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Paper 31 (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.
<u>Small</u>	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)	detect / sense / feel / AW, changes (in the environment) / stimuli ; make response(s) / react ;	[max 2]	'a response to a stimulus' = 1 mark IGNORE an example as a definition asked for IGNORE 'sensitive'
(b) (i)	 A cornea ; B iris ; C lens ; D suspensory ligaments ; 	[4]	accept labels on Fig. 1.1 if not on answer lines D ACCEPT 'suspendary / suspendory' and other similar misspellings
(ii)	do not allow any ecf from (b)(i) <i>iris</i> controls / changes / adjusts, amount of light (entering the eye) ; controls / changes / adjusts, the size of the pupil ; protects, retina / light sensitive cells, from, bright / excess, light ;	[max 1]	 R 'pupil reflex' A circular muscles contract in bright light to protect the retina A radial muscles contract in dim light to help vision A stop retina from being bleached
	<i>ciliary muscle contracts to</i> change, focal length / thickness / shape, of lens ; (brings about) accommodation ; slacken the suspensory ligaments ;	[max 1]	IGNORE size A change how light is refracted in the eye A contract and relax to focus the lens A relaxes to increase tension in suspensory ligaments
(c) (i)	 if these two responses are given the wrong way round award no marks, but look for ecf in (d) G yellow spot / fovea ; 		
	H blind spot / optic disc; A optic(al) nerve	[2]	

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(ii)	 detects light of low <u>intensity</u>; A ora converts light to (electrical) <u>impulses</u>; provides night vision / work at night / work in dim light / 'see in the dark'; high sensitivity (to light); 		 2 R signals / messages / pulses 3 R 'rods capture light' 4 A very sensitive (to light) / more sensitive than cones
	 5 give peripheral vision / described ; 6 gives black and white vision / gives shades of grey ; A ora 	[max 2]	 5 e.g. not looking directly at object 6 ora = 'cannot see colour' / AW
(d)	allow ecf from (c)(i) if G is blind spot and H is fovea peak at G ; nothing at H ;		look for these two points, ignore the rest of any line(s) drawn by the candidates mark independently 2 marks if only a peak at G ACCEPT lines that just go into H
			R one vertical line in G.
	G H	[2]	
	[]	Total: 14]	

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2 (a) (i)	any time within the range 06.00 – 06.30 / 6.00 – 6.30 (am);	[1]	A in (i) and (ii) if 0600 etc
(ii)	08.00 / 8.00 (am) , 19.00 / 7.00 (pm) ;	[1]	A within range 18.45 to 19.00
(iii)	one of the following plant (only) respires rate of respiration > rate of photosynthesis no photosynthesis, only respiration ;	[1]	IGNORE anaerobic respiration (in plants) A only respire at night R 'respires instead of photosynthesises'
(iv)	 1 (carbon dioxide) required for photosynthesis / making food / released in respiration ; 2 photosynthesis / food made, in day is greater than, respiration / food use / energy release, at night ; 3 so surplus food produced / surplus energy / growth is possible ; <i>ora</i> 2 if rate of uptake during the day and release at night are the same ; 3 no, growth / no surplus / no food / no glucose / no energy ; A not enough, for growth / food / glucose / energy 	[max 2]	note that CO ₂ is in the question R comments on [CO ₂] in atmosphere ACCEPT descriptions of photosynthesis and respiration ACCEPT respiration and photosynthesis might balance
(b) (i)		[2]	

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(ii)	1 (taller plants / more leaves) = more yield ;		look for idea of more / increase where indicated in
	2 <i>height</i> more, flowers / fruits / tomatoes / leaves ;		some of the MPs
	3 ref to competition for light / access to more light ;		1 question says 'affects' so description is OK
	4 <i>leaves</i> increase surface area ;		2 A more space for tomatoes to grow
	5 more, chlorophyll / chloroplasts ;		3 more chance of pollination
	6 for, absorption / trapping, of light ;		
	7 more stomata for uptake of carbon dioxide ;		
	8 more photosynthesis ;		
	9 production of more, sugars / food / starch / AW ;	[max 3]	0 0/
(c)	1 planted at same time / same growing period / same age <i>or</i> size at		IGNORE light intensity / carbon dioxide concentration
	planting ;		/ temperature / humidity /
	same		air movement
	2 species / variety / strain / type, of plant; R same seeds unqualified ;		
	3 soil type ;		
	4 soil pH ;		
	5 distance between plants / planting density ;		
	6 soil water / quantity of water applied / AW ;		
	7 type of, fertiliser / minerals / nutrients ;		
	8 quantity of, fertiliser / minerals / nutrients ;		
	9 ref to protection against, pests / diseases ;		9 A spraying (named) pesticide
	10 AVP ; e.g. soil, quantity / depth ;	[max 3]	
(d)	1 ref to, sensor(s) / thermostat / AW ;		examples of AVP
	2 computer control / negative feedback / automated control ;		protection from, wind / hail / gales / extreme weather
	3 ref to, reducing / controlling, effect of <u>limiting factors</u> ;		easier to control, pests / diseases
	4 provide (artificial) light (when light intensity is low);		can control / exclude, (named) grazers
	5 provide shade ;		easier to control, weeds / competitors
	6 temperature control / heating / cooling / ventilation / air conditioning ;		
	7 <u>carbon dioxide</u> , enrichment ; A method described ;		
	8 control humidity / misting ;		R ref. to day length / photoperiod
	9 watering ;		R use animals to give off carbon dioxide
	10 soil-less cultivation / hydroponics / described ; A sterile conditions		
	11 ref to, fertilisers / minerals / nutrients ;		
	12 AVP;	[max 4]	
		Total: 17]	

