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0438 BIOLOGY (US)	
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	Answer	Marks	Guidance for Examiners
1 (a)	DNA / genome is the same / similar ; genes are same ; AVP ; e.g. ref to DNA bases / sequence, same / similar	[max 2]	
(b) (i)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 mitosis ; 2 no fertilisation ; 3 budding off (of spores) / fragmentation ; 4 vertical hyphae ; 5 production of spores ; 6 sporangium bursts / opens / releases ; 7 ref to number of nuclei per spore ; 8 method of spore dispersal i.e. air / water / wind ; 9 AVP ; e.g. DNA replication 	[max 3]	
(ii)	(named) favourable characteristics of parent passed on ; dense colonies outcompete other species ; rapid ; less, energy / resources used ; no gametes ; <i>idea of only one parent required ;</i>	[max 3]	
		[Total: 8]	

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2	(a)	NO _x / nitrogen dioxide / nitrous oxide / NO ₂ / NO ₃ ; carbon dioxide ;	[max 1]	
	(b)	<p>1 kills / damages (named) plants ;</p> <p>2 (acidic) soil leaching AW ;</p> <p>3 released (named) metals ; e.g. aluminium</p> <p>4 nutrients in soil no longer available to plants ;</p> <p>5 prevents decomposition ;</p> <p>6 dissolves limestone / marble / sandstone AW ;</p> <p>7 acidification of lakes ;</p> <p>8 (fresh water) fish / invertebrates die ;</p>	[max 3]	
	(c)	<p>1 scrubbers / flue gas desulfurisation, in power stations / chimneys / neutralise waste gases with lime ;</p> <p>2 desulfurisation of coal / oil ;</p> <p>3 use less fossil fuels ;</p> <p>4 use low sulfur, fuel / petrol / diesel ;</p> <p>5 use alternative / renewable / sustainable / green sources of energy ;</p> <p>6 A gas-to-liquid (methane to petrol / diesel) catalytic converters / use electric cars ;</p> <p>7 any one method to reduce demand for energy ;</p> <p>8 idea of international treaty for reducing emissions ;</p>	[max 3]	
2	(d) (i)	sharp decrease in both, until 1997 ; more gradual decrease in both, since 1997 ; both follow same trend ; comparative use of data ;	[max 3]	
	(ii)	fresh mass changes with water content ; dry mass is less variable / more consistent, for comparison ; dry mass is a measure of growth ; <i>idea that</i> percentage standardises changes in tissue concentration for comparison ;	[max 2]	
			[Total: 12]	

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3	(a)	(the ability to) detect / sense, changes in the environment / stimuli ; to respond / react (to those changes) ;	[2]	
	(b)	(voluntary action) involves (brain in) decision making / conscious ; (voluntary action) is slower ; (voluntary action) not reflex / automatic ; (voluntary action) can be learned ; (voluntary action) can give different responses to same stimulus ;	[max 2]	
	(c)	sensory (neurone) ;	[1]	
	(d)	1st swimmer(s) slower (than rest) ; appropriate use of data, swimmer 1 v. 2 / 3 / 4 ; (mean) reaction times for swimmers 2 – 4 similar ; AVP ; swimmer 3 team 2 is an anomaly / outlier	[max 3]	
	(e)	<p>1 heart rate / pulse increase ;</p> <p>2 increase in breathing rate / depth ;</p> <p>3 heighten alertness / faster reaction time / AW ;</p> <p>4 vasodilation in muscle ;</p> <p>5 vasoconstriction in digestive system ;</p> <p>6 diverts blood to muscles / away from digestive system ;</p> <p>7 (leads to) glycogen to glucose (in liver) ;</p> <p>8 increased blood glucose (concentration) ;</p> <p>9 airways expand / increased ventilation ;</p> <p>10 more respiration for more energy for muscle contraction ;</p> <p>11 enables faster swimming / enhanced physical performance ;</p>	[max 3]	

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4	(a) (i)	pollen / male gamete ;	[1]	R gamete unqualified
	(ii)	chromosome number halved / becomes haploid ; genetic / DNA variation ; new combinations of alleles ; fertilisation restores diploid number in zygote / ensures number of chromosome remains constant in next generation ;	[max 2]	
	(b) (i)	pollen from anther to stigma ; between different plants of same species ;	[2]	
	(ii)	large petals ; pattern / guide lines on petals ;	[max 1]	
	(c) (i)	temperature / warmth ; light ; water availability ; wind ; pollinator life-cycle timings ; CO ₂ concentration ; pressure ;	[max 1]	
	(ii)	influence by genes and environment ; range of phenotypes / flowering times results ; (flowering time) is measurable ;	[max 2]	

