

Mark Scheme (Results)

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Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level In Biology (WBI12) Paper 01 Cells, Development, Blodiversity and Conservation

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
1 (a)(i)	The only correct answer is D Z	
	A is incorrect because it is not a xylem vessel  B is incorrect because it is not a xylem vessel	
	C is incorrect because it is not a xylem vessel	(1)

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1(a)(ii)	The only correct answer is B V	
	A is incorrect because it is not a sclerenchyma fibre  C is incorrect because it is not a sclerenchyma fibre	
	D is incorrect because it is a xylem vessel	(1)

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1(b)(i)	An answer showing:	Plotted top of the bar must not touch a printed grid line above or below 0.45	
	0.6 \$ 0.5	IGNORE the width of the bar	
	(W) 0.5 day 0.4		
	0.3		
	0.2		
	Calcium		(1)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
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1(b)(ii)	<ul> <li>An explanation that includes the following points:</li> <li>calcium ions to make calcium pectate to {hold cells together / increase cell wall stability / form middle lamella}</li> </ul>	Accept calcium ions to make calcium pectate to increase cell wall strength	
	<ul> <li>magnesium ions to make chlorophyll so {photosynthesis can occur / light energy can be absorbed / glucose can be made}</li> <li>(1)</li> </ul>	Ignore make cell walls  Ignore chloroplasts  Accept 'sugars'	
	<ul> <li>nitrates are needed to make {amino acids / proteins / polypeptides / DNA / RNA / nucleic acid} (1)</li> </ul>		(3)

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2(a)	• (a group of) organisms that are capable of {(inter)breeding / mating	Do not accept inbreeding	
	/ reproducing} and producing fertile offspring (1)	Accept 'offspring capable of producing	(1)
		offspring' as equivalent to fertile	

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2(b)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:  • as the concentration of herbicide increases the (mean) number of (insect)	lanoro converso statement	
	species decreases (1)	Ignore converse statement Accept negative correlation	
	<ul> <li>increase of 100 mg dm<sup>-3</sup> results in a decrease of {6.2 species /68.9%}</li> <li>(1)</li> </ul>	Accept other correct reductions	
	<ul> <li>use of herbicides results in {fewer plant species / reduced plant diversity / reduced food supply (for insects)}</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(therefore) some insects (species) {leave habitat / die (from lack of food)}</li> </ul>	Ignore herbicides kill insects	
	• (fewer plant species results in) fewer habitats for insects (1)	Accept reduced shelter for insects	(4)
			(4)

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3(a)	<ul> <li>An answer in which:</li> <li>crossing over section shaded correctly</li> <li>non crossing over sections shaded correctly</li> </ul>	(1) (1)		(2)

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3(b)(i)	The only correct answer is B Q	
	A is incorrect because that cell is in metaphase	
	C is incorrect because that cell is in anaphase	
	D is incorrect because that cell is in telophase	(1)

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3(b)(ii)	0.5 / half / ½ (hour)	ALLOW answer 30 <b>minutes</b> if clear	
			(1)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
3(b)(iii)	256		
			(1)

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
3(c)(i)	The only correct answer is A anaphase	
	B is incorrect because spindle fibres do not shorten in metaphase	
	C is incorrect because spindle fibres do not shorten in prophase	
	D is incorrect because spindle fibres do not shorten in telophase	
		(1)

Question Number	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
3(c)(ii)	An answer that makes reference to the following:			
	Vincristine is the most effective and SRT1720 is the lead (when given on their own)  (1)	ast effective	Accept description of correct order (V>R>SRT) Ignore drug combinations	
	Resveratrol reduces the effectiveness of Vincristine / \( \)     increases the effectiveness of Resveratrol (1)	Vincristine	Accept Resveratrol and Vincristine more effective than Resveratrol by itself / Resveratrol and Vincristine less effective than Vincristine by itself	
	<ul> <li>SRT1720 increases the effectiveness of Vincristine / Vi SRT1720 is the most effective treatment (tested)</li> <li>(1)</li> </ul>	incristine and		
	• comment on variability of data (1	1)	e.g. {range / SD / error} bars do not overlap / size of error bars	(4)

Question	Answer	Mark
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4(a)(i)	The only correct answer is B Golgi apparatus	
	A is incorrect because centrioles do not have several curved membrane-bound sacs of decreasing size	
	C is incorrect because rough endoplasmic reticulum does not have several curved membrane-bound sacs of decreasing size	
	D is incorrect because smooth endoplasmic reticulum does not have several curved membrane-bound sacs of decreasing size	
		(1)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
4(a)(ii)	An explanation that includes the following points:		
	the {magnification / resolution} of a light microscope is not high enough (to see this organelle) (1)	Accept higher {magnification / resolution} of electron microscope is needed to see this organelle	(2)
	• because it is very small (1)	Accept small	

