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BIOLOGY **0610/11**

Paper 1 Multiple Choice (Core) **October/November 2021**

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.
- Any rough working should be done on this question paper.

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1 Which characteristics of all living organisms are needed to release energy for growth?

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A breathing and respiration

B excretion and nutrition

C excretion and respiration

D nutrition and respiration

2 Which pair of organisms belong to the same genus?

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A *Alderia modesta* and *Austrominius modestus*

B *Arenicola cristata* and *Arenicola marina*

C *Bittium reticulatum* and *Clypeostoma reticulatum*

D *Botryllus schlosseri* and *Botrylloides leachii*

3 The diagram shows an animal.

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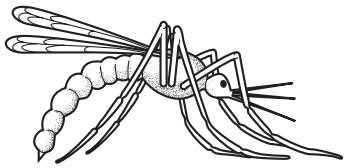

What is the animal?

1	animal with a vertebral column	vertebrate
	animal with an exoskeleton	go to 2
2	no distinct head, thorax and abdomen	**A**
	distinct head, thorax and abdomen	go to 3
3	eye occupies less than one third of the head	**B**
	eye occupies more than one third of the head	go to 4
4	wings are wider than they are long	**C**
	wings are longer than they are wide	**D**

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4 Which row shows the structure on the outside of a plant cell and the location of the chloroplasts in the cell?

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	structure on the outside of a plant cell	location of chloroplasts
A	cell membrane	in the cytoplasm
B	cell membrane	in the vacuole
C	cell wall	in the cytoplasm
D	cell wall	in the vacuole

5 The diagram shows some cells.

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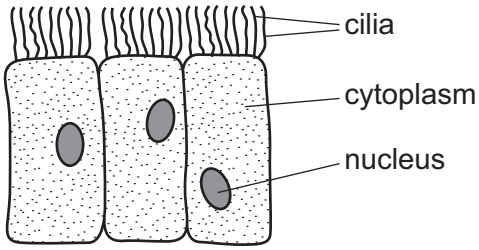

Where are these cells found?

A alimentary canal

B blood

C bronchus

D plant roots

6 What is the equation for calculating the magnification of a biological drawing?

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A magnification = actual size × image size × 100

B magnification = actual size ÷ image size

C magnification = image size ÷ actual size

D magnification = actual size × 100 ÷ image size

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7 Which words complete the definition of diffusion?

'Diffusion is the net movement of particles from a region of their ……1…... concentration to a region of their ……2…... concentration, ……3…... a concentration gradient.'

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	1	2	3
A	higher	lower	up
B	higher	lower	down
C	lower	higher	up
D	lower	higher	down

8 Cyanide is a poison that stops respiration. A paramecium is a single-celled freshwater organism.

What is the most likely effect of cyanide in a paramecium?

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A increased active transport

B decreased osmosis

C decreased active transport

D increased osmosis

9 In a photosynthesis experiment, a plant is left in bright sunlight for several hours. A leaf is then removed from the plant and tested for starch, using iodine solution.

The diagram shows the leaf from the plant that was used in the experiment.

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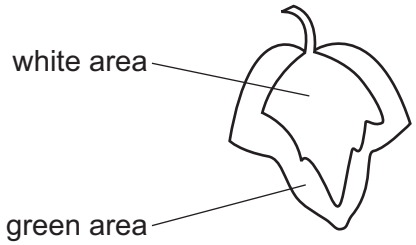
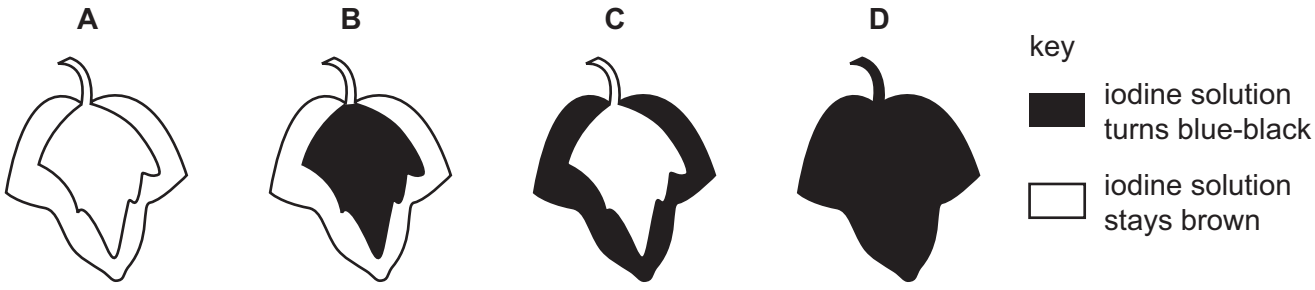


Which diagram shows the result of the experiment?



