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GCSE BIOLOGY

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Foundation Tier Paper 1F

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- a ruler
- a scientific calculator.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- In all calculations, show clearly how you work out your answer.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are expected to use a calculator where appropriate.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

0 1

HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) is a pathogen.

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How is HIV spread from one person to another person?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Coughing

☐

Sexual intercourse

☒

Touching door handles

☐

Table 1 shows information about new cases of HIV diagnosed in the UK.

Table 1

Year	Number of new HIV cases
2010	2642
2014	2767
2018	1530

0 1 . 2

Describe what happened to the number of new cases of HIV from 2010 to 2018.

[2 marks]

Increased at first then decreased



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What could cause a **decrease** in the number of new HIV cases in the future?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A higher population of people in the UK

☐

A lower number of trained HIV nurses

☐

Better education on how to prevent the spread of HIV

☒

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Scientists have been working to produce a vaccine for HIV for many years.

How could a vaccine work to prevent a person being infected with HIV?

Write the stages **A**, **B**, **C**, **D** and **E** in the correct order.

[3 marks]

The first stage has been completed for you.

- A** Antibodies attach to the inactive virus.
- B** Antibodies destroy the inactive virus.
- C** An inactive form of the virus is injected into the body.
- D** If the active virus enters the body, antibodies are produced quickly.
- E** White blood cells produce antibodies to the inactive virus.

C → **E** → **A** → **B** → **D**

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When scientists produce a vaccine for a disease the vaccine is tested on live animals.

What is the next stage in testing the vaccine?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Testing on cells in a laboratory

☐

Testing on healthy volunteers

☒

Testing on the whole human population

☐

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A vaccine for HIV is important because it is difficult to develop safe drugs to destroy viruses.

Why is it difficult to develop safe drugs to destroy viruses?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Drugs that destroy viruses also damage body tissues.

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There are too many viruses for the drugs to destroy.

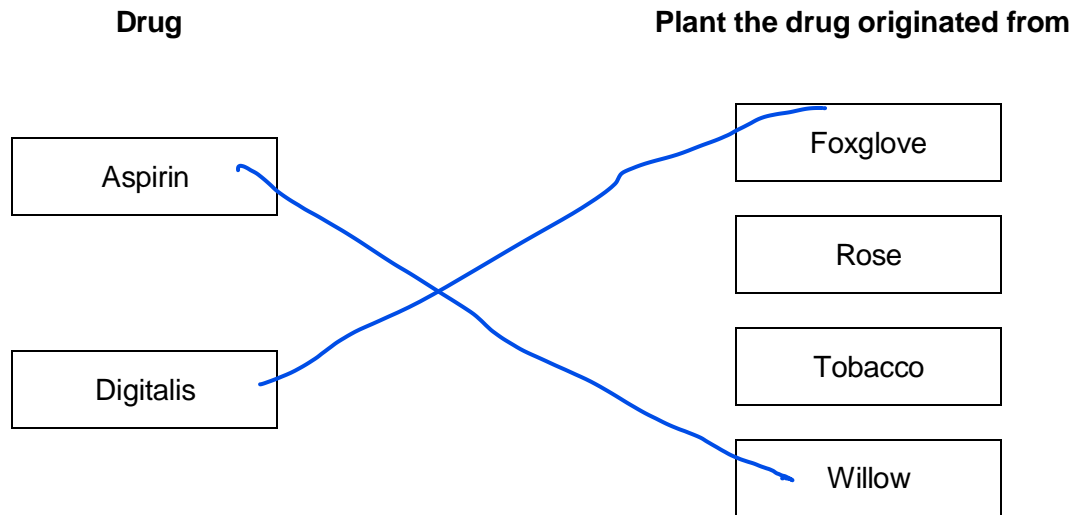
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Viruses are too big for the drugs to destroy.

☐


0 1 . 7

Some drugs originated from plants.

