

Mark schemes

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- (a) 1. Similarity – directional response (to a stimulus) / movement towards / away from a stimulus;
2. Difference – taxis (whole) organism moves and tropism a growth (response).
Must be clear which one, taxis or tropism, they are referring to
Taxis occurs in animals / motile organisms and tropism occurs in plants

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- (b) 1. Grow in direction of / towards (pull of) gravity;
Accept: tropism for growth
Ignore: pulled by gravity
Accept: positively geotropic / gravitropic
2. Grow away from salt;
Accept: negatively chemotropic / halotropic 1 and 2. Ignore: references to bends / moves
3. Salt has more effect (than gravity).
Accept: converse statement for gravity
Note: all three points may appear in one sentence

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- (c) 1. More carriers in (cell) **L** / lower in **R**;
*Accept: left for **L** and right for **R** / side nearer salt for **L***
2. (So) less IAA in (cell) **L** / more IAA in (cell) **R**;
*Accept: more IAA moves out of **L** / less IAA moves out of **R***
3. (So) more (elongation) growth in **L** / less (elongation) growth in **R**.
*Accept: less inhibition of growth in **L** / more inhibition of growth in **R**;*

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- [8]** (a) 1. (Taxis is) movement towards / away from a stimulus / a directional response /

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movement (to a stimulus);

2. (Move towards) temperature they were used to / cultured in;
Movement towards temperature they were used to = 2 marks

2 max

- (b) 1. Hungry, so seeking food / in absence of food respond to temperature;
Ignore references to temperature and enzymes
Must be stated not inferred from other statements
2. Move towards temperature they were used to / cultured in;

3. Associate (this temperature) with food;

Accept they think food is here

Stated not inferred

4. (Then) stay in this temperature;

3 max

- (c) 1. (Dim) worms live in soil / dark / affected by bright light / dim light is like normal environment / what they are used to;

2. (Even) because worms might move towards / away from bright light / to avoid creating light gradient / prevent worms showing phototaxis / all parts of surface exposed to same light;

Accept to avoid kinesis due to light

3. (Dim light) ensures heat from light not a variable / heat from lamp could kill / dry out worms;

Not just to control variables / factors

2 max

[7] (a) Push – legume

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Pull – grass;

Both needed for mark

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- (b) 1. Set up tape measures on two sides of the plot / make grid of plot;

Allow 'Number each plant'. With this approach mp3 cannot be awarded.

2. Use random number table / calculator / generator; *Allow 'Select from a hat' idea.*

3. To generate coordinates;

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- (c) 1. To prevent competition between the maize and the grass; 2. For light

/ nutrients / water;

OR

3. Idea of limits movement of pest (between grass and maize);

4. Only eating / damaging grass;

2 max

- (d) 1. Nitrogen-fixing bacteria convert nitrogen (in the air) into ammonium compounds (in the soil) which are converted into nitrates / nitrification occurs;

Accept 'ammonia' for 'ammonium compounds'.

2. Maize uses nitrates (in soil) for amino acid / protein / ATP / nucleotide production;
 2. *Must be in the context of maize.*
 - Ignore ionic formulae unless only these are given.*

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- (e)
1. Reduced % damage to maize plants / increased maize grain yield;
 2. Calculation to justify mp 1;
 3. Standard deviation shows no overlap but need stats to show significance of this difference;
 4. More profit / net income / greater income than additional cost (with push-pull);
 5. \$322 extra / 408% more / \$401 v \$79 profit;
 - Accept '\$350 extra income compared to \$28 extra spend'.*
 - Mp5 gains credit for both mp4 and 5*

3 max

[11] (a) Three changes described;;;

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Neutral nucleus shrinks, since it doesn't

Eg

1. Formation / growth of vacuole;
2. Formation of starch grains / amyloplasts;
 2. *Accept starch grains get bigger*
3. Movement of grains / amyloplasts towards bottom of cell; *Note – list rule applies*
4. Cells get longer / wider / larger;

3 max

- (b)
1. Grows sideways before starch grains form;
 - Q
 2. Bending starts when / as grains form;
 3. More bending as grains increase in number;
 3. *Ignore starch grain growth references*
 4. More elongation (of cells) / growth (of roots) downwards as starch grains increase / move;
 5. Bending starts before grains move down;
 6. Could be related to vacuole;
 6. *Ignore references to nucleus*

- (c) 1. (IAA) at bottom of root / where IAA concentration high inhibits expansion /elongation (of cells);

2 and 3 need reference to expansion / elongation, not just growth

2. (IAA) at top of root / where IAA concentration low leads to expansion /elongation (of cells);

2. Accept less inhibition

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- [8] (a) 1. (Seedlings) respond to light / are phototropic;

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Reject: roots are positively phototropic / grow towards light

OR

Neutral: 'to control a variable'

2. (Only) measuring the effect of gravity / response to gravity;

Neutral: light affects growth / results

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- (b) 1. (Cells in) root tip detect gravity / respond to gravity;

Must refer to root tip and not just the root

OR

2. IAA / auxin is produced in the root tip;

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- (c) (i) 1. IAA / auxin moves to lower side / more IAA / auxin on lower side;

