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BIOLOGY **0610/13**

Paper 1 Multiple Choice (Core) **May/June 2020**

45 minutes

You must answer on the multiple choice answer sheet.

You will need: Multiple choice answer sheet
Soft clean eraser
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

INSTRUCTIONS

- There are **forty** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions.
- For each question there are four possible answers **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**. Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in soft pencil on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Follow the instructions on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Write in soft pencil.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on the multiple choice answer sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.
- Do **not** use correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- Each correct answer will score one mark. A mark will not be deducted for a wrong answer.
- Any rough working should be done on this question paper.

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1 The diagram shows what happened in an experiment with plant seedlings.

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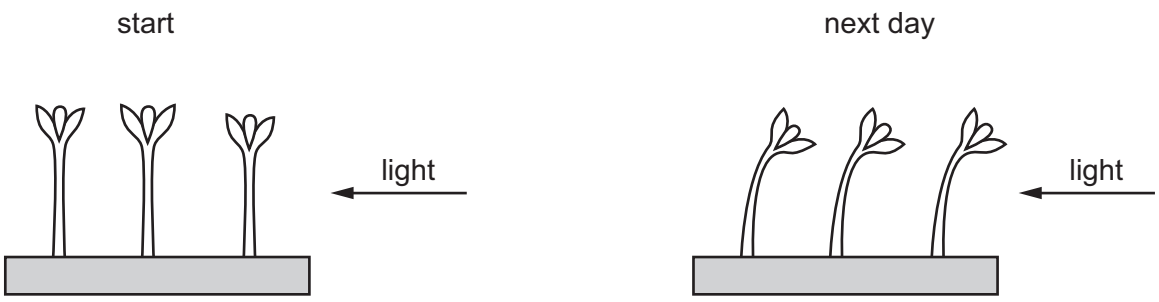

Which characteristic of living things made the seedlings grow towards the light?

A excretion

B nutrition

C respiration

D sensitivity

2 A rat has the scientific name *Rattus rattus*.

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What do the two parts of this name refer to?

A genus and species

B kingdom and genus

C kingdom and species

D variety and genus

3 Explorers have found an unknown animal living in a rainforest. The animal

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- lives on land but has also been seen in water
- lays soft-shelled eggs on land
- does not have gills
- has scaly skin
- is 1.0 m long
- does not produce milk.

To which group is the animal most likely to belong?

A amphibians

B arthropods

C mammals

D reptiles

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4 Onion plant cells swell but do not burst when placed in distilled water.

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Which cell component prevents the onion plant cells from bursting?

A cell membrane

B cell wall

C nucleus

D vacuole

5 The diagram shows part of the human body.

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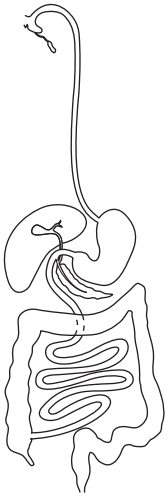

Which level of organisation does this diagram show?

A a cell

B an organism

C an organ system

D a tissue

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6 Which diagram shows the appearance of a plant cell several minutes after it has been placed in a concentrated solution of sugar?

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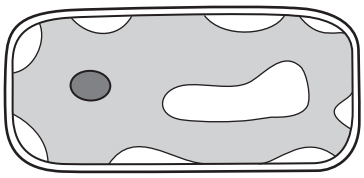
A



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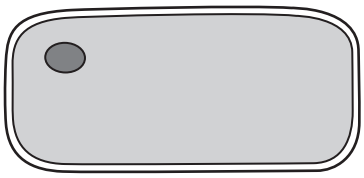

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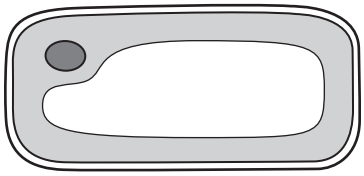

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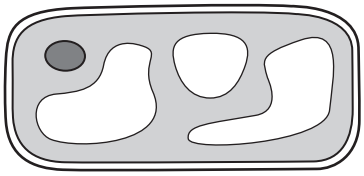

7 Which statement about active transport is correct?

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A Particles move into cells using energy released by photosynthesis.

B Particles move across a cell wall without using energy.

C Particles move from a region of higher concentration to a region of lower concentration.

D Particles move across a cell membrane using energy released by respiration.

8 Which food-testing solution shows a positive result when it turns from blue to purple?

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A Benedict's solution

B biuret solution

C ethanol

D iodine solution

9 Which statement about enzyme-controlled reactions is correct?

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A During the reaction, a substrate changes into a product.

