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GCSE BIOLOGY

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Higher Tier Paper 1H

Friday 10 May 2024

Morning

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.

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A person has coronary heart disease.

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Which blood vessels are affected by coronary heart disease?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Arteries

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Capillaries

☐

Veins

☐

A person's heart stops beating.

The person stops breathing.

A first-aider pushes down on the person's chest.

Pushing down on the person's chest puts pressure on the heart.

0 1 . 2

Explain why putting pressure on the heart helps the person.

[2 marks]



0 1 . 3 The first-aider also forces air into the person's lungs by blowing into their mouth.

Describe how forcing air into the person's lungs helps the person.

[1 mark]

0 1 . 4 The person's heart starts to beat again and the person starts breathing.

The person has a high level of cholesterol in their blood.

Name **one** type of drug that would decrease the level of cholesterol in the person's blood.

[1 mark]

0 1 . 5 A doctor decides that the person needs to have a stent fitted.

Explain how a stent works to treat coronary heart disease.

[2 marks]

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Table 1 shows the effect of smoking on the risk of developing different cardiovascular diseases.

Table 1

Cardiovascular disease	Percentage (%) increase in risk compared to people who have never smoked
E	14
F	20
G	29
H	70

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Give **two** conclusions that can be made from the data in **Table 1**.

[2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

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Complete **Figure 1**.

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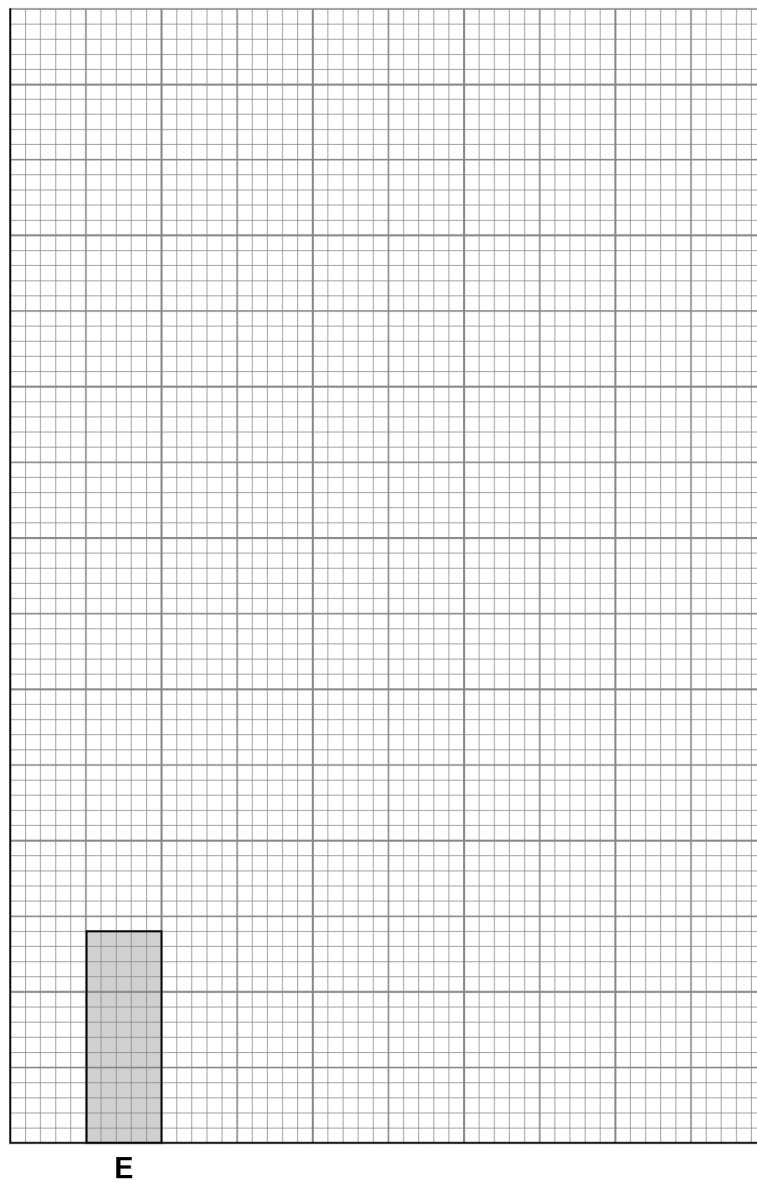
- label the y-axis
- add the correct scale to the y-axis
- plot the data from **Table 1**
- label each bar.

