

MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2012 question paper
for the guidance of teachers

0610 BIOLOGY

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Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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General notes

Do not exceed the section sub-totals or question maxima.

Symbols used in mark scheme and guidance notes.

/ separates alternatives for a marking point

; separates points for the award of a mark

MP mark point – used in guidance notes when referring to numbered marking points

ORA or reverse argument / reasoning

OWTTE or words to that effect

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 the context of the response for credit.
e.g. (waxy) cuticle. Waxy not needed but if it was described as a cellulose cuticle then no mark is awarded.

mitosis underlined words – this word only

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<p>1 (a) (i) respiration; [1]</p> <p>(ii) sensitivity / irritability; [1]</p> <p>(iii) nutrition; [1]</p> <p>(iv) excretion; [1]</p> <p>(b) reproduction / growth; [1]</p> <p>[Total: 5]</p>	
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2	pollutant	effect of pollutant	If more than one line from any pollutant then no mark for that pollutant.
	carbon monoxide	can cause mutations;	
	insecticides	can cause rise of global temperatures;	
	ionising radiation	can lead to acid rain;	
	methane	can poison top carnivores;	
	sulfur dioxide	can reduce transport of oxygen in the blood;	
	untreated sewage	can spread cholera and typhoid;	
	[6]		
	(b) (i) (cigarette / tobacco) smoking / vehicle / car exhausts / incomplete combustion;	[1]	A – ref to (faulty) gas heaters / exhaust
	(ii) combustion / burning (of suitable material) / respiration / decomposition;	[1]	
	(iii) nuclear fallout / use of X rays / exposure to UV light;	[1]	
	[Total: 9]		A – ref to nuclear power stations / nuclear weapons / radio-therapy

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<p>4 (a) (i) M – site of implantation / development / protection of fetus / development of placenta / OWTTE;</p> <p>N – transfer of ovum to uterus / site of fertilisation; [2]</p> <p>(ii) O – produces / releases ova / egg (cells) / female gametes;</p> <p>produces oestrogen;</p> <p>produces progesterone;</p> <p>any two – 1 mark each [2]</p> <p>(b) 1 uterine lining / endometrium shed; 2 lost with blood / (unfertilised) ovum; 3 ovum matures within ovary; 4 uterine lining re-grows / thickens; 5 ovulation occurs; 6 blood capillaries grow in lining; 7 uterine lining starts to breakdown;</p> <p>any four – 1 mark each [max 4]</p> <p>(c) 1 sperm enters / joins / fuses with ovum; 2 two nuclei fuse; 3 forms zygote / diploid cell;</p> <p>any two – 1 mark each [max 2]</p>	<p>A – female hormones for 1 mark only</p> <p>Response can start at any point of the cycle. Points in correct sequence.</p> <p>1 R – ref to uterus / uterine wall shed</p>
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<p>(d) (i) oestrogen; [1]</p> <p>(ii) 1 development of mammary glands / breasts; 2 widening of hips; 3 (growth of) pubic / axillary hair / OWTTE; 4 deposits of subcutaneous fat;</p> <p>any two – 1 mark each [max 2]</p> <p>[Total: 13]</p>	<p>I – ref to menstrual cycle / formation / release of ova</p>
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<p>(c) 1 protection from pathogens / bacteria / viruses / chemicals / UV light / dehydration;</p> <p>2 sensory function / ref to receptors in skin;</p> <p>3 forms vitamin D;</p> <p>any one – 1 mark each [max 1]</p> <p>[Total: 10]</p>	
<p>6 (a) formation of genetically identical offspring;</p> <p>from a single parent / OWTTE; [max 2]</p> <p>(b) 1 side / lateral branches grow;</p> <p>2 on underground stem;</p> <p>3 tip of branch swells to form tuber;</p> <p>4 food materials / starch deposited in swelling / tuber;</p> <p>5 connection to parent plant dies / rots;</p> <p>6 tuber (has buds that) can grow to form new plant;</p> <p>any three – 1 mark each [max 3]</p> <p>(c) bacteria;</p> <p>fungi; [2]</p> <p>[Total: 7]</p>	

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<p>7 (a) label D on descending region;</p> <p>label E on steeply ascending region;</p> <p>label L on early level / shallowly ascending region;</p> <p>label S on high level region;</p> <p>any three – 1 mark each [max 3]</p> <p>(b) 1 nutrition / food / vegetation / producers;</p> <p>2 disease;</p> <p>3 predators; [3]</p> <p>[Total: 6]</p>	<p>2 A – named disease</p> <p>3 A – named predator</p>
<p>8 (a) 1 made of protein;</p> <p>2 are (biological) catalysts;</p> <p>3 that speed up chemical reactions;</p> <p>4 not changed by chemical reaction</p> <p>any three – 1 mark each [3]</p> <p>(b) (i) completion of curve; [1]</p> <p>(ii) 55 (°C) if point to point curve; (+/- half square) check against candidate's graph if free hand curve; [1]</p> <p>(iii) 24 or 25 or check value from candidate's graph; (+/- half square) [1]</p>	

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<p>(iv) rise in temperature increases the rate of reaction / ORA; (rise) above optimum temperature / 55 °C rate falls; [2]</p> <p>(v) <u>15 °C sample –</u> 1 at optimum / higher temperature enzyme active; 2 reaction occurs / starch digested; <u>75 °C sample –</u> 3 no reaction at optimum temp; 4 enzyme destroyed / denatured (by 75 °C); any three – 1 mark each [max 3]</p> <p>[Total: 11]</p>	
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<p>9 (a) (i) phloem, P, and xylem, X, correctly labelled on stem; phloem, P, and xylem, X, correctly labelled on leaf; [2]</p> <p>(ii) 1 transports water; 2 transports minerals / salts / ions; 3 gives support (to soft tissues); any two – 1 mark each [max 2]</p> <p>(b) (i) sucrose; amino acids; [2]</p> <p>(ii) leaf line arrowhead – towards stem; root line arrowhead – towards root tip end; stem line arrowhead – towards stem tip / root; [3]</p> <p>[Total: 9]</p>	<p>2 A – named example</p> <p>A – two arrow heads to both ends of stem</p>
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