

National Qualifications 2016

X707/76/02

Biology Section 1 — Questions

MONDAY, 9 MAY 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Instructions for the completion of Section 1 are given on *Page 02* of your question and answer booklet X707/76/01.

Record your answers on the answer grid on Page 03 of your question and answer booklet.

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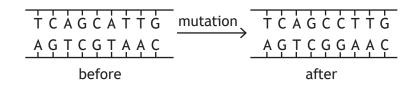




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SECTION 1 — 20 marks Attempt ALL questions

1. The diagram below shows part of a DNA molecule before and after a mutation.



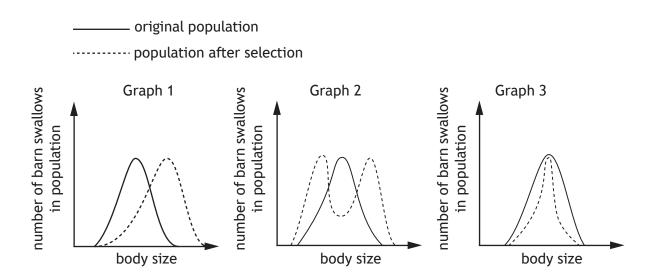
The type of mutation shown is

- A deletion
- B substitution
- C insertion
- D inversion.
- 2. Which of the following are required in a polymerase chain reaction (PCR)?
 - A DNA polymerase, template strand and primers
 - B RNA polymerase, template strand and primers
 - C DNA polymerase, template strand and ligase
 - D RNA polymerase, ligase and primers
- 3. Each cycle of a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) takes 5 minutes.

If there are 1000 DNA fragments at the start of the reaction, how long will it take for the number of fragments produced by the reaction to be greater than 1 million?

- A 15 minutes
- B 35 minutes
- C 50 minutes
- D 55 minutes

4. The graphs below show possible changes in the body size of a population of barn swallows, *Hirudino rusticana*, in response to a selection pressure.

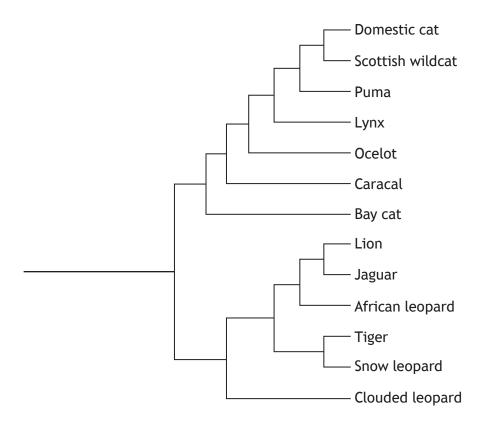


Which row in the table below matches each graph with the type of selection taking place?

	Graph					
	1 2 3					
A	disruptive	directional	stabilising			
В	directional	disruptive	stabilising			
С	stabilising	disruptive	directional			
D	directional	stabilising	disruptive			

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5. The diagram below represents a phylogenetic tree showing the evolutionary relatedness of several species of cat.



With how many species does the African leopard share a common ancestor in this phylogenetic tree?

- A 2 only
- B 5 only
- C 12 only
- D 13

6. Over millions of years of evolution, mutations occur at a broadly constant rate within a gene. This allows genes to be used as molecular clocks. The diagram below shows how the base sequence in part of a gene changed as two evolutionary lineages diverged from an original base sequence. The base sequence in the gene has changed at a rate of 1 base per 5 million years as shown.

	5 million years after diverging	10 million years after diverging
Original base	CAATTGATCG	CAATTGCTCG
sequence		Species X
СААТТТАТСС —	_	
		Species Y
	CGATTTATCG	CGGTTTATCG

Assuming this rate of mutation continued, by how many bases would this part of the gene differ in Species X compared with Species Y 20 million years after diverging from the original base sequence?

- A 4
- B 8
- C 16
- D 20
- **7.** In metabolic pathways, the rates of reaction can be affected by the presence of enzyme inhibitors.

Which row in the table below is correct?