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4(a)(iii)	An answer that includes the following points:	Do not piece together	
	<ul> <li>organ has many functions whereas a tissue has {one / fewer} (1)</li> <li>organ has {many / several / group of} {cell types / tissues} wherea a tissue has {one cell type / similar cells } (1)</li> </ul>		
			(2)

Question	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
Number				
4(b)	An answer that includes two of the follow	ring:	Accept centrioles, lysosomes Ignore vesicles, temporary vacuoles	
	• cilia	(1)		
	• glycogen (granules)	(1)		(2)
	• flagella	(1)		(-)

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4(c)	An explanation that includes four of the following points:		
	(the percentage of) labelled amino acids {decreases inside the cell / increases outside the cells}  (1)	Accept green fluorescence	
	<ul> <li>polypeptide is packaged into vesicles by rER / {(rER) vesicles fuse with / protein enters} Golgi (1)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>{protein is modified / carbohydrate added to protein} (in Golgi)</li> <li>(1)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>(enzyme(s) / glycoprotein(s)) packaged into (secretory) vesicles (by Golgi)</li> </ul>	Accept modified proteins ignore amino acids	
	<ul> <li>{enzyme(s) / (glyco)protein(s)} leave cell by exocytosis / some (intracellular) {enzyme(s) / (glyco)protein(s)} remain in cells (1)</li> </ul>	Accept vesicles fuse with cell (surface) membrane and release {enzyme(s) / (glyco)protein(s)} outside cell ignore amino acids	(4)

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5(a)(i)	Tabebuia		(1)

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5(a)(ii)	The only correct answer is A amyloplast	
	B is incorrect because middle lamella is not a structure that stores starch  C is incorrect because plasmodesmata is not a structure that stores starch	
	D is incorrect because tonoplast is not a structure that stores starch	(1)

Question	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
Number				
5(b)(i)	An answer that includes the following points:			
	slime capsule prevents dehydration of cell	(1)	Accept protection of cell from a correct factor e.g. {white blood cells / phagocytes / antibodies / antibiotics / from harsh conditions}	
	pili allow bacteria to adhere (to surfaces)	(1)	Accept conjugation / exchange of genetic information / exchange plasmids / attachment Ignore sexual reproduction	(2)

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5 (b)(ii)	Answers will be credited according to candidate's deployment of knowledge and understanding of the material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the generic mark scheme.
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	compound needs to be extracted from trees and used to make a drug
	compounds tested on <i>Y. pestis in vitro</i>
	tested on {animals / human cells}
	(phase 1 / preliminary) (small scale) tests on healthy {people / volunteers}
	review by independent {scientists / medics} to see if work can progress to stage 2
	• (phase 2) - drug tested on {small / 100 to 500} groups of {patients / people} who have the {plague / disease}
	appropriate concentrations identified
	• (phase 3) - drug tested on {larger groups of / 1000 to 3000} {patients / people} who have the plague
	placed randomly in two groups - one group receives {treatment / drug containing the chemical compounds} and the other receives placebo
	double blind test
	analyse results with (appropriate) statistical test / test for significant difference

			(6)
			Additional guidance
Level 0	0	No awardable content	
Level 1	1-2	Demonstrates isolated elements of biological knowledge related to the given context with generalised comments made.	outline of drug test given but no reference to either the plague or <i>Y. pestis</i> or bacteria
		The description will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.	core prac only = 1 mark other human drug trial = 2 marks
Level 2	3-4	Demonstrates adequate knowledge by selecting and applying some relevant biological facts/concepts to provide the description being presented.  The description shows some linkages and lines of scientific	Testing on {animal / human cells} plus at least two other phases correctly described In context of people having the disease / plague or <i>Y. pestis</i> or bacteria gives lower mark
		reasoning with some structure.	plus reference to double blind test or placebos gives higher mark
Level 3	5-6	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge by selecting and applying relevant knowledge of biological facts/concepts to provide the description being presented.	Testing on {animal / human cells} plus three phases correctly described including double blind test and placebos In context of people having the disease / plague or
		The description is clear, coherent and logically structured.	Y. pestis or bacteria gives lower mark  plus correct ref to use of stats / analysis of significant difference to placebo gives higher mark

	or in vitro testing of drug on <i>Y. pestis</i> or bacteria gives higher mark

Question	Answer	Mark
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6(a)(i)	The only correct answer is B heterozygosity index	
	A is incorrect because the Hardy-Weinberg equation is not used to calculate genetic diversity  C is incorrect because index of diversity is not used to calculate genetic diversity	
	D is incorrect because mitotic index is not used to calculate genetic diversity	(1)

