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GRADE 12

LIFE SCIENCES P2

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PREPARATORY EXAMINATION

SEPTEMBER 2024

MARKS: 150

This marking guideline consists of 11 pages.

PRINCIPLES RELATED TO MARKING LIFE SCIENCES SEPTEMBER 2024

1. **If more information than marks allocated is given**
Stop marking when maximum marks are reached and put a wavy line and 'max' in the right-hand margin.
2. **If, for example, three reasons are required and five are given**
Mark the first three irrespective of whether all or some are correct/incorrect.
3. **If whole process is given when only part of it is required**
Read all and credit relevant part.
4. **If comparisons are asked for and descriptions are given**
Accept if differences / similarities are clear.
5. **If tabulation is required but paragraphs are given**
Candidates will lose marks for not tabulating.
6. **If diagrams are given with annotations when descriptions are required**
Candidates will lose marks
7. **If flow charts are given instead of descriptions**
Candidates will lose marks.
8. **If sequence is muddled and links do not make sense**
Where sequence and links are correct, credit. Where sequence and links is incorrect, do not credit. If sequence and links becomes correct again, resume credit.
9. **Non-recognised abbreviations**
Accept if first defined in answer. If not defined, do not credit the unrecognized abbreviation but credit the rest of answer if correct.
10. **Wrong numbering**
If answer fits into the correct sequence of questions but the wrong number is given, it is acceptable.
11. **If language used changes the intended meaning**
Do not accept.
12. **Spelling errors**
If recognizable accept provided it does not mean something else in Life Sciences or if it is out of context.

13. **If common names given in terminology**
Accept provided it was accepted at the National memo discussion meeting.
14. **If only letter is asked for and only name is given (and vice versa)**
No credit
15. **If units are not given in measurements**
Candidates will lose marks. Memorandum will allocate marks for units separately
16. Be sensitive to the **sense of an answer, which may be stated in a different way.**
17. **Caption**
All illustrations (diagrams, graphs, tables, etc.) must have a caption
18. **Code-switching of official languages (terms and concepts)**
A single word or two that appears in any official language other than the learners' assessment language used to the greatest extent in his/her answers should be credited, if it is correct. A marker that is proficient in the relevant official language should be consulted. This is applicable to all official languages.

SECTION A**QUESTION 1**

- 1.1 1.1.1 B✓✓
1.1.2 A✓✓
1.1.3 D✓✓
1.1.4 D✓✓
1.1.5 C✓✓
1.1.6 B✓✓
1.1.7 C✓✓
1.1.8 D✓✓
1.1.9 C✓✓
- (9 x 2) **(18)**
- 1.2 1.2.1 Down Syndrome ✓
1.2.2 Homologous structure ✓
1.2.3 Gene ✓
1.2.4 Transcription ✓
1.2.5 Stem cells ✓
1.2.6 Biogeography ✓
1.2.7 tRNA ✓
1.2.8 Haploid ✓
1.2.9 Recessive ✓
- (9 x 1) **(9)**
- 1.3 1.3.1 B only ✓✓
1.3.2 A only ✓✓
1.3.3 B only ✓✓
- (3 x 2) **(6)**

1.4	1.4.1	(a) Crossing over ✓ (b) Prophase I ✓	(1) (1)
	1.4.2	(a) Chiasma ✓ (b) Chromosome ✓	(1) (1)
	1.4.3	C ✓ Centromere ✓	(2)
	1.4.4	rTnD ✓ (any order)	(1)
	1.4.5	(a) 4 ✓ (b) 4 ✓	(1) (1)
			(9)
1.5	1.5.1	(a) - Australopithecus ✓ - Homo ✓	(2)
		(b) - Australopithecus africanus ✓ - Homo erectus ✓	(2)
	1.5.2	0.8 million years ✓ / 800 thousand years	(1)
	1.5.3	(a) - Mrs Ples ✓ - Little Foot ✓	(2)
		(b) Hominidae ✓	(1)
			(8)
		TOTAL SECTION A:	50

SECTION B

QUESTION 2

- | | | | | |
|-----|-------|---|-----|-------------------|
| 2.1 | 2.1.1 | (a) 6 ✓
(b) 21 ✓ | | (1)
(1) |
| | 2.1.2 | Ribosome ✓ | | (1) |
| | 2.1.3 | (a) AUG ✓
(b) Leucine ✓
(c) - Different protein will be formed ✓
- since anticodon AAG ✓
- changed to UAG ✓
- and phenylalanine ✓
- will be replaced by isoleucine ✓ in a protein | Any | (1)
(1)
(4) |
| | | (d) - Change in the sequence of bases ✓ / nucleotides
- in a DNA molecule ✓
- a gene mutation will occur ✓ | Any | (2)
(11) |
| 2.2 | 2.2.1 | (a) Determining identity of criminals ✓
(Mark the first ONE only)
(b) Discrepancies in legal proof in court cases ✓
(Mark the first ONE only) | | (1)
(1) |
| | 2.2.2 | - A child received DNA from both parents ✓
- DNA profiles of the mother, child and the possible father are determined ✓
- DNA bars of the mother and the child are compared ✓
- Remaining DNA bars are compared to the possible father's DNA bars ✓
- If all the remaining DNA bars in the child's profile match the possible father's DNA bars ✓
- then the possible father is the biological father ✓
- If all the remaining DNA bars in the child's profile does not match the possible father DNA bars ✓
- then the possible father is not the biological father ✓ | Any | (6)
(8) |

- 2.3 2.3.1 Complete dominance✓ (1)
- 2.3.2 (a) Long and twisted horns✓ (1)
- (b) $\left. \begin{array}{l} - LT \\ - Lt \\ - lT \\ - lt \end{array} \right\} \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ (3)
- (c) $Lltt$ ✓ (1)
- (d) 1:3✓ (1)
- (7)**