The bar for cardiovascular disease **E** has been plotted for you.

[4 marks]



Figure 1



Cardiovascular disease

0 1 . 8

Describe **one** lifestyle factor that can increase the risk of cardiovascular disease.Do **not** refer to smoking in your answer.

[1 mark]

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Cystic fibrosis (CF) is an inherited disorder caused by a faulty gene.

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Where in a cell would the CF gene be found?

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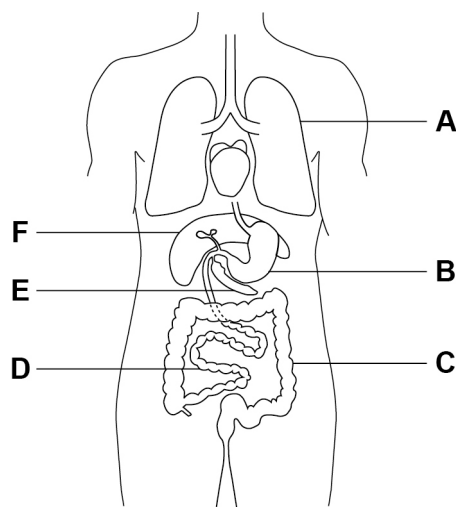
CF affects many organs in the body.

The main organs affected are:

- the lungs
- the pancreas
- the small intestine.

0 2 . 2 **Figure 2** shows organs of the human body.

Figure 2



Which letters in **Figure 2** show the lungs, the pancreas and the small intestine?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A, D and E

☐

A, E and F

☐

B, C and D

☐

B, C and F

☐

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CF reduces the amount of each enzyme that reaches the small intestine.

- difficulty digesting food
- difficulty gaining body mass.

[6 marks]

[illegible]

0 2 . 4

Gas exchange happens in the alveoli in the lungs.

Describe **three** features of the alveoli that help maximise gas exchange.

[3 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

0 2 . 5

CF reduces the amount of oxygen that can enter the blood from the alveoli.

Explain how a reduced amount of oxygen entering the blood will affect the human body.

[3 marks]

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[6 marks]

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A student investigated three types of bread.

For each type of bread, the student:

- put a square piece of bread into their mouth
- did **not** chew the bread
- recorded the time taken for the bread to taste sweet.

Table 2 shows the results.

Table 2

Type of bread	Time taken for bread to taste sweet in seconds
Brown	43
White	35
Wholemeal	57

0 3 . 2 What was the dependent variable in the investigation?

[1 mark]

0 3 . 3 Give **one** control variable the student should have used in the investigation.

[1 mark]



0 3 . 4

During the investigation, the bread began to taste sweet in the student's mouth.

Explain why the bread tasted sweet.

[3 marks]

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Suggest **one** reason why the results of the investigation were **not** valid.

Do **not** refer to control variables in your answer.

[1 mark]

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Plants contain many different tissues.

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Complete the sentences.

[3 marks]

The leaf tissue that contains the most chloroplasts is

the _____.

The leaf tissue that contains many air spaces is

the _____.

The plant tissue that can differentiate throughout the life of the plant is

the _____.

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Xylem tissue transports water through a plant.

The walls of xylem cells contain cellulose.

Name **one other** substance that strengthens xylem tissue.

[1 mark]

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Phloem tissue transports dissolved sugars around a plant.

Name the process that transports dissolved sugars around a plant.

[1 mark]