Question	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
Number			
6(a)(ii)	An answer that makes reference to the following:	Mark as a whole	
	genetic diversity considers one species whereas species richness considers {different / number of} species	Accept genetic diversity considers one population whereas species richness considers {one habitat / several populations}	(2)

genetic diversity considers {alleles / genotypes} whereas species	
richness {is within a habitat / considers whole organisms / counts   Ignore genes	
number of species (in an area)} (1) Accept specific area / ec	osystem

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6(b)	An answer that makes reference to two of the following:		
	<ul> <li>can store more seeds as they {take up less space / are smaller}         <ul> <li>(1)</li> </ul> </li> <li>seeds need less {maintenance / cost}         <ul> <li>(1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Accept growing plants takes up more space Accept more seeds stored aids maintenance of genetic diversity	
	seeds need less {maintenance / cost}     (1)	Accept converse for plants	
	<ul><li>seeds can {survive longer than plants / be frozen } (1)</li></ul>		
		Accept seeds can be stored for longer	(2)

Question

Number

Answer

Additional guidance

Mark

6(c)(i)	A calculation showing the following steps:		Mark the answer on answer line first	
			Example of calculation:	
	correct difference	(1)		
			$8.2 - 3.3 / 8.2 \times 10^5 - 3.3 \times 10^5 / 4.9 /$	
	correct percentage increase	(1)	4.9×10 <sup>5</sup> / 490000	
			(4.9 ÷ 3.3) × 100 = 148 / 148.48 / 148.5	
			Correct answer (148 / 148.48 / 148.5) with no working shown gains full marks	
			Accept for one mark only 59.8 / 59.756 /	(2)
			59.76 / 60	

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6(c)(ii)	An explanation that makes reference to four of the following:	Ignore mutations / immunity	
	<ul> <li>(all Cavendish plants) are susceptible to the fungus because they are {genetically identical / clones}</li> </ul>	Accept do not contain an allele for resistance (to fungus)	
	<ul> <li>whereas different varieties may have resistance to the fungus / contain an allele for resistance (to fungus) (1)</li> </ul>	Accept contain an advantageous allele Ignore 'genes' unless qualified with alleles	
	<ul> <li>(therefore breeding could) increase genetic {diversity / variation}</li> <li>(1)</li> </ul>	Accept increase gene pool	
	<ul> <li>resulting in (new banana) plants with resistance to {fungus / Panama disease}</li> <li>(1)</li> </ul>	Accept {offspring / new varieties} survive and reproduce	(4)

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
7(a)(i)	The only correct answer is B 2	
	A is incorrect because the nucleus and mitochondria contain DNA	
	C is incorrect because the nucleus and mitochondria contain DNA	
	D is incorrect because the nucleus and mitochondria contain DNA	
		(1)

Question	Answer		Additional guidance	Mark
Number				
7(a)(ii)	A description that includes two of the following points	5:		
	(mitochondria carry out) aerobic respiration	(1)	Accept respiration	
	• provide {ATP / energy}	(1)	Do not accept '{produce / make} energy' unqualified	
	to move the flagellum	(1)	Accept tail	(2)

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<b>7(a)(iii)</b>	A calculation showing the following steps:		Example of calculation:	
	<ul> <li>conversion of actual length of scale into μm</li> </ul>	(1)	40 mm = 40000 μm	
			Allow answer in the range of 40000 to 41000 µm	
	actual length divided by the given length	(1)	(40000 ÷ 60) = 666.67 to 683.3	
			Correct answer with no working shown gains both marks	
			Allow ECF	(2)

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7(b)	An answer that includes the following points:		
	• sperm (with longer flagellum) swim {fast / faster} (to the egg cell) (1)	Accept (longer flagellum) gives more {force / movement}	
	(sperm have) increased chance of fertilising (the egg cell)     (1)	Accept to be the first to fertilise the egg cell Ignore to be the first to reach the egg cell	
	• competition with <b>sperm</b> from other (male Chinese) hamsters (1)	Accept description of competition with sperm from other (male Chinese) hamsters Accept as a consequence of natural selection / evolution	(3)

