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**for the guidance of teachers**

**0610 BIOLOGY**

**0610/32**

Paper 32 (Extended Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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**General notes**

Symbols used in mark scheme and guidance notes.

- / separates alternatives for a marking point
- ; separates points for the award of a mark
- A accept – as a correct response
- R reject – this is marked with a cross and any following correct statements do not gain any marks
- I ignore/irrelevant/inadequate – this response gains no mark, but any following correct answers can gain marks.
- ( ) the word/phrase in brackets is not required to gain marks but sets context of response for credit. e.g. (waxy) cuticle. Waxy not needed but if it was described as a cellulose cuticle then no mark.
- Small underlined words – this word only/must be spelled correctly
- ORA or reverse argument/answer
- ref./refs. answer makes appropriate reference to
- AVP additional valid point (e.g. in comments)
- AW alternative words of equivalent meaning
- MP marking point (number)

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1 (a)	<p><i>sensitivity</i> (ability to) detect / sense, changes (in the environment) / stimuli ; make responses ;</p> <p><i>involuntary action</i> a response that does not involve, decision / thought / AW ; <b>A</b> a response that is not under conscious control</p>	[max 3]	<p><b>A</b> automatic qualified reflex or an example unqualified is not enough</p> <p><b>A</b> 'a reflex because it is automatic'</p>
(b) (i)	<p><b>A</b> spinal cord / grey matter ; <b>B</b> motor neurone / axon / efferent fibre ; <b>C</b> sensory cell / receptor / muscle spindle ; <b>D</b> quadriceps / muscle / effector ;</p>	[4]	<p><b>A</b> responses on the diagram <b>R</b> references to 'nerves' and CNS <b>A</b> 'sense organ' in <b>C</b> but <b>R</b> sensory <u>neurone</u></p>
(ii)	<p>movement of, <u>ions / molecules</u> + against a concentration gradient / AW ; using, energy (from respiration) / ATP ; <b>R</b> references to particles</p>	[2]	<p><b>A</b> ref. to active transport slowed down by metabolic poison as alternative to energy / respiration / ATP NB be aware of contradictory statements re concentration and reject</p>
(c)	<p>sensory neurone still carries an impulse / can still feel the sharp blow ; no <u>impulses</u> in (motor) neurone / after the cut ; to, muscle / effector ; no, response / contraction ;</p>	[max 3]	<p><b>R</b> signals and messages <b>A</b> action potential</p>
(d)	to test if the nervous system is functioning properly / AW ;	[1]	<b>A</b> 'to see if the nerves are working properly'
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2 (a)	<p><i>general marks</i>            roots absorb water ;            idea of <u>both</u> gaining water over a large, volume / area, of soil ;            AVP ;</p> <p><b>A</b> has deep roots / go a long way down ;            to gain water that drains through soil / reach water table / AW ;</p> <p><b>B</b> has shallow roots / wide spreading roots / AW ;            absorbs water, before it drains <i>or</i> evaporates / immediately after rainfall ;</p>	[max 4]	<p>NB water absorption and area marks given once only</p> <p><b>R</b> long roots unqualified</p>
(b)	<p>thick cuticle ;            longer distance for diffusion / not easy for water to pass through / ref to impermeable ;</p> <p>rolled leaves ;            air trapped inside rolled leaf has <u>higher</u> humidity AW / stomata protected from wind <i>or</i> moving air (reduces transpiration) ;</p> <p>sunken stomata / stomata in pits <i>or</i> grooves <i>or</i> depressions ;            chamber has <u>higher</u> humidity AW / stomata protected from wind <i>or</i> moving air (so reducing transpiration) ;</p> <p>hairs on leaf ;            reduce air flow over the surface (so reducing transpiration) /            increase humidity by 'trapping' water (molecules) ;</p> <p>small leaves / leaves reduced to spines / leaves are needles / no leaves / leaves shed in very dry periods ;            small(er) / no surface area (for transpiration) ;</p> <p>fewer stomata / stomata closed during hot parts of day ;            stomata are pores through which water can pass (so reducing transpiration) ;</p>	[2 + 2]	<p><b>R</b> cuticle unqualified or ref to 'waxy' without description of thickness</p> <p>Must be <b>TWO</b> descriptions (max) with appropriate linked explanations</p> <p><b>explanations alone cannot be accepted</b></p> <p><b>A</b> correct references to water potential / concentration gradient for rolled leaves or sunken stomata</p> <p>IGNORE references to succulent leaves and storage (not water loss)</p> <p>'sharp' leaves also need to be small</p>

