

MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2011 question paper
for the guidance of teachers

0610 BIOLOGY

0610/61

Paper 6 (Alternative to Practical), maximum raw mark 40

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Question	Mark scheme	Mark	Guidance / comments
1 (a)	Blue / blue black / black;	[1]	Ignore purple / mauve / brown
(b)	(Change in colour) to white / yellow / paler blue / paler blue black / paler black;	[1]	Accept grey / colourless / brown / yellow orange / blue black weakened Ignore reference to “change in colour” only / black colour disappears / bleach
(c) (i)	72; 78;	[2]	Correct answers = 2 Mark independently If both incorrect allow 1 mark for correct working
(ii)	O – Orientation; A – Axes labels; S – Scale; P – Plots; L – Line;	[5]	O ‘x’ axis – time in mins and ‘y’ axis – number of new areas or total areas (where there had been a reaction) If total number plotted (wrong curve) = max 4 do not award A S plots to fill at least ½ the grid in both dimensions P accept +/- 0.5 mm (½ a small square). L points joined by ruled lines point to point or a smooth curve Do not allow extrapolation or double/thick lines
(iii)	Two marks from: age difference / gender difference / different types of goat / genetic difference / health of goat / concentration of enzyme (in saliva) / diet / hunger level / AVP;;	MAX [2]	Ignore references to pH and temperature Ignore references to paper starch levels

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(d)	Three marks from: 1. longer final time period; 2. more frequent readings; 3. do a control or description of boil and cool the saliva or use water; 4. One control variable (paper, pH, temperature, saliva amount, same volume of sample, type of goat etc); 5. repeats or replicates; 6. calculate mean / average; 7. more precise timing device; 8. AVP;	MAX [3]	
		[Total: 14]	
2 (a)	Drawing: O Clear lines and no shading; S Larger than photograph; D Hairs drawn precisely; P Seed area drawn with regard to shape; Labels: attachment / position of seed / hairs;	[5]	4 drawing marks Hairs to be attached to the top end of fruit – not matted Hairs shown as straight, single lines Ignore ornamentation on seed. Ignore incorrect labels Accept alternative wording for hairs Ignore words which describe other biological features

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(b) (i)	Length of fruit in Fig. 2.1 in mm / cm 73 $\pm$ 2 mm / 7.3 $\pm$ 0.2 cm; Length of fruit in drawing in mm / cm ($\pm$ 2 mm or $\pm$ 0.2 cm);	[2]	penalise once for incorrect / absent units
(ii)	Correct magnification and X;;	[2]	Accept error carried forward from (b)(i) Accept correct answer for 2 marks even if no working shown Accept X before or after magnification / “times” If answer incorrect allow max 1 for correct working e.g. length of drawing / length of image – in words or figures

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(c) (i)	feature	Dry fruit [Fig. 2.2]	Damp fruit [Fig. 2.3]	[2]	One mark for identifying feature wherever in table Error carried forward for feature from label in 2a 2nd mark for description
	Hairs / parachute / pappus / AW;	Wide spread / AW AND	Closed / close / AW;		
(ii)	Five marks from: dispersal: - dry / windy – seeds blown away; - increase of surface area / bigger to 'catch' the wind / breeze / air currents in the dry; - wet – drop to the ground / are not dispersed; - to spread away from parent plant / to new place / habitat; - avoids competition with parent plant / each other / avoids overcrowding / more space; germination: - wet / damp soil / place / humid; - enzyme activation / working / respiration ORA; - warmer; - AVP;			Max [5]	Ignore pollen / spores dispersed by wind 4. must be linked to dispersal not just germinating in new habitat
				[Total: 16]	

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3	(a)	(i)	Possession of outer layer / skin / rind / bark / have layers / 'roundish' shape / cortex;	[1]	Ignore references to cells / colour																					
		(ii)	Three differences from:<table><thead><tr><th>difference</th><th>ginger stem</th><th>lotus stem</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>shape</td><td>irregular / oval / random / AW</td><td>round / circular/ cylindrical / symmetrical / AW;</td></tr><tr><td>cavities / holes / gaps / pores / pipes / air spaces</td><td>none / compact</td><td>cavities present / arranged in circle / porous / AW;</td></tr><tr><td>inner layer</td><td>fibrous / fibres / hair like</td><td>holes / gaps present / AW;</td></tr><tr><td>outer layer / bark / skin / wall</td><td>dark / thick / rough</td><td>light / thin / smooth / not visible / AW;</td></tr><tr><td>colour</td><td>more uniform</td><td>dark patches / AW;</td></tr><tr><td>AW;</td><td></td><td></td></tr></tbody></table>	difference	ginger stem	lotus stem	shape	irregular / oval / random / AW	round / circular/ cylindrical / symmetrical / AW;	cavities / holes / gaps / pores / pipes / air spaces	none / compact	cavities present / arranged in circle / porous / AW;	inner layer	fibrous / fibres / hair like	holes / gaps present / AW;	outer layer / bark / skin / wall	dark / thick / rough	light / thin / smooth / not visible / AW;	colour	more uniform	dark patches / AW;	AW;			[3]	Accept comparative answers in one box only If answers are in one box only, they must be comparative Ignore references to phloem and xylem
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(c)	Four marks from: 1. cut (thin) section / piece of lotus root / grind / dissect / blend / mash / rub / layer of cells; 2. place on microscope slide / glass slide / slide / glass / slab; 3. stain with iodine <u>solution</u> ; 4. cover slip used / AW; 5. look for blue / black stained grains / granules / spots / areas; 6. AVP;	MAX [4]	Ignore heating and use of ethanol. 3. Accept drops of iodine or iodine in KI. 5. Accept 'darker' for 'black' 6. e.g. use blotting paper to mop up excess liquid
		[Total: 10]	