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BIOLOGY PAPER 1B

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Paper 1 Section B

Questions 1 to 5 are common items. Bio and CS Bio share the same MS.

Marks

1. C (1)  
 A (1)  
 B (1)
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- 3 marks

2.

<i>Method</i>	<i>How it works</i>	<i>Comment (advantage or disadvantage)</i>	
Spraying of pesticides or larvicidal oil to mosquito's habitat	Directly kill the larvae / adult mosquitoes (1) so that they cannot serve as vector	Pros: quickly put mosquito population down in short term (1) Cons: mosquitoes may develop resistance to the pesticides (1) / environmental contamination when pesticides leak to water bodies / pesticides are toxic to humans	1,1
Clearance of accumulated water in the neighbourhood	Eradicate the breeding places of mosquitoes (1)	Pros: does not have adverse impacts on environment (1) Cons: it is virtually impossible to clear up all stagnant water (1)	1,1

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4 marks

3. (a) • the cell wall of cell type Q is much thicker than that of cell type P (1) (1)  
 (✓ accept other answers such as spiral thickening or thickened with ring structures)  
 (✗ cell type Q being hollow not accepted)
- (b) • when there is ample supply of water (1) (1)  
 • cell type P provides turgidity to the plant (1) (1)  
 • cell type Q has thickened cell wall (1) (1)  
 • which provides rigidity to the plant (1) (1)
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- 5 marks

4. (a) • Class A (1) (1)
- (b) • the light intensity of the habitat is very low / the habitat is completely dark (1) (1)  
 • as organism X does not have eyes to survive in the habitat (1) (1)
- (c) • the key is constructed based on the morphological characteristics of existing organism found (1) / not all the morphological characteristics of the phylum are listed in the key (1)
- (d) • carry out a comparative study about the amino acid sequence of similar proteins / base sequence of DNA template / mRNA of similar proteins found in organism Y and other organisms in this phylum (1) (1)  
 (✓ accept comparison of developmental process / cellular structure / chemical composition)  
 • to establish the phylogenetic relationship between them (1) (1)
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- 6 marks

5. (a) • 7:00 and 18:00 (1) (1)
- (b) • shorter light period (1), overall rate lower (1) (1,1)
- (c) • the area below the line showing oxygen production rate represents the food production in 24 hrs (1) (1)  
 • whereas the area below the line showing carbon dioxide production rate represents the food consumption in 24 hrs (1) (1)  
 • it is therefore important for food production to be greater than food consumption such that there is a net amount of food produced (1) (1)  
 • as a result, this provide energy for the plant to survive, grow and produce fruits (1) (1)
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- 7 marks

**Question 6 is a common item which is equivalent to CS Bio question 7.**

6. (a)  $(10\,000\,000 - 1\,000\,000) / 10\,000\,000 \times 100\% = 90\%$  (Remark: accept -90%)  
 Method / equation 1 mark (1,1)  
 Correct answer 1 mark
- (b) • some energy is not obtained by the organisms of higher trophic level as part of the body of prey is not consumed (1) / part of the food is not digestible or is egested (1) (1)  
 • some energy is lost by the organisms at the higher trophic level through excretion (1) / respiration (1) / in the form of heat (1) (1)  
**Remarks:**  
 - Any two of the above.  
 - The words "higher trophic level" are not required. However, if the wrong trophic level is mentioned, the mark will not be awarded.  
 - some individuals escape from predation is not accepted.
- (c) • the percentage decrease in energy content is greater (1) (1)  
 • as caterpillars mainly feed on leaves of trees, leaving most of the part of the biomass of trees unconsumed (1) / lignin is not consumed (1)
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- 6 marks

