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GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

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Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
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- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

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Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

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Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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Mark scheme abbreviations

• ; separates marking points

• I alternative responses for the same marking point

R reject the response
A accept the response
I ignore the response
ecf error carried forward

AVP any valid point

ora or reverse argumentAW alternative wording

underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)

• () the word / phrase in brackets is not required but sets the context

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Question		Answe	er			Marks	Guidance
1(a)(i)	roo	root(s);			1		
1(a)(ii)	sma	all intestine ;				1	
1(a)(iii)	it is	s a solvent ; P ;				1	
1(b)		description	name of process	letter on Fig. 1.1		4	one mark per row
		dissolved nitrate ions draining into rivers from farmland	leaching	F			
		algae blooms in water caused by leaching of nitrate ions	eutrophication	G/O;			
		conversion of liquid / water, to, vapour / gas	evaporation	Ο;			
		conversion of water vapour into liquid water molecules	condensation	Р;			
		loss of water from plants by evaporation / vapour / H ₂ O(g) from plant	transpiration	Н;			
1(c)(i)	prevent (spread of named waterborne) diseases / infections; remove / kill, (named) pathogens;			1			

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(c)(ii)	 (polluted) water piped, to sewage treatment works / through J / to K, L,M,N; screening / removal of, large pieces of waste; flocculation / coagulation, to separate suspended particles; settling of, particles / grit / gravel; digestion by, bacteria / fungi / decomposers / microorganisms; with aeration (tank) / trickle filter / activated sludge; sludge treated with anaerobic decomposers / anaerobic digestion; (water) treated with, chlorine / ozone / UV (light); distillation / collection of water from evaporator; 	4	A settlement tank / sedimentation A digestion in reed beds A charcoal beds / reverse osmosis

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(a)	6;	1	A 3 pairs
2(b)	different lengths of (sex) chromosomes; different banding (patterns) of (sex) chromosome; different numbers of (sex) chromosomes; female has XX (chromosomes) and male has, XYY / AW (chromosomes); female chromosomes are same as each other / male chromosomes differ from each other;	2	
2(c)	(meiosis) produces gametes; (gametes) are haploid; gametes / AW, are genetically different (from each other); fusion of gametes; at random; zygotes / offspring / AW, are genetically different (from parent); sexual reproduction causes variation; AVP;	4	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(d)	an allele is a version of a gene; mutations (can cause new alleles to form); change in the base / DNA, sequence; (ionising) radiation / (named) chemicals, cause mutations; AVP;	3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(a)(i)	cell membrane / cell wall / cytoplasm / vacuole / nucleus ;;	2	
3(a)(ii)	epidermis ;	1	
3(a)(iii)	allows light through; (light) reaches chloroplasts / chlorophyll; in mesophyll / palisade cells; (palisade / mesophyll / chloroplasts / chlorophyll) need light for photosynthesis / trap energy from light;	3	
3(b)	for gas exchange / diffusion of gases; for, photosynthesis / respiration / transpiration;; correct gas with direction for named process;; controls the rate of, diffusion / transpiration / photosynthesis; ref. to transpiration <u>pull</u> ;	3	A ref. to prevent, wilting / water loss
3(c)(i)	move against the concentration gradient; proteins (in membrane); using energy; from respiration;	2	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(c)(ii)	high(er) ion concentration results in large(r) (guard cell) volume; ora comparative data quote with units to support any description; high(er) ion concentration causes low(er) water potential; ora (high ion concentration causes) water to move into (guard) cells; across partially / AW, permeable membrane; by osmosis; large cell volume correlates with high turgor pressure; ora because cell water / membrane / cytoplasm / vacuole, pushes more on cell wall;	5	
3(c)(iii)	lack of water; high temperature; low humidity / dry air; wind; AVP;;	2	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(a)(i)	conversion / process, needs energy; aerobic respiration occurs (in mitochondria); (aerobic) respiration releases energy;	2	
4(a)(ii)	enzyme ;	1	
4(b)	from the mother; glucose (in mother / fetus) carried in blood; glucose) diffuses / moves from high concentration to low concentration; across the placenta ; (through) umbilical cord; AVP;	3	
4(c)(i)	chemical substance produced by a (endocrine) gland; carried by the blood; alters the activity of specific target organs / AW;	3	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(c)(ii)	182 (%) ;;	2	
4(c)(iii)	 max four from mp1 to 6: no glycogen (measured) until day 10 / at first (measurable) / AW, glycogen concentration is 200–220 μmol per g; small / no, change / decrease, in glycogen until day 20–26; glycogen increases from day 20 - 26, until birth / day 62–64; 610–630 μmol per g at, peak / AW / birth; steep decrease in glycogen, after birth / after day 62–64 / to 330–350 μmol per g / to day 69–71; glycogen starts to increase (slowly), after day 70–73 / 7–10 days after birth; insulin is linked to increase in glycogen; glucagon is linked to decrease in glycogen; idea of changes in glycogen is linked to control of (blood) glucose concentration; homeostasis / negative feedback (in context of Fig. 4.1 / blood glucose); AVP; 	6	units must be stated at least once A 420 µmol per g increase at birth (from start)
4(d)	not all mothers can produce enough milk; some drugs can pass through into milk; transfer of named pathogens in correct context; painful nipples; time consuming; only mother can produce milk / fathers can't express milk; infant not, suckling / has difficulties, so not enough intake / AW; tiring; AVP;	3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5(a)	dry/AW;	1	
5(b)(i)	discontinuous;	1	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5(b)(ii)	limited number of phenotypes / three categories; no intermediates / discrete / separate categories / AW; caused by genes only; bar chart (has gaps);	2	
5(c)	thickness / length / width / mass / concentration of pigment / volume / surface area, of any leaf feature / density of stomata / number of, veins / chloroplasts / spikes ;;	2	A concentration for density
5(d)	measured different leaves; change in (named) environmental (feature); adapted to environment; leaves / plant, have, grown / older; AVP;	1	A mutation

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6(a)(i)	diffusion;	1	
6(a)(ii)	blood (in capillaries / A) is under (high) pressure; (liquid) forced out (of capillaries / A); ref. to thin walls / pores / holes, in capillary (walls / bed); ref. to osmosis (through capillary walls / membranes); to form tissue fluid (in B / outside of cells);	2	
6(a)(iii)	red blood cells ; (large / named) proteins ; platelets ; AVP ;	1	
6(b)(i)	(semi-lunar) valves; large, lumen / AW; thin(ner) walls (than arteries); (thin) elastic, tissue / layer / wall; (thin) muscle, tissue / layer / wall; AVP;	2	
6(b)(ii)	transports lymph; transports, named component of lymph; (lymphatic vessel) absorbs excess (tissue) fluid (from B); returns fluid to, blood / circulatory system; AVP;	2	
6(c)	location: in villi / small intestine; function: absorbs / transports, fats / fatty acids;	2	
6(d)(i)	lymph node;	1	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6(d)(ii)	(lymphocytes) provide (active) immunity; produce antibodies; (antibodies) lock-on to antigens; (antibodies mark) pathogen / antigen, for destruction / AW; (lymphocytes) produce memory cells;	2	 A protect against, infection / pathogen A ref. to specificity A kill pathogen A ref. to long-term immunity

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