals CREDIT ecf for ratio only if four colours stated e.g. "seal, lilac, chocolate, chocolate" (no mark) followed by ecf "1:1:2"
	(d)	(i)	<i>type of behaviour</i> innate / instinct(ive) / reflex ; <i>characteristic</i> automatic ; stereotyped / always performed in the same way ; no previous experience necessary / not learned ; genetic(ally programmed) / AW ;	1 max 1	FA for each prompt line IGNORE maternal (as given in question) IGNORE instinctive in characteristic section ACCEPT same in all members of the species ACCEPT unlearned, not taught ACCEPT inherited

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		(ii)	<p>1 whether kittens, survive / breed ;</p> <p>2 whether <u>alleles</u>, change in frequency / passed on / kept ;</p> <p>3 correct reference to selection / how selection acts ;</p> <p>4 AVP ;</p> <p>5 AVP ;</p>	max 2	<p>Markpoints 1–3 are linked within 4 possible contexts. '1 t' refers to good mothering behaviour in the domestic environment (with people helping at the birth of kittens). Or candidates might say what would happen to the good behaviour patterns in the wild. Alternatively, the answer might focus on bad mothering behaviour (not licking the kittens), in either environment.</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>domestic</td><td>in the wild</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="3">good mothering</td><td>1 kittens do, survive / breed</td><td>1 kittens do, survive / breed</td></tr><tr><td>2 alleles not necessarily, passed on / kept</td><td>2 alleles, increase / passed on / kept</td></tr><tr><td>3 not selected for</td><td>3 selected for</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="3">bad mothering</td><td>1 kittens do, (still) survive / breed</td><td>1 kittens do not, survive / breed</td></tr><tr><td>2 alleles, increase / passed on / kept</td><td>2 alleles, decrease or alleles not, passed on / kept</td></tr><tr><td>3 not selected against</td><td>3 selected against</td></tr></table> <p>e.g. linkage (4) of poor mother, genes / alleles, with desirable alleles selected for in domestic cats (5) OR <u>genetic drift</u> (4) in small population (5) OR pleiotropic / multi-effect genes (4) with a desirable effect and this side effect (5)</p>		domestic	in the wild	good mothering	1 kittens do, survive / breed	1 kittens do, survive / breed	2 alleles not necessarily, passed on / kept	2 alleles, increase / passed on / kept	3 not selected for	3 selected for	bad mothering	1 kittens do, (still) survive / breed	1 kittens do not, survive / breed	2 alleles, increase / passed on / kept	2 alleles, decrease or alleles not, passed on / kept	3 not selected against	3 selected against
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1	(e)	(i)	<p>1 inbreeding / small or decreasing, gene pool ;</p> <p>2 homozygous recessive (genotypes) ;</p> <p>3 gene / allele , for desired characteristic on same chromosome as problem, gene / allele ;</p> <p>4 selecting for one trait (unintentionally) selects for another ;</p> <p>5 breeders select for looks not health ;</p> <p>6 weaker selection against less healthy animals (than in wild) ;</p>	max 2	<p>ACCEPT decreasing genetic variation</p> <p>IGNORE interbreeding</p> <p>CREDIT good and bad genes, linked / show linkage</p>
		(ii)	<p>1 entrapment / alginate beads / cellulose network ;</p> <p>2 adsorption / carrier bound or stuck to , porous carbon / clay / resin / glass ;</p> <p>3 covalent bonding or cross-linking enzymes to each other and to clay (using glutaraldehyde) ;</p> <p>4 membrane separation or enzyme and substrate either side of partially permeable membrane ;</p>	max 2	<p>Mark the first 2 answers</p> <p>ACCEPT encapsulation, inclusion</p> <p>IGNORE absorption</p>
			Total	21	