B The enzyme is slowly broken down during the reaction.

C The higher the pH the faster the reaction.

D The product is gradually used up during the reaction.

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10 Why do plants need nitrate ions?

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A to make amino acids

B to make fats

C to make glucose

D to make starch

11 Which substance found in a healthy diet helps to prevent constipation?

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A fat

B fibre

C minerals

D vitamins

12 The table shows the percentage of the daily recommended intake of nutrients in a serving of four foods.

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Which food would be the best choice to prevent scurvy?

	percentage of daily recommended intake in a serving of food			
	calcium	iron	vitamin C	vitamin D
A	71	1	0	6
B	24	11	2	73
C	3	3	72	0
D	1	72	1	0

13 After passing through the root hair cells of a plant, what is the next tissue through which water passes?

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A cortex

B epidermis

C mesophyll

D xylem

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14 From which part of a leaf does most water evaporate during transpiration?

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A the cuticle

B the guard cells

C the spongy mesophyll cells

D the xylem vessels

15 Which blood vessel carries blood to the muscle of the heart?

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A coronary artery

B pulmonary artery

C renal vein

D vena cava

16 The diagram shows some veins in the human arm and the valves that they contain.

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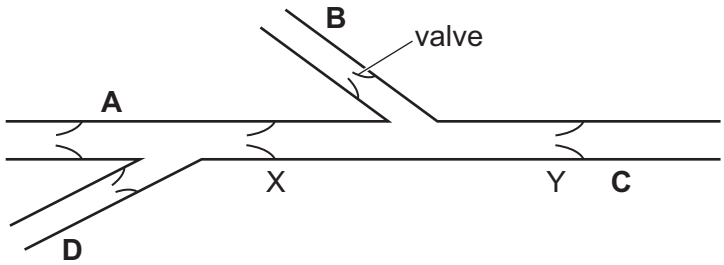
If blood is squeezed out of section X–Y, where should pressure be placed on a vein to stop blood flowing into this section again?



17 What is a chemical barrier to pathogens?

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A nose hairs

B skin

C stomach acid

D white blood cells

18 The diagram shows an alveolus and capillary in a human lung.

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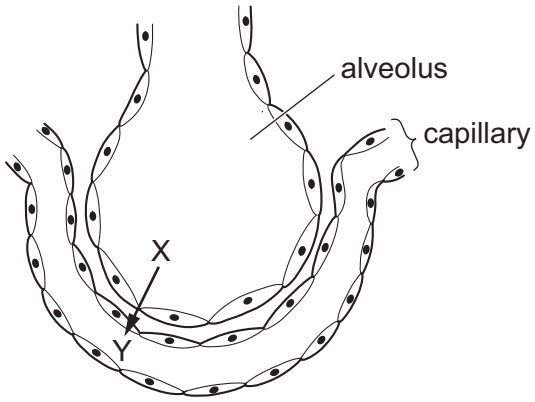

Which row shows the correct gas and concentrations for diffusion from X to Y in normal conditions?

	at point X	at point Y
A	high concentration of carbon dioxide	low concentration of carbon dioxide
B	high concentration of oxygen	low concentration of oxygen
C	low concentration of carbon dioxide	high concentration of carbon dioxide
D	low concentration of oxygen	high concentration of oxygen

19 Which examples of respiration produce carbon dioxide?

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	aerobic respiration in human muscles	anaerobic respiration in human muscles	anaerobic respiration in yeast
A	✓	✓	✗
B	✓	✗	✓
C	✗	✓	✓
D	✓	✓	✓

key
✓ = yes
✗ = no

20 In which conditions do the leaves of a green plant photosynthesise?

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	bright light	darkness
A	✓	✓
B	✓	✗
C	✗	✓
D	✗	✗

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✓ = yes
✗ = no

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21 The diagram represents the flow of blood from the heart, through the liver and towards the kidneys.