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3 (a) (i)	ovulation ;			[1]	
(ii)	 one set of <u>chromosomes</u> / one of each pair of <u>chromosomes</u>; half the number of <u>chromosomes</u> of, (named) body / normal / diploid, cell; A 'of the species' 			R 'half' unqualified IGNORE refs to DNA / genes	
	(refers to) product of me	eiosis ;		[max 1]	IGNORE n rather than 2n
(b)	feature	egg cell	sperm cell		one mark per row
	site of production	<u>ovary</u> / <u>ovaries</u> / <u>follicle(s)</u>	testis / testes / seminiferous tubules ;		IGNORE epididymis if testis also give
	relative size	large(r) , ~100 μm	small(er) ; 40–60 μm		
	numbers produced	one per month / few / AW	many / AW, all the time ;		R scale bar length (10 µm) for sperm
	mobility	needs to be moved or moved by, cilia / peristalsis (of oviduct)	uses, tail / flagellum <i>or</i> can swim <i>or</i> description of action of tail		ACCEPT hundreds for egg cell and millions for sperm (if lifetime production)A one at a time for number of eggs
		A not mobile	(highly) mobile / can move ;		
				[4]	
(c) (i)	ovary / ovaries / follicle	<u>(s)</u> ; R corpus luteum	/ placenta	[1]	
(ii)	 (stimulates / causes) repair of the, uterus lining / endometrium; (stimulates / causes) growth / thickening, of uterus lining / endometrium; ready for, implantation / receive 'egg' <i>or</i> embryo; inhibits (release of) FSH; stops, production / release, of more eggs; stimulates release of LH; 			 A womb for uterus 1/2 A ref. to glands / blood vessels in uterus as equivalent to lining 2 A builds up / rebuilds for one mark only R wall if given <i>for</i> lining 	
	7 (stimulates / cause	s) change in cervical m	ucus ;	[max 2]	R 'make / create, lining'

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(d)	if in vitro fertilisation is described mark to max 1		
	 semen / sperm, is collected from, male / donor / sperm bank ; even if IVF described inserted into, vagina / cervix / uterus / womb / oviduct ; 		R a / single / one, sperm
	3 near time of ovulation / at fertile time ;	[max 2]	
		[Total: 11]	

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4 (a) (i)	1 NO _x / oxides of nitrogen ;		IGNORE air pollution unqualified
	2 vehicle / car, exhausts / fumes / emissions / gases / AW ;		R ref. to carbon dioxide
	3 burning fossil fuels in houses / burning forests ;		2 R cars unqualified
	4 volcanic eruptions / snow melt ;	[1]	4 A volcano(es) unqualified
(ii)	1 leaves / trees / producers / vegetation / plants, harmed / damaged /		1 A destroyed
	killed ;		1 IGNORE corroded / eroded
	2 trees more likely to get diseased ;		
	3 bark is damaged ;		
	4 roots killed ;		
	5 (sensitive species of) lichens killed ;		
	6 (named) microorganisms killed ; bacteria / fungi / AW		
	7 soil pH decreases / soil becomes more acidic ; A soil erosion		
	8 aluminium ions become mobile ;		
	9 nutrients / named example(s), leached ;		9 A 'acid dissolves nutrients'
	10 food chains / food webs disrupted / AW ;		
	11 loss of habitat / less biodiversity / extinction of species ;	[max 2]	11 A fish eggs fail to hatch / death of animals
(b)	1 use, alternative / renewable / green / AW , sources of energy ;		
	A example(s)		
	nuclear power / wind power / wave power / solar power /		
	hydrogen power		
	2 use low sulfur fuels ;		
	3 reduce use of coal ;		4 Dathbase intiger (EQD) are its sources
	4 flue gas desulfurisation / 'use scrubbers' / chimney electrostatic		4 R abbreviation (FGD) on its own or
	precipitators / neutralise waste gasses with lime ;		unqualified
	5 catalytic converters ;		
	6 provide / use, more public transport ;		7 B fower care unqualified
	7 car sharing / car pools / reduce use of cars / hybrid cars / electric cars /		7 R fewer cars unqualified10 international treaties e.g. Sulphur Emissions
	use biofuels ;		Reduction Protocol / Convention on Long-Range
	8 walking / cycling ;		Transboundary Air Pollution,
	9 reduce food miles / AW ;		
	10 AVP ; e.g. (named) international treaty for <u>reducing acid rain</u>		
	R fewer factories	[max 2]	
		[IIIdX 2]	

