



2012 Biology
Standard Grade Credit
Finalised Marking Instructions

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Standard Grade Biology 2012 – Additional marking notes

Please use these notes alongside the finalised ‘**MARKING INSTRUCTIONS**’

Markers Meeting

Do take clear notes of all decisions taken and use them in your marking.

Do bring up reasonable different interpretations of a question which may lead to different acceptable answers.

Do provide other responses illustrating good biology.

Do only bring up alternative responses you have actually seen.

Do try to form an idea of the minimal acceptable answer based on the marking instructions and any discussion.

Do not bring up obviously different ways of saying the same thing.

Do not bring up repeated examples of clearly incorrect answers.

Do not raise issues not directly concerning the marking instructions – put them in your report.

During marking

There are **no half marks**.

In the marking instructions, if a word is underlined then it is essential; (bracketed) then it is not essential.

Answers separated by / are alternatives.

Negation. A correct answer can sometimes fail to gain the mark if it is negated. This happens when:

An extra **incorrect answer** is given together with the correct one.

Additional incorrect information is given which contradicts the correct answer, demonstrating a misunderstanding of the question. (Additional unrequired information will not negate a correct answer if it does not contradict that answer).

Do accept chemical formulae instead of chemical names.

Do accept subscript, superscript and normal script when used to identify generations in genetic crosses.

Do accept incorrect spelling if it looks or sounds reasonably correct – unless it could be confused with another biological term or is an amalgam of two or more words.

Do try to make a decision if you see a response not discussed at the markers meeting. Make a note of your decision and use it if the same response is seen again.

Do put 0 in **every** mark box where zero marks have been awarded.

Do check the totalling of the script marks carefully.

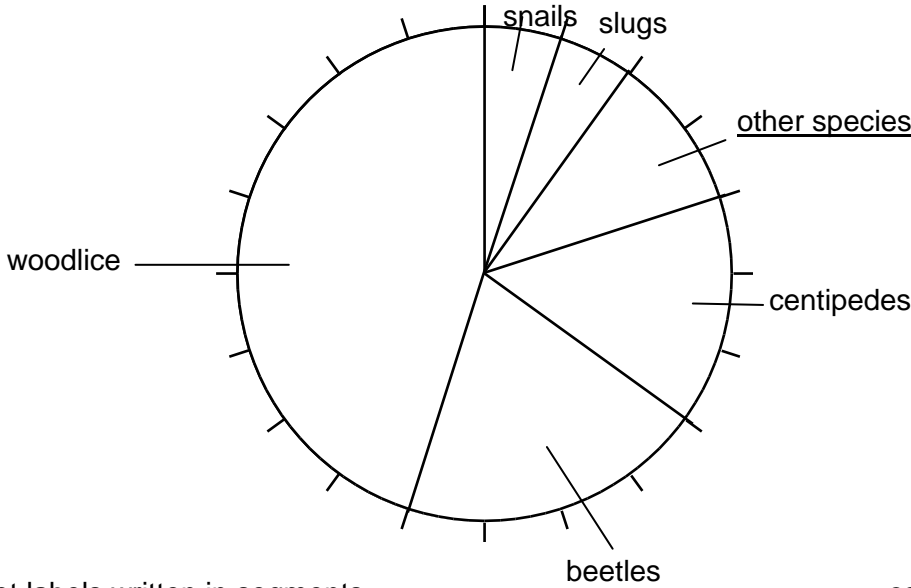
Do not make any written comments on the scripts. Use ticks, crosses, underlining, etc to indicate marking decisions.

Referring scripts

Refer scripts to the Principal Assessor (*PA Referral*) only in extreme cases of indecision over an answer. A relevant referral form must be completed and included with the script. The script should be labelled **PA Referral**.

Refer scripts for *Special Attention (M)* if there is suspected malpractice or offensive remarks on the script. A report should be written on a separate piece of paper and included with the scripts. The script packet should be labelled **Special Attention (M)**.

STANDARD GRADE BIOLOGY – 2012 CREDIT LEVEL MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

Qu	Acceptable answer		Mark	Unacceptable answer
1 (a) (i)	oak tree	30000	5 correct boxes = 2 3 / 4 correct boxes = 1	
		2400		
	sparrow			
		95		
(ii)	750 000		1	
(b)	 <p data-bbox="313 1220 784 1292">Accept labels written in segments Accept correct key instead of labels</p> <p data-bbox="627 1292 1523 1364">(Allow different sequence of divisions Allow labels mark if divisions are wrong but in correct order of sizes)</p>		correct divisions = 1 correct labels = 1	