10 An experiment was carried out to investigate the effect of pH on enzyme action. The graph shows the results.

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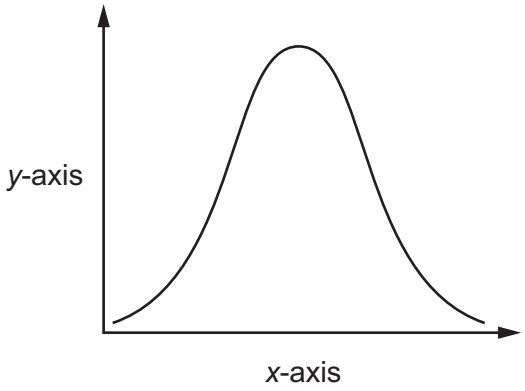

What are the labels for the *x*-axis and the *y*-axis?

	x-axis	*y*-axis
A	pH	rate of reaction
B	pH	time
C	rate of reaction	pH
D	time	pH

11 Four test-tubes were set up as shown in the diagram.

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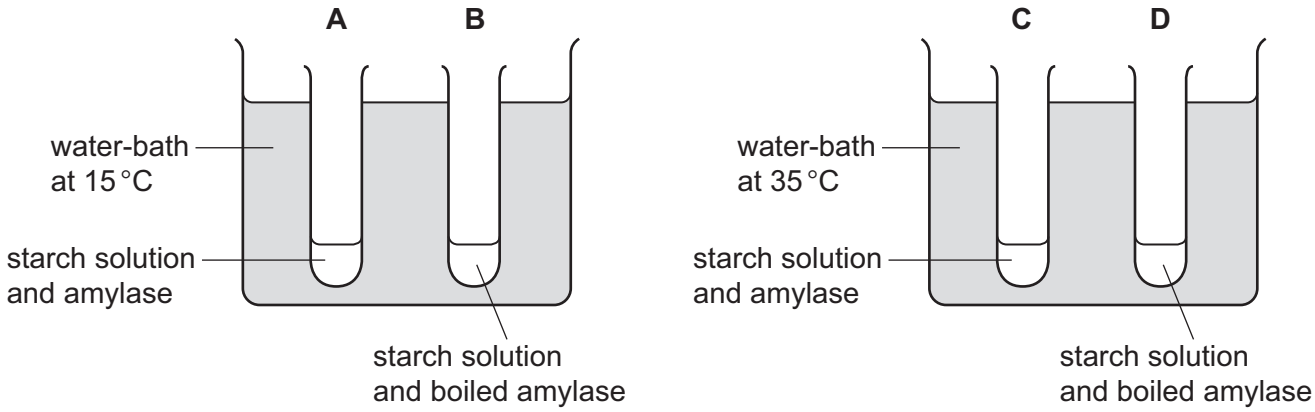
In which test-tube is the starch digested most quickly?



12 Which row shows the raw materials needed for photosynthesis and the products of photosynthesis?

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	raw materials	products
A	water + chlorophyll	carbon dioxide + glucose
B	carbon dioxide + water	chlorophyll + oxygen
C	oxygen + carbon dioxide	water + glucose
D	water + carbon dioxide	glucose + oxygen

13 Which food is the best source of vitamin C?

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A bread

B meat

C milk

D oranges

14 Which reagent is used to test for the presence of vitamin C?

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A Benedict's

B biuret

C DCPIP

D ethanol

15 The diagram shows a large food molecule changing into smaller molecules.

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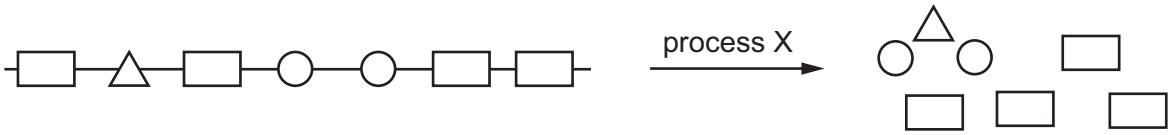

What is process X?

A absorption

B chewing

C digestion

D secretion

16 The diagram shows part of the human alimentary canal and associated organs.

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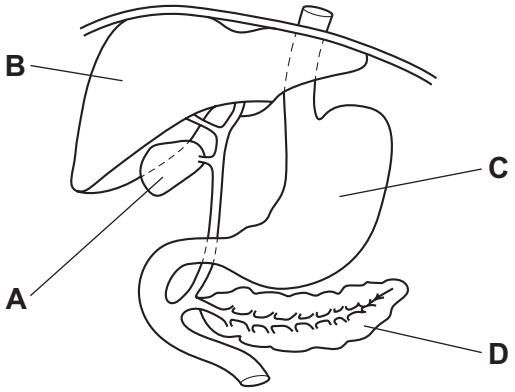
Which structure produces hydrochloric acid?