	Type of inhibition	Inhibitor binds to active site	Effect of increasing substrate concentration on inhibition
Α	competitive	yes	reversed
В	non competitive	yes	unaffected
С	competitive	no	unaffected
D	non competitive	no	reversed

8. Which row in the table below identifies the number of heart chambers and the type of circulatory system in amphibians?

	Number of heart chambers	Type of circulatory system
Α	3	incomplete double
В	4	incomplete double
С	3	complete double
D	4	complete double

9. During unexpected periods of drought the South American lungfish, *Lepidosiren paradoxa*, survives by burying into mud.

This type of behaviour is known as

- A predictive dormancy
- B daily torpor
- C aestivation
- D hibernation.
- **10.** An experiment was set up to investigate the effect of different respiratory substrates on the rate of respiration in yeast. Methylene blue can be used to measure the rate of respiration as it changes from dark blue to colourless when it accepts hydrogen ions. Four test tubes were set up, each containing yeast, methylene blue and one of the respiratory substrates.

Test tube number	Respiratory substrate	Appearance of the methylene blue after 20 minutes
1	starch	dark blue
2	sucrose	light blue
3	lactose	dark blue
4	glucose	colourless

The table below shows the results of this investigation.

Which of the following conclusions is correct?

The rate of respiration is

- A higher with starch than with glucose
- B lower with sucrose than with lactose
- C higher with glucose than with lactose
- D lower with glucose than with sucrose.
- 11. Stages of aerobic respiration are shown below.
 - 1 Glycolysis
 - 2 Citric acid cycle
 - 3 Electron transfer chain

Which stage(s) involve(s) **both** phosphorylation of intermediates and generation of ATP?

- A 1 only
- B 3 only
- C 1 and 2 only
- D 1 and 3 only

12. Which row in the table below identifies a stage of aerobic respiration, its site and an event which occurs during that stage?

	Stage	Site	Event
A	electron transfer chain	inner mitochondrial membrane	carbon dioxide is released
В	electron transfer chain	matrix of mitochondrion	hydrogen ions combine with oxygen
С	citric acid cycle	inner mitochondrial membrane	hydrogen ions combine with oxygen
D	citric acid cycle	matrix of mitochondrion	carbon dioxide is released

13. A field trial was set up to investigate the effect of phosphate fertiliser on the yield of the potato cultivar Maris Piper. Potatoes were planted in 5 plots, each of which received a different level of phosphate fertiliser. When they were harvested the yield from each plot was recorded.

A list of suggested improvements to this field trial is shown below.

- 1 Apply equal volumes of water to each plot.
- 2 Grow the same number of potato plants in each plot.
- 3 Use 10 plots at each phosphate fertiliser level.
- 4 Plant different potato cultivars in each plot.

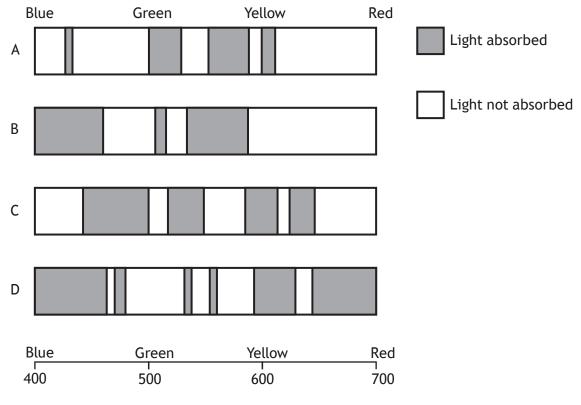
Which of the suggestions would improve the validity of the results?

- A 1 and 2
- B 1 and 3
- C 2 and 4
- D 3 and 4

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- 14. Which compound combines with hydrogen during carbon fixation (Calvin cycle)?
 - A Ribulose biphosphate
 - B NADP
 - C Oxygen
 - D 3-phosphoglycerate
- **15.** The following absorption spectra were obtained by testing four different plant extracts.

Which extract contains chlorophyll?