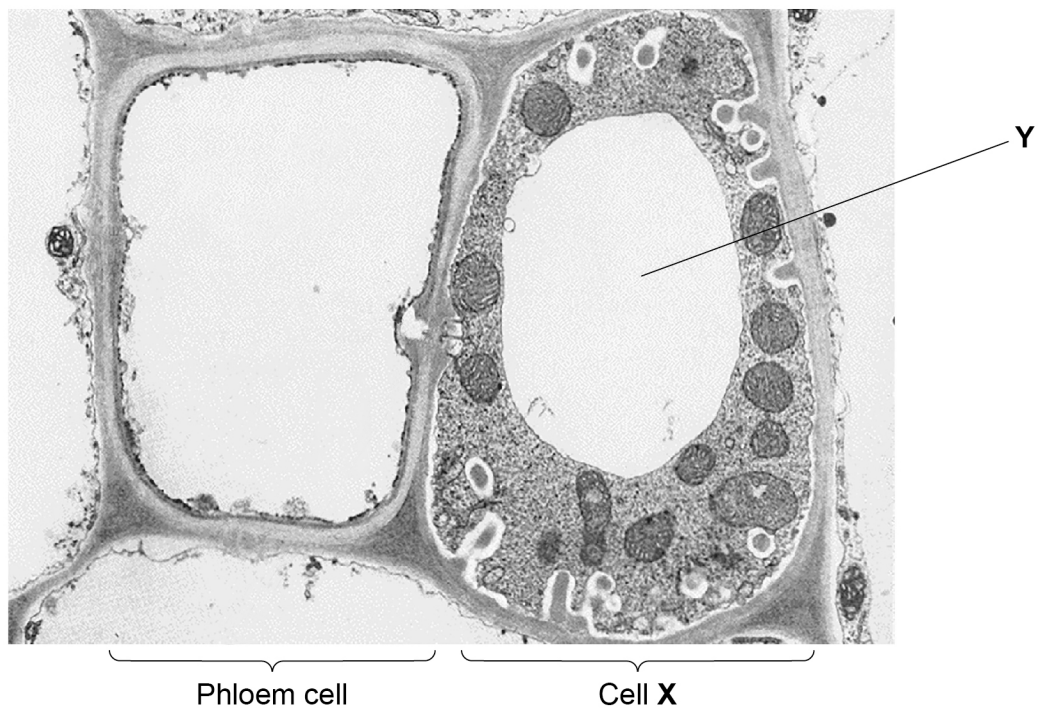
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Figure 3 shows two plant cells.

Figure 3



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Name part **Y** in **Figure 3**.

[1 mark]



0 4 . 5

The phloem tissue transports sugars to other parts of the plant.

The concentration of dissolved sugars in the phloem cell in **Figure 3** is higher than in cell **X**.

Explain how sub-cellular structures help to move dissolved sugars from cell **X** into the phloem cell.

[5 marks]

0 4 . 6

New phloem cells form when unspecialised plant cells differentiate and become specialised.

Describe **one** change in structure that occurs when an unspecialised cell differentiates to form a phloem cell.

Use **Figure 3**.

[1 mark]

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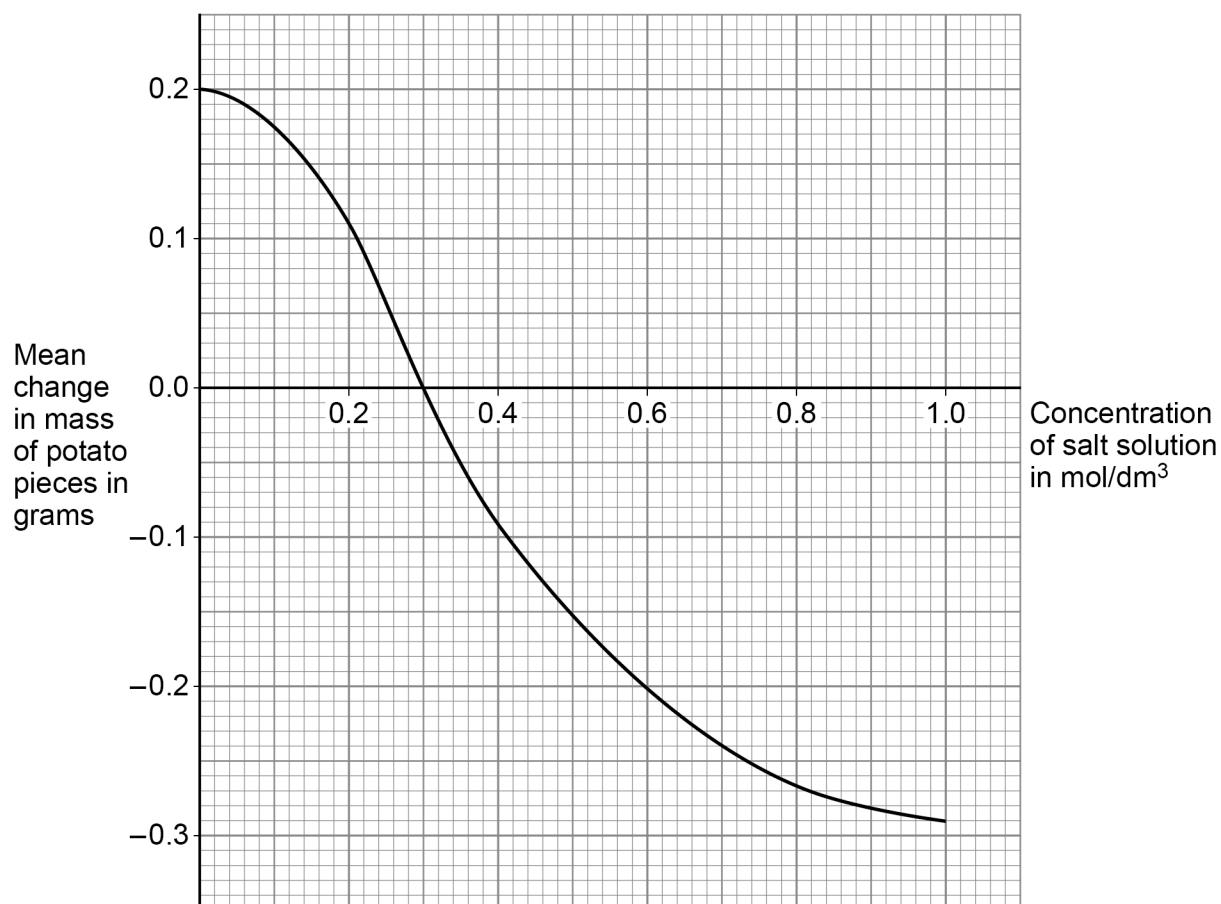