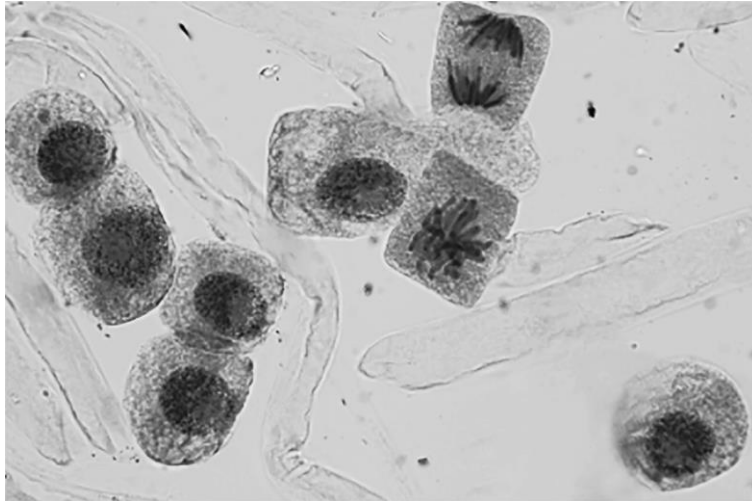
Draw **one** line from each drug to the plant the drug originated from.**[2 marks]**

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0 2

Figure 1 shows animal cells.

Some of the cells are dividing by mitosis for growth and repair.

Figure 1

0 2

1

What fraction of the cells in **Figure 1** is dividing by mitosis?**[1 mark]**Tick (✓) **one** box. $\frac{1}{8}$ ☐ $\frac{1}{4}$ ☒ $\frac{1}{2}$ ☐ $\frac{3}{4}$ ☐

0 2 . 2

The cells which are **not** dividing in **Figure 1** each contain 10 chromosomes.

One of these cells divides by mitosis to produce two new cells.

How many chromosomes will each new cell contain after mitosis?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

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0 2 . 3

Cells divide in a series of stages called the cell cycle.

Complete the sentences.

Choose answers from the box.

[3 marks]

contracts	divides	grows
reacts	relaxes	replicates

Before mitosis occurs, the cell grows.

The genetic material in the cell doubles when the DNA replicates.

After the chromosomes have been pulled to each end of the cell, the
cytoplasm divides.

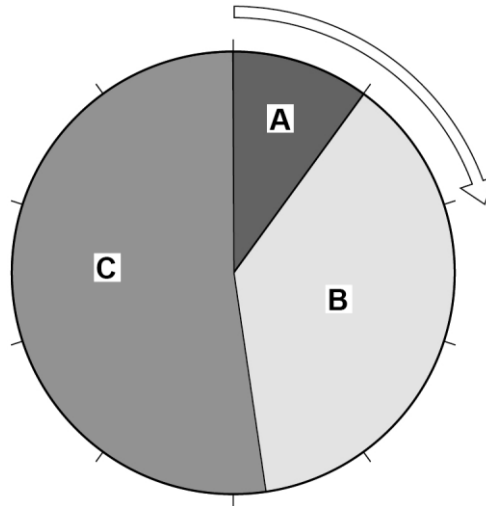
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Figure 2 shows the time taken to complete different stages of the cell cycle.

Figure 2



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Which stage of the cell cycle takes the most time?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A

☐

B

☐

C

☒

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What percentage of time in the cell cycle is stage A?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

5%

☐

10%

☒

15%

☐

25%

☐


Stem cells divide by mitosis.

Scientists can use stem cells from an embryo to create heart cells in a laboratory.

0 2

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Which organ system contains heart cells?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Circulatory system

☒

Digestive system

☐

Nervous system

☐

Respiratory system

☐

0 2

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Name **one** medical condition that could be treated using heart cells created from an embryo.

[1 mark]

cardiovascular disease / CVD

0 2

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Give **one** reason why a patient may **not** want to be treated with heart cells created from an embryo.

[1 mark]

Its unethical

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0 3

A scientist investigated the rate of photosynthesis of one type of tomato plant.

The tomato plants were grown in a greenhouse.

Table 2 shows the results.

Table 2

Percentage (%) concentration of carbon dioxide in the air	Rate of photosynthesis in arbitrary units
0.00	0
0.02	5
0.04	16
0.06	19
0.08	20
0.10	20
0.12	20

0 3

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Give **two** control variables the scientist should have used in the investigation.