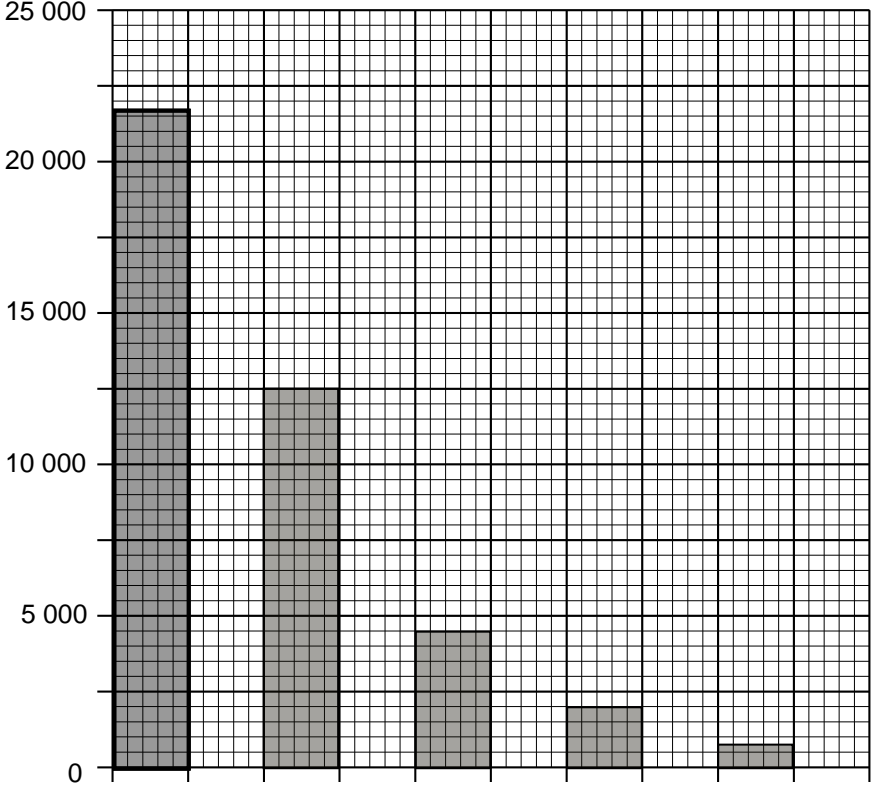
Qu	Acceptable answer		Mark	Unacceptable answer
2 (a) (i)	<i>Average number of mussels per quadrat</i>	<i>Estimated number of mussels per m²</i>	1	
	4	16		
(ii)	Group A Too few quadrats / Quadrats concentrated in one part of area / Quadrats not random		1	Experiment not repeated } Repeat the experiment (Don't penalise twice) Do more tests
	Increase number of quadrats / Spread quadrat sites more / Place quadrats randomly (quadrats : samples : results)		1	
(b)	It shows the total mass / weight of living material / organisms present in each level / stage of a food chain (Accept.....food web)		1	amount
	It shows the mass / weight of <u>all</u> the living material / organisms present in each level / stage of a food chain (Acceptfood web)			
(c) (i)	Increase	or	Decrease	No competition
	More food / plankton available/ less / no competition for food or Dog whelks eat more periwinkles so fewer oystercatchers to eat mussels or Stay the same – must explain both effects and say they cancel each other.		Dog whelks eat more periwinkles so less food for oystercatchers so they eat more mussels	
(ii)	Decrease Dog whelks eat more periwinkles or More plankton so more mussels so more oystercatchers to eat them		1	They are the dog-whelks only food
			1	

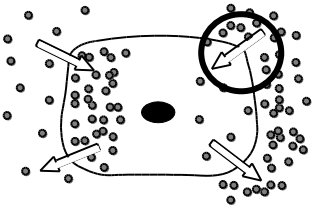
Qu	Acceptable answer					Mark	Unacceptable answer
3	<i>Pollination</i>		<i>Seed dispersal</i>			All pollinations correct = 1 All dispersals correct = 1	
		✓			✓		
		✓		✓			
	✓		✓				

