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Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
1(a)	Birth <u>rate</u> and death <u>rate</u> = 2 marks;; OR 1. Change in population / births and deaths / population at start and end; 2. In a given time;	2	Neutral: any reference to per or times by a number eg per 1000 / × 100 Neutral: ignore any reference to immigration and emigration unless context is incorrect
1(b)	 High birth rate / high proportion/percentage/number of young/children; High death rate / low proportion/percentage/number of elderly/older people/low life expectancy; 	2	1 and 2. Both points must be clearly stated. Do not award other mark by implication 1 and 2. Accept appropriate use of percentage/number as alternatives 1. Accept: 'wide base' or any equivalent description of high proportion/number of young children 2. Accept: 'narrow at top' or any equivalent description of low proportion of older people 2. Accept high death rate in context of any age group

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
2(a)	Ulva lactuca;	1	Reject: <i>Ulva</i> on its own Accept: <i>lactuca</i> on its own Accept: Incorrect spelling
2(b)(i)	Difficult/too many/too many to count / individual organisms not identifiable / too small to identify / grows in clumps;	1	Neutral: easier/quicker/representative/more accurate, unless qualified
2(b)(ii)	Any described feature of concrete eg texture / flat / composition chemicals / nutrients etc;	1	Neutral: not natural / man made / are different, without further qualification
2(c)	 Pioneer species/Ulva increases then decreases; Principle of a species changing the conditions / a species makes the conditions less hostile; New/named species better competitor / previous/named/pioneer species outcompeted; G. coulteril Gelidium increases and other/named species decreases; 	4	1 and 4. Growth/reproduces = increases. Dies = decrease 2. Accept description of change in conditions eg soil/humus forms, nutrients increased Pioneer species grows, dies and forms humus = 2 marks G. coulteril Gelidium outcompetes other/named species = 2 marks

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
3(a)	 Expression / appearance / characteristic due to genetic constitution/genotype/allele(s); (Expression / appearance / characteristic) due to environment; 	2	 Accept: named characteristic Accept: homozygous / heterozygous / genes / DNA Neutral: chromosomes
3(b)(i)	 3 and 4 and 9/11/affected offspring; Both 3 and 4 are carriers/heterozygous; OR If dominant at least one of 3 and 4 would be affected; 	2	 Accept: 9/11 and their parents Accept: unaffected parents have affected children Accept: if 3 and 4 are unaffected all their children will be unaffected
3(b)(ii)	 1. 11 is affected, 3 is not; 2. 3/father of 11 does not have a recessive allele on his X chromosome/ X^t; OR (If on X) 11/affected female would not receive the recessive allele on X chromosome/X^t from 3/father; OR (If on X) 3/father (of 11) would pass on the dominant allele on his X chromosome/X^T; 	2	Accept: 3/unaffected father/parents produce an affected daughter Accept: 3 and 4 would only produce unaffected females Answers must be in context of alleles Reject: recessive/dominant chromosomes
3(c)(i)	Answer in range of 5.8 - 6.2% = 3 marks;;; If incorrect answer, then 2 max of following points 1. q²/p²/tt = 0.001 or 1 divided by 1000; 2. p/q/T = 0.968 – 0.97; 3. Understanding that heterozygous = 2pq;	3 max	Answers in range of 0.058 - 0.062 = 2 marks 3. This can be shown mathematically ie 2 × two different numbers 3. Accept: answer provided attempts to calculate 2pq

c)(ii) Affected individuals (usually) do not reproduce/die during childhood/do not pass on allele/genetic screening;
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Question	M	arking Gu	idelines		Mark	Comments
4(a)	4(a) Glycolysis Link Krebs reaction Cycle Occurs in mitochondri a Carbon dioxide	3				
	NAD is reduced Mark horizo	√ ontally	√	√		
4(b)(i)	Glucose is used/broken down during glycolysis/in cytoplasm; Glucose cannot cross mitochondrial membrane(s) / pyruvate can cross mitochondrial membrane(s);			plasm; <u>e(s</u>) /	2	Accept: glucose to pyruvate or glucose not converted to pyruvate for one mark
4(b)(ii)	atta 2. Red	competitive ches to act uces/preve strate/E-S	ive site; ents enzy	me-	2	 Accept: inhibitor/malonate attaches to active site to form an enzyme- substrate complex Accept: substrate/succinate cannot bind to enzyme Accept mark point 2, but not mp1 in context of non-competitive inhibition
4(b)(iii)	2. NAE redu 3. Hyd 4. Oxy	os cycle inh D/Coenzym uced; rogens not gen used a ctron) acce	e/FAD no passed t as final/te	to ETC;	2 max	4 Accept: oxygen combines with electrons and protons/hydrogen ions without reference to final acceptor Neutral: oxygen is used in the Krebs cycle

