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### **Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

#### 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.

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:**

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

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
- marks are not deducted for errors
- 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.

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:**

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

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### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:**

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).

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:**

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.

### **Science-Specific Marking Principles**

- 1 Examiners should consider the context and scientific use of any keywords when awarding marks. Although keywords may be present, marks should not be awarded if the keywords are used incorrectly.
- 2 The examiner should not choose between contradictory statements given in the same question part, and credit should not be awarded for any correct statement that is contradicted within the same question part. Wrong science that is irrelevant to the question should be ignored.
- Although spellings do not have to be correct, spellings of syllabus terms must allow for clear and unambiguous separation from other syllabus terms with which they may be confused (e.g. ethane / ethene, glucagon / glycogen, refraction / reflection).
- 4 The error carried forward (ecf) principle should be applied, where appropriate. If an incorrect answer is subsequently used in a scientifically correct way, the candidate should be awarded these subsequent marking points. Further guidance will be included in the mark scheme where necessary and any exceptions to this general principle will be noted.

### 5 <u>'List rule' guidance</u>

For questions that require *n* responses (e.g. State **two** reasons ...):

- The response should be read as continuous prose, even when numbered answer spaces are provided.
- Any response marked *ignore* in the mark scheme should not count towards *n*.
- Incorrect responses should not be awarded credit but will still count towards n.
- Read the entire response to check for any responses that contradict those that would otherwise be credited. Credit should **not** be awarded for any responses that are contradicted within the rest of the response. Where two responses contradict one another, this should be treated as a single incorrect response.
- Non-contradictory responses after the first *n* responses may be ignored even if they include incorrect science.

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### 6 Calculation specific guidance

Correct answers to calculations should be given full credit even if there is no working or incorrect working, **unless** the question states 'show your working'.

For questions in which the number of significant figures required is not stated, credit should be awarded for correct answers when rounded by the examiner to the number of significant figures given in the mark scheme. This may not apply to measured values.

For answers given in standard form (e.g.  $a \times 10^n$ ) in which the convention of restricting the value of the coefficient (a) to a value between 1 and 10 is not followed, credit may still be awarded if the answer can be converted to the answer given in the mark scheme.

Unless a separate mark is given for a unit, a missing or incorrect unit will normally mean that the final calculation mark is not awarded. Exceptions to this general principle will be noted in the mark scheme.

### 7 Guidance for chemical equations

Multiples / fractions of coefficients used in chemical equations are acceptable unless stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

State symbols given in an equation should be ignored unless asked for in the question or stated otherwise in the mark scheme.

#### 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  | Answer   | Marks | Guidance |
|-----------|--|-------|----------|
| 1(a)      | label: nucleus; label line drawn that ends <b>on</b> the nucleus in the photomicrograph; | 2     |          |
| 1(b)      | microscope;  | 1     |          |
| 1(c)      | any two from: cell wall ; vacuole ; chloroplast ;  | 2     |          |
| 1(d)(i)   | membrane;  | 1     |          |
| 1(d)(ii)  | arrow drawn pointing from outside cell to inside cell;                                   | 1     |          |
| 1(d)(iii) | diffusion;   | 1     |          |

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| Question | Answer   | Marks | Guidance  |
|----------|--|-------|---|
| 2(a)     | produces sperm  sac which contains the testes  B  secretes fluid for sperm to swim in  C  tube which carries the sperm to the urethra  D  tube which carries urine and sperm | 4     | one mark for each correct line R each additional line |
| 2(b)(i)  | testosterone circled;  | 1     |   |
| 2(b)(ii) | testes are made up of (a group of) tissues / AW; that have a specific function / AW;   | 2     |   |
| 2(c)     | any two from: movement; respiration; sensitivity; growth; excretion; nutrition;  | 2     |   |

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| Question | Answer   | Marks | Guidance                                  |
|----------|--|-------|---|
| 2(d)     | <ul> <li>any three from:</li> <li>involves gametes;</li> <li>involves, fertilisation / fusion of (nuclei of) gametes / fusion of sperm and egg (cell);</li> <li>involves formation of a zygote;</li> <li>produces offspring that are genetically different (from each other);</li> <li>produces offspring that are genetically different from parent/s;</li> <li>involves, two / both, parents;</li> <li>AVP;</li> </ul> | 3     | e.g. sexual reproduction involves meiosis |

| Question  | Answer   | Marks | Guidance |
|-----------|--|-------|----------|
| 3(a)(i)   | X drawn on the septum;   | 1     |          |
| 3(a)(ii)  | pulmonary vein ;   | 1     |          |
| 3(a)(iii) | stops backflow of blood (from right ventricle to right atrium) / AW; | 1     |          |
| 3(a)(iv)  | listen, (to the sound of) part <b>Z</b> / valve, closing;            | 1     |          |
| 3(a)(v)   | muscle;  | 1     |          |
| 3(b)(i)   | mouse;<br>orca;<br>decreases / AW;                                   | 3     |          |
| 3(b)(ii)  | 70 (beats per minute) ;  | 1     |          |
| 3(c)(i)   | coronary artery ;  | 1     |          |