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(c)	look for positive features, not absent ones apart from unsegmented		
	unsegmented / not segmented / shell / (muscular) <u>foot</u> ;	[1]	IGNORE soft body
(d) (i)	frogs / black-fly larvae ;	[1]	
(ii)	clams / snails / molluscs ;	[1]	
(iii)	 enzymes do not function (well) / AW ; acid damages, shells / scales / skin ; A only external tissues calcium ions not available for shells / difficult to make shells ; aluminium in solution, toxic to fish / fish die ; acid / low pH, kills fish ; fish produce (lots of) mucus ; blocks gills ; 		 A enzymes denatured A acid dissolves shells
	8 AVP ;	[max 2]	IGNORE consequences for food chain
		[Total: 10]	

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5 (a) (i)	<i>high temperature</i> denature enzymes ; kill bacteria ;		R 'kills enzymes' R 'denatures bacteria'
	to give optimum temperature (for, enzymes / bacteria);	[max 2]	
(ii)	respiration is anaerobic ; lactic acid, produced ; A lactate / formula	[2]	IGNORE carbon dioxide treat MPs independently
(iii)	A named example of a food additive ; colouring ; preservative / stabiliser / emulsifier / antioxidant ; flavouring / (artificial) sweetener ; thickening agent ;	[max 1]	IGNORE international numbers / E-numbers R any food nutrient(s) A 'conservants'
(b)	 description 1 sigmoid (growth curve) or lag phase + exponential/log + stationary 2 phase ; 2 little/no growth, rapid growth, no growth / 'leveling off' ; explanation lag phase 3 small number of bacteria ; 		marking points may be taken from labels and annotations on the graph
	 4 produce, proteins / enzymes / DNA ; A builds up energy/food stores <i>exponential phase</i> 		R 'adapting to the environment'
	 5 binary fission / asexual reproduction ; 6 no limiting factors / no competition / plenty of food / plenty of resources ; stationary phase 		5 population doubles every time bacteria divide6 IGNORE ref. <i>to</i> temperature
	 7 death rate = 'birth' rate ; 8 resources / food, used up ; 		 A factors now limiting / competition for food / oxygen used up / toxins built up
	9 <u>pH</u> not, favourable / optimum ;	[max 5]	

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(c)	1 conditions not favourable ;		
	 2 cannot compete with <i>S. thermophilus</i>; ora 3 cannot increase until pH, falls / changes ; ora 		
	4 cannot increase until <u>oxygen</u> concentration decreases ; ora		R direct feeding of <i>L. bulgaricus</i> on <i>S thermophilus</i>
	5 grows slower than <i>S. thermophilus</i> ;		
	6 takes longer to, adapt / feed ;		
	7 fewer <i>L. bulgaricus</i> to start with ;		
	8 idea that substance / condition, provided by S. thermophilus;		8 A S. thermophilus changed the environment
		[2]	to allow for growth of <i>L. bulgaricus</i>
		[Total: 12]	

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6 (a) (i)	any two suitable examples		
	flood ; tsunami / tidal wave ; monsoon ; volcanic eruption ; A volcano(es) earthquake ; typhoon / hurricane / storm / cyclone ; fire ; drought ; crop / animal, disease ; R disease unqualified plague of pests of, crops / animals ; (e.g. locusts) AVP ;	[max 2]	R snowstorms / tornadoes / landslides / avalanches / mudslides
(ii)	drought ; soil erosion ; desertification ; salinity of soils ; global warming ; rise in sea levels ; AVP ;	[max 1]	R volcanoes / volcanic eruptions R famine R drying up of land
(b)	 overall increase (over the time period of Fig. 6.1); natural disasters, fluctuates / described / irregular; human induced, increase; comparative data quote for named cause <i>or for</i> total causes; sudden onset increase / ora; economic factors increase / ora; comparative data quote for same cause; 	[max 5]	 2 increase + decrease is minimum 4 with year and number of shortages for each quote 7 as for 4

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(c)	 land needed for, building / urbanisation / AW ; (so) not enough land to grow crops ; increase in food production damages land ; salination ; desertification / erosion ; 		3 A overcultivation
	6 overgrazing ;7 not enough water ;		7 disruption to water supply <i>or</i> e.g. such as dams
	8 <i>idea that</i> increase in demand for food makes food too expensive for poorer people to buy ;		
	9 richer nations take more of food / food crops exported (for foreign currency) / agricultural land used for, cash crops / non food crops ;		
	10 difficult to distribute food ;		
	 11 increased competition / conflict, if food production stays the same while population increase ; 12 AVP ; e.g. food production does not keep up with population growth, increase population leads to increase pollution 	[max 3]	
(d)	 suitable named crop plant or domesticated animal ; suitable feature to improve ; select individuals for breeding ; select offspring that show improvement ; use these for future breeding / AW ; A 'repeat the process' 	[max 4]	 R genetic modification R 'cows bred together' A cattle with high milk yield are bred together / high yielding corn are bred together = 3 marks R cow for milk x bull for meat
(e)	transfer of, a gene / an allele, from one species to another ; A 'type of organism' <i>or</i> 'from one variety to another'	[1]	