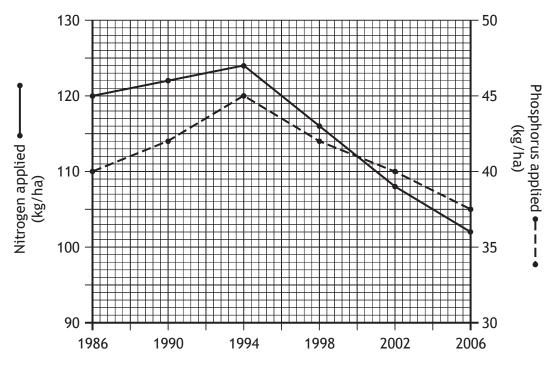
Wavelength (nm) and colour of light

16. The table below shows the biological and economic yields of four different crops.

Сгор	<i>Biological yield</i> (tonnes of dry mass/hectare)	<i>Economic yield</i> (tonnes of dry mass/hectare)		
реа	10	2		
rice	15	10		
wheat	30	8		
potato	30	10		

The crop with the highest harvest index is

- A pea
- B rice
- C wheat
- D potato.
- **17.** The graph below shows the levels of nitrogen and phosphorus applied to crops in an area of Scotland between 1986 and 2006.



In which year was there the smallest difference between the levels of nitrogen and phosphorus applied?

- A 1998
- B 2000
- C 2002
- D 2006

- 18. Which of the following are features of naturally inbreeding crop plants?
 - 1 Susceptible to inbreeding depression
 - 2 Deleterious alleles eliminated by natural selection
 - 3 Self-pollinating
 - A 1 and 2 only
 - B 1 and 3 only
 - C 2 and 3 only
 - D 1, 2 and 3
- **19.** On returning to their roost after feeding, vampire bats may regurgitate blood to feed an unrelated individual in the same social group.

This is an example of

- A mutualism
- B altruism
- C social hierarchy
- D kin selection.
- **20.** The statements below refer to behaviour sometimes displayed by lions kept in captivity.
 - 1 Repetitive chewing on cage bars
 - 2 Excessive licking of body
 - 3 Continually pacing backwards and forward

Which are examples of stereotypy?

- A 1 only
- B 1 and 2 only
- C 2 and 3 only
- D 1, 2 and 3

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SECTION 1 — 20 marks						

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SECTION 2 — 80 marks

Attempt ALL questions.

Questions 7 and 14 contain a choice.

Write your answers clearly in the spaces provided in this booklet. Additional space for answers and rough work is provided at the end of this booklet. If you use this space you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting. Any rough work must be written in this booklet. You should score through your rough work when you have written your final copy.

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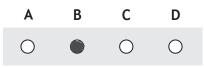
- 1. The answer to each question is **either** A, B, C or D. Decide what your answer is, then fill in the appropriate bubble (see sample question below).
- 2. There is **only one correct** answer to each question.
- 3. Any rough working should be done on the additional space for answers and rough work at the end of this booklet.

Sample Question

The thigh bone is called the

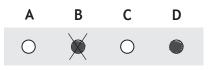
- A humerus
- B femur
- C tibia
- D fibula.

The correct answer is **B** — femur. The answer **B** bubble has been clearly filled in (see below).



Changing an answer

If you decide to change your answer, cancel your first answer by putting a cross through it (see below) and fill in the answer you want. The answer below has been changed to **D**.



If you then decide to change back to an answer you have already scored out, put a tick (\checkmark) to the **right** of the answer you want, as shown below:







	Α	В	С	D
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0
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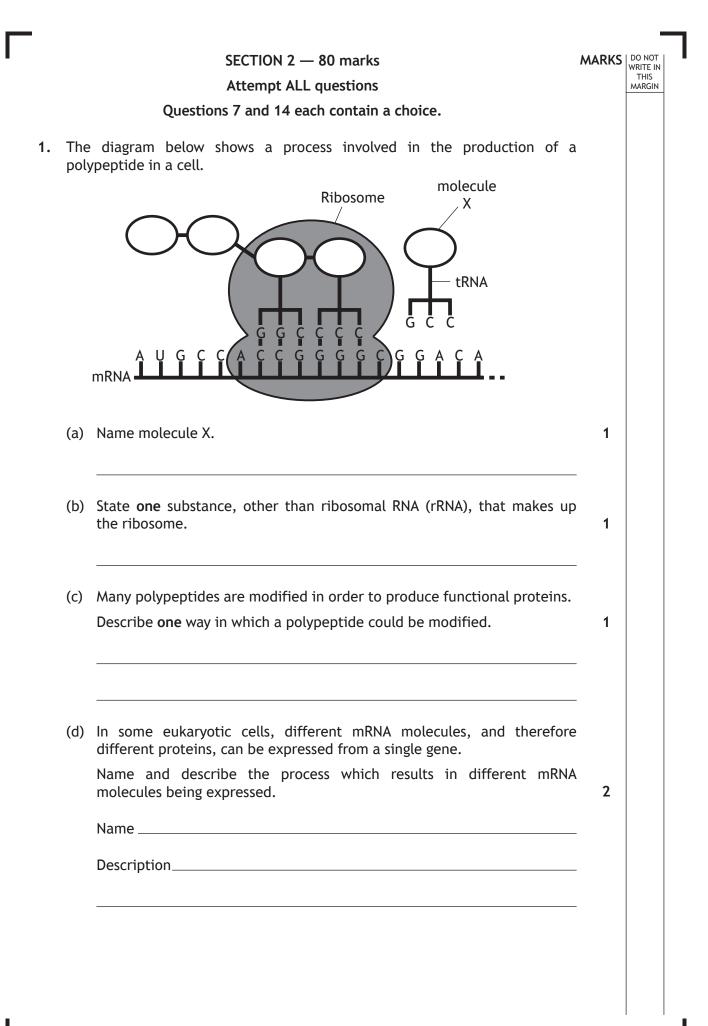
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(a) (i)	Describe one organisational difference between prokaryotic and eukaryotic chromosomal DNA.	1	
	(ii)	Name the substance with which DNA is packaged in eukaryotes.	1	
(b		one location, other than the nucleus, where DNA is found in ryotic cells.	1	
(c)		ng DNA replication two new daughter strands are synthesised using priginal strands as templates.		
		State why the antiparallel nature of the DNA molecule results in one of the strands being synthesised in short fragments.	1	
	(ii)	Template DNA, enzymes and ATP are necessary for DNA replication. State one other substance required.	1	
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(D) Expla	in why cells need to carry out DNA replication.	1	
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MARKS DO NOT WRITE IN THIS MARGIN Stem cells are unspecialised cells which can be found in embryonic and adult 3. tissue. cell division white blood stem cells cell red cheek blood epithelial cells cells cell differentiation muscle cells ciliated nerve epithelial cells cells (a) Explain how the diagram above indicates that the stem cell shown is an embryonic and not a tissue (adult) stem cell. 1 (b) After a stem cell differentiates, only certain genes are expressed. Explain how this results in different cell types. 1 (c) Give one therapeutic use of stem cells. 1 (d) State one ethical issue relating to the use of embryonic stem cells. 1



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4. Meristems can be cultured in growth medium to produce new plants.

An experiment was carried out to investigate the effects of three different growth media (A, B and C) on the production of shoots by meristems of African violet plants.

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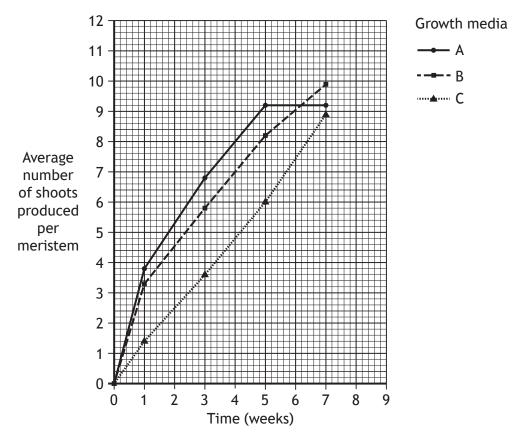
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Five meristems were removed and cultured in each medium for a period of seven weeks. The average number of shoots produced per meristem was recorded at specific times during the investigation.

The results are shown in the graph below.



 (a) (i) Use values from the graph to describe the average number of shoots produced per meristem over the seven week period in medium A.

 (ii) Calculate the percentage increase in the average number of shoots produced per meristem between week 1 and week 7 in medium B.
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4. (a) (continued)

(iii) Table 1 below shows the number of shoots produced per meristem at three weeks in one of the media.

