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Paper 3 (Extended Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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Abbreviations used in the Mark Scheme

• ; separates marking points

• / separates alternatives within a marking point

R reject

ignore mark as if this material was not present

A accept (a less than ideal answer which should be marked correct)
 AW alternative wording (accept other ways of expressing the same idea)
 underline words underlined (or grammatical variants of them) must be present

max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded
 mark independently ecf
 the second mark may be given even if the first mark is wrong credit a correct statement that follows a previous wrong response the word / phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context

ora or reverse argumentAVP any valid point

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Question			Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
1 (a)	feathers;			max [1]	
(b)	go to 2 go to 4				5 or 6 correct = 3 3 or 4 correct = 2 1 or 2 correct = 1
	Spinus tristris	D			
	go to 3				
	Ara ararauna	Α			
	Aquila chrysaetos	F			
	Platalea regia	С			
	go to 5				
	Trochilus polytmus	E			
	go to 6				
	Recurvirostra americana	G			
	Phoenicopterus minor	В		[3]	

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Question	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(c) (i)	A – meiosis ; B – zygote ;	[2]	
(ii)	(cell/nucleus) has two sets of chromosomes; has pairs of chromosomes; has chromosomes from two, haploid cells/sperm and egg/two gametes; has chromosomes from male and female (parents); has twice the number of chromosomes as the gametes;	max [1]	ignore has 80 chromosomes ignore 2n unqualified
(iii)	increase in complexity; (named) cells/tissue(s)/organ(s)/organ system(s), become specialised/differentiate/AW;	max [1]	R ref to increase in cell number and cell size
(iv)	ref adaptation to, new/changed, environment/habitat/ecosystem; any example; e.g. ref to (new) disease/camouflage/escaping from (new) predators allows, selection/evolution; ref to reduces competition; increases chances of survival of the species/reduces chance of extinction; AVP; e.g. increase in gene pool	max [2]	A ref to selective advantage
		[Total: 10]	

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Question	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
2 (a) (i)	4.4 (cm ³ kg ⁻¹ min ⁻¹);	[1]	
(ii)	increase and decrease (after a lag); rapid/sudden/immediate/sharp/dramatic/AW, increase; remains constant/reaches a plateau/flat lines/AW; more gradual decrease; returns to, resting/original/AW/4.4(cm³kg⁻¹min⁻¹); any data quote with time and oxygen uptake with units for both	max [4]	e.g. maximum uptake is 18cm³kg ⁻¹ min ⁻¹ between 8 and 13 minutes
(iii)	increase in muscle contraction/muscles contract more or faster; increase in demand for, energy/ATP; increase in (rate of) respiration; ref to aerobic respiration; heart beats faster/faster pulse rate; increase in, depth/rate, of breathing; idea that body/muscles, needs more oxygen; prevents/reduces, anaerobic respiration/build-up of lactic acid; AVP; e.g. release of adrenaline/uptake reaches maximum possible/ref to maximum lung capacity	max [4]	R 'produce/create/make, energy' A high rate of respiration A correct balanced equation
(b) (i)	$\frac{170}{100} \times 100 = ;$		
	170 ;;	max [2]	

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Question	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(ii)	(during faster exercise) more energy needed when running faster/there is a faster rate of respiration; oxygen not supplied fast enough (from lung/heart); anaerobic respiration occurred during exercise; lactic acid is produced; cannot be broken down in muscle; (so) diffuses/passes, from muscle into blood;	max [3]	A ora
		[Total: 14]	

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Question		Answer		Mark	Additional Guidance
3 (a) (i)	G oesophagus/esophag H diaphragm; M large intestine/large b	_		[3]	R intestine unqualified/rectum
(ii)	function	name	letter from Fig. 3.1		
	conversion of glucose to glycogen	liver	P ;		
	secretion of insulin and glucagon	pancreas	К		
	absorption of products of digestion	ileum/small intestine	L;		
	storage of bile	gall bladder	O ;		ignore bile duct
	chemical digestion of protein in an acidic pH	stomach	J ;	[4]	

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Question		А	nswer		Mark	Additional Guidance
(b) (i)	emulsification/em	ulsifying (fat)/prod	ducing an emulsion ;		[1]	R 'emulsion' unqualified
(ii)	increases surface area ; for action of, lipase/enzyme(s) ;		[2]	A speeds up, enzyme reaction/breakdown of fat/absorption of fat A makes it easier to absorb		
(c) (i)	insulin glucagon	uptake by liver cells increases decreases	concentration of glucose in the blood decreases; increases/stays the same;		[2]	one mark per correct row
(ii)	adrenaline ;				[1]	A epinephrine, cortisol, ACTH, growth hormone, somatostatin, thyroxine, GLP–1, GIP
(d)	glucose concentration is kept, (near) constant/within narrow limits /AW; any change (in concentration), is detected/acts as a stimulus; correct ref to, glucose → glycogen/glycogen → glucose/increasing glucose concentration/decreasing glucose concentration; idea that it returns concentration to normal; idea that release of correctly named hormone, stops/switches off; ref to homeostasis;		max [3]	R hormones carrying out conversions directly		
					[Total: 16]	

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Q	uesti	ion	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
4	(a)		guard (cells);	[1]	
	(b)	(i)	oxygen is a (waste/by) product of photosynthesis; more oxygen is produced than used in respiration; concentration inside the leaf is greater than outside; ref to air spaces inside the leaf; oxygen moves down its concentration gradient; by diffusion; idea that the rate of photosynthesis is greater than the rate of respiration;	max [3]	A word equation/symbol equation
		(ii)	passes through air spaces; carbon dioxide dissolves in water (in cell wall); (spongy/palisade) mesophyll; passes/diffuses, through, cell wall/cell membrane; passes/diffuses, into/through, cytoplasm; enters chloroplast/used in chloroplast; reacts with water (to form glucose);	max [3]	A palisade cells ignore spongy cells A correct equation

