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Question		Ans	swer	N	Marks	Guidance
1(a)		number (<i>n</i>)	<i>n</i> (<i>n</i> –1)		3	all values of <i>n(n–</i> 1) correct for 1 mark
		7	42			
		16	240			
		11	110			
		23	506			
	_	14	182			
		3	6			
	_	5	20 ;			
		Total (N) = 79 ;	∑ <i>n</i> (<i>n</i> –1) = 1106 ;			
1(b)	figures correctly substit	uted into formula ; 79 ×	< 78 / 1106		2	A ECF from 1(a)
	diversity index for shore	e B = 5.6 ;				
1(c)	<i>any 3 of:</i> shore B has a higher bi	odiversity than shore A	\;		3	
	both shores have the sa	ame (7) number of spe	cies present / same spe	cies richness ;		
	idea that shore B has h	igher populations of ea	ch species than shore <i>i</i>	Α;		
	total number of organis	ms greater at shore B /	shore B has 29 more o	rganisms ;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(d)	any 2 of: type / location, of shore ;	2	
	height / position, on shore;		
	sampling area ;		
	time of year ;		
	state of the tide ;		
	abiotic factor ;		

Question	Answer		Guidance
2(a)	appropriate linear scale for both axes ; both axes labelled including units ;		plots to cover at least half of
			the grid
	all points plotted correctly ($\pm \frac{1}{2}$ small square);		
	points joined with ruled lines ;		
2(b)	as temperature increases, concentration of dissolved oxygen decreases;	2	
	use of manipulated figures ;		
2(c)(i)	concentration of dissolved oxygen decreases ;	1	
2(c)(ii)	concentration of dissolved oxygen increases;	1	
2(d)	more, photosynthesis / producers / productivity;	2	
	due to, wave action / turbulence ;		

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3(a)(i)	all the different, species of organisms / populations;		
	in a particular, habitat / ecosystem, at the same time;		
3(a)(ii)	rate ;		
	at which, organic material / biomass, is produced ;		
3(b)	any 5 of: 1 sandy shores are unstable / continuously shifting / longshore drift / AW ;	5	
	2 subject to <u>erosion</u> ;		
	3 sand has a high porosity / dries out quickly / AW;		
	4 lack of suitable substrate for attachment ;		
	5 no / few, producers for food / lack of photosynthesis / low primary productivity;		
	6 no shelter / exposure to predators ;		
	7 only burrowing animals can live there / idea of, only a small number of species are adapted to live there ;		
	8 few niches available ;		

Question		Answer		Guidance
3(c)	<i>any</i> 6 of: 1 reefs, dissipate / reduce, wave <u>energy</u> ;		6	
	2	slow down / reduce, wave action ;		
	3	protect shores from flooding;		
	4	reduce coastal erosion;		
	5	provide protection for (named) coastal habitats;		
	6	provide protection for coastal, properties / infrastructure;		
	7	idea of providing safe anchorages;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(a)	any 3 of: increased evaporation in lagoon ;	3	
	due to high temperature ;		
	increasing concentration of salt which increases salinity;		
	idea of, dilution of sea water in an estuary / decrease in concentration of salt;		
	by fresh water from, rivers / run off, decreases salinity ;		
4(b)	any 2 of: force caused by rotation of the Earth ;	2	
	idea of deflection of, ocean currents / cyclones / wind direction;		
	ref. to different direction of spin in northern and southern hemisphere / wind or currents have spiral patterns away from the equator ;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(c)	any 5 of: decrease in temperature of water at surface ;	5	
	(leads to upwelling)		
	increase in density;		
	cold / more dense, water sinks ;		
	replaced by water moving up from below / AW ;		
	ref. to convection ;		
	surface currents are driven by the wind ;		
	surface water moved away from coasts ;		
	ref. to (wind driven) currents deflected by underwater ridges causing them to move upwards ;		
	ref. to global conveyer belt / deep water currents, being temperature driven / start at the poles ;		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(d)	 any 5 of: 1 carbon / carbon dioxide, used to synthesise organic compounds / absorbed by producers / for photosynthesis ; 	5	
	2 magnesium for chlorophyll ;		
	3 phosphorus for, DNA / bones ;		
	4 nitrogen for, amino acids / proteins / DNA;		
	5 calcium for, bones / teeth / skeleton ;		
	6 nutrients are incorporated into food chains ;		
	7 (loss by) harvesting ;		
	8 (loss by) dead organisms / faeces, sinking to sea floor;		
	9 (loss by) incorporation into coral reefs;		