Meristem	Number of shoots produced per meristem
1	4
2	5
3	7
4	7
5	6

Using information from **Table 1 and the graph**, state the medium in which these meristems were cultured.

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Medium_____

(b) Predict which medium would produce plants with the greatest number of shoots after nine weeks growth. Give a reason for your answer.

Medium _____

Reason _____

(c) In a further experiment, the average number of roots and average root length at 7 weeks were recorded in each of the media.

The results are shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2

Medium	Average number of roots produced per meristem	Average root length (mm)
А	12	12
В	11	19
С	12	17

After analysing the results, medium B was used for the commercial production of plants.

Use the information in Table 2 to explain why plants cultured in medium B would grow best.





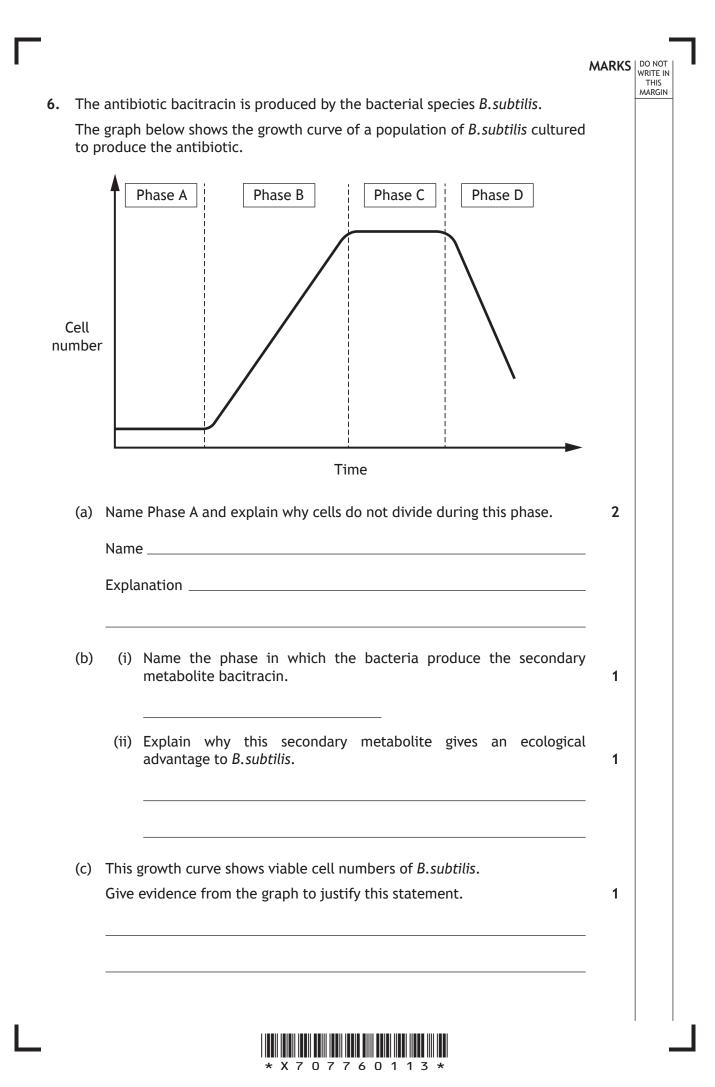
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С	Drcinus (orth Pacific Ocean there are two different populations of killer whales orca. One population feeds mainly on fish while the other feeds		DO NOT WRITE IN THIS MARGIN
Т	his beh	n sea mammals. avioural barrier has led to considerable genetic variation between pulations.	1	
(;	a) (i)	Name the type of speciation which could occur as a result of this barrier.	1	
	(ii)	State the importance of isolation barriers in speciation.	1	
	(iii)	Scientists believe that these two populations are still the same species. Suggest how they could confirm this.	1	
(-	ploidy can lead to speciation. State what is meant by the term polyploidy.	1	
	(ii)	Describe one example of the importance of polyploidy in evolution.	. 1	
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7.	Ansv	wer either A or B in the space below.	MARKS	DO NOT WRITE IN THIS MARGIN
	Α	Describe and compare anabolic and catabolic reactions.	4	
	OR			
	В	Describe and compare metabolism in conformers and regulators.	4	



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- 8. An investigation was set up to monitor growth of bacteria in compost. The compost was added to a fermenter and the temperature of the compost was recorded over a 20 day period. Samples of the compost were cultured and the numbers of three bacterial species present were recorded.

