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Paper 3 (Core Written), maximum raw mark 60

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Question	Expected Answers	Mks	Additional Guidance
1 (a)	tick against nitrogen dioxide (1) tick against sulfur dioxide (1) nitrogen dioxide source: car exhaust (1) sulfur dioxide source: power stations (1)	[4]	if 3 ticks = max 1 mark if 4 or more ticks = no marks ignore sources of other gases
(b) (i)	increases <u>and</u> increases (1)	[1]	allow alternative wording, e.g. goes up allow decreases <u>and</u> decreases
(ii)	results can be repeated (by other scientists)/ more data can be obtained (1)	[1]	allow causal link found
(c)	second nitrogen monoxide molecule on left (1) two carbon dioxide molecules on right (1)	[2]	
	Total	[8]	
2 (a) (i)	it is an outlier/it is far from the other values (1) it would make the mean a poorer best estimate/it would make a big change to the value of the mean/alternative wording (1)	[2]	
(ii)	$(22 + 21 + 20 + 22 + 24 + 23)/6$ (1) = 22 (1)	[2]	
(iii)	20 to 24 (1)	[1]	
(b)	make chains longer/add cross linking (1)	[1]	allow increased crystallinity
	Total	[6]	
3 (a) (i)	pesticide residue left on food (after spraying) (1)	[1]	
(ii)	additives added during processing of food (1)	[1]	
(iii)	mould grows on food in storage (and produces toxic chemicals) (1)	[1]	
(b)	they carry out risk assessments (1) to find the safe levels of chemicals in food (1)	[2]	
(c)	buy organic food/check food labels (1)	[1]	
	Total	[6]	

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4	(a)	telescope on Earth affected by: light pollution (1) clouds (1) atmospheric distortion (1)	[2]	any two points
	(b)	for: find life on other planets (1) against: any identified project (1)	[2]	e.g. food provision, curing AIDS, solving global warming
	(c)	(clouds of) gas (1) and dust (1) over long periods of time (condensed under gravity) (1)	[2]	any two points
	(d) (i)	distance light travels in a year (1)	[1]	
	(ii)	numbers/values will be too big (1)	[1]	
		Total	[8]	
5	(a)	380 (microsieverts) (1)	[1]	
	(b)	$370 + 800 + 380 + 310 + 500 = 2360 \mu\text{Sv}$ (1)	[1]	
	(c)	calculates 800 divided by own answer to b or compares 800 to $\frac{1}{2}$ of own answer to (b) (1) draws appropriate conclusion (1)	[2]	correct total in (b) gives the answer "not true"
	(d)	test: see which is more penetrating/can go through paper/card/something fairly thin (1) result: alpha is absorbed readily (1)	[2]	allow other valid tests
		Total	[6]	
6	(a) (i)	photons (1) X rays (1)	[2]	
	(ii)	ozone (1)	[1]	
	(b) (i)	damage cells/cause (skin) cancer (1)	[1]	allow sunburn
	(ii)	feel/look good/produces vitamin D/enjoy it/like having a tan (1)	[1]	
	(iii)	put on sunblock/cover up with cotton clothing <u>because</u> it absorbs/reflects UV	[1]	
		Total	[6]	

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7 (a)	male: XY (1) female: XX (1)	[2]	
(b)	<p>description</p> <p>contains only one copy of each chromosome from each pair</p> <p>instructions for a cell that describe how to make proteins</p> <p>there are 23 pairs of these in each human body cell</p> <p>a different version of the same gene</p> <p>term</p> <p>allele</p> <p>chromosome</p> <p>gene</p> <p>nucleus</p> <p>sex cell</p>	[4]	one mark for each correct line any description box with two or more lines from it = no mark
(c) (i)	to see if he will develop the condition (1) to see if he could pass on the condition to his children (1)	[2]	
(ii)	may cause him stress / may cause him to become depressed / may affect his mental health / it is an invasion of privacy / he may have problems getting life insurance / the test may give a false positive result (1)	[1]	
	Total	[9]	
8 (a)	poor diet (1) stress (1) cigarette smoking (1) excess alcohol intake (1) high saturated fat intake (1) high salt intake (1) lack of exercise (1)	[2]	any two
(b) (i)	factor: air pollution (1) outcome: heart disease (1)	[2]	
(ii)	any correct correlation (1)	[1]	must describe direction
(iii)	peer review (1)	[1]	
(iv)	because other scientists need to evaluate the study (1)	[1]	if more than one tick = no marks
	Total	[7]	

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9 (a)	sun (1)	[1]	
(b)	horseshoe crab and diamondback terrapin (1)	[1]	
(c) (i)	all (individuals of species) have died out (1)	[1]	
(ii)	increase and more (1)	[1]	
	Total	[4]	