[2 marks]

1 temperature

2 size of tomato plants

0 3

2

Which range of carbon dioxide concentrations caused the rate of photosynthesis to change the most?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

From 0.00% to 0.02%

☐

From 0.02% to 0.04%

☒

From 0.04% to 0.06%

☐

From 0.06% to 0.08%

☐


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How could the scientist have improved the validity of the results?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Repeat each reading three times and calculate a mean.

☒

Use concentrations of carbon dioxide above 0.12%.

☐

Use different tomato plants for each concentration.

☐

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Explain the change in the rate of photosynthesis when the concentration of carbon dioxide increased between 0.00% to 0.08%.

[2 marks]

The rate of photosynthesis increases because carbon dioxide is
needed for photosynthesis

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A farmer decided **not** to use a concentration of carbon dioxide higher than 0.08% to grow tomato plants.

Suggest **two** reasons for the farmer's decision.

Use information from **Table 2** and your own knowledge.

[2 marks]

1 It would not increase the rate of photosynthesis

2 It would not increase the growth of tomatoes

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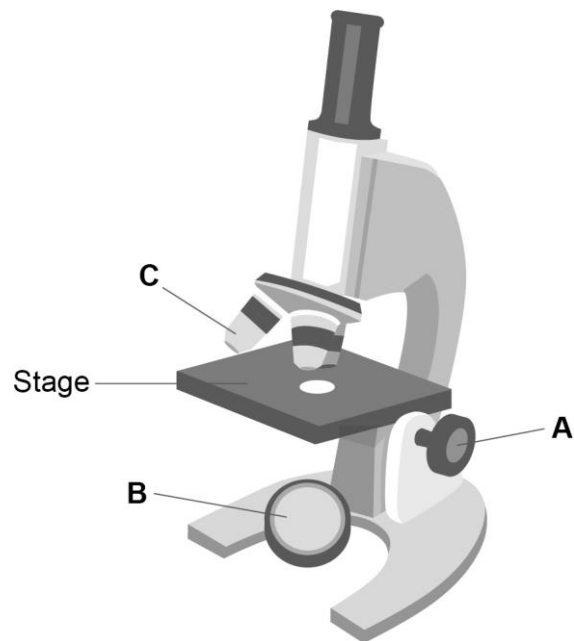
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0 4

Figure 3 shows a microscope.

Figure 3



0 4 . 1

Draw **one** line from each part of the microscope to the function of the part.

[3 marks]

Part of the
microscope

Function

A	To adjust the focus of the microscope
B	To direct light into the viewer's eye
C	To hold a slide in place
	To magnify the image of a specimen
	To support the microscope



A student prepared some onion cells.

The student viewed the onion cells using a microscope.

This is the method used.

1. Cut an onion into pieces using a sharp knife.
2. Peel off a thin layer of cells from one piece.
3. Place the layer of cells onto a microscope slide.
4. Add three drops of iodine solution to the layer of cells.
5. Cover with a cover slip.
6. Place the slide on the stage of the microscope.

0 4

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Why was iodine solution added to the layer of onion cells?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

To dry the cells

☐

To separate the cells

☐

To stain the cells

☒

0 4

3

Why was a **thin** layer of onion cells used?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

To allow light to pass through the cells

☒

To allow oxygen to pass through the cells

☐

To allow water to pass through the cells

☐

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0 4 . 4

The student was worried about using a sharp knife to cut the onion.

The student wrote a risk assessment for using a knife.

Draw **one** line from each part of the risk assessment to the description of the part.

