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0438 BIOLOGY (US)	
0438/23	Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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Mark schemes will use these abbreviations

- ; separates marking points
- / alternatives
- **R** reject
- **A** accept (for answers correctly cued by the question)
- **I** ignore as irrelevant
- **ecf** error carried forward
- **AW** alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
- **AVP** alternative valid point
- **ORA** or reverse argument
- **OWTTE** or words to that effect
- underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
- () the word / phrase in brackets is not required but sets the context
- **D, L, T, Q** quality of: drawing / labelling /
- table / detail as indicated
- max indicates the maximum number of marks

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	Answer	Marks	Guidance for Examiners												
1 (a)	<table border="1"> <tr> <td></td> <td>monocotyledons</td> <td>eudicotyledons</td> </tr> <tr> <td>number of cotyledons in seed</td> <td>1;</td> <td>2;</td> </tr> <tr> <td>pattern of veins in leaf</td> <td>parallel veins;</td> <td>network of veins/branching veins;</td> </tr> <tr> <td>number of flower parts e.g. petals</td> <td>3/6;</td> <td>5/4;</td> </tr> </table>		monocotyledons	eudicotyledons	number of cotyledons in seed	1;	2;	pattern of veins in leaf	parallel veins;	network of veins/branching veins;	number of flower parts e.g. petals	3/6;	5/4;	[max 4]	Each correct response 1 mark.
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(b)	1 light; 2 gravity;	[2]	1 and 2 A – water/moisture/humidity, temperature/heat, wind, touch												
(c) (i)	root;	[1]													
(ii)	xylem correctly labelled; phloem correctly labelled;	[2]	Label lines must be clear												
(iii)	support; transport of water; transport of minerals/salts/ions;	[max 2]	A – named example I – nutrients Any two – 1 mark each.												
		[Total: 11]													

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<p>2 (a)</p>	<p><i>agricultural machinery</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. tractors allow deeper ploughing/OWTTE; 2. allows better drainage/aeration of soil/OWTTE; 3. other machinery allows better/quicker sowing of seeds/OWTTE; 4. less wastage of seeds/cost saving/OWTTE; 5. better/quicker harvesting systems/OWTTE; 6. ref to irrigation/spreading of fertilisers/pesticides/OWTTE; 7. greater area under cultivation/OWTTE; 8. less labour intensive/OWTTE; 9. larger/heavier crop (per unit area)/OWTTE; <p><i>fertilisers</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. supply minerals/nutrients; 2. e.g. nitrates/magnesium/phosphates/potassium; 3. (nitrates) for protein/amino acid formation; 4. (magnesium) for chlorophyll formation; 5. these allow increased/faster growth/photosynthesis; 6. allows use of poorer soils/OWTTE; 7. larger/heavier crop (per unit area); 	<p>[max 6]</p>	<p>Allow any four responses in either section of a MAX of 6 marks total.</p> <p>A – nutrients</p> <p>Beware responses that confuse fertilisers with insecticides</p> <p>A – responses in terms of hydroponics, green houses</p> <p>A – any other named mineral, (soil) nitrogen</p> <p>A – other correct roles for a named mineral</p> <p>A – other correct roles for a named mineral</p> <p>A – any other valid point e.g. means a fallow year not needed</p> <p>Any six – 1 mark each.</p>
		<p>[Total: 6]</p>	

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3 (a) (i)	(a zygote is formed) by male gamete/sperm and female gamete/ovum; (two gametes) fuse/fertilises/joins/combine;	[2]	A – egg A – sperm enters ovum
(ii)	zygote divides/undergoes mitosis/forms a ball of cells; then implants in uterus/OWTTE;	[2]	A – cell division
(b) (i)	mother's and fetal blood can be of different blood groups; bloods are at different pressures/high pressure of mother's blood would damage fetal vessels; no direct transfer of drugs/toxins; no direct transfer of pathogens/bacteria;	[max 1]	A – blood types A – poisons A – disease in mother's blood Any one – 1 mark.
(ii)	<i>small intestine</i> allows transfer/absorption/diffusion of nutrients; from mother/into fetus; of glucose/amino acids/minerals/vitamins; <i>lungs</i> allows transfer of oxygen; from mother/to fetus; allows transfer of carbon dioxide; from fetus/to mother; <i>kidney</i> allows transfer of urea; other waste (chemicals); from fetus / to mother;	[max 6]	A – embryo/baby for fetus throughout Only credit direction of transfer points if referring to correct gas A – allows gaseous exchange; between mother and fetus; if no other points gained R – faeces or other egested matter Any six – 1 mark each