Time (days)	Compost Temperature	<i>Population</i> (millions per gram of compost)			
	(°C)	Species A	Species B	Species C	
0	21	396.0	0.4	123.0	
2	40	4.2	10.2	14.6	
4	72	0.1	195.0	0.1	
6	53	0	8∙5	0	
20	32	0	0	0	

The compost temperatures and the populations of the three species of bacteria are shown in the table below.

(a) Calculate how many times greater the population of Species A was compared to Species B at the start of the investigation.

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(b) Describe the relationship between temperature of the compost and population of Species C over the first four days.





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	(c)		Using information in the table , state which species of bacteria is thermophilic and justify your answer.	2	
			Species		
			Justification	-	
		(ii)	Describe how thermophilic bacteria are adapted to survive in their environment.	1	
		(iii)	Give an example, other than in compost, of an environment where thermophilic bacteria are adapted to grow successfully.	- 1	
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		bacteria plasmid human insulin gene recombinant plasmids inserted into new bacteria	
		cultured	
(a)		e one enzyme used in this process and state its function.	2
		etion	
(b)		The recombinant plasmid also contains a gene for resistance to the antibiotic, ampicillin.	
		Describe a procedure which would allow only cells containing the recombinant plasmid to be selected.	2
	(ii)	Plasmids with these antibiotic resistance genes have been passed to other bacterial species by horizontal transfer.	
		Describe the process of horizontal transfer.	1
(c)		n culturing the bacteria which produce insulin, sterile conditions are tained.	
	Expla	ain why this is important.	1

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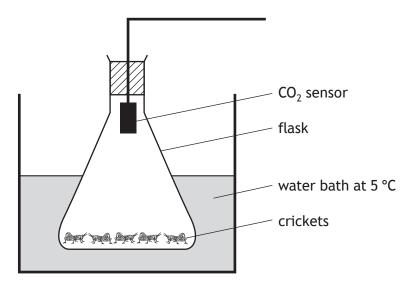


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10. An investigation was carried out to compare the rate of metabolism in a species of cricket, *Gryllus assimilis*, at different temperatures.

Five crickets were placed in a sealed flask which was fitted with a carbon dioxide (CO_2) sensor as shown in the diagram below.



The flask was placed in a water bath at 5 °C and left for 10 minutes.

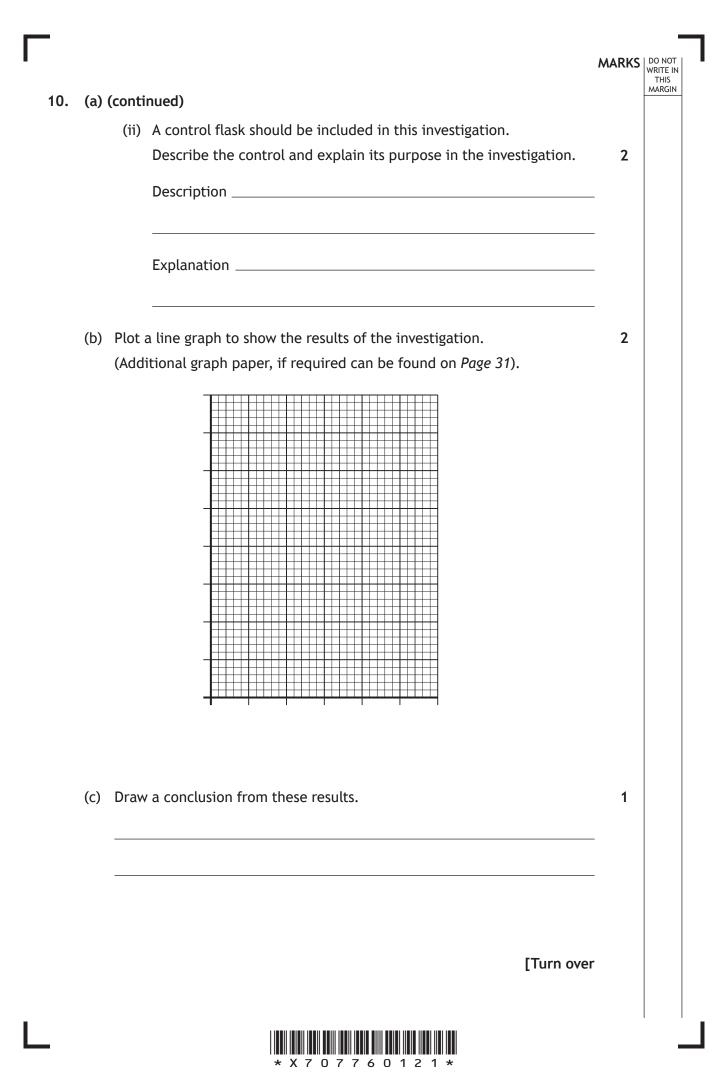
The CO_2 produced per minute was then measured. This procedure was repeated at 10, 15, 20 and 30 °C.

