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## Biology

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Annotations

| Annotation | Description |
| :---: | :---: |
| GM | Point already given (i.e. Given max) |
| $\cdots$ | Underline (for ambiguous / contradictory wording) |
| I | Ignore |
| $\checkmark$ | Correct response |
| $\wedge$ | Omission |
| O | Marking point partially met |
| NBOD | Benefit of doubt not given |
| [\}] | Irrelevant response |
| ECF | Error carried forward |
| CON | Contradiction |
| X | Incorrect response |

Abbreviations, annotations and conventions used in the detailed Mark Scheme (to include abbreviations and subject-specific conventions).

| Annotation | Meaning |
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| (1) | alternative and acceptable answers for the same marking point |
| reject | Separates marking points |
| not | Answers which are not worthy of credit |
| IGNORE | Answers which are not worthy of credit |
| ALLOW | Answers that can be accepted |
| ( ) | Words which are not essential to gain credit which are irrelevant |
| - | Underlined words must be present in answer to score a mark |
| ECF | Error carried forward |
| AW | Alternative wording |
| ORA | Or reverse argument |


| Question |  |  | Expected Answers | Marks | Additional Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | (a) |  | (cell) very small <br> OR <br> large surface area to volume ratio ; <br> short diffusion pathway ; idea that diffusion sufficient / fast enough, to supply (all) needs ; | $\max 2$ | IGNORE low, activity / metabolic rate IGNORE not very big / small (unless qualified) ACCEPT microscopic ACCEPT larger SA:Vol (ratio) |
|  | (b) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { nucleus; } \\ & \text { (contractile / food) vacuole ; } \end{aligned}$ | $\max 1$ | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks |
|  | (c) | (i) | phospholipids / phospholipid bilayer ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. <br> IGNORE cholesterol <br> DO NOT CREDIT phosphate / heads <br> ACCEPT phospholipid tails / lipid tails / fatty acids |
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|  | (ii) | control what, enters / leaves, the organelles ; <br> (contains receptors to) detect changes in environment ; <br> compartmentalisation ; <br> site for, enzymes / electron carriers / components of metabolic pathways ; <br> create concentration gradients; <br> form pseudopodia; | $\max 2$ | Mark the first two answers. If two correct responses are given followed by one or two incorrect responses or which contradict the correct answers then = $\mathbf{1}$ or $\mathbf{0}$ marks <br> IGNORE ref to control of materials entering / leaving cell / ref. to barrier with outside <br> ACCEPT cell, communication / signalling / recognition <br> ACCEPT separate, organelles/ DNA / food / enzymes, (from cytoplasm) <br> separate organelles from each other formation of, vesicles / vacuoles hold water separate metabolic pathways <br> IGNORE ref to increases surface area |
| (d) | (i) | exocytosis ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks DO NOT CREDIT pinocytosis / pino(exocytosis) |
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|  | (ii) | burst / lysis / plasma membrane would rupture ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks ACCEPT haemolysis DO NOT CREDIT plasmolysis |
| (e) |  | WP of -100 solution higher than -400 / ORA ; <br> (at -100 kPa ) water potential gradient steeper / described / ORA ; <br> (at -100 kPa ) water enters Amoeba more quickly / ORA ; | $\max 2$ | IGNORE refs to hyper / hypo tonic solutions <br> ACCEPT-100 less negative than -400 <br> Note: response must contain clear ref to both -100 solution and -400 solution <br> ACCEPT more water enters <br> Note: ref to osmosis being more rapid only valid if direction of water movement is clear |
|  |  | Total | 10 |  |


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| $\mathbf{2}$ | (a) |  | (ability to continue) dividing; <br> (b) |  | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an <br> additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the <br> correct answer then 0 marks |
| move / waft / sweep, mucus ; |  |  |  |  |  |
| produce / release / secrete , mucus ; |  |  |  |  |  |
| constrict the (named) airways; |  |  |  |  |  |
| provide, thin barrier / short diffusion distance ; |  |  |  |  |  |


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| 3 | (a) |  | Z; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks |
|  | (b) |  | Fig. 3.1(a) (no mark) <br> shows surface view ; 3D / three dimensional ; better resolution (than b) ; | $\max 2$ | Please place a green blob on paper <br> Do not allow mp 2 if fig 3.1 b selected Do not allow mp 3 if fig 3.1 b selected Must be comparative comment |
|  | (c) |  | cell walls ; <br> plasmodesma(ta) ; <br> endodermis / endodermal ; <br> Casparian strip ; | 4 | DO NOT CREDIT Caspian / Caspiran |
|  | (d) | (i) | C; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks |
|  |  | (ii) | small(er) surface area means less, evaporation / transpiration ; | 1 | Mark independent of (d)(i) <br> Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks <br> IGNORE less water loss / fewer stomata DO NOT CREDIT small surface area to volume ratio DO NOT CREDIT no, transpiration / evaporation |
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| (iii) | thick (waxy) cuticle; <br> few stomata; <br> stomata, sunken / in pits; <br> hairs / hairy ; <br> leaf, curled / rolled ; <br> dense spongy mesophyll ; <br> closure of stomata, during day / when water <br> availability low; ; | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional <br> answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct <br> answer then = 0 marks |  |  |
| (e) max 1 |  |  |  |  |