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(d)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	different environments have different selection / competition pressures ; variation occurs (at fertilization / meiosis) ; ref to mutation ; best adapted organisms most likely to survive ; (those that survive) pass on their alleles / genes ; competition for survival ; cross pollination ensures more variation (than self-pollination) ; reproductive isolation (by different flowering times) ; changes enhanced over generations ; no cross-pollination between low and high altitude plants ;	[max 5]	A Survive and reproduce <i>Idea of best adapted</i>
			[Total:14]	
5 (a)	E – cortex ; F – medulla ; G – ureter ;		[3]	
(b)	1 2 3 4 5 6	(ultra)filtration ; high blood pressure assists filtrate to pass through glomerulus / capsule ; proteins / blood cells, too big to move out of capsule / glomerulus ; filtrate / named example, small enough to move through ; filtrate consists of water and dissolved salts / ions / named ion / glucose / urea ; ref to capillaries ;	[max 3]	
(c)		movement of (ions / large molecules) through the cell membrane ; (ions/large molecules) against a concentration gradient ; using energy (from respiration) ; use of protein / carrier in membranes ;	[max 2]	R along the concentration gradient
(d)		water ; salt(s) / ions / minerals / named ion ;	[max 1]	

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(e) (i)	Substance	Blood before dialysis	Concentration in used dialysis fluid	Concentration in fresh dialysis fluid	[max 3]
	glucose	normal	same	same ;	
	salt	high	high	low ;	
	urea	high	high	none ;	
	toxins	high	high	low	
(ii)	1	dialysis membrane is partially permeable ;			[max 4]
	2	minerals / salts / ions / urea, move by diffusion ;			
	3	from high concentration to low concentration / down a concentration gradient ;			
	4	water, moves by osmosis ;			
	5	(osmosis is the movement of water) from high water potential to low water potential across membrane ;			
	6	proteins / blood cells too large to move across membrane ;			
	7	glucose is not removed by dialysate (same concentration) ;			
	8	fresh dialysate maintains a concentration gradient ;			
(f)	fewer diet / fluid intake restrictions ; no need for regular visits to hospital ; less unwell / tired / nausea / headaches / less pain (after surgery) ; no needles / no fistula, permanently in arm ;				[max 3]
(g)	avoid rejection ; stop immune system attacking new kidney ;				[max 1]
					[Total: 20]

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6 (a)		part of cycle	carbon compound found in each part		
	P	atmosphere / air	carbon dioxide / CO ₂ ; R carbon monoxide		
	Q	(named) plant(s) / flora / producers	glucose / C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₆ / starch / cellulose / any organic compound found in plants ; R glycogen		
	R	(named) animal(s) / fauna / consumers	glucose / maltose / glycogen / fats / fatty acid / glycerol / amino acid / protein / nucleic acid ; R starch		
	S	(named) decomposer(s) / saprophytes	glucose / glycogen / fats / fatty acid / glycerol / amino acid / protein / nucleic acid ;		
	T	fossil fuels, e.g. natural gas	Methane		
				[max 4]	
(b)	1	CO ₂ enters leaf ;			
	2	CO ₂ diffuses to (cells) ;			
	3	carbon dioxide and water / CO ₂ + H ₂ O ;			
	4	chlorophyll / chloroplasts, traps light energy ;			
	5	light energy is used to make glucose / carbohydrates ;			
	6	oxygen is present ;			
	7	6CO ₂ + 6H ₂ O → C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₆ + 6O ₂ ;			
				[max 5]	

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(c)	<p>1 factor:- light intensity or duration / carbon dioxide concentration / temperature ;</p> <p>2 effect of factor:- less photosynthesis, due to low light / low CO₂ / non optimum temperature ;</p> <p>3 explanation:- light provides energy / CO₂ substrate for photosynthesis / temperature effects enzyme activity ; ref to limiting (factor) ;</p>	[max 3]	
(d)	<p>carbon dioxide (enrichment) – burning / CO₂ gas cylinder ;</p> <p>light (intensity) – supplemental / artificial lighting / shading ;</p> <p>temperature – heating / cooling / ventilation / spray water ;</p> <p>water – irrigation / watering / hydroponics described ;</p> <p>pests / disease – (named) pesticides / biological control of pests ;</p> <p>minerals (named) – hydroponics / added to water supply / soil ;</p> <p>humidity – limiting ventilation / watering / humidifier or de-humidifier ;</p> <p>pollination – adding insect (named) pollinators ;</p>	[max 3]	Mark is for the mechanisms of control in each case
		[Total: 15]	