Accept: references to 'cell elongation' instead of 'growth'

2. Lower side grows less / slower / upper side grows more / faster / inhibits growth on lower side;

Note: if auxin is placed at upper side, mark point 2 can still be awarded

Need idea of 'less / slower' or 'more / faster' for mark point 2

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- (ii) 1. Less IAA / auxin (produced);

2. Lower side grows more / faster / less inhibition of growth on lower side;

Must refer to the lower side

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- [6] (a) Diffusion;

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Ignore references to simple / facilitated

Accept active transport

- (b) 1. Causes plant to bend / grow towards light / positive phototropism;
2. (Light) required for photosynthesis;

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- (c) 1. More kinetic energy / faster movement of molecules;
2. More diffusion;

Ignore references to opening stomata.

Answer should be in context of more but comparative statement only necessary once.

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- (d) (i) 1. Thick cuticle on upper surface / thin cuticle on lower surface / few stomata on upper surface / no stomata on upper surface;

2. More diffusion / shorter diffusion pathway (on lower surface);

1. *Ignore cuticle only on upper surface. Ignore references to more or less waxy.*

2. *If candidate writes about stomata accept ref to greater area for diffusion.*

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- (ii) Different species have different (qualified) properties;

Eg cuticle thickness

Leaf size

Number of stomata

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[8]

- (a) 1. Gives rise to new plants / plantlets;

2. So must be able to develop into different tissues / other specialised cell types / differentiate;

1. *Ignore references to leaves / callus*

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- (b) Two marks for 5 : 1/50 : 10/1 : 0.2;;

One mark for ratio correctly identified but expressed incorrectly as 1 : 5 / 10 : 50 / 0.2 : 1;

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- (c) (i) 1. Meiosis / independent assortment / crossing over;

2. (Fusion of) genetically different gametes / random fertilisation;

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- (ii) Will be clones / produced by mitosis / will be genetically identical / less variation / all plants will have desired characteristics;

If the reference is to identical must be genetically identical, but allow less variation without the reference to genetical.

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[7

- 1 (a) Decrease (woodlice turning in opposite direction to forced turn with increasing distance

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between turns) then more rapid decrease;

(Rapid decrease) when distance between turns is 9cm / 80% woodlice turning in opposite direction;

Accept 'after 9cm' or between 9 and 10cm' but not at 10cm

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- (b) No (no mark)

Equal numbers / 50% turn each way;

(Would expect this) by chance / at random;

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- (c) 1. Keep distance same;

2. Increase time / delay woodlice / decrease speed of woodlice

3. (Increase time) between forced and second turns;

Allow one mark for measure time taken for stated / set distance

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- (d) Short distances result in more (woodlice showing) turn alternation;

Keeps woodlice going in one direction / stops them going round in circles;

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[9]

- (a) Time to establish humidity to that required / time for substance to absorb water;

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So that behaviour typical of humidity;

Woodlice no longer affected by handling;

Allow acclimatisation idea

2 max

- (b) Correlation does not show causal link;

May be due to other factors / named factor;

Do not accept casual

2 max

- (c) 1. It is a line of best fit;

2. Variation in woodlice / a named difference in woodlice;
E.g. age, species, sex
3. Variation in environmental conditions / change in a named environmental condition;
E.g. Temperature / vibration / sound / light

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[7] (a) 11.1;;

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Allow one mark for calculating loss in mass as 0.02g and calculating a percentage;

Accept 11.11 / 11 but not 11.0

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- (b)
1. (More mass loss) linked to losing more water;
 2. Gills (more) exposed to air / covered (less) by other woodlice so greater surfacearea (exposed);
 3. (Not clumped) so lower humidity (around each woodlouse) so greater evaporation / diffusion (of water);

Assume 'They' refers to woodlice in group B

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- (c) Initial masses different;

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[6] Low humidity results in more woodlice moving;

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So increased movement increased chance of leaving dry / unfavourable environment so reduce water loss / reduce evaporation;

[2]

- (a) (i) Taxis;

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*Ignore references to positive and negative, and prefixes such as photo-
Accept taxes / tactic
Allow phonetic spelling*

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- (ii) Moves towards stimulus / towards light;

Direction must be correct.

1 (b) Gravity;

Antennae involved;

Doesn't show light is involved / doesn't respond to light as they are unable to see / as eyes are covered;

- (c) Helps them to leave the soil / ground / reach the surface;
Disperse / produce new colonies;
Avoid competition;

2 max

[7] (a) Recognition of same species;

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- Stimulates release of gametes;
- Recognition of mate / opposite gender;
- Indication of sexual maturity / fertility;

2 max

- (b) (i) Internal fertilisation / fertilisation occurs in pouch / limited area;
Q The term fertilisation is not required in the answer but must be implied.

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- (ii) Protection from predators (developing in pouch);

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- (c) (i) Less stress caused to seahorse / quicker / more accurate method / body is curved / head is linear;
Q Do not accept "easier" unless qualified.