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
2	(a)	(i)	<p>T mitochondrion / mitochondria ;</p> <p>U Z line ;</p> <p>V myofibril;</p>	3	<p>FA for each line</p> <p>ACCEPT nucleus</p> <p>CREDIT zwischenscheibe line</p> <p>CREDIT myofilaments</p> <p>ACCEPT actin and myosin</p>
		(ii)	sarcomere ;	1	<p>FA</p> <p>DO NOT CREDIT 'sacromere' (section 12 spelling rules apply)</p>
		(iii)	<p>energy storage ;</p> <p>hydrolyses / breaks down , to glucose ;</p> <p>(glucose / glycogen, for) respiration / to make ATP ;</p> <p>glycogen insoluble / glucose would exert osmotic effect ;</p>	max 2	<p>IGNORE just 'provides energy' or source</p> <p>ACCEPT converted to glucose, provides glucose</p>
		(iv)	1.2 / 1.3 ; ;	2	<p>Correct answer = 2 marks</p> <p>If answer is incorrect then ALLOW 1 mark for correct working - 52 mm or 52 000 μm or 5.2 cm \div 42 000</p> <p>If answer is not correctly rounded to 1dp ALLOW 1 mark for unrounded answers, e.g. for 52 mm - 1.238095 or 1.23</p> <p>ACCEPT measurements in range 51–53 mm and corresponding unrounded figures - 1.21428 or 1.21 or 1.261904 or 1.26</p>

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2	(b)		<p><i>A band</i> stays the same / no change ;</p> <p><i>H zone</i> decreases / shorter / smaller ;</p> <p><i>I band</i> decreases / shorter / smaller ;</p>	3	ACCEPT disappears
	(c)		<p>1 (<i>fewer</i>) Ca^{2+} / calcium ions, bind to troponin ;</p> <p>2 (<i>fewer</i>) troponin (proteins) change shape ;</p> <p>3 (<i>fewer</i>) tropomyosin (proteins) move aside ;</p> <p>4 (<i>fewer</i>) binding sites on actin available ;</p> <p>5 (<i>fewer</i> actin-myosin) cross bridges / links, form / AW ;</p> <p>6 power stroke <i>reduced</i> / AW ;</p> <p>7 actin filaments pulled past myosin with <i>less</i> force ;</p> <p>8 ref. pH and denaturing of proteins ;</p> <p>QWC – at least two given mark points also indicate idea in bold italics ;</p>	max 5	<p>'Fewer' not needed to award mps 1 to 5 but is required twice for QWC. ACCEPT less / decreased for 'fewer'. ACCEPT mps 1-5 if event described said not to occur at all but don't award QWC green spot for this.</p> <p>1 IGNORE 'reduced ability of Ca^{2+} to bind' for QWC</p> <p>2 "Troponin does not change shape as much" gets mp 2 but not QWC</p> <p>4 ACCEPT thin filament for actin ACCEPT actin-myosin binding sites or binding sites for myosin heads, available / exposed</p> <p>6 IGNORE reduction in force of contraction DO NOT ACCEPT fewer power strokes</p> <p>7 IGNORE reduction in force of contraction</p> <p>8 ACCEPT description e.g. "H^+ changes protein's 3D structure" and allow reference to enzyme or to ATPase</p>
			Total	17	

[illegible]

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
3	(c)	1	somatic / adult, cell / nucleus ;	max 5	1 ACCEPT differentiated or body cell or example, e.g. skin cell, udder cell
		2	fused with / injected into ;		2 ACCEPT inserted / placed. If term use is "electrofused" gets mp 2 and mp 5
		3	empty / enucleate , egg cell ;		
		4	from another goat ;		4 ACCEPT named (A, B) or numbered goats
		5	<i>idea of</i> electric shock / electrostimulation ;		5 "electrofused" gets mp 2 and mp 5
		6	this cell or embryo, grown on , in vitro / in tied oviduct ;		6 ACCEPT in petri dish / test tube culture
		7	(early) embryo / blastocyst , split ;		7 ACCEPT description of an embryo being split, even if produced by wrong method (IVF)
		8	<i>idea that</i> embryos replaced in , surrogate mothers / other females ;		8 IGNORE host mothers
		9	AVP ;		9 e.g. further detail of any stage of process correct ref. to haploid / diploid , nuclei