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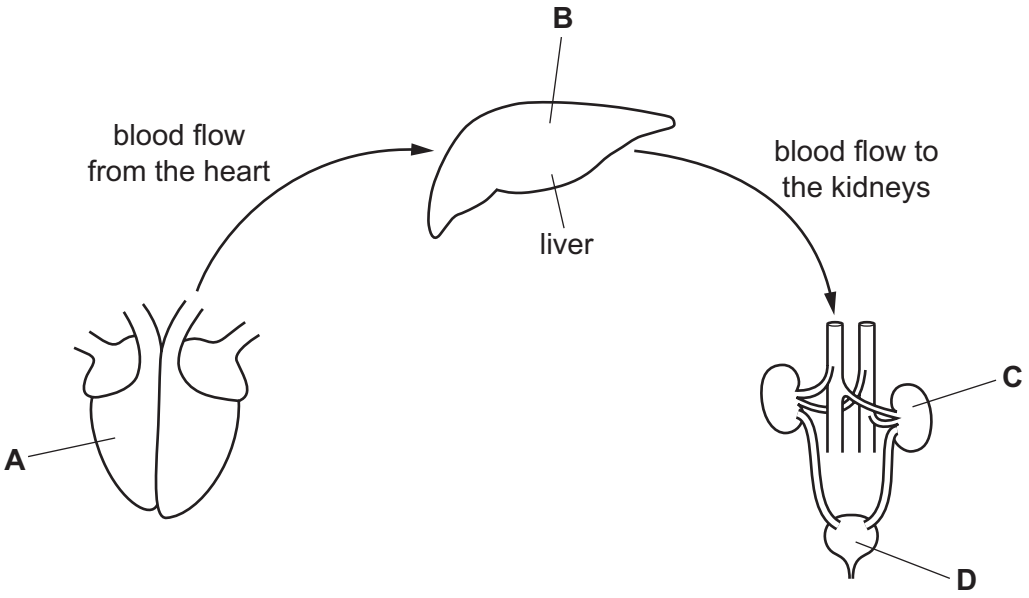
Where is urea made?



22 When a man steps on a sharp object he moves his foot away very quickly.

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In which part of his body are the effector cells involved in this action?

A brain

B muscle

C skin

D spinal cord

23 Which row matches structures in the eye with their functions?

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	focuses light	refracts light	sensitive to light
A	cornea	iris	retina
B	retina	lens	iris
C	iris	retina	lens
D	lens	cornea	retina

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24 Which organ produces oestrogen?

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A heart

B lung

C ovary

D oviduct

25 What is meant by the term phototropism?

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A absorbing mineral ions

B absorbing water

C directional growth in response to gravity

D directional growth in response to light

26 Drugs are substances that are taken into the body.

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Which statement also applies to the definition of a drug?

A always slow down chemical reactions

B always speed up chemical reactions

C are only used to destroy bacteria

D modify or affect chemical reactions

27 What does the drug heroin act as?

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A a stimulant

B a depressant

C an antibiotic

D a nutrient

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28 The diagrams show pollen grains from three different species of plant as they appear under the microscope. The diagrams are all to the same scale.

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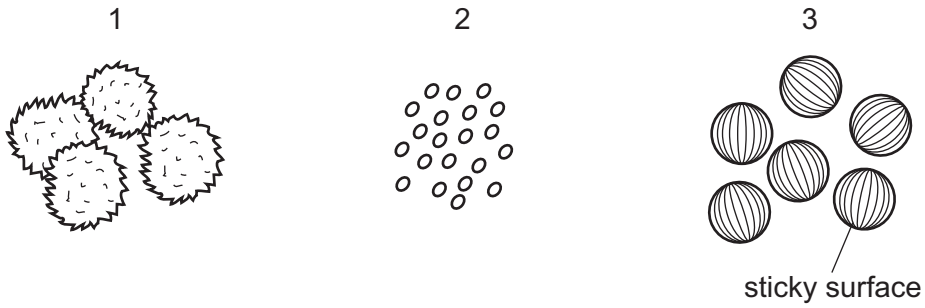

Which pollen grains are most likely to be carried by the wind?

A 1 and 2 **B** 2 only **C** 2 and 3 **D** 3 only

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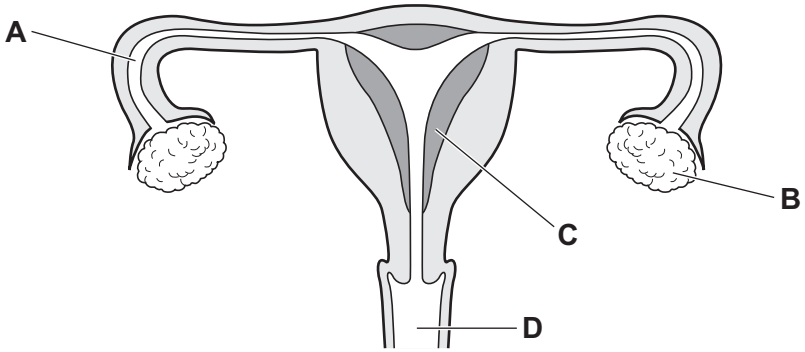
29 The diagram shows the human female reproductive system.

In which structure does fertilisation occur?



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30 Which disease is an example of an STI?

