

# **MARKSCHEME**

**November 2000**

**BIOLOGY**

**Higher Level**

**Paper 2**

**SECTION A**

1. (a) (i) negative correlation / the greater the depth the lower the net oxygen production;  
negative values / more oxygen used than produced at lower depths; [2]
- (ii) lower light intensity at greater depth / (sea) water absorbs light;  
less photosynthesis at greater depth; [2]
- (b) no rise in oxygen production / not due to greater photosynthesis;  
(must be) due to less (cell) respiration;  
fewer organisms at greater depths;  
*(Award no marks if greater oxygen production is given as a possibility.)* [2 max]
- (c) (i) positive correlation / higher respiration with higher photosynthesis; [1]
- (ii) food / respiratory substrates made by photosynthesis;  
more respiring organisms with more food; [2]
- (d) total amount of photosynthesis is greater (in most sites); [1]
- (e) (i) carbon dioxide concentrations fall;  
area of reduced carbon dioxide spreads wider and wider;  
minimum CO<sub>2</sub> concentration (in centre) on day 7 then starts rising / other relevant  
comment linked to time; [2 max]
- (ii) iron stimulates the growth of algae;  
more photosynthesis with more algae; [2]
- (f) reduced CO<sub>2</sub> levels in the atmosphere would decrease the greenhouse effect;  
but in some ocean regions iron is not limiting;  
but the charts suggest that the effect of releasing iron might not last long;  
but extra algal growth might stimulate growth of more respiring heterotrophs; [3 max]

2. (a) mating / crossing / sexually reproducing members of two different species; [1]
- (b) (i) a gene / piece of DNA (is obtained) from one species;  
is inserted into another species; [2]
- (ii) unnatural;  
therefore effects unknown;
- any other valid objection;  
spelt out / some relevant detail; [2 max]
- (iii) glyphosate resistance gene transferred to crop plants;  
human insulin gene transferred to bacteria / yeasts;  
antitrypsin gene transferred to sheep;  
winter flounder fish gene transferred to tomatoes; [1 max]  
(reject examples of sense / antisense genetic engineering)
3. (a) double stranded;  
helical;  
complementary base pairing; [2]
- (b) hydrogen bonds [1]
- (c) left to right; [1]
- (d) RNA polymerase; [1]
- (e) IV is DNA and V is RNA;  
IV has deoxyribose and V has ribose;  
IV has thymine and V has uracil;  
base sequence (apart from U / T) is the same;  
both are single stranded; [4 max]

**SECTION B**

*(Remember, up to TWO ‘quality of construction’ marks per essay)*

4. (a) *(Award [1 mark] for each of the following structures accurately drawn and labelled.)*

rough endoplasmic reticulum;  
(free) ribosomes;  
Golgi apparatus;  
mitochondrion;  
chloroplast;  
vacuole;  
nucleus;  
lysosome;  
smooth endoplasmic reticulum;

**[6]**

(b) DNA replication;  
DNA transcription;  
enzyme / protein synthesis;  
biochemical reactions / example of a biochemical reaction;  
cell respiration;  
growth;  
organelles replicated;

**[4 max]**

(c) to increase the number of cells in an organism;  
to allow differentiation / cell specialisation;  
for greater efficiency;  
to replace damaged / lost cells;  
example;

binary fission;  
asexual reproduction of unicellular organisms;  
gamete / spore formation;

cells only arise from pre-existing cells;  
ref to Virchow;  
cells cannot grow beyond a certain size;  
surface area to volume ratio becomes too small;  
transport across the membrane too slow;  
example;  
nucleus cannot control the cell;

control of cell division sometimes lost;  
tumour formation;

**[8 max]**

*(Remember, up to TWO ‘quality of construction’ marks per essay)*

5. (a) removal of toxins / waste products from an organism;  
waste products of metabolism;
- control of water potential / level / content in a cell / organism;  
and control of solute / osmotic potential / concentration; **[4]**
- (b) protein carriers / pumps involved;  
specific / one carrier carries one (group of) substances only;  
against the concentration gradient (usually);  
using energy;  
obtained by hydrolysing / converting ATP to ADP;  
(*accept equation for ATP or ADP*) **[5]**
- (c) water reabsorbed from urine / filtrate;  
as it passes down the collecting ducts / last part of nephron;  
by osmosis;  
because water potential of medulla is lower / solute concentration is higher;  
high salt / sodium ion / urea concentration in the medulla;  
generated by the loop of Henle;  
sodium passes from filtrate in the loop of Henle to the medulla;  
in the ascending limb;  
by active transport;  
water in the medulla carried away by the blood system;  
ADH makes the collecting duct wall permeable to water; **[9 max]**

(Remember, up to TWO 'quality of construction' marks per essay)

6. (a) name of health problem (*e.g.* coronary heart disease, sickle cell anemia, varicose veins);  
outline of problem (*e.g.* coronary arteries are hardened and narrowed);  
harmful effect on patient (*e.g.* blood flow to heart restricted);  
another harmful effect (*e.g.* danger of coronary thrombosis); **[4]**
- (b) named example of disease (*e.g.* gonorrhoea)  
name of bacterium causing it; (*e.g.* *Neisseria gonorrhoea*);  
route of entry to body (*e.g.* through soft mucous membranes);  
method of transmission (during sexual intercourse);  
part of body where bacterium proliferates (penis and vagina);  
relevant biological explanation of the effects;  
(*reject E. coli and Salmonella as names of diseases*) **[5 max]**
- (c) named example of sex-linked disease;  
caused by recessive allele;  
on the X chromosome;  
example of pair of alleles (*e.g.*  $X^H$  and  $X^h$ ); (*reject if alleles do not correspond to disease*)  
females are XX and males XY;  
females have two alleles of the gene and males only one;  
allele causing the disease is rare / uncommon;  
probability of females inheriting rare allele twice is low;  
calculation of squaring the gene frequency;  
female would have to inherit the allele from her father;  
who would have suffered from the disease;  
so females can carry the gene but still be normal;  
but males (with the gene) will have the disease; **[9 max]**

(Remember, up to TWO 'quality of construction' marks per essay)

7. (a) random positions for the quadrats;  
use of random numbers for co-ordinates / other randomisation procedure;  
many repeats / quadrats;  
size of quadrat depends on size / density of plants;  
count number of plants in each quadrat;  
find mean number of plants per quadrat;  
multiply number per unit area by total area to obtain total population; **[4 max]**
- (b) burn wood / vegetable oil / straw / alcohol from sugar / other fuel from plants;  
named example (*e.g.* oil from oil seed rape);
- spin / weave cloth using plant fibres;  
cotton fruits (bolls) / linen from flax / other plant textile / fibre source;
- construct buildings / bridges / roofs / doors / windows using timber;  
named tree species providing timber for construction; **[5 max]**
- (c) C<sub>3</sub> plants are less / not well adapted;  
because they transpire rapidly in hot dry conditions;  
because they fix carbon dioxide inefficiently above 30°C;
- C<sub>4</sub> plants are quite well adapted / intermediate;  
they can open their stomata less wide and so transpire less;  
because they can fix carbon dioxide at low concentrations;  
they can fix carbon dioxide above 30°C;
- CAM plants are well / best adapted;  
because they open their stomata at night;  
cooler at night so less transpiration; **[9 max]**
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