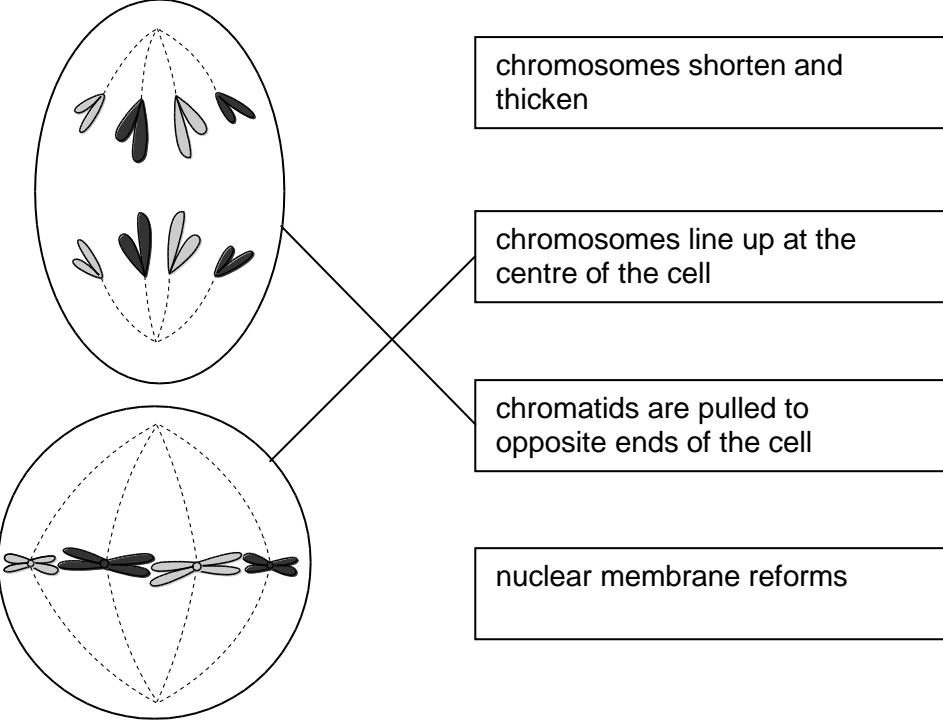
Qu	Acceptable answer		Mark	Unacceptable answer
4 (a)		Conscious control of actions / Memory / Decision making / Thinking / Personality / Intelligence etc	3 correct = 2 1 / 2 correct = 1	controls movement
		Coordination (of movement) / Balance		
	Medulla			
(b)(i)	1 : 180		1	
(ii)	Kangaroo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	1	

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5 (a)	A or D	4 correct = 2 2 / 3 correct = 1	Additional incorrect answers negate
	B or C or E		
	B or C		
	E		
(b)	increasing increases	both correct = 1	
(c)	X carbon dioxide (concentration) / Lack of carbon dioxide Y temperature / temperature too low	both correct = 1	temperature too high
(d)	carbon dioxide glucose starch	3 correct = 2 1 / 2 correct = 1	

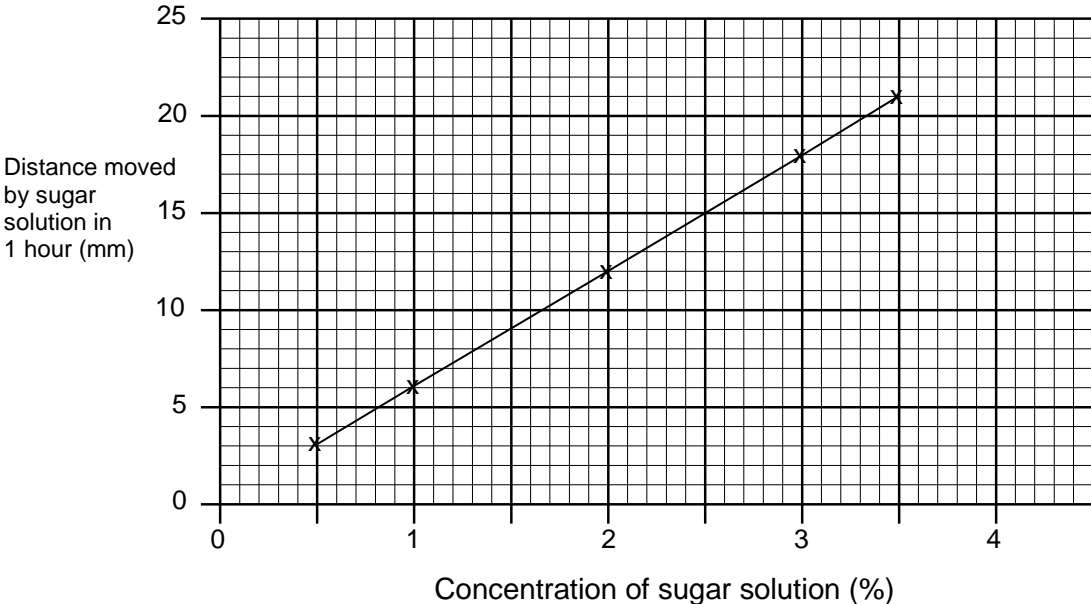
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6 (a) (i)	glomerulus	1	
(ii)	filtration / filtering	1	
(iii)	1. amino acids / protein 2. liver 3. in the blood / plasma / renal artery	3 correct = 2 1 / 2 correct = 1	
(b) (i)	40	1	
(ii)	15	1	

