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0438 BIOLOGY (US)	
0438/21	Paper 2 (Core Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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	Answer	Marks	Guidance for Examiners												
1	A (<i>M.</i>) <i>ermine</i> ; B (<i>V.</i>) <i>vulpes</i> ; C (<i>O.</i>) <i>cuniculus</i> ; D (<i>M.</i>) <i>vison</i> ; E (<i>M.</i>) <i>leucurus</i> ;	max [4]	5 correct = 4 3 or 4 correct = 3 2 correct = 2 1 correct = 1												
		[Total: 4]													
2 (a) (i)	<u>buffalo</u> ;	[1]													
(ii)	<u>300</u> ;	[1]													
(iii)	<u>elephant</u> ;	[1]													
(iv)	4 ;	[2]													
(b)	(idea of) the smaller the mass/weight/size of a mammal the higher/faster/smaller is its heart rate (or vice versa)/ORA ;	[1]													
(c)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>label</th> <th>component name</th> <th>function of component</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>F</td> <td>red (blood) cell ;</td> <td>transports oxygen/O₂ ;</td> </tr> <tr> <td>G</td> <td>white (blood) cell ;</td> <td>antibody formation / phagocytosis / kills bacteria or pathogens / AW ;</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H</td> <td>plasma ;</td> <td>transport of blood cells / soluble nutrients / hormones / urea / carbon dioxide / plasma proteins / heat ;</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	label	component name	function of component	F	red (blood) cell ;	transports oxygen/O ₂ ;	G	white (blood) cell ;	antibody formation / phagocytosis / kills bacteria or pathogens / AW ;	H	plasma ;	transport of blood cells / soluble nutrients / hormones / urea / carbon dioxide / plasma proteins / heat ;	[6]	function must match component, but if component is incorrectly named, and the function given for it is a correct one, allow 1 mark
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(d)	label line to aorta ; label line to hepatic portal vein ;	[2]	
(e)	more muscle contraction / muscle activity (in exercise) ; more energy required ; more respiration (occurs) ; more oxygen / oxygenated blood / glucose / sugar needed (by muscle cells) ; more carbon dioxide / heat produced ; (and so) more blood pumped round body / blood pumped round body faster ;	max [3]	“more” (AW such as “increased”) must be mentioned at least once in the account – if not, max = 2
		[Total: 17]	
3 (a)	tick ; cross / blank tick ; cross / blank tick ; cross / blank	[3]	
(b)	condom / sheath / femidom ; virus / HIV contained in sperm / semen / body fluids ; (thin rubber bag catches sperm / semen / fluids) virus cannot get into contact with partner / AW ;	[1] [2]	

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	(c) (i)	no intercourse / AW around ovulation time / fertile time / day 12 – 17 / fertile period / ORA ; detected by change in female body temperature / changes in vaginal mucus / dates if menstruation is regular ;	[2]	
	(ii)	religious or moral reasons / lack of money / lack of availability of other methods / lack of medical advice / AVP ;	[1]	
			[Total: 9]	
4	(a)	A = respiration / excretion / decay / decomposition / rotting / AW ; B = photosynthesis ; C = feeding / nutrition / eating ; D = respiration / excretion / decay / decomposition / rotting / AW ;	[4]	
	(b) (i)	glucose / fat / protein / amino acid / starch / AVP ;	[1]	
	(ii)	glucose / fat / protein / amino acid / glycogen / AVP ;	[1]	