**This is an item for Biology only.**

7. (a) • despite the high blood glucose level detected in his blood, his fasting blood insulin level was lower than that of the healthy person (1) (1)  
 • although there is an increase in blood glucose level, the insulin level only shows little change (1) (1)  
 • this shows that Tom failed to produce the normal amount of insulin (1) (1)  
 • therefore, Tom suffered from insulin-dependent diabetes (1) / type I diabetes (1)
- (b) • with insufficient insulin, his body cells will not take up extra glucose from the blood as efficiently as the healthy person (1)  
 • as a result, the blood glucose concentration rised to a higher level (1) after glucose consumption (3)  
 • and remains high for a longer time / decreases slower than the healthy person (1)  
**Remarks: conversion of glucose to glycogen by insulin is not acceptable**
- (c) • by injection of insulin (1) / aerosal spray of insulin applied to nasal cavity (1)
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- 8 marks

Marks

**Question 8 is a common item which is equivalent to CS Bio question 6.**

8. (a) • soluble sugars lower the water potential of the kernels (1) while (1)
- starch, being insoluble in water, does not affect the water potential of the kernels (1) (1)
- during development, kernels of sweet corns draw in a larger amount of / more water by osmosis than those of starch kernels (1) (1)
- later on, when the kernels dry up, kernels of sweet corn shrinks as a result of losing large amount of water (1) (1)
- as the skin is not elastic (1), thus the kernels of sweet corns become wrinkled (1) (1)
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- max. 4
- (b) (i) • as both parents are pure-bred plants, the F<sub>1</sub> produced are all heterozygous (1) (1)
- in heterozygous condition, dominant alleles will be expressed while recessive alleles will be masked (1) (Remark: gene instead of allele is not accepted.) (1)
- therefore, purple colour and smooth surface are the dominant phenotypes (1) (1)
- (Remark: allele instead of phenotype is not accepted.)
- If symbols are used in the explanation, the symbols must be defined at the very beginning.
- (ii) • as the individuals in F<sub>1</sub> generation are heterozygous with and the genes for the two traits are located on different chromosomes, the alleles for the traits are assorted independently (1) (1)
- only one type of gametes for the pre-bred corn plant with yellow and wrinkled kernels (1) (1)
- and four different types of gametes will be resulted from the F<sub>1</sub> generation (1) (1)
- after random fertilisation, zygotes with four different combinations of genotypes will be produced (1) (1)
- leading to the expressions of all the possible phenotypes (A, B, C and D) in the F<sub>2</sub> generation (1) (Remarks: This answer cannot get 1 mark if it is mentioned that the ratio is 9:3:3:1.) (max. 2)
- (c) • Mendel collected a large amount of experimental evidence (1) (1)
- and based on his observation on the number of offspring with different phenotypes (1) (1)
- he worked out a possible explanation for the observation by logical deduction (1) (1)
- Remarks:
- The first mark is given to the point that a large number of experiments on different traits were conducted.
  - The second mark is given to the observation of the ratio of different phenotypes.
  - The third mark is given to the reasoning of the experimental results.
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14 marks

**This is an item for Biology only.**

9. (a) • drug X inhibits glycolysis (1) (do not accept more than 1 process) (1)
- as glycolysis is the first step in the respiratory pathway, the inhibition of glycolysis will halt the processes that follow, i.e. Krebs cycle and oxidative phosphorylation (1) (1)
- hence, the overall production of pyruvate, ATP and NADH are greatly reduced, showing that the whole respiratory pathway was jeopardized (1) (1)
- Remarks:
- No mark will be given to bullet point 1 when minor steps in each process instead of the key process are mentioned.