[2 marks]

Part of risk assessment

Description

Hazard

Call a first aider

Plan to minimise risk

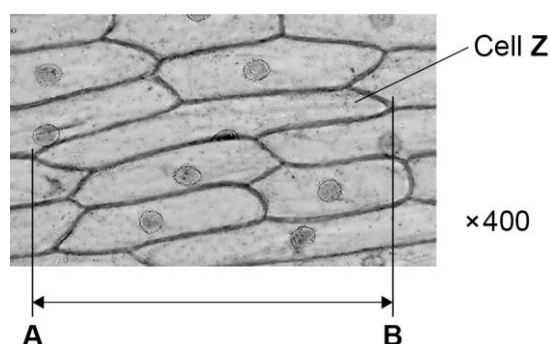
Cut the onion on a chopping board

The onion is cut into pieces

The knife is sharp

Figure 4 shows what the student saw using the microscope at a magnification of $\times 400$.

Figure 4



0 4 . 5

Line **A–B** in **Figure 4** shows the length of cell **Z**.Calculate the real length of cell **Z**.

Complete the following steps.

[4 marks]Measure the length of line **A–B** in millimetres (mm).Length of line **A–B** = _____ mmGive your measurement of the length of line **A–B** in micrometres (µm).

1 mm = 1 000 µm

Length of line **A–B** = _____ µmCalculate the real length of cell **Z**.

Use the equation:

$$\text{real length of cell Z (in } \mu\text{m)} = \frac{\text{length of line A–B (in } \mu\text{m)}}{\text{magnification}}$$

student's measurement
49 (mm)

conversion of student's
measurement
49 000 (µm)

substitution
49 000 / 400

122.5 (µm)

Real length of cell **Z** = _____ µm**Question 4 continues on the next page****Turn over ►**

0 4 . 6

How would onion cells look different if they were seen using an electron microscope?

[2 marks]Tick (✓) **two** boxes.

The cells would be coloured.

☐

The cells would have no nuclei.

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The cells would look larger.

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The cells would look more blurred.

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The cells would show more internal structures.

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0 4 . 7

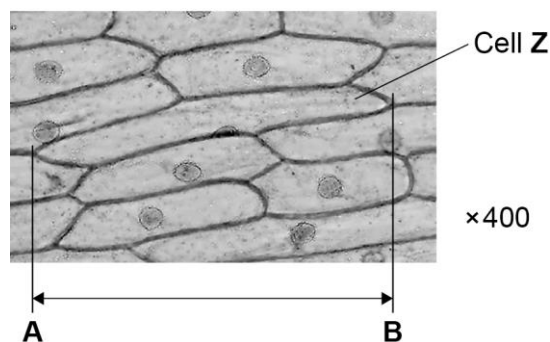
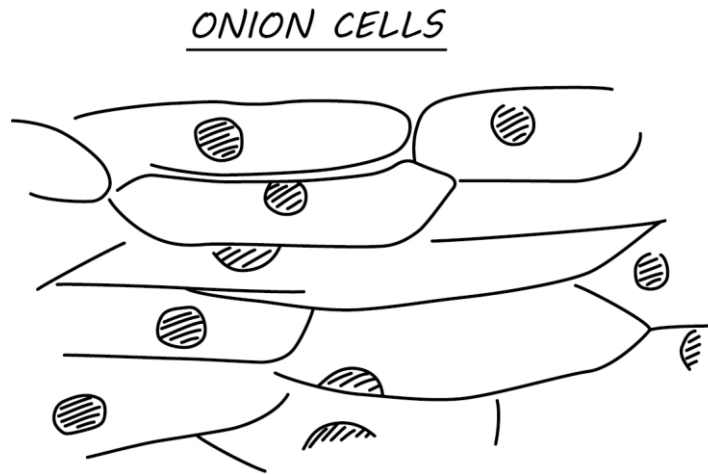
Figure 4 is repeated below.**Figure 4**

Figure 5 shows the student's drawing of Figure 4.

Figure 5



What **two** improvements could the student make to the drawing in Figure 5?

[2 marks]

Tick (✓) **two** boxes.

Add colour to the cells.

☐

Complete the cell walls.

☒

Draw each cell on a separate piece of paper.

☐

Include the magnification.

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Use a ruler to draw the cells.

☐

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0 5 . 1

Plants take up water from the soil through their roots.

Some of the water is used for photosynthesis.

Complete the word equation for photosynthesis.

Choose answers from the box.