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Question	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(c) (i)	stomata on, both sides of the leaf/both upper and lower epidermis; fewer stomata overall (however expressed); fewer stomata on upper epidermis than water lily/ora; fewer stomata on lower epidermis than myrtle/ora; more stomata on lower epidermis than water lily/ora; more stomata on upper epidermis than myrtle/ora; more stomata on upper epidermis than myrtle/ora; idea that about the same number on each surface whereas the numbers are very different on the surfaces of the other plants;	max [2]	A use of numbers to make comparisons with units used at least once in the answer mp7 also gains mp1
(ii)	white water lily (all) stomata (on upper surface) in contact with air/AW; for absorption of, carbon dioxide/oxygen; no stomata (on lower epidermis) in contact with water; diffusion (much) faster in air (than in water); (large number of stomata as) plant does not need to restrict, transpiration/water loss/AW;		A gas exchange / diffusion of gases
	common myrtle (all) stomata (on lower surface), in the shade/away from the sun/out of the heat/in a cooler place; ora reduces/restricts/less, transpiration/evaporation; ora so, less water is lost/water is conserved;	max [5]	ignore if explained in terms of waxy cuticle only R 'prevents'
		[Total: 14]	

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Que	estic	on	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
5	(a)	(i)	glucose provides energy/required for (aerobic/anaerobic) respiration; amino acids used, to make (named), proteins/polypeptides;	[2]	R to produce/AW, energy A for (cell) growth/make new cytoplasm
		(ii)	DNA/chromosome/genetic material, replicates/is copied; cell membrane/cell wall, develops in the middle of the cell; binary fission; bacteria/cell/cytoplasm, divides into two;	max [2]	ignore mitosis / RNA /chromosomes
	(b)		some bacteria were resistant to antibiotic, S/T/ both S and T ; fewer were resistant to antibiotic T/ antibiotic T is more effective (than S) ; both antibiotics, killed/inhibited growth or reproduction of, (susceptible) bacteria;	max [2]	R immune/antibodies
	(c)		bacteria are resistant ; have reproduced/multiplied, (in culture) ; all genetically identical, so all resistant ;	max [2]	R 'growing/becoming, resistant'

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Question	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
(d)	antibiotic resistant bacteria are formed by mutation; change to, DNA/gene; produces, new/different, protein; ref to anything that increases risk of resistance; spread (when antibiotic is used) susceptible/AW, bacteria die; ORA less competition/example;		e.g. not completing the full course /dose or taking antibiotics when not necessary e.g. more food/resources (available for
	ref to fewer limiting factor(s); resistant bacteria, reproduce/multiply; pass on their (DNA/gene(s)/allele(s)) for (antibiotic) resistance; ref to, (unprotected) sexual intercourse/many sex partners/AW; any two methods of transmission (from host to host);; AVP;	max [5]	e.g. body fluids/droplets (in air)/blood/needles <i>or</i> syringes/food/water/(named) vector/across placenta/at birth/breast milk
		[Total: 13]	

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6 (a) (i)	rat-tailed maggot, tubifex (worms), (water) louse (and mayfly nymph);	[1]	R stonefly (nymph)
(ii)	stonefly (nymph);	[1]	R if stonefly (nymph) and mayfly (nymph)
(b)	high/very high/highest, concentration of nitrate; nitrate needed by plants for, growth/making proteins/AW; ref to nitrate not being a limiting factor; AVP;	max [2]	ignore eutrophication unqualified ignore nitrogen
(c)	invertebrates are present all the time; pollutant, kills them/reduces their numbers/prevents them breeding; so presence/absence, is a good indicator; pollutant accumulates (in animal's body); pollutant, detectable when concentrations are low/no longer present; do not need to know what the pollutant is (as would be the case for a chemical test); no need for lab facilities/no need for equipment/can be done in the field; AVP;	max [2]	A bioaccumulation

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(d)	remove solids/pass through a grid/filter/screening; allow to sediment/(primary) sedimentation/settling tank; use, microorganisms/bacteria/fungi; in aerobic conditions/oxygen supplied/aerobic digestion/aeration tank; microbes, digest/decompose, complex compounds to, simple/soluble, compounds; any example; e.g. proteins → amino acids, starch → glucose, fat to fatty acids (and glycerol) water is, disinfected/chlorinated/treated with ozone/treated with UV; AVP; e.g. ref to respiration/recycling bacteria into aeration tank/flocculation described or explained	max [4]	A activated sludge/trickle filter A 'chemicals to kill bacteria'
(e)	plastic remains/persists/lasts a long time/not decomposed; swallowed/ingested/eaten/cannot be digested/blocks gut; caught, around/strangle/trapped/entangled/smother/suffocate/injure/cut/trap/stuck in, organism AW; plastic blocks light for, photosynthesis; may, contain/release, (oil-soluble) toxins/poisons/harmful chemicals; blocks the flow of water in streams or rivers; so less aeration of water/reduces concentration of (dissolved) oxygen; destruction of, habitat/ecosystem/food chain; idea of bioaccumulation/biomagnification; trapped / stationary water acts as a breeding site for mosquitoes; AVP; e.g. visual pollution/releases hormone-like chemicals/less oxygen from photosynthesis	max [3]	ignore cannot degrade choke can be mp2 or mp3 but not both ignore kills/dies unqualified R 'plastics are toxic'
		[Total: 13]	