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(c)	by not smoking; not drinking alcohol; not taking non-medicinal drugs/OWTTE; avoiding infections / OWTTE; having a balanced/healthy diet/OWTTE; (gentle) exercise; (regular) check-ups/keeping a check on blood pressure;	[max 2]	A – reducing caffeine intake A – folic acid/calcium/vitamins/protein supplement Any two – 1 mark each.
		[Total: 13]	

4 (a)	1. forms acid rain; 2. causes erosion of buildings/limestone/OWTTE; 3. makes lakes/rivers acidic; 4. kills fish/aquatic animals; 5. kills/damages trees/leaves/lichens; 6. affects/irritates airways/lungs/eyes/throat; 7. leading to asthma/bronchitis; 8. can lead to formation of smog/haze;	[max 3]	A – kills/damages living organisms if neither MP4 or 5 awarded A – any other valid point. Any three – 1 mark each.
(b) (i)	K;	[1]	
(ii)	K and L;	[1]	Need both for mark.
(iii)	M; It is unable to withstand high concentrations of sulfur dioxide/can only survive when sulfur dioxide becomes diluted/ unable to grow within 7 km of site/OR A;	[2]	
(iv)	extraction of figures (10 + 15 + 20); = total 45;	[2]	A – ecf for total if extracted figures are shown.
		[Total: 9]	

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5	(a) (i)	lipase;	[1]	
	(ii)	glycerol;	[1]	A – triglycerol
	(iii)	fatty acids have a low pH/acids are produced;	[1]	
	(b) (i)	any 3 points plotted accurately; other 3 points plotted accurately; points joined by line;	[3]	accurate to ± 2 mm (1 square) ditto A – curve or joined point to point I – extrapolation except linking back to 0,0
	(ii)	award as per candidate's graph;	[1]	likely to be in region of 34–36
	(c) (i)	bile (salts) emulsify fats/oil/OWTTE; increases surface area; allows more contact with enzyme/lipase; bile (salts) speed up digestion of fats	[3]	Any three – 1 mark each.
	(ii)	the reaction would happen faster/the indicator would turn yellow in a shorter time; the optimum would be at the same temperature;	[2]	A – ecf from (b)(ii)
			[Total: 12]	

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6	enzymes/temperature increase/suitable pH; anaerobic; ethanol/alcohol; baking/brewing/wine making; glucose; lactic acid;	[6]	A – catalysts A – fermentation A – sugar / correctly named sugar
		[Total: 6]	
7 (a) (i)	ovary wall;	[1]	A – ovary, pistil, gynoecium
(ii)	1. having a bright/attractive colour; 2. having a fleshy/edible/tasty (outer) region; 3. having attractive smell; 4. having hooks; 5. seed (coat) resistant to digestion/OWTTE;	[max 3]	Any three – 1 mark each. A – ref to adhering to animals
(iii)	wind/water/explosive mechanisms;	[1]	A – mechanisms
(b)	1. insects can carry pollen; 2. from flower to flower/anthers/male parts to stigma/female parts;	[2]	A – ref to pollination for 1 mark if neither of MPs 1 and 2 gained. A – from plant to plant
		[Total: 7]	

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8 (a)	carnivore; herbivore; producer;	[3]	
(b) (i)	10 000 (kJ);	[1]	A – if on diagram
(ii)	photosynthesis;	[1]	
(iii)	1. respiration; 2. heat / radiation/convection; 3. excretion ; 4. egestion; 5. movement; 6. not all of organism is eaten;	[max 2]	A – identified movement activities e.g. hunting, running Any two – 1 mark each.
		[Total: 7]	

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9 (a)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. less in (renal) vein/ORAs; 2. (kidney) removes/excretes/filters urea; 3. from blood (plasma); 4. in capillaries/glomerulus; 5. not all removed/not reabsorbed; 	[max 3]	<p>A – drop in urea concentration</p> <p>Any three – 1 mark each.</p>
(b)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. fall in oxygen concentration; 2. rise in carbon dioxide concentration; 3. respiration (in kidney); 4. aerobic; 5. oxygen used up (from blood); 6. carbon dioxide produced/added (to blood); 	[max 3]	<p>I – refs to the blood vessels</p> <p>Any three – 1 mark each.</p>
(c)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. drop in glucose concentration; 2. kidney removes/filters glucose; 3. then concentration rises; 4. as glucose is reabsorbed (into blood); 5. none lost in urine; 6. final concentration lower than original/OWTTE; 7. as some is used in respiration/for energy; 	[max 3]	<p>A – accept ref to some in urine of diabetics</p> <p>Any three – 1 mark each.</p>
		[Total: 9]	