[2 marks]

fat

glucose

nitrogen

oxygen

protein

carbon dioxide + water → oxygen + glucose

0 5 . 2

Water and dissolved substances are transported through a plant.

Complete the sentences.

Choose answers from the box.

[3 marks]

epidermis

guard cells

palisade cells

phloem

stomata

xylem

Water moves from the roots to the leaves in the xylem.Water is lost from leaves through pores called stomata.Dissolved sugars are transported in the phloem.**Question 5 continues on the next page****Turn over ►**

Table 3 shows the rate of transpiration in four different plant species.

Table 3

Plant species	Rate of transpiration in arbitrary units
A	310
B	254
C	87
D	192

0 5 . 3

Calculate how many times greater the rate of transpiration of species **A** is than the rate of transpiration of species **B**.

Give your answer to 2 significant figures.

[3 marks]

$$310 / 254$$

$$= 1.22047...$$

$$= 1.2$$

Number of times greater (2 significant figures) = _____



0 5 . 4

Which factor could cause species **A** to have a higher rate of transpiration than species **B**?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Each flower of species **A** has more petals.

☐

Each leaf of species **A** has more stomata.

☒

Each plant of species **A** has shorter roots.

☐

0 5 . 5

Which environmental change would cause an increase in the rate of transpiration?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Decreased light intensity

☐

Decreased wind speed

☐

Increased humidity

☐

Increased temperature

☒

0 5 . 6

Which plant species in **Table 3** is most likely to live in a dry desert?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A

☐

B

☐

C

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D

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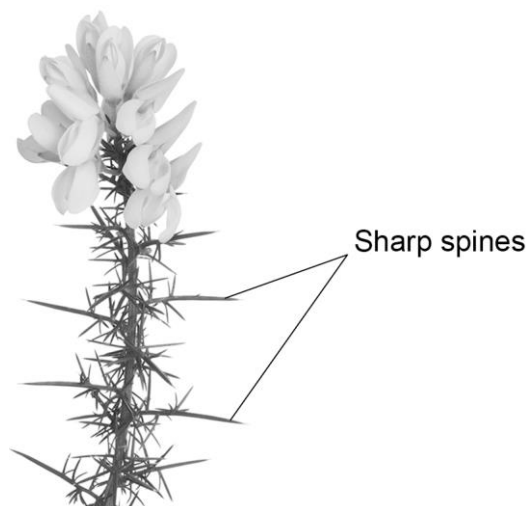
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0 5 . 7 Some plants have adaptations that help them survive.

Figure 6 shows part of a gorse plant.

Figure 6



How will the sharp spines help the gorse plant survive?

[1 mark]

Spines stop the plant being eaten



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Animals also have adaptations to help them survive.

Figure 7 shows two insects.

Figure 7



Hornet



Hornet Moth

Hornets are insects that sting other animals and cause pain.

Hornet moths do **not** sting other animals.

Explain why animals avoid eating the **hornet moth**.

[2 marks]

It looks like the hornet so animals avoid the risk of being stung

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0 6

Table 4 shows information about four jellyfish.

The jellyfish are listed in order of increasing size.

Table 4

Jellyfish	Size of jellyfish	Surface area in mm ²	Volume in mm ³	Surface area to volume ratio
A	Smallest  Largest	3 600	1 200	X:1
B		50 000	25 000	2:1
C		1 800 000	6 000 000	0.3:1
D		7 500 000	125 000 000	0.06:1

0 6

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Calculate value **X** in **Table 4**.

[2 marks]

$$= \frac{3\,600}{1\,200}$$

$$= 3$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

0 6

2

Describe the relationship between the size of a jellyfish and its surface area to volume ratio.

Use **Table 4**.

[1 mark]

As size increases, (surface area to volume) ratio decreases



The jellyfish in **Table 4** take oxygen into their cells by diffusion.

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Name **one** other substance that enters cells by diffusion.

Do **not** refer to oxygen in your answer.

[1 mark]

carbon dioxide

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Suggest **two** factors that affect the rate of diffusion of oxygen into a jellyfish.

[2 marks]

1 concentration gradient

2 surface area

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Some organisms take in oxygen using a respiratory system.

