



**Exampro A-level Biology
(7401/7402)**

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Class:

Genetic diversity MS

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Time: **101**

Marks: **85**

Comments:

- M1.(a)** 1. Chromosome is formed of two chromatids;
2. (Because) DNA replication (has occurred);
3. (Sister) chromatids held together by centromere;

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- (b) 1. Chromosomes in homologous pair;
2. One of each into daughter cells / haploid number;

2

- (c) Separation of (sister) chromatids / division of centromere;

1

- (d) 1. Independent segregation (of homologous chromosomes);
Accept random assortment
2. Crossing over / formation of chiasmata;

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- M2.(a)** (i) Centromere;
Accept: if phonetically correct
Reject: centriole

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- (ii) 1. Holds chromatids together;
2. Attaches (chromatids) to spindle;
3. (Allows) chromatids to be separated / move to (opposite) poles / (centromere) divides / splits at metaphase / anaphase;
3. **Q Neutral:** *chromosomes or chromatids split / halved / divided*
3. **Reject:** *reference to homologous chromosomes being separated*
Accept 'chromosomes' instead of 'chromatids'
Ignore incorrect names for X

- (iii) (Homologous chromosomes) carry different alleles;
Accept alternative descriptions for 'alleles' eg different forms of a gene / different base sequences
Neutral: reference to maternal and paternal chromosomes

1

(b) (i) (In **Figure 2**)

1. Chromatids have separated (during anaphase);
 1. **Q** *Neutral: split / halved / divided*
 1. *Reject: reference to homologous chromosomes being separated*
or
2. Chromatids have not replicated;
 1. & 2. *Accept 'chromosomes' instead of 'chromatids'*
or
3. Chromosomes formed from only one chromatid;
*Accept converse arguments for **Figure 1***
Ignore references to the cell not dividing as in the question stem
Ignore: named phases

1 max

- (ii) 1. Three chromosomes;
Ignore shading
2. One from each homologous pair;
Only one mark for three chromosomes shown as pairs of chromatids

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- (iii) Crossing over / alleles exchanged between chromosomes or chromatids / chiasmata formation / genetic recombination;
Accept: description of crossing over eg sections of chromatids break and rejoin
Neutral: random fertilisation
Reject: reference to sister chromatids
Q *Neutral: genes exchanged*
Neutral: mutation

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M3. (a) (meiosis) anaphase I;
chromosomes are moving apart;
 chromosomes still double structures;

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(b) chromosomes in each (homologous) pair twist around each other;
 chromatids break and rejoin to chromatid on sister chromosome;
 (*accept points from a suitable diagram*)

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(b) bivalent;

1

(c) (i) Ab, aB;

(ii) AB, ab;

2

(d) mutation;
 different / new allele formed / genes deleted or duplicated / sequence
 of genes changed (*reject genetic information*);
random fusion of gametes / fertilisation;
 new combination of alleles;
 independent assortment (of chromosomes) (*accept random*);
 shuffling of maternal and paternal chromosomes / new combination
 of alleles;
 (*ignore references to stages of meiosis*)
 any 2 × 2

4 max

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M5. (a) (So results) can be compared / so measurement is the same each time / because eye is not perfectly round / uniform;

Accept eye opens to different amounts

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- (b) (i)
1. Eye (diameter) is smaller and antennae longer;
 2. Antennae detecting touch;
 3. Data only refers to shrimps / data may not apply to all animals / only in one area;

The principle here is that candidate has recognised that both features confirm suggestion. Exact wording does not matter.

2 max

- (ii)
1. Standard deviation gives a measure of spread / variation;
 2. More standard deviations overlap, the less likely it is that differences are real / significant / the more likely they are caused by chance;

Do not accept range

Accept converse.

Although we are looking for the idea of significance, we cannot require this term.

2

(c) (i) Qualitative statement about

difference in size /

difference in variation /

overlap in size;

Quantitative statement about

difference in size /

difference in variation /

overlap in size;

Supported by relevant two sets of figures from graph;;

Note simplistic answer involving a quantitative statement gains 1 mark.

More specific answer involving quantitative information gains 2 marks.

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- (ii) (No) for same body length, antenna are longer / antenna are shorter / some with longer body have short antennae / some with shorter body length have longer antennae;

OR

(Yes) positive correlation in open / in cave;

Habitat not critical as a term.

Must refer to idea of same habitat

Accept description

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- (d) More alleles of each gene / shrimps in open have all the alleles;
Candidates are required to use the information from the table. Must therefore refer to alleles.

