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5090 BIOLOGY

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Paper 2 (Theory), maximum raw mark 80

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Mark schemes will use these abbreviations:

separates marking points

I alternatives

() contents of brackets are not required but should be implied

R reject

A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)

Ig ignore (for incorrect but irrelevant responses)

AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)

AVP alternative valid point (where a greater than usual variety of responses is expected)

ORA or reverse argument

<u>underline</u> actual word underlined must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)

max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be giventatements on both sides of the + are needed for that mark

Qu	estio	n	Expected answers	Additional guidance	Marks
1	(a)	(i)	sweat gland labelled ;	R sweat duct	[2]
			capillary labelled ;		
	(b)		warmer;	must be a comparative statement	[1]
	(c)	(i)	sweat (present in B/ORA);		[max 2]
			capillaries carry more blood (in B/ORA);		
			capillaries wider / dilated (in B/ORA);	Ig constrict/shrink	
		(ii)	evaporation (of sweat);		[max 3]
			more blood near (surface of) skin;		
			increased heat loss / cooling;		
			allows regulation of temperature / prevents overheating;		
					[Total 8]
2	(a)	(i)	(750/5800) *100 ;		[2]
			12.9 / 13 (%);		
		(ii)	renal artery ;		[1]
		(iii)	600;		[1]

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(b)			[max 4]
	heart ;		[1]
	skeletal muscle ;		[1]
	for above named parts ref. supply of more oxygen/glucose;		[max 2]
	ref. increased (aerobic) respiration / prevent anaerobic respiration ;		
	remove lactic acid (for skeletal muscle only);		
	ref. contract harder/faster;		
	skin ;		
	increased heat loss;		
(c)	less blood to digestive organs ;		[max 2]
	less digestion ;		
	less/slower absorption of products of digestion ;	A ref. active transport in digestive system	
]	Total 10]
3 (a)	amniotic ;		[2]
	prevents physical harm/damage to fetus;		
(b) (i)	placenta correctly labelled ;		[1]
(ii)	exchange/passage in correct direction of		[max 2]
	+ nutrients/named ;		
	+ gases/named ;		
	+ excretory products/named ;		
	+ antibodies ;		
	ref. prevent mixing of maternal and fetal blood;		

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Qu	estion	Expected answers		Additional guidance	Marks
	(c)	male;			[2]
		presence of Y (chromosome);		R gene	
	(d) (i)	one extra chromosome/trisom not two/47 not 46;	y/three		[2]
		position/pair 21;			
	(ii)	Down's syndrome ;			[1]
					[Total 10]
4	(a)	externally administered; substance; modifies/affects chemical reached body;	ctions in		[max 2]
	(b)	brain; depressant; liver; ref. damage;		A named parts of brain A named, e.g. cirrhosis/liver failure/fatty liver disease	[4]
	(c) (i)	nicotine ; tar ; carbon monoxide ;			[max 2]
	(ii)	reduced birth weight;		A premature birth/breathing problems	[1]
					[Total 9]
5	(a) (i)	producer/1st/1; (primary) consumer/herbivore nitrogen/N;	/2nd/2 ;		[3]
	(ii)	plant releases oxygen; fish uses this (oxygen) for (aer respiration; lay eggs on weed/provides cover/nesting; appropriate explanation for abopoint;	·		[max 2]

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Question	Expected answers	Additional guidance	Marks
(b) (i)	(X) decomposition ;	Ig excretion A ammonification	[2]
	(Y) nitrification ;		
(ii)	bacteria ;	R named bacteria	[1]
(iii)	active transport ;		[max 3]
	ref. use of energy (if active transport given);		
	diffusion;		
	correct ref. concentration gradient;		
	ref. roots ;		
(c)	eutrophication ;		[max 2]
	better growth of plants ;		
	more food for fish ;		
	increased decay (of plants/waste products of fish);		
	increased numbers of bacteria ;		
	more oxygen used/ref. (bacteria) respiration;		
	ref. death of fish/animals;		
			[Total 13]
6 (a)	villus / villi ;		[2]
	small intestine / ileum ;		

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(b)	increased surface area;		[max 8]
	many/good supply + capillaries/blood;		
	lacteal ;		
	absorption ;		
	two marks for two correctly named absorbed products ;;		
	one cell thick/thin walls;		
	reduced distance/increased speed of molecular movement AW ;		
	diffusion ;		
	active transport ;		
	goblet cells ; mucus + lubricate AW ;		
	production/release + enzymes; ref digestion + named products;		
			[Total 10]
7 (a) (i)	in palisade ;		[max 4]
	spongy;		
	ref. more in palisade ;		
	none in epidermis / xylem / phloem / vein / transparent epidermis ;		
	near leaf surface / (sun)light / to absorb more or most sunlight;	A exposed to	
	rapid AW rate of photosynthesis ;	A with ref. either distribution or number	
	guard cells ;		
	controlling stomata;		

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Question	Expected answers	Additional guidance	Marks
(ii)	CO ₂ ;		[max 3]
	O ₂ ;		
	correct ref. to photosynthesis or respiration;		
	diffusion ;		
	(stomata): allow water vapour out/transpiration;		
	(mesophyll cells): moist surface ;		
	large surface area ;		
(b)	xylem + phloem;		[max 3]
	around edge of stem ;		
	centre of root/description of arrangement;		
	many xylem (stem) + one xylem (root);	A in vascular bundles in stem	
	phloem and xylem paired in stem/unpaired in root;		
			[Total 10]
8 (a)	example named ;		[5]
	large surface area ;		
	related adaptation, e.g. wing, air bladder, etc. ;	A feathery, hairy	
	allows plant to colonise new areas;	A transport away from parent plant	
	reduces competition ;		

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(b)	water;		[max 5]
	softening testa / seed coat ;		
	activation of enzymes ;		
	solvent;		
	oxygen ;		
	ref. respiration* ;	* award only once, either for oxygen or temperature	
	energy (for germination / growth)*;		
	suitable temperature ;		
	ref. enzyme / named enzyme action ;		
	break down food store ;		
	ref. respiration*;		
	energy (for germination / growth)*;		
		[Total 10]
9 (a)	correct ref. diffusion in any section;		[max 7]
	temperature rate increases ;		
	increased evaporation (of water);		
	from surface of mesophyll cells;		
	ref. (diffusion) gradient*;		
	ref. kinetic energy / molecules move faster;		
	light intensity rate increases ;		
	more stomata open / stomata open wider ;	R guard cells open	
	increased surface area for water loss;		
	humidity rate decreases ;		
	ref. (diffusion) gradient*;	Ig water alone	

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Question	Expected answers	Additional guidance	Marks
(b)	to bring water / salts ;	A nutrients	[max 3]
	from roots to leaves / up the stem ;		
	for photosynthesis ;		
	cool leaf / plant ;		
	1	1	[Total 10]