The results are shown in the table below.

Temperature (°C)	Rate of CO ₂ production (units per minute)		
5	300		
10	500		
15	800		
20	1200		
30	1600		

(a) (i) Give a reason why the flask was left for 10 minutes at each temperature **before** each reading was taken.





11. Colchicine is a chemical used in plant breeding programmes to induce mutations and produce cultivars with improved characteristics.

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Sesame is an important crop plant grown for its edible seeds and leaves.

An investigation was carried out to determine the effects of colchicine concentration on sesame. Sesame seeds were soaked in different concentrations of colchicine solution for 24 hours. Seeds from each concentration were germinated and 50 plants were grown from each concentration. Ninety days later the total leaf area, number of seeds and mass of seeds per plant were recorded.

The average results are shown in the table below.

	Colchicine concentration (m mol l ⁻¹)	Average total leaf area per plant (cm²)	Average number of seeds per plant	Average total mass of seeds per plant (g)
	0	1500	548	2.8
	0.1	2315	532	3.5
	0.5	2786	550	4.4
1.0		3500	512	4.7

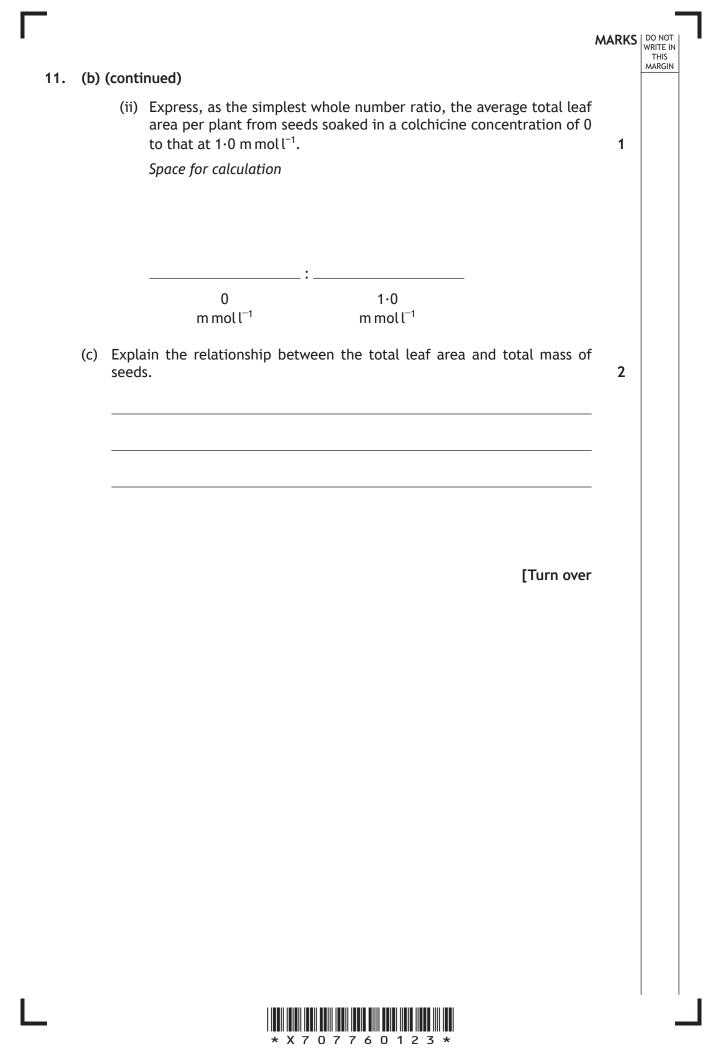
(a) (i) Identify the independent variable in this investigation.