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A student investigated the effect of concentration of salt solution on the mass of uncooked potato pieces.

Figure 4 shows the results.

Figure 4



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Plan a method that could be used to obtain the results in **Figure 4**.

[6 marks]



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Explain the result for the potato pieces in the 0.6 mol/dm^3 salt concentration.

[3 marks]

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Explain why the result for the potato pieces at 1.0 mol/dm^3 was different from the result at 0.6 mol/dm^3 .

[2 marks]



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This question is about pathogens.

A scientist investigated antibiotic resistance in bacteria.

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Name **one** antibiotic.

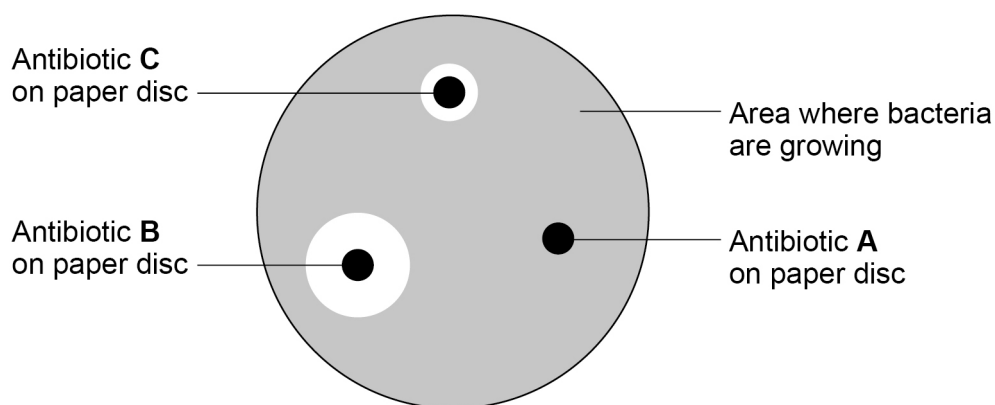
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The scientist grew one type of bacterium on agar in a Petri dish.

The scientist placed paper discs each containing a different antibiotic on the agar.

Figure 5 shows the appearance of the Petri dish after 2 days.

Figure 5



0 6 . 2 A student said:

‘The bacterium is resistant to antibiotic **C**.’

Explain how the results in **Figure 5** show that the student is **not** correct.

[2 marks]

0 6 . 3 Suggest why doctors are concerned about antibiotic resistance.

[2 marks]

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Diseases caused by viruses **cannot** be treated using antibiotics.

0 6 . 4 Suggest why viruses **cannot** be grown on agar.

[1 mark]

0 6 . 5 Why is it difficult for scientists to develop drugs to destroy viruses?

[1 mark]

0 6 . 6 Which disease is caused by a virus that damages white blood cells?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

AIDS

☐

Gonorrhoea

☐

Measles

☐

Salmonella

☐

8



0 7

A student investigated the effect of different factors on photosynthesis.

The student used three leaves growing on the same plant.

Each leaf was treated in a different way.

After 48 hours the student tested each leaf for starch.

Table 3 shows the results.

Table 3

Leaf tested	Treatment	Result after 48 hours
1	Upper and lower surfaces covered with black paper	No starch present
2	Upper and lower surfaces covered and sealed with transparent plastic	No starch present
3	Not covered	Starch present

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Explain the results for the three leaves.