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- (e) 1. A small number of shrimps were / went into the cave;
2. All / high proportion of shrimps had allele L;
3. Cave population descended from these / these reproduce;

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- (f) (i) 1. Cross shrimps from two sites / watch courtship;
2. Breed young together / observe mating;
3. Allow 1 mark for any method of improving quality of results e.g. carry out reciprocal crosses / large number of crosses / isolate beforehand;
Other valid equivalent suggestions should be accepted.

- (ii) If same species the shrimps would breed, producing fertile young / courtship species specific;

Accept any form of evidence – mating / laying eggs / giving birth to young.

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- M6.** (a) (i) 22; 1
- (ii) 1. Odd number of chromosomes / 33 chromosomes (in leaf cell);
2. Chromosomes cannot pair / cannot undergo meiosis / would result in half chromosomes / cannot form haploid cells; 2
- (b) (i) Fast growth / produces crop fast / produces large crop;
Do not insist on relative statement.
Accept similar terms for fast. E.g. "better" growth
Do not accept unqualified references to profit. 1
- (ii) Leaves less likely to break / higher breaking strength; 1
- (c) Low genetic diversity because they are produced by mitosis;
 Will all have the same DNA / genes / alleles / will be genetically identical / will be clones;
- OR**
- Low genetic diversity because they are not produced by meiosis;
 No crossing over / independent segregation / will not be genetically different;
Independent segregation is the specification term. Accept other such as random assortment. 2
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- M7.** (a) (i) Continuous variation – range of values / not discrete categories / many categories / no gaps; 1
- (ii) Crossing over / chiasmata;
 Random segregation / independent assortment;
 In meiosis I and meiosis II; max 2
- (b) Range influenced by single 'outlier' (*accept anomaly*) / converse for S.D.;

S.D. shows dispersion / spread about mean / range only shows highest and lowest values / extremes;

Or

S.D. allows statistical use;

Tests whether or not differences are significant;

max 2

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M8.

- (a)
1. Chromosomes shorten / thicken / condense;
 2. Chromosomes associate in homologous / (described) pairs / formation of bivalents / tetrads;
 3. Crossing-over / chiasma formation;
 4. Join to spindle (fibres) / moved by spindle;(*)
 5. (At) equator / middle of cell;(*)
 6. (join via) centromere / kinetochore;(*)
 7. (Homologous) chromosomes move to opposite poles / chromosomes separate / move apart; (ALLOW 'are pulled apart')
 8. (Pairs of) chromatids separated in 2nd division;

(*) OR "independent assortment"
unqualified = 1 mark

max 6

- (b)
1. Crossing-over; [IGNORE any wrong ref. to timing]
 2. Independent / random assortment / orientation / segregation of (homologous) chromosomes in meiosis I;
 3. Independent / random assortment / orientation / segregation of chromatids in meiosis II;

+ Any three from:

4. Different adaptations / some better adapted;
5. Some survive / example described;
6. To reproduce;
7. Pass on gene / allele;
8. Allows for changing environment / different environment / example described;

max 5

- (c) (i) 21;

1

- (ii)
1. *T. aestivum* has 2 copies of each type of chromosome / is diploid;
 2. *T. aestivum*'s chromosomes can form bivalents / can assort in meiosis / can produce haploid gametes;
 3. *T. aestivum*'s gametes receive a copy of every chromosome / receive all the genetic information;

ACCEPT converse argument for hybrid plants

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- M9.(a)**
1. Reduction in ATP production by aerobic respiration;
 2. Less force generated because fewer actin and myosin interactions in muscle;
 3. Fatigue caused by lactate from anaerobic respiration;

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(b) Couple **A**,

1. Mutation in mitochondrial DNA / DNA of mitochondrion affected;
2. All children got affected mitochondria from mother;
3. (Probably mutation) during formation of mother's ovary / eggs;

Couple **B**,

4. Mutation in nuclear gene / DNA in nucleus affected;
5. Parents heterozygous;
6. Expect 1 in 4 homozygous affected;

4 max

- (c)
1. Change to tRNA leads to wrong amino acid being incorporated into protein;
 2. Tertiary structure (of protein) changed;
 3. Protein required for oxidative phosphorylation / the Krebs cycle, so less / no ATP made;

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- (d)
1. Mitochondria / aerobic respiration not producing much / any ATP;
 2. (With MD) increased use of ATP supplied by increase in anaerobic respiration;
 3. More lactate produced and leaves muscle by (facilitated) diffusion;

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- (e)
1. Enough DNA using PCR;

2. Compare DNA sequence with 'normal' DNA;

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