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Question Number	Answer	additional guidance	Mark
<b>1(a)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>so semen contained sperm / (bull is) (sexually) mature / sperm in semen / gone through puberty / fully developed / eq</li> </ul>	<p><b>accept converse</b></p> <p>ignore cannot produce semen</p>	<b>1 grad</b>

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<b>1(b)</b>	<p>An explanation that includes two of the following points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>collect semen / sperm from <b>penis</b> of bull (1)</li> <li>insert <b>straw</b> into / inject semen (into cow) (1)</li> <li>put (it / semen / sperm) in <b>vagina / uterus</b> /womb /cervix(1)</li> </ul>	<p>semen injected into uterus scores m2 and mp3</p>	<b>2 exp</b>

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<b>1(c)(i)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>preserve (sperm) / keep (sperm) alive / viable / prevent growth of microorganisms / slow down metabolism / eq</li> </ul>	<p>allow last longer</p> <p>ignore denatured</p>	<b>1 grad</b>

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<b>1(c)(ii)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>provide females (produce milk) / will produce cows / eq</li> </ul>	<b>1 grad</b>

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<b>1(d)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>500\,000 \div 2.4 \text{ million} = 0.2083</math></li> <li>• <math>0.2083 \times 100 = \mathbf{20.83\% / 21.0\% / 20.8\%}</math></li> </ul>	<p>award full marks for correct numerical answer without working</p> <p>allow 1 mark for <math>\div 2.4</math> million</p>	<b>2 grad</b>

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<b>1(e)</b>	<p>A description that makes reference to three of the following points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• use semen (from each bull) to fertilise (many / similar) cows (1)</li> <li>• collect / measure milk yields / eq (1)</li> <li>• from each daughter / offspring of these cows / mother of bull (1)</li> <li>• select bull with highest (average) milk yield (across all daughters) (1)</li> </ul>	<b>3 exp</b>

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<b>1(f)</b>	<p>An explanation that makes reference to two of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (milk that contains) (most) fat (1)</li> <li>• (most) protein (1)</li> <li>• (most) vitamins (1)</li> <li>• (milk that contains) (most) calcium (1)</li> </ul>	<b>2 exp</b>

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<b>1(g)(i)</b>	<p>A description that makes reference to four of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• nucleus from (<b>body</b>) <b>cell of bull</b> (1)</li> <li>• insert this nucleus into enucleated egg cell (1)</li> <li>• electric shock (1)</li> <li>• mitosis / cell division (1)</li> <li>• <u>embryo</u> into uterus / womb (1)</li> <li>• surrogate mother (1)</li> </ul>	<p><b>reject from udder</b></p> <p><b>reject egg cell from bull</b></p>	<b>4 exp</b>

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<b>1(g)(ii)</b>	<p>An explanation that makes reference to two of the following points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>genetically</b> identical / no <b>genetic</b> variation / same (combination of) alleles (1)</li> <li>• quicker process (1)</li> </ul>	<b>2 exp</b>

Total =18 marks

Question Number	Answer	additional guidance	Mark
<b>2(a)</b>	<p>An explanation that makes reference to four of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• more (decomposition) /faster with warmer temperatures /eq (1)</li> <li>• enzymes (1)</li> <li>• more (decomposition)/ faster with cut material / eq (1)</li> <li>• more surface area (1)</li> <li>• fungi / bacteria (1)</li> </ul>	<p>allow mass remains high in low temp</p> <p>mass remains high in uncut</p> <p>allow converse</p>	<b>4 exp</b>