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3	(d)		<p><i>advantages</i></p> <p>A1 all offspring will inherit the, (silk) gene / foreign DNA ;</p> <p>A2 all offspring female ;</p> <p>A3 certain / all make , silk / milk / product ;</p> <p>A4 faster / many obtained in a short time ;</p> <p>A5 avoid mating risks ;</p> <p style="text-align: right;">max 3 advantages</p> <p><i>disadvantages</i></p> <p>D1 no genetic variability (in population) / AW ;</p> <p>D2 (so makes goats) more susceptible to, environmental factors / (infectious) disease ;</p> <p>D3 cloned animals may, have shorter life spans / be less healthy ;</p> <p>D4 <i>idea that</i> cloning success rate is very poor ;</p> <p>D5 (more) expensive / needs (more) technology / (more) labour intensive ;</p> <p style="text-align: right;">max 3 disadvantages</p>	5 max	<p>IGNORE disadvantages of breeding given in the first (advantages of cloning) section, i.e. DO NOT CREDIT reverse arguments</p> <p>A5 ACCEPT idea of physical damage or disease transfer</p> <p>IGNORE advantages of breeding given in the second (disadvantages of cloning) section, i.e. DO NOT CREDIT reverse arguments</p> <p>D1 ACCEPT they are all genetically identical</p> <p>D2 IGNORE disease if stated to be genetic</p>
			Total	15	

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4	(a)		<i>fungus</i> long cells / hyphae OR multinucleate OR <u>chitin</u> cell wall ;	1	FA for each microorganism IGNORE prokaryotic / eukaryotic (as given in question) ACCEPT no nucleus / nuclear envelope IGNORE loop, plasmids, nucleoid
			<i>bacterial</i> free DNA / DNA not in a nucleus OR circular DNA (molecule) OR naked DNA / no histones OR peptidoglycan / murein, cell wall OR smaller / 70S / 18nm, ribosomes ;	1	
	(b)		<u>disease</u> -causing (organism) ;	1	IGNORE harmful, infection

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
4	(c)		<i>What is biotechnology?</i>	7 max	
		1	large-scale / industrial / commercial use (of living organisms / enzymes) ;		
		2	to produce , food / named example ;		2 e.g. cheese / yogurt / beer / wine / cider / vinegar / soya sauce / mycoprotein / etc.
		3	detail of , microbe / enzyme , involved ;		3 e.g. <i>Lactobacillus</i> / yeast / <i>Fusarium</i> / etc. IGNORE wrong kingdom
		4	to produce , drugs / named example ;		4 e.g. antibiotic / penicillin / augmentin / insulin
		5	detail of , microbe / enzyme , involved ;		5 e.g. <i>Penicillium</i> IGNORE wrong kingdom
		6	to make , (useful) enzymes / biogas / calcium citrate / for bioremediation / for water treatment / for microbial mining ;		6 e.g. detergent enzymes, pectinase, sewage treatment, blue technology
			<i>Advantages of microorganisms</i>		
		7	fast, growth / reproduction / products ;		
		8	microbes can be genetically engineered ;		8 ACCEPT in context of example mps 1 - 6
		9	processes occur at low , temperatures / pressures ;		
		10	low , temp / pressure , cheaper / safer , to maintain ;		10 CREDIT less energy used for low, temp /pressure
		11	products , pure / easy to separate ;		11 ACCEPT little downstream processing
		12	grow on unwanted, food / nutrients ;		12 ACCEPT named e.g. whey, starch waste.
		13	AVP ;		13 e.g. no animal welfare issues
			QWC – balanced account ;	1	Award QWC if 2 marks awarded from mps 1 – 6 and 2 marks awarded from mps 7 – 13
			Total	11	

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
5	(a)	(i)	succession ;	1	FA IGNORE primary / secondary
		(ii)	<u>mineral</u> content ; acidity / pH ; water depth;	2	FA
	(b)		<i>similarity</i> chlorophyll breaks down / leaves change colour ; <i>differences</i> (bog) minerals stay in plant / (forest) minerals in soil ; ora decomposers / fungi / bacteria , not, present / active in bog ; ora for forest	1 2	FA for similarity Mark first two answers for differences ACCEPT named mineral ions in words or correct symbols ACCEPT decomposers / fungi / bacteria, break down leaves in forest
	(c)		decomposers / named decomposers, not, present / active ; waterlogging reduces, air / oxygen ; acidity / low pH , stops (decay) enzymes working ;	2 max	ACCEPT (soil), bacteria / fungi / microbes can't survive or few can survive CREDIT waterlogging produces anaerobic conditions
	(d)		bog / habitat / ecosystem, takes a long time to form / hard to replace ; loss of, biodiversity / rare species ;	2	ACCEPT peat bogs maintain biodiversity
			Total	10	