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7(c)	An explanation that includes the following points:		
	<ul> <li>cortical {granules / vesicles} fuse with (egg cell surface) membrane and release enzymes (1)</li> </ul>	Ignore chemicals	
	• zona pellucida hardens (1)	Accept 'thickens' or 'becomes impermeable'	
	<ul> <li>to prevent {polyspermy / more than one sperm (nucleus) entering egg cell} / to ensure that the nucleus is diploid (1)</li> </ul>	Accept 'no other sperm can enter'	(3)

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7(d)	A description that includes three of the following points:		
	• differential gene expression (1)		
	<ul> <li>some genes have been (permanently) {inactivated / switched off}</li> <li>(1)</li> </ul>	Accept only some genes are {active / switched on} Ignore genes activated	
	• by epigenetic modification (1)	Accept named example of modification e.g. histone modification, DNA methylation	
	{proteins / enzymes} {made / synthesised} (from active genes)     which permanently modify the cell (1)	Accept {proteins / enzymes} {made / synthesised} produce a {structural / functional / metabolic change}	(3) exp

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Number			
8(a)	An explanation that makes reference to the following:	Accept number of {species/ organisms} for biodiversity	
	<ul> <li>introduction of new (beaver) species increased the {species richness / biodiversity} (1)</li> </ul>	Ignore genetic diversity	
	<ul> <li>reduction in (plant) biodiversity due to trees being cut down / reduction in (animal) biodiversity as {habitat / food} reduced (by the trees being cut down) (1)</li> </ul>	Accept reduction in animal biodiversity due to {competition with / predation from} beavers	
	<ul> <li>(increase in biodiversity) due to {pond being created / new habitat / increased space (due to trees being cut down)} (1)</li> </ul>		
	(increase in biodiversity) due to new food source (1)	Accept plant or beaver as food source	(4)

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8 (b)	Answers will be credited according to candidate's deployment of knowledge and understanding of the material in relation to the qualities and skills outlined in the generic mark scheme.
	The indicative content below is not prescriptive and candidates are not required to include all the material indicated as relevant. Additional content included in the response must be scientific and relevant.
	<ul> <li>genetic diversity identified as the variety of alleles in the population</li> <li>only small numbers of introduced beavers could reduce the genetic diversity</li> <li>loss of alleles from population</li> <li>increased homozygosity</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>introducing more Norwegian beavers could increase genetic diversity</li> <li>but could have same alleles so no effect on genetic diversity</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>introducing beavers from different European locations could increase genetic diversity</li> <li>could be many different alleles in wider populations of European beavers</li> <li>however the map shows many geographically isolated populations</li> <li>these small populations could also have low genetic diversity</li> <li>reproductive isolation could have occurred</li> <li>preventing introduced beavers mating with Scottish beavers</li> </ul>

			(6)
LovelO		No awardable content	Additional guidance
Level 0	0		Discussion of at least are activities and the state of
Level 1	1-2	Demonstrates isolated elements of biological knowledge and understanding to the given context with generalised comments made.	Discussion of at least one solution and the impact on genetic diversity
			1 solution = 1 mark
		Vague statements related to consequences are made with	
		limited linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures.	2 solutions = 2 marks
		The discussion will contain basic information with some attempt made to link knowledge and understanding to the given context.	
Level 2	3-4	Demonstrates adequate knowledge and understanding by selecting and applying some relevant biological facts/concepts.	Discussion of both solutions and their impact on genetic diversity
		Consequences are discussed which are occasionally supported through linkage to a range of scientific ideas, processes, techniques and procedures.	plus consideration of effect of geographically isolated populations on genetic diversity 1 mark (accept description e.g. scattered populations)
		The discussion shows some linkages and lines of scientific reasoning with some structure.	plus alleles 1 mark
Level 3	5-6	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge and	all level 2 content

understanding by selecting and applying relevant knowledge	
of biological facts/concepts.	plus
	reproductive isolation one mark
Consequences are discussed which are supported	
throughout by sustained linkage to a range of scientific	plus
ideas, processes, techniques or procedures.	inbreeding / heterozygosity index one mark
The discussion shows a well-developed and sustained line of	
scientific reasoning which is clear and logically structured.	

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8(c)	A calculation showing the following steps:	Example of calculation		
			Accept values for either p or q:	
	• value for q	(1)	√0.09 / 0.3	
	• value for p	(1)	(1 – 0.3) / 0.7	
	<ul> <li>calculation of correct percentage for p<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>	(1)	p <sup>2</sup> = 49%	
			Correct answer with no working scores full marks	(3)