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
5(a)(i)	So it/CO ₂ is not a <u>limiting</u> factor (on growth/photosynthesis);	1	Accept: CO ₂ is a <u>limiting</u> factor
5(a)(ii)	So any difference is due to <u>iron</u> (deficiency);	1	Accept: <u>iron</u> is the variable
5(a)(iii)	Amount of triose phosphate/TP will be similar/same/low (at start);	1	Accept: to allow triose phosphate to stabilise / become constant
			Reject: so all triose phosphate is used up
			Reject: so no triose phosphate
5(b)	1. (Less) ATP produced;	4	Accept: alternatives for
	(Less) reduced NADP produced;		reduced NADP ie NADP with hydrogen/s attached
	 ATP/reduced NADP produced during light-dependent reaction; 		, ,
	(Less) GP to triose phosphate/TP;		
5(c)	Less triose phosphate converted to RuBP;	2	Accept: less triose phosphate so less RuBP
	2. CO ₂ combines with RuBP;		

Question	Marking guidelines	Mark	Comments
6(a)	 No interbreeding / gene pools are separate / geographic(al) isolation; Mutation; Different selection pressures / different foods/niches/habitats; Adapted organisms survive and breed / differential reproductive success; Change/increase in allele frequency/frequencies; 	5	Accept: all marks if answer written in context of producing increased diversity of plants 1 Do not award this mark in context of new species being formed and then not interbreeding 1 Accept reproductive isolation as an alternative to no interbreeding 2 Accept: genetic variation 3 Accept: different environment / biotic/abiotic conditions or named condition 3 Neutral: different climates
6(b)	Similar/same environmental/abiotic/biotic factors / similar/same selection pressures / no isolation / gene flow can occur (within a species);	1	Accept: same environment

Question	Marking Guidelines	Mark	Comments
7(a)(i)	Reliable / representative / for statistical tests;	1	Accept: identify anomalies Neutral: accurate/valid/bias
7(a)(ii)	Find coordinates (on a grid) / split area into squares / number the sites;	2	Ignore references to tape measures, metre rulers etc
	 Method of generating/finding random numbers eg calculator/computer/random number generator/random numbers table; 		2. Accept: numbers out of a hat / use of dice
7(a)(iii)	Breeding (of lizards);	2 max	Neutral: weather / climate / hurricanes / hibernation /
	2. Food source/prey;		migration / emigration /
	3. Predator;		immigration
	Variation in malarial infection;		
	5. Temperature variation;		
	Availability of water eg drought/'rainy season'		
7(b)	Number in sample varies;	2	
	2. Allow a (valid) comparison;		
7(c)	(Overall) <u>positive</u> <u>correlation</u> (for either/both species);	2 max	Neutral: only one study / no repeats
	2. Reference to (site) 5 / 300 metres;		
	 Limited results for A.wattsi / small sample/number/percentage infected for A.wattsi; 		
7(d)(i)	Fewer A.wattsi infected / more A.gingivinus infected;	2 max	
	Higher number of <i>A.wattsi</i> present when higher percentage/number of <i>A.gingivinus</i> infected;		
	No A.wattsi present when A.gingivinus has zero infection;		

	 Reduced immunity / increased susceptibility to disease; Reduced oxygen transport/uptake/respiration / reduced activity/movement; 	2	Accept: idea that energy/ resources are used to combat malaria
3.	There is a probability of less than 1% / 0.01; That result(s)/correlation/it is due to chance; OR There is a probability of more than 99%/0.99; That result(s)/correlation/it is not due to chance;	2	 Reject: probability is/equal to 1%/0.01; Reject 0.01%/5%/0.05/0.05% Allow correct interpretation using above (incorrect) figures eg there is a probability of less than 5% that the results are due to chance =1 mark Note: there is a probability of more than 5% that the results are due to chance =0 marks Reject: probability is/equal to 99%/0.99; Reject 0.99%/95%/0.95/0.95% Allow correct interpretation of above figures ie 0.99%/95%/0.95/0.95% but reject if less than

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8(a)	(Biological Agents) 1. Only needs one application/reproduces; 2. Specific; 3. Keeps/maintains low population; 4. Pests do not develop resistance; 5. Can use less chemicals /reduces chemical residues / no bioaccumulation; (Chemical pesticides) 6. Acts quickly; 7. Can apply to specific area; 8. Kills all/most/greater variety of pests;	6 max	Assume advantages are in context of correct type of control (chemical or biological) unless stated otherwise 4. Reject reference to immunity
8(b)	 Growth of algae/surface plants/algal bloom blocks light; Reduced/no photosynthesis so (submerged) plants die; Saprobiotic (microorganisms/bacteria); Aerobically respire / use oxygen in respiration; Less oxygen for fish to respire / aerobic organisms die; 	5	3. Accept: Saprobiont/saprophyte/ saprotroph 3. Neutral: decomposer

8(c)	1.	Slaughtered when still growing/before maturity/while young so more energy transferred to biomass/tissue;	4 max	Q 1-4 The principle here is one mark for identifying a relevant point <u>and</u> offering an explanation
	2.	Fed on concentrate /controlled diet / so higher proportion of food absorbed/digested/assimilated / used for biomass/tissue / lower proportion lost in faeces;		 Accept: named diets for controlled diet, eg high protein diet Neutral: loss in excretion
	3.	Movement restricted so less heat/energy/respiratory loss;		2. Neutral: for growth
	4.	Heating/Kept warm/ inside so less heat/energy/respiratory loss/maintain body temperature;		Neutral: reference to predators
	5.	Genetically selected / selective breeding (for high productivity);		