17 The diagrams show sections of a leaf and a root.

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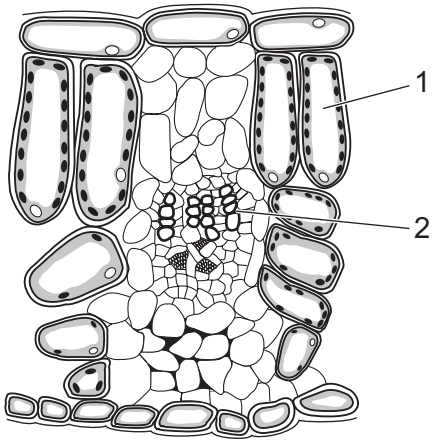
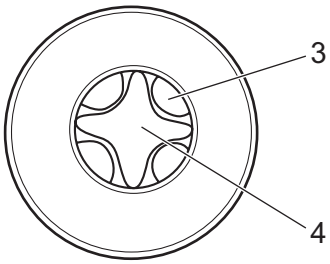
not to scale



section of a leaf



section through a root

Which two labelled structures identify xylem?

A 1 and 4 **B** 2 and 3 **C** 1 and 3 **D** 2 and 4

18 Which graph shows the effect of increasing humidity on the rate of transpiration?

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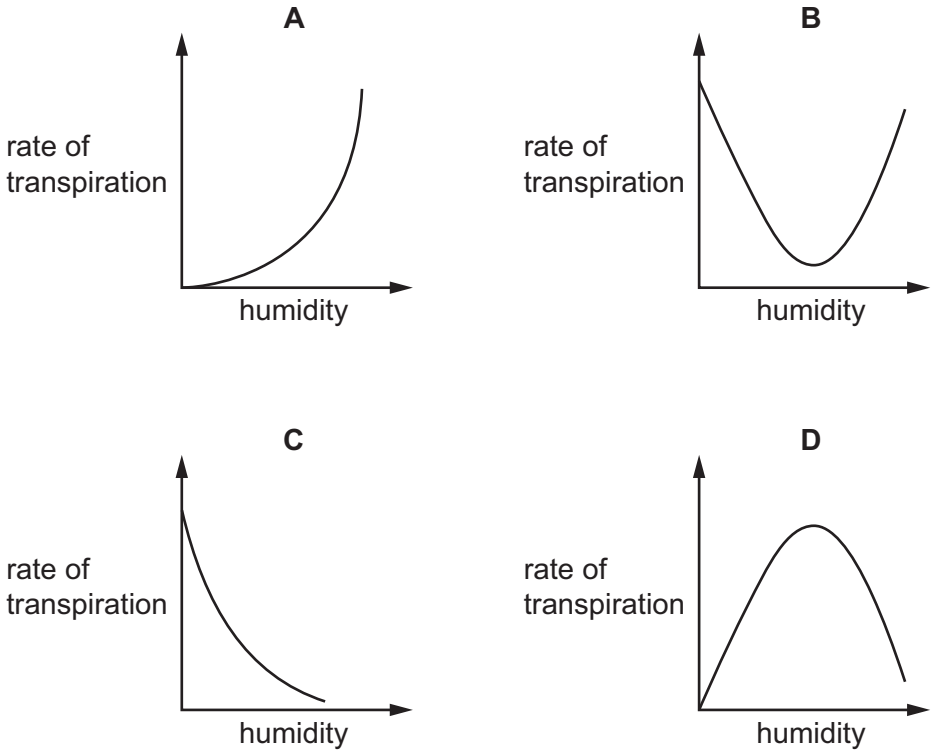

19 The diagram shows a section through a mammalian heart.

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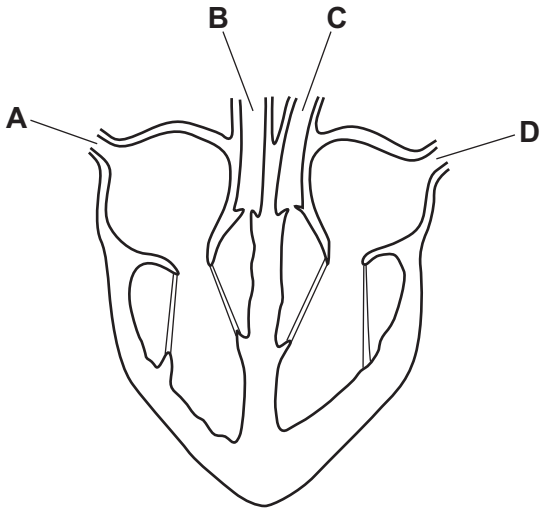
Which part carries blood directly from the lungs?



