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MARK SCHEME

Information to Examiners

1. General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- the typical answer or answers which are expected
- extra information to help the Examiner make his or her judgement and help to delineate what is acceptable or not worthy of credit or, in discursive answers, to give an overview of the area in which a mark or marks may be awarded.

The extra information is aligned to the appropriate answer in the left-hand part of the mark scheme and should only be applied to that item in the mark scheme.

At the beginning of a part of a question a reminder may be given, for example: where consequential marking needs to be considered in a calculation; or the answer may be on the diagram or at a different place on the script.

In general the right hand side of the mark scheme is there to provide those extra details which confuse the main part of the mark scheme yet may be helpful in ensuring that marking is straightforward and consistent.

2. Emboldening

- 2.1** In a list of acceptable answers where more than one mark is available ‘any **two** from’ is used, with the number of marks emboldened. Each of the following lines is a potential mark.
- 2.2** A bold **and** is used to indicate that both parts of the answer are required to award the mark.
- 2.3** Alternative answers acceptable for a mark are indicated by the use of **or**. (Different terms in the mark scheme are shown by a / ; eg allow smooth / free movement.)

3. Marking points

3.1 Marking of lists

This applies to questions requiring a set number of responses, but for which candidates have provided extra responses. The general principle to be followed in such a situation is that ‘right + wrong = wrong’.

Each error/contradiction negates each correct response. So, if the number of error/contradictions equals or exceeds the number of marks available for the question, no marks can be awarded.

However, responses considered to be neutral (indicated as * in example 1) are not penalised.

Example 1: What is the pH of an acidic solution? (1 mark)

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	4,8	0
2	green, 5	0
3	red*, 5	1
4	red*, 8	0

Example 2: Name two planets in the solar system. (2 marks)

Candidate	Response	Marks awarded
1	Pluto, Mars, Moon	1
2	Pluto, Sun, Mars, Moon	0

3.2 Use of chemical symbols / formulae

If a candidate writes a chemical symbol / formula instead of a required chemical name, full credit can be given if the symbol / formula is correct and if, in the context of the question, such action is appropriate.

3.3 Marking procedure for calculations

Full marks can be given for a correct numerical answer, as shown in the column 'answers', without any working shown.

However if the answer is incorrect, mark(s) can be gained by correct substitution / working and this is shown in the 'extra information' column;

3.4 Interpretation of 'it'

Answers using the word 'it' should be given credit only if it is clear that the 'it' refers to the correct subject.

3.5 Errors carried forward

Any error in the answers to a structured question should be penalised once only.

Papers should be constructed in such a way that the number of times errors can be carried forward are kept to a minimum. Allowances for errors carried forward are most likely to be restricted to calculation questions and should be shown by the abbreviation e.c.f. in the marking scheme.

3.6 Phonetic spelling

The phonetic spelling of correct scientific terminology should be credited **unless** there is a possible confusion with another technical term.

3.7 Brackets

(.....) are used to indicate information which is not essential for the mark to be awarded but is included to help the examiner identify the sense of the answer required.

BLY3F**Question 1**

question	answers	extra information	mark
1(a)(i)	villus		1
1(a)(ii)	its outer surface is one cell thick	cancel 1 mark for each extra box ticked	1
	it has a large surface area		1
	it has good blood supply		1
1(b)	diffusion		1
Total			5

BLY3F**Question 2**

question	answers	extra information	mark
2(a)(i)	inoculating loop		1
2(a)(ii)	V	either order	1
	W		1
2(a)(iii)	Z		1
2(b)	carbohydrates		1
Total			5

BLY3F**Question 3**

question	answers	extra information	mark
3(a)	more reliable or in case one does not work / is anomalous	do not accept accurate ignore fair test	1
3(b)	any three from: Flask A: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bacteria could not get in • due to U-tube / bent tube / trapped in bend Flask B: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bacteria could get in • due to straight tube / not trapped 	allow microorganisms	3
Total			4

BLY3F**Question 4**

question	answers	extra information	mark
4(a)	very little of the biogas generator will be seen	cancel 1 mark for each extra box ticked	1
	the temperature inside will not change much		1
4(b)(i)	methane		1
4(b)(ii)	60	correct answer with or without working 100 – (35 + 1.5 + 1.5 + 2) but incorrect answer allow 1 mark	2
Total			5

BLY3F**Question 5**

question	answers	extra information	mark
5(a)(i)	E + F	either order	1
5(a)(ii)	D		1
5(b)(i)	any 2 from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rises or a description • falls / levels off + or a description • further details 		2
5(b)(ii)	maximum yield		1
Total			5

BLY3F**Question 6**

question	answers	extra information	mark
6(a)(i)	water		1
6(a)(ii)	small		1
6(a)(iii)	3.15		1
6(b)(i)	21 000		1
6(b)(ii)	2 years		1
6(b)(iii)	prevent rejection		1
Total			6

BLY3F**Question 7**

question	answers	extra information	mark
7(a)(i)	B or D		1
7(a)(ii)	A or B		1
7(b)	any four from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increased blood (flow) • (more) oxygen supplied or aerobic respiration • (more) glucose / sugar / food supplied • (higher rate of) respiration • (more) energy needed / released • (more) carbon dioxide <u>removed</u> • (muscles) doing (more) work or muscles contracting • remove heat / cooling • remove lactic acid or less lactic acid formed 	more / faster must be implied at least once for full marks ignore reference to breathing allow less anaerobic (respiration) or and prevents oxygen debt ignore feeding allow made	4
Total			6

BLY3F**Question 8**

question	answers	extra information	mark
8(a) E	sugar / named eg / energy supply / respiration	allow aerobic respiration	1
	decreasing / less	allow running out if no other marks awarded allow less oxygen / starch / food or toxins produced for 1 mark	1
8(b) E	any 3 from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • starch → sugar / named eg or more sugars • by enzyme • (sugar can be used) by yeast • in respiration / respiration increases 	NB yeast respire faster = 2 marks	3
Total			5

BLY3F**Question 9**

question	answers	extra information	mark
9(a)	C		1
9(b)(i)	guard (cell)		1
9(b)(ii)	water movement / transpiration through stomata / pores / holes / (region) X		1
	or petroleum jelly blocks / covers stomata / pores / holes / X		1
	stomata / pores / holes / X found on lower surface		
Total			4