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
6	(a)	(i)	larger territory / greater distance between neighbours = lower predation ;	1	ACCEPT ora - smaller territory / smaller distance = higher predation DO NOT CREDIT descriptions wrong way round
		(ii)	<p>1 great tit numbers, oscillate / rise and fall ;</p> <p>2 (weasel predation) helps keep great tit numbers stable ;</p> <p>3 predation (by weasels) is <u>density-dependent</u> ;</p>	2 max	<p>IGNORE weasel population size</p> <p>ACCEPT keeps great tit numbers moderate</p>
	(b)	(i)	<p><i>two areas</i> as a control / for comparison / to see the effect of removal of starfish ;</p> <p><i>same size</i> to make test, valid / fair / unbiased ;</p>	2	<p>IGNORE reliable, precise, accurate</p> <p>CREDIT 'as a valid control' = 2 marks</p>
		(ii)	<p><u>interspecific</u> competition ;</p> <p>(competition from) , barnacles / mussels ;</p> <p>for, algae / space ;</p> <p>barnacles / mussels , no longer eaten by starfish ;</p>	2 max	<p>IGNORE intraspecific competition</p> <p>ACCEPT description e.g. barnacles / mussels, eat food of, limpets / chitons</p> <p>IGNORE food</p>
		(iii)	<p>sponges outcompeted (by , barnacles / mussels) ;</p> <p>less, prey / food / sponges, for nudibranchs to eat ;</p> <p><i>idea of specialist feeder</i> ;</p>	2 max	<p>IGNORE 'sponge population decreases' alone (as given in question)</p> <p>CREDIT nudibranchs only feed on sponges</p>
			Total	9	

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
7	(a)	(i)	polar and brown bear ;	1	
		(ii)	<i>no because</i> one, more closely related to / in same group as , raccoons and one , to / with, bears / AW ;	1 max	DO NOT CREDIT answer if in context of yes
	(b)	(i)	knowledge , tentative / uncertain / subject to change ; to re-test / check, hypotheses / results ;	2	IGNORE incomplete, new technology IGNORE to validate
		(ii)	<p>1 <i>idea that</i> haemoglobin could be , an <u>adaptation</u> (to the environment) / an <u>adaptive</u> feature ;</p> <p>2 <i>idea that</i> low oxygen partial pressure is selective agent or both subject to the same selection pressure ;</p> <p>3 (haemoglobin of both) has high oxygen affinity / dissociation curve shifted to left ;</p> <p>4 convergence / similarity not due to shared ancestry ;</p>	3 max	<p>3 ACCEPT haemoglobin can uptake O₂ at low partial pressure</p> <p>4 ACCEPT description e.g. "changes happen to both independently" IGNORE "red and giant panda may not be closely related" (as given in question)</p>

Question			Answer	Mark	Guidance
	(c)		step 2 PCR / polymerase chain reaction ; step 3 genetic modification / genetic engineering ; step 4 electrophoresis ;	3	FA on each line ACCEPT gene cloning / transformation ACCEPT (gel) chromatography
	(d)		triplet code or 3 bases = 1 amino acid ; 525 ; 3 bases are , stop / (chain) termination , codon ;	3	DO NOT CREDIT triplet makes amino acid
	(e)	(i)	ox ;	1	FA
		(ii)	1 genetic code is degenerate ; 2 more than 1, triplet / codon, for same amino acid ; 3 silent / neutral, mutations ; 4 <i>idea that</i> DNA, changes more than / is more different to, protein ;	3 max	1 ACCEPT redundant 2 DO NOT CREDIT 'make' the same amino acid 4 ACCEPT polypeptide / amino acid sequence ACCEPT nucleotide sequence for DNA
			Total	17	

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