20 Which component of blood produces antibodies?

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A red blood cells

B white blood cells

C platelets

D plasma

21 Some features that help to defend the body against pathogens are listed.

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1 mucus

2 skin

3 stomach acid

4 phagocytosis

Which features can prevent pathogens entering body tissues?

A 1, 2, 3 and 4

B 1, 2 and 3 only

C 2 and 3 only

D 4 only

22 Which structure is a bronchus?

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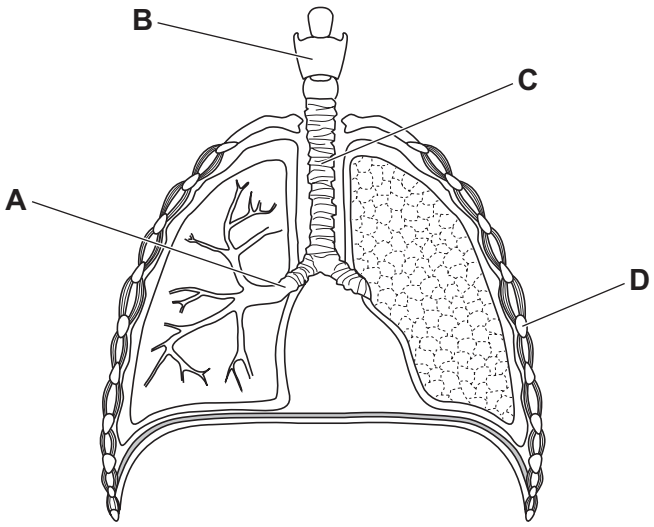

23 The diagram shows the apparatus used by a student to investigate respiration in woodlice (small arthropods).

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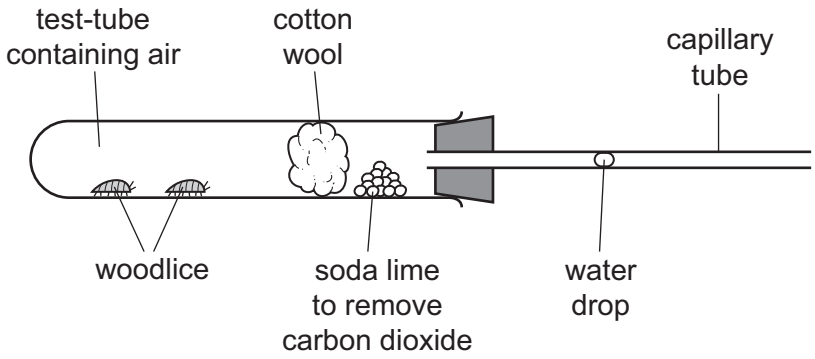

Which explanation about the direction that the water drop will move is correct?

A The water drop will move away from the woodlice because respiration uses carbon dioxide.

B The water drop will move away from the woodlice because respiration uses oxygen.

C The water drop will move towards the woodlice because respiration uses carbon dioxide.

D The water drop will move towards the woodlice because respiration uses oxygen.

24 Some students placed yeast, sugar and water into a bottle. They then placed an empty balloon over the opening of the bottle. The bottle was left in a warm place for one hour. During this time the balloon increased in size.

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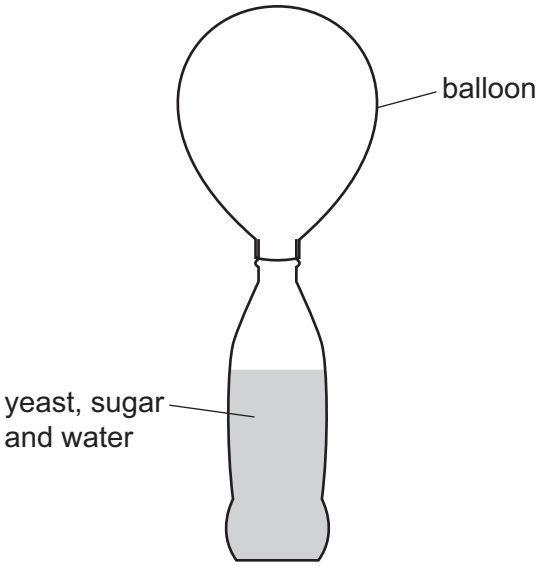

Why does the balloon increase in size?