[5 marks]

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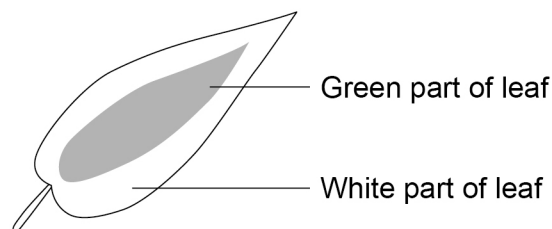
In another investigation the student used a different type of plant.

The plant was left uncovered in the light for 48 hours.

After 48 hours the student tested a leaf from the plant for starch.

Figure 6 shows the leaf before it was tested for starch.

Figure 6



0 7 . 2

Complete **Table 4** to show the results you would expect for the starch test on the leaf in **Figure 6**.

[1 mark]

Table 4

Part of leaf tested	Result after 48 hours
Green	
White	

0 7 . 3

Explain the results you gave in Question **07.2**.

[2 marks]



In some leaves, the green parts become yellow because of an ion deficiency.

0 7 . 4

Which ion is deficient in a plant with yellow leaves?

[1 mark]

0 7 . 5

Give the scientific term that describes the yellow colour of the leaves.

[1 mark]

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The rate of photosynthesis is affected by different factors.

How could the oxygen produced during photosynthesis be used to measure the **rate** of photosynthesis?

[1 mark]

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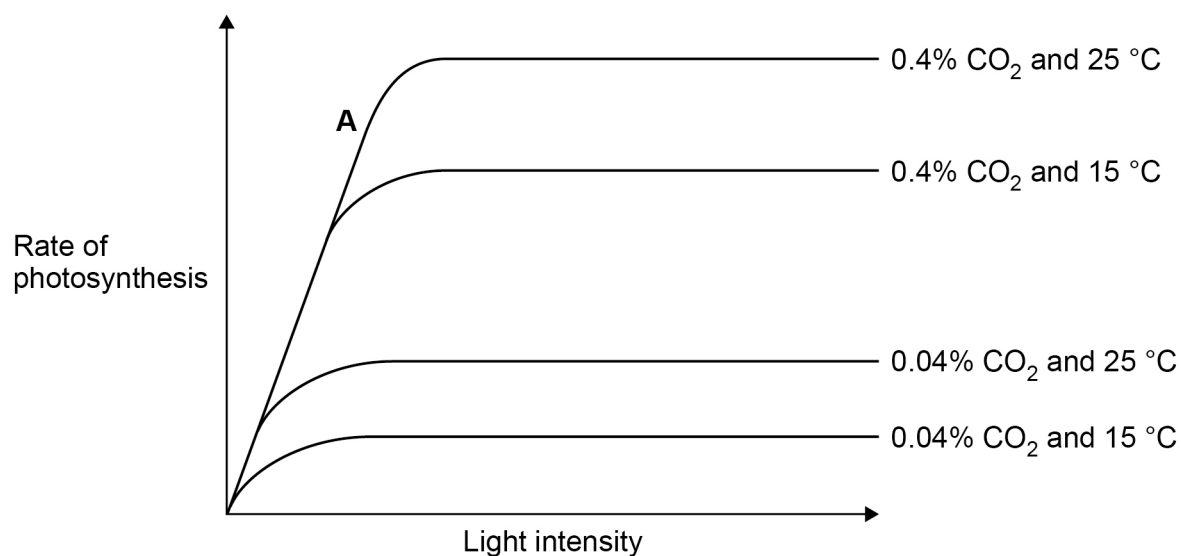
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Light, carbon dioxide and temperature are limiting factors of photosynthesis.

Figure 7 shows how the rate of photosynthesis is affected by light, carbon dioxide and temperature.

Figure 7



0 7 . 7 At point **A** on **Figure 7**, light is a limiting factor.

What is meant by a 'limiting factor'?

[1 mark]



0 7 . 8

Explain the effect of increasing temperature and increasing carbon dioxide concentration on the rate of photosynthesis shown in **Figure 7**.

[4 marks]

0 7 . 9

Photosynthesis investigations often use a light source.

The spreading out of light from a source obeys the inverse square law.

The inverse square law links light intensity to distance from the light source.