Alternative answer:

- Pyruvate is the product of glycolysis (1)
- As the production of pyruvate is greatly reduced after treating with drug X (1)
- Glycolysis is inhibited in this case (1)

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- (b) • drug Y inhibits Krebs cycle (1) **(do not accept more than 1 process)** (1)
- when the respiratory pathway is halted at Krebs cycle, pyruvate would not be metabolised (1) (1)
- but glycolysis still proceeds as usual and produce pyruvate (1), as a result, pyruvate will accumulate (1)
- (c) • in anaerobic conditions, muscle cells undergoes anaerobic respiration and produce less ATP (1) and less NADH (1) than aerobic respiration (1,1)
- at the same time, lactic acid level rises as it is produced (1) as a result of incomplete oxidation (1)
- (d) • glycolysis: cytoplasm (1) (1)
- Krebs cycle: mitochondrial matrix (1) (1)
- oxidative phosphorylation: mitochondrial inner membrane (1) (1)
- Remarks:**
- if the key processes are not mentioned but the three cellular components are mentioned in the correct sequence, 3 marks will be given
  - if only two or one cellular component(s) are mentioned, no mark will be scored

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12 marks

**This is an item for Biology only.**

10. (a) • bile salts emulsify fat into droplets (1) (1)
- such that there is an increase in surface area for the action of the lipase / enzyme (1) (1)
- (b) • as the bile supplementation increased, the fat content of the faeces decreased (1) (1)
- this indicates increased digestion of fat (1) (1)
- Remarks: If absorption instead of digestion is mentioned, no mark will be given**
- (c) • to show that the addition of bile supplementation does not adversely affect the growth of the pigs (1) / indicate the effectiveness of the bile supplementation on promoting piglets' growth / effectiveness of fat absorption (1)
- (d) 

Concept for mark award: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> pt: suitable substrate and correct enzyme used in the experiment</li> <li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> pt: the identification of parameter for measuring the dependent variable</li> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> pt: provide expected results</li> </ul>
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- e.g. • prepare a mixture of lipase, (bile salts) and oil (1) (1)
- add pH indicator into the mixture / use a data logger with pH sensor/ pH meter to show the change in pH of the mixture (1) (1)
- the faster the drop in the pH of the mixture, the faster the digestion of fat (1) (1)

**Accept other reasonable experiments**

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8 marks

Question 11 is a common item which is equivalent to CS Bio question 8.

11.	<p><b>Differences</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pairing of homologous chromosomes along the equatorial plane in first division of meiosis but no such process in mitosis (1)</li> <li>The pairs of homologous chromosomes segregate into the daughter nuclei during the first meiotic cell division (1)</li> <li>Mitosis involves one division only but meiosis involves two divisions (1)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Significance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Such that the daughter cells formed contain the whole set of chromosome / one member of each homologous pairs (1) after meiosis</li> <li>Random segregation of homologous chromosomes results in variations between gametes formed in meiosis (1)</li> <li>Crossing over may occurs, the exchange of genetic materials between non-sister chromatids gives rises to new genetic combinations (1)</li> <li>The daughter cells resulted from mitosis are genetically identical to the parent cell (1) which is important for growth of the organisms (1) / asexual reproduction</li> <li>The daughter cells / gametes formed in resulted from meiosis contain half / haploid the genetic content of the parent cell (1) such that the amount of genetic content can be restored after fertilisation (1)</li> </ul>	<p>(5)</p> <p>(5)</p>
<b>D = (3)</b>		<b>S = max.5</b>	

Max. 8

Communication

**C = max.3**  
11 marks

Mark award for communication:

Mark	Clarity of expression and relevance to the question	Logical and systematic presentation
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answers are easy to understand. They are fluent showing good command of language.</li> <li>There is no or little irrelevant material.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answers are well structured showing coherence of thought and organisation of ideas.</li> </ul>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Language used is understandable but there is some inappropriate use of words.</li> <li>A little relevant material is included, but does not mar the overall answer.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answers are organised, but there is some repetition of ideas.</li> </ul>
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Markers have to spend some time and effort on understanding the answer(s).</li> <li>Irrelevant material obscures some minor ideas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answers are a bit disorganised, but paragraphing is evident. Repetition is noticeable.</li> </ul>
0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Language used is incomprehensible.</li> <li>Irrelevant material buries the major ideas required by the question.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ideas are not coherent and systematic. Candidates show no attempt to organise thoughts.</li> </ul>