- 2.4 2.4.1 White fur✓ (1)
- 2.4.2 - Both individual 3 and 4 have brown fur✓
 - The offspring 7 has white fur✓
 - which is expressed in the phenotype of homozygous condition✓
 - Each parent must be heterozygous✓/carrying recessive allele
 - The offspring inherited recessive allele from both parents✓ (4)
- 2.4.3 5 and 6 ✓ (1)
- 2.4.4 - They interbreed ✓
 - and produce a fertile offspring ✓ (2)
- 2.4.5 4✓ (1)

2.4.6 **P₁** Phenotype Brown fur x White fur✓

Genotype Bb x bb✓

Meiosis

Gametes B, b x b, b✓

Fertilisation

F₁ Genotype Bb, Bb, bb, bb✓

Phenotype 2 brown fur and 2 white fur✓

Phenotypic ratio: 1:1✓*

P₁ and F₁✓

Meiosis and fertilisation✓ **Compulsory mark 1* + Any 6**

OR



P₁ Phenotype Brown fur x white fur✓

 Genotype Bb x bb✓

Meiosis

Fertilisation

Gametes	B	b
b	Bb	bb
b	Bb	bb

F₁

1 mark for correct gametes

1 mark for correct genotypes

Phenotype 2 brown fur and 2 white fur✓

Phenotypic ratio: 1:1✓*

P₁ and F₁✓

Meiosis and fertilisation✓

Compulsory mark 1* + Any 6 (7)

(16)

- 2.5 2.5.1 An organism in which the genetic material is manipulated for the benefit of a human desirable characteristic✓✓ (2)
- 2.5.2 (a) - Allergic reactions✓
 - Antibiotic resistance✓ (2)
 (Mark the first TWO only)
- (b) - Food security✓
 - Resistance to diseases✓ (2)
 (Mark the first TWO only)
- 2.5.3 - To produce a glyphosate-resistant soybean✓
 - since weeds are resistant to glyphosate✓ (2)

(8)

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QUESTION 3

- 3.1 3.1.1 Karyotype✓ (1)
- 3.1.2 Cones✓ (1)
- 3.1.3 (a) Gonosomes✓/sex chromosomes (1)
(b) X^bY ✓ (1)
- 3.1.4 - Similar size✓
- Similar shape✓
- Same location of centromere✓
- Position of gene✓/ alleles
- Genes coding for the same characteristics✓ Any (3)
- 3.1.5 - 46 chromosomes✓ / 23 pairs of chromosome (1)
(8)
- 3.2 3.2.1 To determine the relationship between the toxic chemicals and survival of insects ✓✓ (2)
- 3.2.2 Survival of insects✓ (1)
- 3.2.3 - Obtain permission from the greenhouse owner to conduct investigation✓
- Decide on the sample size✓
- Decide on the recording tool✓
- Decide on time/date✓
- Decide on the insect types✓
- Decide on the predator type✓ Any (3)
(Mark the first THREE only)
- 3.2.4 (a) - Lizards of the same species✓ were used
- The ratio of fire-flies to fruit-flies✓
- Same environmental conditions✓ in greenhouse structure Any (1)
(Mark the first ONE only)
- (b) 200 insects of each were used✓ (1)
(Mark the first ONE only)
- 3.2.5 $\frac{60}{100}$ } ✓ x 200✓
= 120 ✓ (3)
(11)

- 3.3 - If a population of a single species becomes separated by a geographical barrier✓ (sea, river, mountain, lake)
 - then the population splits into two✓
 - There is now no gene flow between the two populations✓
 - Since each population may be exposed to different environmental conditions✓/the selection pressure may be different
 - natural selection occurs independently✓ in each of the two populations
 - such that the individuals of the two populations become very different✓ from each other
 - genotypically and phenotypically✓
 - Even if the two populations were to mix again✓
 - they will not be able to interbreed✓
 - The two populations are now different species✓ Any (6)
- 3.4 3.4.1 By counting the number of different insecticides that Colorado potato beetle resisted✓ (1)
- 3.4.2 - Insecticide resistance increased✓
 - from 1960 to 2000✓
 - and remained constant in 2010✓ (3)
- 3.4.3 - Buying different types of insecticides✓
 - will be very expensive✓
 - leading to a greater loss of money ✓ (3)
- 3.4.4 - Colorado potato beetle show variation✓
 - Some have insecticide-resistant and others do not✓
 - If there is an application of insecticides✓
 - Colorado potato beetle with resistance survive✓
 - whilst those without resistance died✓
 - those that survive, reproduce✓
 - and pass the allele for resistance to their offspring✓
 - The next generation will therefore have a higher proportion of Colorado potato beetle with resistance✓ (6)
- (13)

3.5 3.5.1 A ✓ (1)

3.5.2 ✓

A	B
It is long ✓	It is short ✓
It is narrow ✓	It is wide ✓

(1 mark for table + 4) (5)

(Mark the first TWO only)

3.5.3 - it is in forward position ✓
 - to support the skull ✓
 - allows for bipedalism ✓
 - enables upright posture ✓ Any (2)

3.5.4 - Every cell has mitochondrion with DNA ✓
 - Mitochondrial DNA is only inherited through the maternal line ✓
 - The analysis of mutations on the mitochondrial DNA ✓
 - shows that the oldest female ancestor was located in Africa ✓
 - and that all humans descended from her ✓ /mitochondrial Eve Any (4)

(13)

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TOTAL SECTION B: 100

GRAND TOTAL: 150