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<b>2(b)</b>	<p><math>6.0 - 3.6 = 2.4</math>  <math>2.4 \div 3 = 0.8</math></p> <p><math>6.0 - 2.0 = 4.0</math>  <math>4.0 \div 3 = 1.3(3)</math></p> <p><math>1.3(3) - 0.8 = 0.5(3)</math></p> <p>or could <math>4 - 2.4 = 1.6 \div 3 =</math></p> <p>or even <math>3.6 - 2 = 1.6 \div 3 =</math></p> <p><b>allow 0.5 or 0.53 or 0.533 etc for full marks</b></p>	<p>award full marks for correct numerical answer without working</p> <p>allow 1 for 2.4 <b>and</b> 4.0 or 1.3 <b>and</b> 0.8</p> <p>and</p> <p>allow 1 for dividing by 3</p> <p>so can get 2 marks for (2.4 and 4.0) and dividing by 3</p>	<b>3 exp</b>

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<b>2(c)</b>	<p>An answer that makes reference to two of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• species/ type / of leaves / plant (1)</li> <li>• age of plant / leaves (1)</li> <li>• same (number of) / type of decomposers / eq (1)</li> <li>• insects or organisms that might consume leaf /eq (1)</li> </ul>	<b>ignore volume of leaves</b>	<b>2 grad</b>

Total = 9 marks

Question Number	Answer	Mark
<b>3(a)</b>	<p>The only correct answer is <b>D</b> osmosis</p> <p><i>A is not correct as it is not how plants absorb water</i></p> <p><i>B is not correct as it is not how plants absorb water</i></p> <p><i>C is not correct as it is not how plants absorb water</i></p>	<b>1 comp</b>

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<b>3(b)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• xylem / xylem vessels</li> </ul>	<b>1 cler</b>

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<b>3(c)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• transpiration / evaporation / diffusion / evapotranspiration</li> </ul>	<b>1 cler</b>

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<b>3(d)</b>	<p><b>C</b> low air temperature</p> <p><i>A is not correct as it does not reduce the movement of water from the leaves into the air</i></p> <p><i>B is not correct as it does not reduce the movement of water from the leaves into the air</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct as it does not reduce the movement of water from the leaves into the air</i></p>	<b>1 comp</b>

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<b>3(e)</b>	<p>An answer that makes reference to two of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• support / turgor / eq (1)</li> <li>• photosynthesis / eq (1)</li> <li>• cooling (1)</li> <li>• reactions / solvent / transport of mineral ions / named/mineral ion /eq (1)</li> </ul>	<p><b>ignore</b> transpiration</p> <p>for enzymes to work eq reactions</p>	<b>2 grad</b>

Total 6 marks

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<b>4(a)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>no GH / water / saline / eq</li> </ul>	<b>1 grad</b>

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<b>4(b)</b>	<p>increase in mass between 100 and 500 days</p> <p>divide by 400 = g per day</p> <p><math>485 - 230 = 255 \div 400</math></p> <p><math>= 0.6375 / 0.638 / 0.64</math></p> <p><b>allow any answer between 0.6375 and 0.65</b></p>	<p>award full marks for correct numerical answer</p> <p>allow 1 mark for <math>\div 400</math></p>	<b>2 grad</b>

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<b>4(c)</b>	<p>An answer that makes reference to two of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>temperature (1)</li> <li>(mass of) food / diet / type of food /eq (1)</li> <li>water (1)</li> <li>size of cage (1)</li> <li>time (1)</li> <li>volume of solution/eq (1)</li> </ul>	<b>2 exp</b>

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<b>4(d)</b>	<p>An explanation that makes reference to two of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• avoids making wrong conclusion based on one / few result(s) / conclusion is valid / eq(1)</li> <li>• can calculate mean / average (1)</li> <li>• results are <u>reliable</u> / increase <u>reliability</u> (1)</li> <li>• anomalous results recognised / eq(1)</li> </ul>	<b>2 exp</b>

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<b>4(e)</b>	<p>An answer that makes reference to three of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (more) mRNA made (1)</li> <li>• (more) translation (1)</li> <li>• (more) proteins / polypeptides made (1)</li> <li>• enzymes / muscle / tissue (1)</li> </ul>	<b>ignore more cells</b>	<b>3 exp</b>