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| Question  | Answer   | Marks | Guidance                  |
|-----------|--|-------|---------------------------|
| 3(c)(ii)  | <pre>any two from: 1    age / being older; 2    genetic predisposition / AW; 3    sex / being male; 4    (high levels of) stress; 5    smoking, tobacco / cigarettes; 6    diet / diet high in, saturated fats / cholesterol; 7,8    AVP;;</pre> | 2     | e.g. obesity / inactivity |
| 3(c)(iii) | red (blood cells); white (blood cells);  | 2     |                           |

| Question  | Answer   | Marks | Guidance                              |
|-----------|--|-------|---------------------------------------|
| 4(a)(i)   | 0.3 (mm per s);                                    | 1     |                                       |
| 4(a)(ii)  | $(9 \times 2 =) 18 \text{ (mm)};$                  | 1     | A ecf incorrect answer in (a)(i) × 60 |
| 4(a)(iii) | oxygen;  | 1     |                                       |
| 4(a)(iv)  | Water is needed for respiration.                   | 1     | R each additional tick                |
|           | Water is needed for germination.                   |       |                                       |
|           | Water is used to keep the temperature constant. ✓; |       |                                       |
|           | Water is used to keep the pH constant.             |       |                                       |
| 4(b)(i)   | water;   | 1     |                                       |
| 4(b)(ii)  | lung(s);   | 1     |                                       |
| 4(c)      | contraction; impulses; neurones;                   | 3     |                                       |

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| Question  | Answer  | Marks | Guidance |
|-----------|---|-------|----------|
| 5(a)(i)   | A – cuticle; B – phloem; C – stoma(ta); D – spongy mesophyll (layer);   | 4     |          |
| 5(a)(ii)  | 4;  | 1     |          |
| 5(b)(i)   | mineral ions;   | 1     |          |
| 5(b)(ii)  | root hair (cell);   | 1     |          |
| 5(b)(iii) | any three from: by, transpiration / diffusion; evaporation from surface of (mesophyll) cell; ref. to water vapour; through the stomata; | 3     |          |
| 5(c)(i)   | carbon dioxide + water $\rightarrow$ ; glucose + oxygen;  | 2     |          |
| 5(c)(ii)  | light (energy);   | 1     |          |

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| Question  | Answer  |    | Marks | Guidance               |
|-----------|---|----|-------|------------------------|
| 6(a)(i)   | 40 (minutes);   |    | 1     |                        |
| 6(a)(ii)  | idea that 40°C gives the shortest time for stain removal;   |    | 1     |                        |
| 6(a)(iii) | Washing powder B is active over a greater range of temperatures than washing powder A.  |    | 2     | R each additional tick |
|           | Washing powders <b>A</b> and <b>B</b> do <b>not</b> work at 50 °C.  |    |       |                        |
|           | Washing powders <b>A</b> and <b>B</b> have the same activity at 37 °C.  | ✓; |       |                        |
|           | Washing powder <b>A</b> can remove the stain in 15 minutes.   |    |       |                        |
|           | Washing powder <b>A</b> is more effective at lower temperatures than washing powder <b>B</b> .  | ✓; |       |                        |
| 6(b)      | pH / AVP;   |    | 1     |                        |
| 6(c)      | (a substance that) increases the rate of a chemical reaction / A\ and is not changed permanently by the reaction / not used up ir reaction; |    | 2     |                        |
| 6(d)      | substrate – <b>V</b> ;<br>enzyme – <b>Z</b> ;   |    | 2     |                        |
| 6(e)      | fat / oil / lipid; (→) fatty acids;   |    | 2     |                        |

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| Question  | Answer   | Marks | Guidance  |
|-----------|--|-------|---|
| 7(a)(i)   | amphibians;  | 1     |   |
| 7(a)(ii)  | mammals;   | 1     |   |
| 7(a)(iii) | 6 (%);   | 1     |   |
| 7(b)      | feathers / beak / AVP;   | 1     |   |
| 7(c)      | any two from: dispose of responsibly / put it in the bin; reuse plastic items; reduce the use of plastic / using (named) alternative; recycle plastic; AVP;;   | 2     | e.g. not buying items in plastic packaging / buying biodegradable plastic / passing laws to prevent usage |
| 7(d)(i)   | <pre>any four from: 1    monitoring (numbers of), animal / species; 2    ref. to legal protection; 3    hunting ban / prevent poaching; 4    protection of animals habitat / nature reserves; 5    ref. to education / raising awareness / AW; 6    captive breeding programmes; 7    zoos; 8    AVP;;</pre> | 4     |   |
| 7(d)(ii)  | natural selection linked to:   | 3     | R each additional line  |
|           | involves only the best adapted organisms surviving and breeding;   |       | box 2   |
|           | involves passing on of alleles to offspring;   |       | box 3   |
|           | occurs as there are not enough resources for every individual;   |       | box 5   |

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