In humans, gas exchange takes place in the lungs.

Name the organs where gas exchange takes place in **fish**.

[1 mark]

Gills

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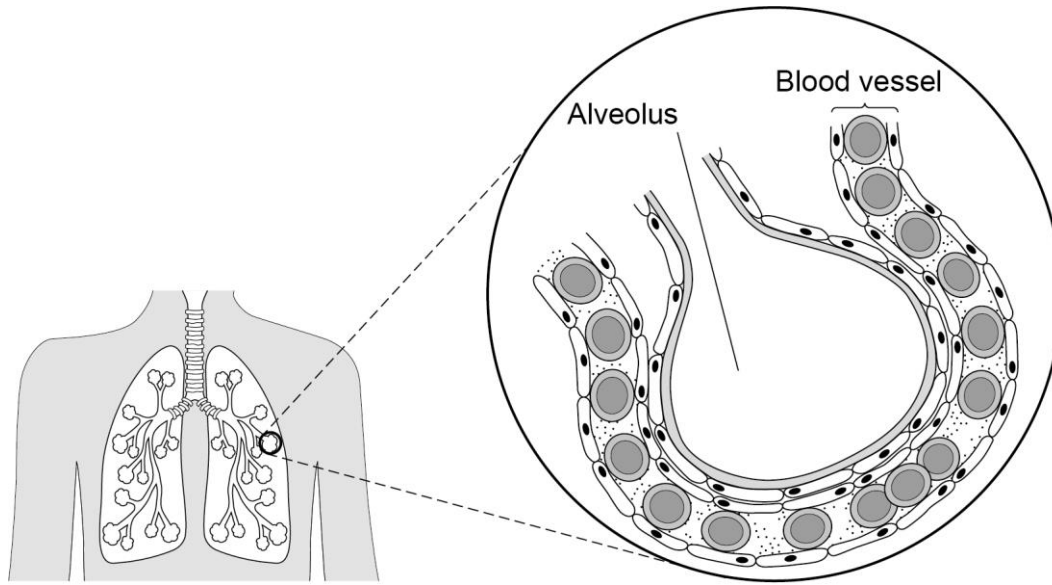


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Figure 8 shows parts of the human breathing system.

Figure 8



Explain how the human breathing system is adapted to maximise the rate of gas exchange.

[6 marks]

large number of alveoli

• large surface / area

- alveolus and blood vessel / capillary are in close proximity
- alveoli / capillaries have thin walls or alveoli / capillaries have walls that are one cell thick
- to reduce diffusion distance

- has a good blood supply or has a capillary network
- to maintain concentration gradient
- to remove oxygen quickly or to deliver carbon dioxide quickly
- (capillary network) increases surface area (for diffusion)

- lungs are ventilated or lungs continually move air in and out
- (ventilation) brings in oxygen or removes carbon dioxide
- to maintain concentration gradient



07

This question is about cells and transport.

07.1

Complete **Table 5**.**[3 marks]****Table 5**

Name of cell part	Function of cell part
nucleus	Contains genetic information
Mitochondria	(site of aerobic) respiration
cell membrane	Controls the movement of substances into and out of the cell

Cells in potatoes are plant cells.

Cells in potatoes do **not** contain chloroplasts.

07.2

What is the function of chloroplasts?

[1 mark]

photosynthesis

07.3

Name **one** type of cell in a potato plant that does **not** contain chloroplasts.**[1 mark]**

root hair

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A student investigated the effect of salt concentration on pieces of potato.

This is the method used.

1. Cut three pieces of potato of the same size.
2. Record the mass of each potato piece.
3. Add 150 cm³ of 0.4 mol/dm³ salt solution to a beaker.
4. Place each potato piece into the beaker.
5. After 30 minutes, remove each potato piece and dry the surface with a paper towel.
6. Record the mass of each potato piece.
7. Repeat steps 1 to 6 using different concentrations of salt solution.

0 7 . 4 What is the independent variable in the investigation?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Concentration of salt solution

☒

Mass of potato piece

☐

Time potato is left in salt solution

☐

Volume of salt solution

☐

0 7 . 5 Why did the student dry the surface of each potato piece with a paper towel in step 5?