Total 10 marks

Question Number	Answer	additional guidance	Mark
<b>5(a)</b>	<p>A description that makes reference to six of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>virus</b> non-living organisms / small particles / protein coat / capsid / relies on other organisms for reproduction/ eq (1)</li> <li>• AIDS / eq (1)</li> <li>• <b>bacteria</b> microscopic single-celled / prokaryotic / no nucleus / have nucleoid / plasmids (1)</li> <li>• pneumonia / eq (1)</li> <li>• <b>fungus</b> not able to carry out photosynthesis / saprotrophic / single-celled / hyphae / cell wall chitin/eq (1)</li> <li>• athlete's foot / eq (1)</li> <li>• <b>protocist / protozoa</b> <i>Plasmodium</i> / microscopic single-celled (1)</li> <li>• malaria / eq (1)</li> </ul>	<p>pathogen <b>and</b> description for first mark</p> <p>disease mark must <b>match pathogen</b> type</p> <p>allow plant disease eg TMV</p> <p>HIV / AIDS scores disease mark but not pathogen description mark</p> <p>Virus non-living causing cholera scores pathogen description but not disease mark</p>	<b>6 exp</b>

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<b>5(b)</b>	<p>An explanation that makes reference to three of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• dead / weakened / harmless / attenuated pathogen / eq (1)</li> <li>• produce memory cells / lymphocytes (1)</li> <li>• (secondary) immune response (1)</li> <li>• <b>faster / more</b> antibodies production (1)</li> </ul>	allow weakened strain	<b>3 exp</b>

Total 9 marks

Question Number	Answer	Mark
<b>6(a)</b>	<p><b>A</b> asexual reproduction</p> <p><i>B is not correct as it increases genetic variation</i></p> <p><i>C is not correct as it increases genetic variation</i></p> <p><i>D is not correct as it increases genetic variation</i></p>	<b>1 comp</b>

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<b>6(b)</b>	<p>An explanation that makes reference to five of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• different (sequence of) <u>bases</u> in DNA / eq (1)</li> <li>• changes mRNA / codons (1)</li> <li>• transcription (1)</li> <li>• change tRNA / anticodons / (sequence of) amino acids (1)</li> <li>• translation (1)</li> <li>• changes <u>structure / shape</u> of protein / eq (1)</li> <li>• changes active site (1)</li> <li>• enzyme not functional / no binding / no enzyme substrate complex formed/ eq (1)</li> </ul>	changes shape of active site = 2 marks	<b>5 exp</b>

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<b>6(c)</b>	<p>An explanation that makes reference to four of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• as some triplets / codons code for same amino acid / degenerative /eq (1)</li> <li>• no change in protein / polypeptide / enzyme produced (1)</li> <li>• active site not changed /affected (1)</li> <li>• mutation / allele may be recessive (1)</li> <li>• so not expressed in phenotype / if heterozygous / dominant allele present / eq (1)</li> <li>• mutation may occur in a non-coding sequence of DNA /eq (1)</li> </ul>	<b>4 exp</b>

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<b>7(a)</b>	<p>An answer that makes reference to the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• carbohydrate / named carbohydrate (1)</li> <li>• oxygen (1)</li> <li>• higher / greater / more (1)</li> <li>• carbon dioxide (1)</li> <li>• equal / the same / balanced (1)</li> </ul>	<b>allow</b> carbohydrate / named carbohydrate	<b>5 grad</b>

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<b>7(b)</b>	<p>A description that makes reference to three of the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (how light intensity is varied )foil / muslin / move lamp / eq (1)</li> <li>• leaf in test tube with bung / use flask with delivery tube/eq (1)</li> <li>• (look for colour change after) same/ stated time (1)</li> <li>• same size / species / type / surface area /eq (1)</li> <li>• same temperature / same <u>volume</u> of indicator (1)</li> <li>• correct colour change so goes yellow with increased CO<sub>2</sub> in dark / goes dark red/ red/ purple with reduced CO<sub>2</sub> in light /eq (1)</li> </ul>	allow light and dark	<b>3 exp</b>

Total 8 marks