Qu	Acceptable answer	Mark	Unacceptable answer
7 (a) (i)	 <p data-bbox="322 544 488 662">Total distance of annual migration (miles)</p> <p data-bbox="622 1023 1312 1050">Arctic tern Gray whale Snow goose Monarch butterfly Caribou</p> <p data-bbox="909 1102 987 1129">Animal</p> <p data-bbox="1323 1078 1514 1142">correct label = correct plots =</p>	<p data-bbox="1541 1078 1563 1099">1</p> <p data-bbox="1541 1114 1563 1134">1</p> <p data-bbox="1541 1177 1563 1198">1</p>	<p data-bbox="1671 1078 1917 1142">Abbreviated labels Topless bars</p>
(ii)	80	1	
(b) (i)	Avoid harsh conditions / To find more favourable conditions / To breed / To find food / Because of daylength changes	1	
(ii)	(Any answer indicating a change in conditions which is unfavourable) rhythmical	1	rhythmic

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8 (a) (i)	10% salt solution Z 2% salt solution Y pure water X Both correct =	1	
	(ii)	1	
(b)		1	

Qu	Acceptable answer	Mark	Unacceptable answer
9 (a)	 <p>chromosomes shorten and thicken</p> <p>chromosomes line up at the centre of the cell</p> <p>chromatids are pulled to opposite ends of the cell</p> <p>nuclear membrane reforms</p> <p>1 mark each correct answer =</p>	2	Additional lines negate. 1 mark each.
(b)	<p>(Daughter cells) have identical information as the parent cell / Ensures that no information is lost / changed Daughter cells have a full chromosome complement Daughter cells have all the correct information (information : genes : DNA : chromosomes)</p>	1	Have the same number of chromosomes

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10	<p style="text-align: center;">living cells</p> <p style="text-align: center;">pull tendons inelastic</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 correct = 2 / 3 correct = 1</p>	2	

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11 (a)	temperature / depth of bag in water / volume of water / amount of water	1	
(b)	 <p data-bbox="896 965 1512 1077">Correct label and scale = 1 (scale of 0, 3.5 or 4 and minimum of one other) Correct plotting and joining of points = 1</p> <p data-bbox="313 1101 1131 1141">(Accept extrapolating graph at top end – because of prediction)</p>	<p data-bbox="1529 965 1556 997">1</p> <p data-bbox="1529 1029 1556 1061">1</p>	<p data-bbox="1659 1029 2060 1069">extrapolating graph at bottom</p>
(c)	<p data-bbox="313 1181 1321 1316">24 Moves 3mm for every 0.5% concentration / Moves additional 3mm for every additional 0.5% concentration (or equivalent) Extrapolated graph goes to 24mm</p>	1	

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12 (a)	anchorage; nutrients; water; oxygen / air <div style="text-align: right;">any three =</div>				1		
(b)	Colonisation by lichens and mosses / plants Death and decay of plants adds organic matter Colonisation by (other plants and) animals Continued death and decay <div style="text-align: right;">2 / 3 points = 1</div>				2	Description of formation of small mineral particles – lose 1 mark	
(c)			fast	low	3 rows correct = 1 / 2 rows correct = 1	2	
	small	slow	high				
loam	mixed		medium				
(d)	It contains living organisms				1		

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13 (a) (i)	micro-organism	1	
(ii)	Injected by mosquito / by a mosquito bite	1	
(iii)	liver	1	
(iv)	16 – 20 <u>days</u>	1	
(b)	haemoglobin / oxyhaemoglobin	1	

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14 (a)	0.03	1	
(b)	14	1	
(c)	lactose lactic acid bacteria	2 3 correct = 1 / 2 correct = 1	sugar

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15 (a)	The bacteria increased for 16 hours Then remained steady (Needs pattern + correct time for both marks Increased then remain steady = 1)	1 1	
(b) (i)	Any temperature in range 25 – 45°C	1	
(ii)	Some bacteria can survive temperatures up to 110°C / To kill endospores / resistant spores To kill all bacteria	1	To kill bacteria / to sterilise it
(iii)	Bacteria can still grow	1	
(c)	protein	1	

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16 (a) (i)	allele (ii) B is Tt / has both alleles / is heterozygous and clasps hands with left thumb on top (iii) tt Tt Tt 3 correct = 1 / 2 correct = 1 (iv) 3 : 1 / 3 in 4 / 75% $\frac{3}{4}$ 0.75 (v) 5 : 3	1 1 2 1 1						
(b)	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;"></td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">A</td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">B</td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">E</td> <td style="width: 15%;"></td> </tr> </table>		A	B	E		1	
	A	B	E					