[1 mark]

To make sure only the potato mass was measured



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The student calculated the percentage change in mass of each potato piece.

For one potato piece:

- the starting mass was 2.5 g
- the end mass was 2.7 g.

Calculate the percentage increase in mass of the potato piece.

[2 marks]

Use the equation:

$$\text{percentage increase in mass} = \frac{\text{increase in mass}}{\text{starting mass}} \times 100$$

$$0.2 / 2.5 \times 100$$

$$= 8(\%)$$

Percentage increase in mass = _____ %

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The student used the results from each potato piece to calculate the mean percentage change in mass at each concentration.

Table 6 shows the results.

Table 6

Concentration of salt solution in mol/dm ³	Mean percentage (%) change in mass
0.0	9.8
0.1	9.5
0.2	7.0
0.3	0.4
0.4	−1.4

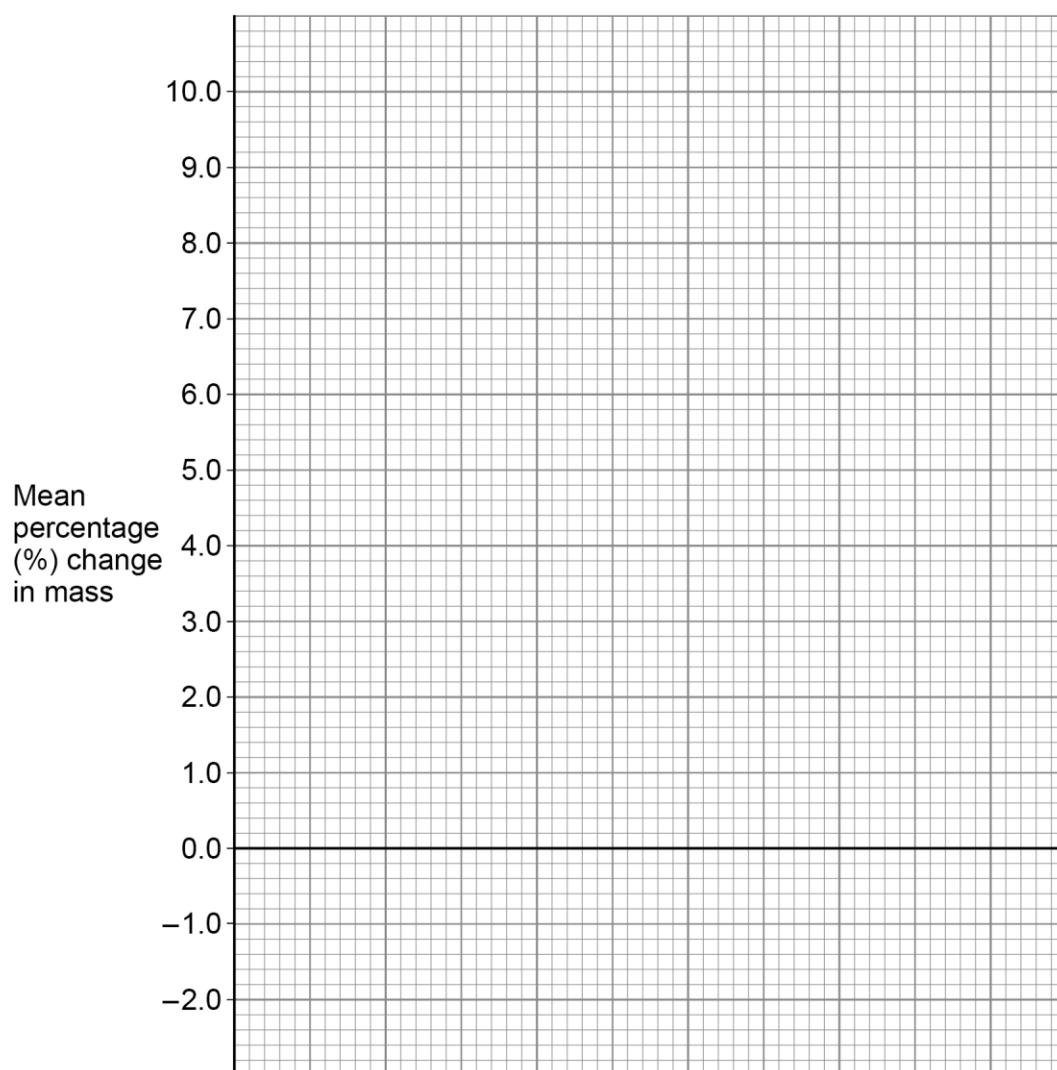
0 7 . 7 Complete **Figure 9**.