A cholera

B COPD

C HIV

D lung cancer

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31 Fur colour in cats is an observable feature.

Which word is used to describe an observable feature?

A allele

B genotype

C heterozygous

D phenotype

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32 Which row shows the sex chromosomes in the body cells and in the gametes of a woman?

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	body cells	gametes
A	XX	all X
B	XX	all XX
C	XY	X or Y
D	XY	all XY

33 In mice, the allele for black hair is dominant to the allele for brown hair.

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What proportion of offspring will have brown hair if a cross is made between a homozygous black mouse and a heterozygous black mouse?

A 0% **B** 25% **C** 50% **D** 100%

34 The graph shows the masses of two different types of tomato.

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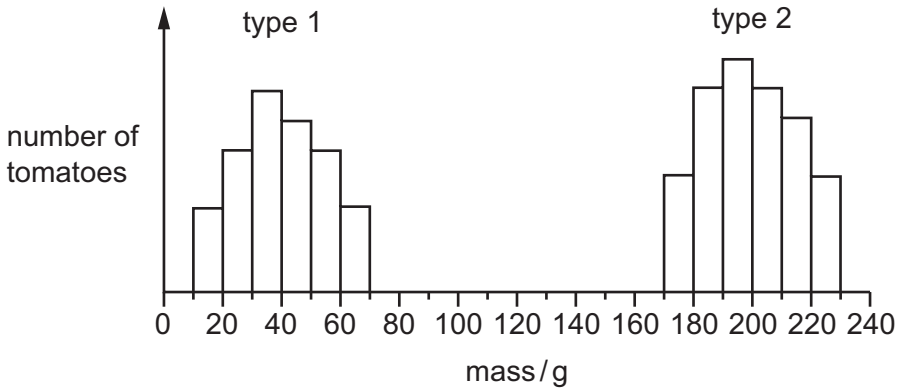

What can be concluded from the graph?

A Genes do not affect the mass of tomatoes.

B Type 1 tomatoes show continuous variation.

C Type 2 tomatoes are sometimes smaller than type 1 tomatoes.

D Type 2 tomatoes show discontinuous variation.

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35 The diagram shows part of the carbon cycle.

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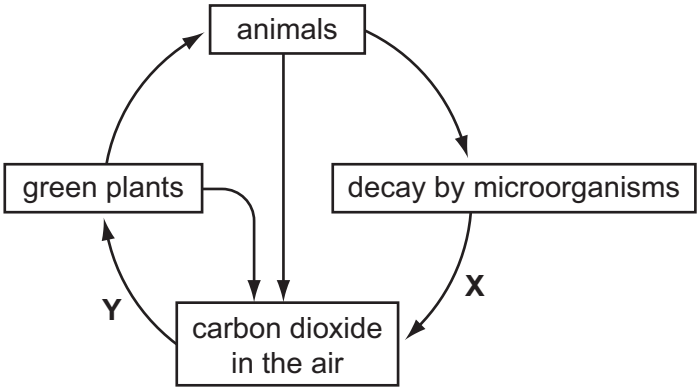

What do **X** and **Y** represent?

	X	Y
A	photosynthesis	respiration
B	photosynthesis	decomposition
C	respiration	decomposition
D	respiration	photosynthesis

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36 The diagram shows a food chain in a rock pool.

seaweed → whelks → crabs → seagulls

What will happen if the number of secondary consumers increases?

There will be

A fewer crabs.

B fewer seagulls.

C fewer whelks.

D less seaweed.

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37 What is the role of anaerobic respiration in bread-making?

A to produce alcohol to flavour the bread

B to produce gas to make the bread rise

C to release enough energy to bake the bread

D to release enough lactic acid to kill the yeast

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38 A crop plant has been genetically modified to make it resistant to herbicides.

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Which is a possible disadvantage of introducing this new crop plant?

A Loss of weeds reduces competition.

B Some weeds might become resistant to the herbicide.

C The crop plant is unharmed and produces a higher yield.

D The new gene will appear in new generations of the crop.

39 Chickens are birds that are farmed to produce eggs for human consumption.

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A type of chicken has been bred to lay **more** eggs.

Which method would be used to produce this type of chicken?

A asexual reproduction

B biotechnology

C natural selection

D selective breeding

40 Sewage treatment involves a number of stages. Three of the stages are listed.

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1 filter beds with anaerobic microbes to digest sewage

2 screens to trap large objects

3 settlement tanks to let insoluble particles sink

What is the correct order for treating sewage?

A $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$ **B** $2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1$ **C** $3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$ **D** $3 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2$

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