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0438 BIOLOGY (US)	
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Abbreviations used in the Mark Scheme

- ; separates marking points
- / separates alternatives within a marking point
- **R** reject
- **ignore** mark as if this material was not present
- **A** accept (a less than ideal answer which should be marked correct)
- **AW** alternative wording (accept other ways of expressing the same idea)
- underline words underlined (or grammatical variants of them) must be present
- **max** indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded
- **mark independently** the second mark may be given even if the first mark is wrong
- **ecf** credit a correct statement that follows a previous wrong response
- () the word / phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context
- **ora** or reverse argument
- **AVP** any valid point

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(b)	1 habitat, destruction / change ; A examples of destruction, e.g. deforestation, soil erosion 2 (named) pollution ; A global warming / climate change / acid rain 3 (fungal) disease ; 4 hunting (for pet trade / food) ; 5 lack of food / starvation ; ignore competition for food 6 competition, with alien / introduced / exotic, species ; 7 predation by introduced species ; 8 roadkill ; 9 AVP ;	[max 3]																									
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2 (a) (i)	passive / does not require energy ; substances move down a concentration gradient ; does not have to occur across a membrane ; occurs with gases ; no need for protein, carrier / channels / pumps ;	[max 2]	
(ii)	root hair (cells) ; through carrier molecules / AW ; large / increased, (surface) area (for absorption) ; roots grow continually (to find new sources of ions) ; AVP ; e.g. extensive root network / branching roots ;	[max 2]	
(b) (i)	<i>two marks for the correct answer – if no answer, an incorrect answer or an answer without the minus sign award one mark for the correct working</i> 183 – 175 = 8 ; $\frac{8}{183} \times 100 = -4.4 ;$	[2]	A – 4.37
(ii)	start mass of the onions is, different / not all the same ; (idea that) allows for (valid / fair) comparison ; to determine water potential of the onion ;	[max 2]	
(c) (i)	line finished to - 4.4 / A ecf from (b)(i) ;	[1]	R extrapolation past 200 g dm ⁻³
(ii)	44 ± 1 ; g dm ⁻³ ;	[2]	

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(d)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 movement of water ; 2 by osmosis ; 3 through partially permeable membrane(s) ; 4 <i>gain</i> – onion has lower water potential/ solution has higher water potential ; 5 <i>loss</i> – onion has higher water potential/ solution has lower water potential ; 	[max 4]	<p>A 'down a water potential gradient' if direction is correct and clear</p> <p>ignore references to 'concentrations of water'</p>
3 (a)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 carbon dioxide uptake of J is higher (at all temperatures except at 10°C) ; 2 peak/optimum/maximum/best, uptake of J is at a higher temperature ora ; 3 data recorded in J between 35 – 40°C/AW (but not for H) ; 4 correct use of comparative data between J and H with correct units ; 	[max 3]	<p>A peak uptake for J is higher than H</p> <p>correct units must be stated at least once</p>
(b) (i)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 temperature is a limiting factor ; 2 increases, (kinetic/heat) energy/the movement of molecules/diffusion ; 3 more collisions between substrate and enzymes ; 4 to speed up chemical reactions ; 5 stomata open wider ; 6 therefore increased carbon dioxide entering the leaf/AW ; 	[max 2]	
(ii)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 enzymes are denatured ; 2 enzymes are no longer active/AW ; 3 stomata close ; 4 therefore reduced carbon dioxide entering the leaf/AW ; 	[max 2]	