- (ii) State an aspect of the investigation which helped to ensure that reliable results were obtained.
- (b) (i) An important characteristic of food crops is the 1000 seed mass which is the total mass of a sample of 1000 seeds.

Calculate the 1000 seed mass for the plants grown from seeds soaked in a colchicine concentration of 0.5 m mol l^{-1} .

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MARKS | DO NOT THIS MARGIN Malaria is a disease in humans caused by a parasite which is transmitted from 12. human to human by mosquitoes. The stages of infection in humans are shown in the flow diagram below. A female mosquito carrying parasites in its saliva bites a human to feed on blood which it needs for production of her eggs. Parasites pass into human blood and travel to the liver where they multiply and destroy liver cells. Parasites are released from liver cells into the blood where they enter red blood cells and destroy them. (a) (i) Identify the vector in this parasitic relationship. 1 (ii) Give a reason why only female mosquitoes transmit the malaria 1 parasite. (b) Explain the effect of a parasitic relationship on the host. 1 (c) Two methods used to control the spread of malaria are described below. Method 1 – mosquito repellent applied to the skin. Method 2 – anti-malarial drugs that kill the parasite. Choose one of these methods and explain how it can reduce the number of cases of malaria. 1 Method _____ Explanation _____



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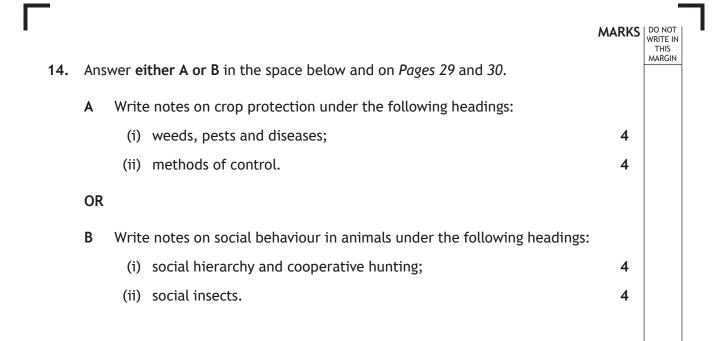


THIS Freshwater mussels are small animals which live on the beds of lakes and 13. rivers. Zebra mussels are a species of freshwater mussel native to lakes in Russia. They were accidentally introduced by humans into a river in North America in 1991. The populations of zebra mussels and the native unionid mussels were measured over a 12 year period. The results are shown in the graph below. 4000 160 3500 140 unionid mussel population mussels per m zebra mussel population 3000 120 2500 100 (mussels per m²) 2000 80 1500 60 1000 40 500 20 0 0 2003 1991 1993 1995 1997 1999 2001 year (i) State the unionid mussel population in 1993. (a) 1 _ mussels per m² (ii) State the zebra mussel population when the unionid mussel population was 50 mussels per m². 1 mussels per m² (iii) Calculate the average increase per year in the zebra mussel population between 1991 and 2003. 1 Space for calculation mussels per m² per year (b) Explain how the graph confirms that zebra mussels are more successful competitors than unionid mussels. 1



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13.		ntinued) Using evidence from the graph, explain why zebra mussels are an invasive species.	1	
	(d)	Suggest a reason why the population of zebra mussels may have increased faster in the North American river than in its native habitat.	- - 1	
	(e)	Invasive species have a negative impact on genetic diversity of an ecosystem. State what is meant by genetic diversity.	1	
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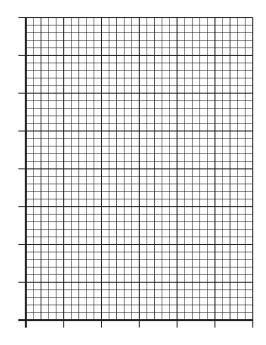
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