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| 4 | (a) |  | create / provide / increase contrast ; <br> make, cells / (named) component(s), visible OR <br> cells / (named) components, can be, identified / distinguished / differentiated ; | 2 | IGNORE clearer ACCEPT (named) organelle(s) stand out from surroundings ACCEPT regions / parts / AW, of cell |
|  | (b) | (i) | anaphase ; | 1 | Mark the first answer. If the answer is correct and an additional answer is given that is incorrect or contradicts the correct answer then = $\mathbf{0}$ marks |


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| (ii) | 1. chromosomes coil / supercoil / condense ; <br> 2. nuclear envelope disintegrates; <br> 3. nucleolus, no longer visible / disappears ; <br> 4. centrioles move to opposite, ends of cell / poles ; <br> 5. chromosomes attached to spindle fibres at centromere ; <br> 6. chromosomes align at equator ; <br> 7. chromosomes move towards opposite, poles / ends of cell ; <br> 8. spindle fibres change length / shorten ; max 4 | $\max 5$ | ACCEPT chromatid for chromosome throughout <br> Note: There is no mark for naming phases, but if phase is mentioned and description is incorrect for named phase then DO <br> NOT CREDIT <br> Accept mp 1-5 in prophase, mp 6 metaphase, mp 7 anaphase mp 8 in any phase <br> IGNORE ref to events in telophase and cytokinesis, as they occur after anaphase <br> ACCEPT chromatin <br> ACCEPT nuclear membrane IGNORE dissolves <br> DO NOT CREDIT pairs of chromosomes line up ACCEPT pairs of chromatids line up <br> IGNORE spindle fibres contract <br> Place a green blob next to each word and a tick next to the pencil. Award if any two terms spelt correctly and used in correct context from: <br> chromosomes / chromatids / chromatin supercoil <br> nucleolus condense centromere nuclear envelope (but not membrane) <br> pole <br> spindle <br> equator |


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| (c) | ```DNA / genetic material, replicated / synthesised / checked; cell growth / increased respiration / protein synthesis / increase in number of organelles ; cytokinesis / cell surface membrane constricts / cytoplasm splits in two / cell plate forms (plants); ref to G and S phases ;``` | $\max 3$ | For mp 1 \& 2 where candidates link events to S \& G phases then description must be correct for phase. <br> S phase is DNA synthesis only <br> G phases contain protein synthesis, increasing numbers of organelles, growth, increased respiration and checking of DNA. <br> IGNORE chromosomes replicate / DNA copied / DNA doubles <br> ACCEPT more ATP <br> ACCEPT Gap or 'growth' for G and Synthesis for S throughout ACCEPT in context of diagram |
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| $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{( a )}$ | must remain small <br> OR <br> cannot grow tall / large / big ; <br> no support from vascular tissues / vascular bundles / <br> xylem ; <br> use only diffusion / no mass flow / no rapid transport; ; <br> diffusion too slow (to enable substances to move large <br> distances); <br> idea of: <br> short diffusion pathway / <br> large surface area to volume ratio; ; |  |  |


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| (b) | 1. idea of water lost by evaporation / transpiration / evapotranspiration ; <br> 2. (water moves by) symplast and apoplast pathways ; <br> 3. through / along cell walls by, capillary action / adhesion (apoplast pathway) ; <br> 1. (water loss) reduces the water potential of (leaf) cells ; <br> 2. water moves from higher water potential to lower water potential / down water potential gradient (symplast pathway) ; <br> 3. by osmosis (symplast pathway) ; <br> 4. through plasmodesmata (symplast pathway) ; $\max 3$ <br> QWC ; <br> $\max 1$ | $\max 4$ |  |
|  |  |  | DO NOT CREDIT mp 2-7 in context of water uptake |
|  |  |  | DO NOT CREDIT mp 3-7 in context of movement in xylem either stated or implied |
|  |  |  | AWARD only where it is clear that the movement is in context of apoplast. |
|  |  |  | ACCEPT $\psi$ |
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|  |  |  | IGNORE osmosis if used in context of apoplast pathway |
|  |  |  | Place a green blob next to each word and a tick next to the pencil. |
|  |  |  | Award if any two terms spelt correctly and used in correct context from: |
|  |  |  | apoplast osmosis |
|  |  |  | plasmodesmata |
|  |  |  | evaporation (allow correct derivatives) <br> transpiration evapotranspiration |
|  |  |  | water potential <br> water potential gradient |


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|  | (c) | (i) | group of cells ; <br> working together / performing a function ; | ACCEPT cells derived from same stem cell source |
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|  | (ii)palisade (mesophyll) ; <br> spongy mesophyll ; <br> guard cells ; <br> (upper / lower) epidermal cells ; <br> AVP; | Mark the first two answers. If two correct responses are <br> given followed by one or two incorrect responses or which <br> contradict the correct answers then = 1 or 0 marks |  |  |
|  | Total | $\mathbf{2 ~ m a x}$ | e.g. parenchyma, collenchyma, sclerenchyma |  |



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| (c) | (i) | a line drawn across the ventricles; |  | ACCEPT any line between those shown below |

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