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(c)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 plant growth is likely to increase ; 2 higher rate of photosynthesis ; 3 means more glucose / starch, is produced ; 4 glucose is used for respiration to provide energy (for growth) ; 5 more cellulose for cell walls ; 6 more protein for, enzymes / cell membranes ; 7 other limiting factors / CO₂ no longer limiting ; 8 carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas / reference to (enhanced) greenhouse effect ; 9 increase in global temperatures increases rate of photosynthesis ; 10 reference to effect of temperature on enzymes ; 11 any relevant consequence of global warming ; 12 AVP ; e.g. relevant use of data 	[max 5]	<p>'more' need only stated once</p> <p>A 'global warming'</p>
4 (a) (i)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 removal from the, body / organism / cell ; 2 (of) poisons / toxins / harmful substances ; 3 named example (or) waste products of, metabolism / respiration / deamination / chemical reactions in cells ; 4 substances in excess (of requirements) / AW ; 	[max 3]	
(ii)	carbon dioxide / water (vapour) ;	[1]	
(iii)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 deamination (of amino acids) ; 2 removal of nitrogen-containing part of amino acids ; 3 to produce urea ; 4 urea / AW, passes into blood ; 5 breakdown of, hormones / toxins / drugs / excess vitamins ; 6 breakdown of, worn out red blood cells ; 7 excretory products put in bile ; e.g. cholesterol 	[max 3]	

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5 (a) (i)	R – corpus luteum / yellow body ; S – (Graafian) follicle ;	[2]	
(ii)	ovulation ;	[1]	
(b) (i)	(o)estrogen ;	[1]	
(ii)	progesterone ;	[1]	
(c) (i)	1 flagellum / tail / streamlined ; 2 motile / swim / AW ; 3 smaller / reference to actual sizes ; 4 acrosome / enzymes in packet on head ; 5 no food store ; 6 less cytoplasm ; 7 contains X <u>or</u> Y (chromosome) ; 8 AVP ;	[max 3]	A contains Y chromosome
(ii)	haploid ;	[1]	
(iii)	oviduct ;	[1]	A fallopian tube
(iv)	1 (acrosome) enzymes break down, jelly layer / AW ; 2 sperm, head / nucleus, enters egg ; 3 fertilisation membrane forms / no more sperm can enter ; 4 (haploid) nuclei, fuse / join ; 5 (diploid) zygote formed ; 6 mitosis / cell division ; 7 (2 / more – celled) embryo forms ; 8 (hollow) ball of cells / embryo / zygote / fertilised egg, moves down the oviduct ; 9 ciliary movement / peristalsis, in the oviduct ;	[max 4]	

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(d) (i)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 no/slight, change, at first/AW ; 2 then exponential/AW, increase ; 3 then levels off/peaks (after 1992) ; 4 comparative use of figures with correct units stated at least once ; 	[max 2]	
(d) (ii)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 provide (named) fertility drug early in menstrual cycle ; e.g. when follicle(s) are developing / 14 days before AI 2 collect, sperm/semen (from male) ; 3 place, semen / sperm, into uterus / vagina / through cervix ; 4 around the time of ovulation ; 	[max 3]	
	Total:	[19]	
6 (a) (i)	autotrophic (organism) ; organism that makes its own organic nutrients / food ; (usually) using energy from the Sun / by photosynthesis ;	[2]	
(ii)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 all arrows point from food to feeder ; 2 elephant grass added (at the producer level) ; 3 phytoplankton and elephant grass arrows go to fish ; 4 mulberry trees arrow goes to silkworms ; 5 vegetables and fish arrows go to humans ; 	[5]	
(b)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 not all of the plants are edible / some not digested ; 2 faeces / egestion ; 3 eaten by, pests / AW ; 4 dead leaves / AW, to decomposers ; 5 plants lose energy as a result of respiration ; AVP ; e.g. some energy not used for growth 	[max 3]	

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(c)	<p>1 (another) source of income ;</p> <p>2 provides source of, protein / vitamins ;</p> <p>3 feed on waste materials / elephant grass cuttings / phytoplankton (from the dykes) ;</p> <p>4 so do not need feed bought in / no waste removal required ;</p> <p>5 makes use of large quantities of available (delta) water ;</p> <p>6 AVP ; e.g. constant source of water (for irrigation) / reduced risk of eutrophication / biological control / less need for dredging</p>	[max 3]	
	Total:	[13]	