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- (ii) Head length proportional to body length / or described;

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- (d) Positive correlation between head / body lengths of male and female / female and male with similar head / body lengths pair together;

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- (e) Use line of best fit;
And extrapolate / extend line as required;

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- (f) (Compare) DNA;
Sequence of bases / nucleotides;
Compare same / named protein;
Sequence of amino acids / primary structure;

Immunological evidence – not a mark

Inject (seahorse) protein / serum into animal;

(Obtain) antibodies / serum;

Add protein / serum / plasma from other (seahorse) species;

Amount of precipitate indicates relationship;

Q *The marks awarded for reference to DNA and sequence of bases / nucleotides must be in a different context to DNA hybridisation.*

6 max

[15] (a) kinesis;

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(ignore 'ortho-' / 'klino-', allow 'thermo-', reject 'photo-' / 'chemo-' / etc)

random movements = 1 mark, eg

/ degree of turning / number of turns depends on strength of stimulus / on temperature / allow specific ref. to more turning at 35° than at 30° / non-directional stimulus / response;

ignore 'speed'

2

- (b) stays longer in warmer area / at 35° / tends to leave cooler area / to leave 30° / stays in favourable conditions ;

remains near food source / on host;

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[4]

- (i) kinesis;

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movement is random / rate of turning changes / does not move towards / away from light;

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- (ii) advantage related to light / shade;
e.g. remains in shade so avoids predators

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[3] (a) *two environmental or developmental variables and explanation;*

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examples,

all plants of the same age, so same time for cell divisions / differentiation; all plants given the same watering, so same amount of water for cell expansion;

(reject reference to photosynthesis) all plants given same light, so same rate of photosynthesis; same temperature, so enzymes / named metabolic process at optimum

temperature; same named ion / minerals in soil(e.g. nitrate),
so same available for a named function,
(e.g. amino acid / protein synthesis);

2 max

- (b) count cells using microscope; count number of cells in cell division / where chromosomes visible; and then the total number of cells in field of view;

2 max

- (c) only cells at tip have ability to divide / cells further back don't divide; cells further back differentiating / named example of (*accept reference to loss of totipotent cells*) differentiated tissue / too old / reduction in plant hormone; cell wall too thick / vacuole too large to allow division;

2 max

- (d) new cells added at tip; cells increase in volume / larger; increase in length (of cells); as vacuoles get larger; due to uptake of water (by osmosis);

3 max

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- (a) 1. automatic (adjustments to changes in environment) / involuntary;

2. reducing / avoiding damage to tissues / prevents injury / named injury e.g. burning;

3. role in homeostasis / example;

4. posture / balance;

5. finding / obtaining food / mate / suitable conditions;

6. escape from predators;

(ignore 'danger' or 'harm' unless qualified)

3 max

- (b) (i) 1. (impulse causes) calcium ions / Ca^{++} to enter axon;
2. vesicles move to / fuse with (presynaptic) membrane;
3. acetylcholine (released);
4. (acetylcholine) diffuses across synaptic cleft / synapse;
5. binds with receptors on (postsynaptic) membrane;

(reject active sites, disqualify point)

6. sodium ions / Na^+ enter (postsynaptic) neurone;

7. depolarisation of (postsynaptic) membrane;

8. if above threshold nerve impulse / action potential produced

6 max

- (ii) neurone to neurone and neurone to muscle; action potential in neurone and no action potential in muscle / sarcolemma; no summation in muscle; muscle response always excitatory (never inhibitory); some neuromuscular junctions have different neurotransmitters; (*penalise 'nerve' once*)

2 max [11]

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(a) *one mark for conclusion:*

maggots move to / respond to / prefer / like / red rather than green;
(reject 'most prefer red')

maggots move to / prefer / like areas of lower light intensity (except green);
maggots respond more to colour than light intensity / do not respond to
differences in light intensity;
(reject conclusion relating to single result)

one mark for: evidence

matching conclusion:

more in red than green, but light intensity the same; more in
segments with lower light intensity; more differences in different
colours, little difference in light intensity; large difference in number
of maggots on segments with 25 a.u. light intensity;

2 max

(b) valid statement expressed as null hypothesis, i.e. in negative form, e.g. no
difference in response to different colours / light intensities;
(must relate to a possible hypothesis)

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(c) rotate box (so segments in different direction) / change order of
coloured segments;
place magnets around box / create alternative magnetic field;

1 max

[4] (a) (i) majority of larvae move to sectors on opposite side to lamp;

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(reject largest number / most in sector 19)

1

(ii) use heat filter in front of lamp (*allow lamp
not too close*); rotate card and lamp to
*eliminate magnetic field; alter direction of
larval head when releasing;*
(reject general references to keeping variables constant)

1 max

(iii) wide beam from lamp; variability of
organisms; positioning of larvae variable;

1 max

(b) idea of middle value; method of determining middle value in rank
order, e.g. sector in which 300 / 2 occurs;

2

[5] (i) arc shows 3 neurones;

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(3 distinct neurones, one of which is in the grey matter, with correct route through dorsal and ventral roots and indication of synapses. Ignore position of cell bodies.)

- (i) neurones labelled sensory, relay / intermediate, motor; 1
- (ii) neurones labelled sensory, relay / intermediate, motor; 1
- (iii) muscle labelled as effector; 1

[3]