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(c)	<p>(body) rotted / decayed / decomposed / action of decomposers / AW ;</p> <p>bacteria / fungi / saprophytes / saprotrophs / microbes ;</p> <p>carry out respiration on / gain energy from / use body as food / AW / equation for respiration (words or symbols) ;</p> <p>as result of respiration (carbon dioxide released) as waste product / excreted ;</p> <p>OR</p> <p>body eaten by carnivores ;</p> <p>digested / absorbed ;</p> <p>(carnivore) cells carry out respiration / respiration equation ;</p> <p>as a result of respiration (carbon dioxide) released as waste / excreted ;</p> <p>OR</p> <p>body decomposed / rotted / AW ;</p> <p>(the) nutrients absorbed from soil by plants / AW ;</p> <p>plants respire using (this) nutrients / respiration equation ;</p> <p>as a result of respiration (carbon dioxide released) as waste / excreted ;</p>	max [3]	
(d)	<p>deforestation / AW ;</p> <p>respiration ;</p> <p>burning (fossil) fuels / named example ;</p> <p>driving vehicles / AW / generating electricity / factories / industrialisation / AW ;</p>	[2]	
		[Total: 11]	

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5 (a)	cuticle	waterproofs the leaf ;	[4]	5 correct = 4 3 or 4 correct = 3 2 correct = 2 1 correct = 1
	stoma	allows gaseous exchange with surroundings ;		
	palisade cell	produces glucose ;		
	phloem tissue	transports sucrose out of the leaf ;		
	spongy mesophyll	allows diffusion of gases within the leaf ;		
(b)	transport of minerals / ions / named mineral or ion (into the leaf) ; support / AW ;	[2]	R – nitrogen	
(c)	starch / sucrose ;	[1]		
(d)	evaporation of water ; from the surfaces of mesophyll (leaf) cells ; (followed by) loss of water vapour ; out of stomata / stoma ;	[2]		
		[Total: 9]		

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6	(a)	<u>P</u> ; <u>M</u> ; <u>L</u> ;	[3]	
	(b)	<p><i>colon:</i> absorption of water ; AVP (e.g. absorption of Vitamin K produced by intestinal flora) ;</p> <p><i>pancreas:</i> secretion / production of / AW enzymes / amylase / protease / lipase ; production of alkaline secretions to neutralise stomach acid ;</p> <p>accept secretion of insulin / glucagon ;</p> <p><i>stomach:</i> storage of food ; digestion / chemical digestion / mechanical digestion / AW ; production of (gastric) protease / digestion of proteins ; sterilisation of food (by hydrochloric acid) ;</p>	<p>max [1]</p> <p>max [1]</p> <p>max [1]</p>	
	(c)	<p>(i) line labelled X ending on the liver / "X" on liver ;</p> <p>(ii) emulsification / breaks down / break up large fat globules to smaller ones / AW ;</p> <p>(iii) increases surface area (of fat globules) ; enzyme / lipase (can digest it more rapidly) ;</p>	<p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[2]</p>	

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(d)	diffusion / description of ; active transport / description of ; digested food / named example passes into blood / capillary / villi ; surface area increased by villi / AW ;	max [3]	R – reference to cilia
		[Total: 13]	
7 (a)	direction of energy transfer / flow / movement (through the food web) ;	[1]	
(b)	<u>grass</u> ; bird / snake / lizard ; <u>2</u> ; <u>4</u> ;	[4]	
(c)	hawk ; snake ;	max [1]	
		[Total: 6]	

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8	(a) (i)	meiosis ;	[1]	I – words that are a cross between meiosis and mitosis (e.g. meiotosis or any word containing a “t”)
	(ii)	(gametes) are haploid/n/contain 1 set of chromosomes/contain half the number of chromosomes/OR A ;	[1]	I – numbers of chromosomes
	(b)	male = X Y (or vice versa) ; female = X X ;	[2]	R – if both answers identical use judgement if letters appear indeterminate
	(c) (i)	(two or more) alternative/different forms of a gene/AW ;	[1]	I – (different) type/copy/sort/kind
	(ii)	Bb × Bb ; B and b × B and b ; BB + Bb + Bb + bb (any order so long as correct re “lines”) ; black + black + black + white (or different order to match genotypes) ; 3 black : 1 white ;	[5]	allow ecf if a mistake is made, but each line must correspond to the previous one at each stage
	(d)	Bb ;	[1]	accept bB
			[Total: 11]	
			[Paper Total 80]	