You should:

- label the x-axis
- use a suitable scale for the x-axis
- plot the data from **Table 6**
- draw a line of best fit.

[4 marks]



Figure 9

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What concentration of salt solution was equal to the concentration of the solution inside the potato pieces?

Use **Figure 9**.

[1 mark]

Concentration = _____ mol/dm³

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07.9

Explain why the potato pieces in the 0.4 mol/dm^3 salt solution decreased in mass.**[3 marks]**

water moves out of cells / potato by osmosis (because) the solution in the
cells / potato is less concentrated than outside

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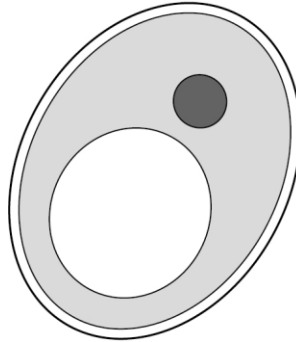


0 8

Plant cells and fungal cells are similar in structure.

Figure 10 shows a fungal cell.

Figure 10



0 8

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Name **one** structure in **Figure 10** which is present in both plant cells and fungal cells but **not** in animal cells.

[1 mark]

(cell) wall

0 8

2

Which disease is caused by a fungus?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Gonorrhoea

☐

Malaria

☐

Measles

☐

Rose black spot

☒

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08 . **3** A fungal cell divides once every 90 minutes.

How many times would this fungal cell divide in 24 hours?

[2 marks]

$$24 \times 60 / 90$$

or

$$24 / 1.5$$

$$=16$$

Number of times cell divides in 24 hours = 16



Some types of fungal cell are grown to produce high-protein food.

The high-protein food can be used to make meat-free burgers.

0 8 . 4 Where is protein digested in the human digestive system?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Large intestine

☐

Liver

☐

Salivary glands

☐

Stomach

☒

0 8 . 5 Which chemical could be used to test if the burgers contain protein?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Benedict's reagent

☐

Biuret reagent

☒

Ethanol

☐

Iodine solution

☐

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0 8 . 6

Table 7 shows some information about burgers made from meat and meat-free burgers.

Table 7

	Mass per 100 g of burger	
	Burgers made from meat	Meat-free burgers
Protein in g	14.0	9.0
Fibre in g	0.9	5.5
Fat in g	16.0	5.2
Carbohydrate in g	15.5	15.1
Cholesterol in mg	120.0	0.0

Evaluate the use of burgers made from meat compared with meat-free burgers in providing humans with a healthy, balanced diet.

Use information from **Table 7** and your own knowledge.

[6 marks]

- meat-free burgers contain more fibre
- aids digestion or prevents constipation

- meat burgers contain more protein
- for growth

- meat burgers contain more fat
- can cause CHD or heart attack or narrowing of arteries
- may lead to needing a stent
- may lead to obesity
- obesity is a risk factor for (type 2) diabetes

- meat burgers contain more cholesterol
- can cause narrowing of arteries or CHD or heart attack
- may lead to needing a stent
- may need to take statins

- both burgers have similar amounts of carbohydrate
- good for providing energy



- no information on vitamins / minerals provided for either burger

- meat burgers require animals to be farmed

- increase in methane in atmosphere

- (methane) contributes to global warming

- meat burgers require animals to be slaughtered

- ethical issues

- some people won't eat meat-free burgers

- (because) some people don't like the idea of eating fungus

- (because) some people prefer the taste of meat

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