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(c)	tissue	substances transported	source	sink		<p><b>NB</b> substances transported score:-</p> <p><b>ONE</b> mark for <b>TWO</b> correct responses</p> <p><b>R</b> references to single cells as sources or sinks e.g. root hairs</p> <p><b>R</b> glucose</p> <p>mark each box independently</p>
	xylem	water, ions / named ion / mineral / salts ;	roots ;	stem / growing points / buds / leaf / flower / fruit / seed / storage organ ;		
	phloem	Sucrose / sugar, amino acids ;	<i>either</i>			
			leaf ;	stem / growing points / buds / root / flower / fruit / seed / storage organ ;		
			<i>or</i>			
storage organ ;	<u>young AW</u> leaf / stem / growing points / buds / root ;					
<b>[Total: 14]</b>					[6]	

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3 (a) (i)	award two marks if the correct answer (92.86 / 92.9 / 93) is given if answer missing or incorrect, award one mark for correct working  (difference = 11.7)  $\frac{11.7}{12.6} \times 100$  92.86 / 92.9 / 93 ;;	[2]	R rounding down to 92.8
(ii)	state link between height and yield (using figures) ;  taller plants have more leaves ; more leaves, increases surface area to absorb light / have more chlorophyll or chloroplasts ; more leaves increases photosynthesis ; more photosynthesis / more leaves, leads to increased, food production / potatoes / yield ;  taller stems allows more, banking / earthing up ; allows more, potato tubers, to form ;	[max 2]	

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<b>(iii)</b>	plots <b>F</b> to <b>H</b>  increased yield, (per hectare / increased yield per plant) / AW ;  smaller, increase / effect, when treated with manure compared to chemical fertiliser ;  greatest increase when treated with both manure and chemical fertiliser together ;  less increase in yield when both manure and chemicals are used rather than one (compared with none) ;  comparative use of data ;	[max 3]	
<b>(iv)</b>	nitrate used to make, amino acids / proteins ; ref to protein required for growth* ; ref to enzymes* ;  nitrogen / nitrates, used to make chlorophyll ; ref to photosynthesis* ;	[max 2]	* linked marks must refer to use of nitrate
<b>(v)</b>	control ; to, determine / compare, the effect of adding, chemicals / fertilisers / manure ;	[max 1]	

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(b)	<p>advantages to max 4</p> <p>higher yields (therefore more food) ;            nutrients more readily available (than from manure) ;            quick acting / no decomposition needed ;            less labour (than using manure) / easier to apply ;            exact quantities can be applied ;            can apply specific nutrients (that crop requires / that are deficient in soil) ;</p> <p>disadvantages to max 4</p> <p>loss of soil structure / erosion / reduced earthworm population ;</p> <p>fertiliser lost from land by, leaching / run off (into waterways) ;            leads to, eutrophication / growth of algae / algal bloom ;            death / migration, of fish / invertebrates / animals ;</p> <p><i>two AVP to max 2</i>            AVP ; e.g. allergies / stomach cancer            AVP ; e.g. weed growth / wilting</p>	[max 5]	<p>IGNORE references to costing / profit</p> <p>parts of the eutrophication process but not disadvantages therefore IGNORE not credit</p> <p>(algae / plants, die)            (decomposers / bacteria, use up oxygen dissolved in water)</p>
		<b>[Total: 15]</b>	



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4 (a)	drug / medicine(AW) / chemical / substance ; produced by microorganisms ; <b>A</b> ref to idea of synthetic analogues kills / stops, growth of, bacteria / other microbes ;	[max 2]	medicine / AW e.g. '(antibiotic) used to treat infection' is worth a mark <b>A</b> examples e.g. penicillin qualified 'penicillin is an antibiotic that kills bacteria/AW' would gain 2 marks <b>penicillin alone cannot score</b> <b>R</b> viruses
(b) (i)	(most) were killed by the antibiotic ; <b>ora</b>	[1]	
(ii)	(only) antibiotic-resistant bacteria transferred from <b>B</b> / (only) resistant bacteria in <b>C</b> / fewer resistant bacteria in <b>B</b> / non-resistant bacteria were killed in <b>B</b> ;	[1]	
(c)	resistant bacteria, survive / not killed / are selected for / selection pressure ; eventually, all / many, become resistant ; AVP ; e.g. any consequence of overuse / antibiotic no longer effective ;	[max 2]	<b>R</b> references to <b>immunity</b> as alternative to resistance
(d)	X-rays caused mutations ; change in DNA ; ref to, gene / allele ; mutation causes antibiotic resistance ;	[max 3]	ALLOW radiation
(e)	assume answer is about bacteria unless told otherwise, accept ora / AVP for viruses e.g. capsid  bacteria have cells ; cell wall ; cell membrane ; cytoplasm ; ribosome(s) ; flagellum ; capsule ; AVP ;	[max 2]	<b>R</b> nucleus in bacteria IGNORE composition of cell wall