Which of the following shows the inverse square law?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

$$\text{light intensity} \propto \frac{1}{\text{distance}^2}$$

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$$\text{light intensity} \propto \text{distance}^2$$

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$$\frac{1}{(\text{light intensity})^2} \propto \text{distance}^2$$

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$$\frac{1}{(\text{light intensity})^2} \propto \frac{1}{\text{distance}^2}$$

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Cancer is caused by changes in cells that result in uncontrolled cell division.

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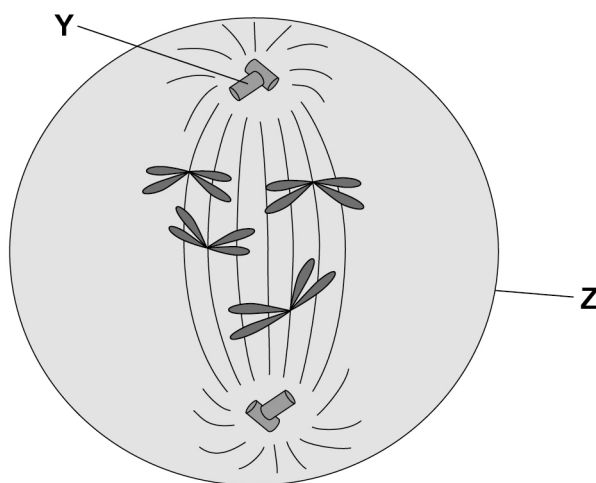
Before a cell begins to divide, its DNA replicates to form two copies of each chromosome.

Describe **one other** change that occurs in a cell **before** the cell begins to divide.

[1 mark]

Figure 8 shows a cell during one of the stages of cell division.

Figure 8



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Name structure **Z** in **Figure 8**.

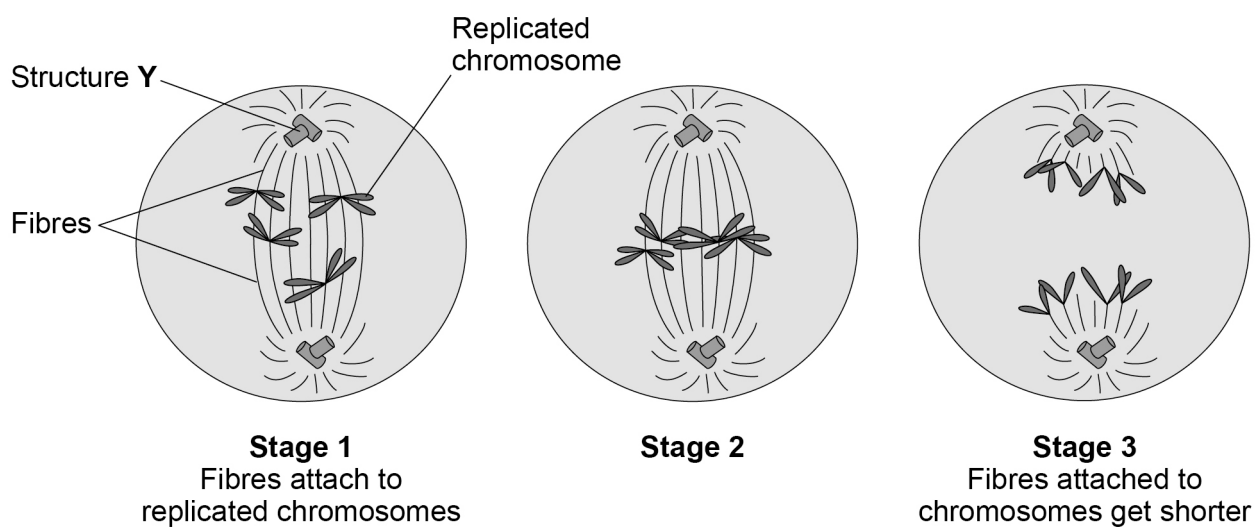
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Figure 9 shows some of the stages of cell division.

Figure 9



Some cancer drugs prevent cell division.

Drug X prevents the fibres from attaching to the replicated chromosomes in **stage 1**.

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Explain why a cell **cannot** complete division when affected by drug X.

[2 marks]



0 8 . 5

Give the reason why a drug that stops cell division helps to treat cancer.

[1 mark]

0 8 . 6

New cancer drugs are tested in clinical trials.

Preclinical testing happens before clinical trials.

What is involved in preclinical testing of drugs?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Testing the drugs for side effects

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Testing the drugs on live tissues in a laboratory

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Testing the drugs to find the optimum dose

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Testing the drugs with chemicals in a laboratory

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