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<b>(f)</b>	<p>HIV infects <u>lymphocytes</u> ;  T helper (lymphocytes / cells) ;</p> <p>fewer antibodies produced ;  infected cells not killed (by immune system) ;  phagocytes less effective ;</p> <p>increased susceptibility to / longer recovery time for, (infectious)  diseases / named disease (TB) ;  cancers ;  <u>opportunistic</u> diseases ;</p> <p>ref to AIDS ;</p>	[max 4]	
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5 (a) (i)	<u>diffusion</u> ; used in (aerobic) respiration ;	[2]	
(ii)	any <i>two</i> from water glucose / simple sugars / named amino acids salts / ions / named ion / minerals vitamins AVP e.g. vitamins	[1]	<b>NB 2 substances required for one mark.</b> R sugar unqualified A protein
(iii)	any <i>two</i> from carbon dioxide water protein / amino acids / hormone / named hormone / enzyme urea lactic acid AVP e.g. vitamins	[1]	<b>NB 2 substances required for one mark.</b> R sugar / waste unqualified A metabolic waste / glucose
(b)	<b>D</b> pores / holes / gaps in capillary wall / AW ; <b>E</b> allows filtration /movement of small molecules (between blood and tissue fluid) ;  <b>D</b> thin wall / wall is one cell thick / thin lining ; <b>E</b> short diffusion distance / AW ;  <b>D</b> small / thin / narrow / AW ; <b>E</b> blood moves slowly (for exchange) / more cells <i>or</i> blood close to wall ;  <b>D</b> large numbers of capillaries /capillary bed ; <b>E</b> provide large surface area ;	[2 + 2]	<b>NB</b> <b>Descriptor(D) must be linked to an Explanation(E) for 2 marks</b> <b>D alone can gain a point</b> <b>E alone cannot score</b> <b>1 + 1 and 1 + 1</b>  <b>R capillary one cell thick</b>
(c) (i)	lymph (vessel) ;	[1]	not lymphatic system or node IGNORE lacteal
(ii)	squeezed by muscles / AW ; valves, ensure one-way flow / prevent backflow ; passive not pumped ;	[max 1]	R valves unqualified
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6 (a)	concentration of <b>both</b> gases (relatively) constant until about 1800 ; steep / AW, increase in <b>both</b> from 1800 (until 2000) ; comparative use of figures ; <b>two figs for one of the gases or one fig for each</b>	[3]	Ref. to both gases required
(b)	max 3 for carbon dioxide industrialisation / AW ; burning of fossil fuels ; vehicle exhausts / AW ; deforestation / fewer trees / AW ; less carbon dioxide absorbed by plants / AW ; more methane from, rice fields / cattle ; increased waste (disposal) ; methane from (anaerobic breakdown in), landfill sites / waste dumps / AW ; AVP ;	[max 4]	<b>R</b> fumes unqualified IGNORE ref to natural disasters, etc. NB incorrect references to methane e.g. cars producing <u>both</u> gases but allow factories producing both gases
(c)	radiation emitted / reflected by earth's surface ; ref to infra red ; heat prevented from leaving (the atmosphere) ; gases, absorb / reflect / trap <u>infra red</u> ; atmosphere gets warmer ;	[max 3]	<b>A</b> ref. to global warming
(d)	fewer trees cut down ; less waste ; less material burnt ; ref to, land-fill / rubbish tips / environmental / ecological issues / AW ; conservation of, finite resources / raw materials / AW ; ref to biodegradable products / plastic is non biodegradable ; any correct ref to atmospheric gases e.g. carbon dioxide / methane ; AVP ;	[3]	IGNORE ref to cost of recycling
		<b>[Total: 13]</b>	