A The yeast makes alcohol.

B The yeast makes carbon dioxide.

C The yeast makes oxygen.

D The yeast makes lactic acid.

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25 The diagram shows part of the excretory system of a female mammal.

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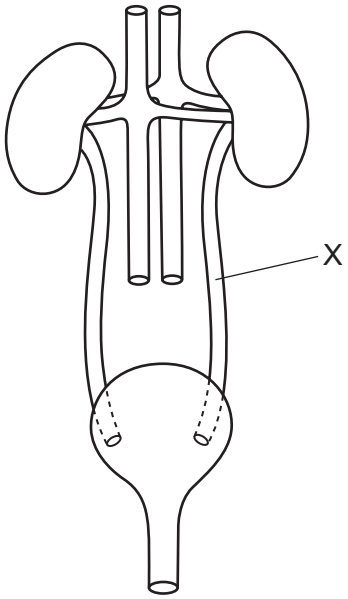

What is tube X?

A ureter

B urethra

C uterus

D vein

26 The diagram shows a reflex arc that passes through the spinal cord.

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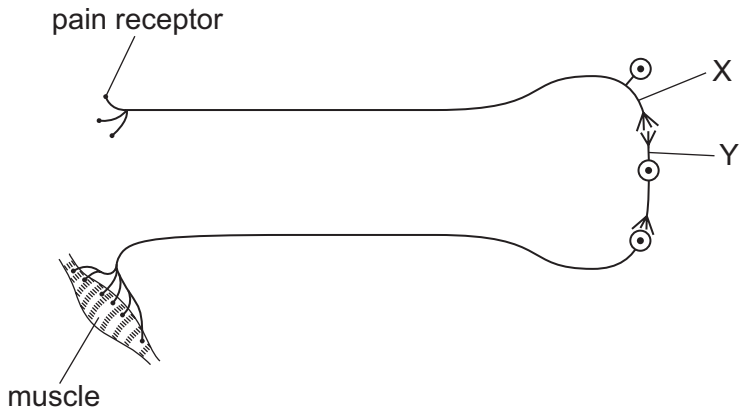

Which type of neurones are X and Y?

	X	Y
A	motor neurone	relay neurone
B	relay neurone	sensory neurone
C	sensory neurone	motor neurone
D	sensory neurone	relay neurone

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27 The diagram shows a section through the skin.

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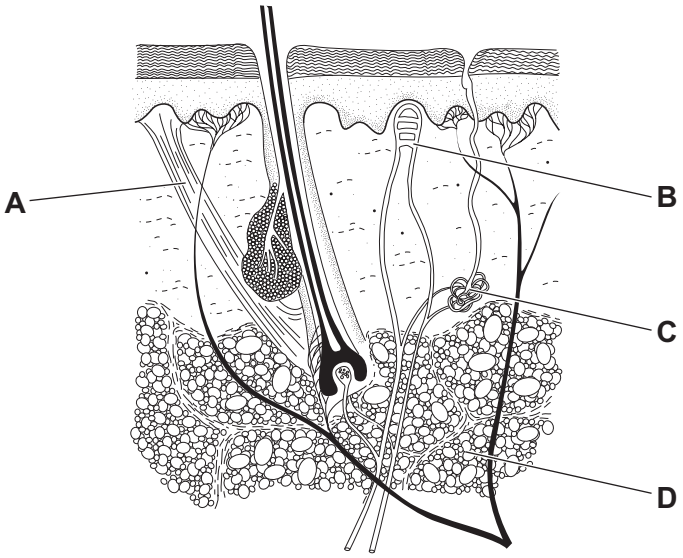
Which labelled part is a hair erector muscle?



28 A seed is placed and grown on a rotating disc, as shown.

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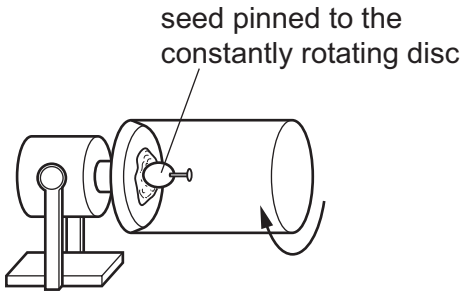

Which diagram shows the appearance of the seedling shoot after seven days?



29 Which definition of a drug is correct?

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A a substance that increases the rate of a chemical reaction and is not changed by the reaction

B a protein that functions as a biological catalyst

C a substance taken into the body that modifies or affects chemical reactions in the body

D a chemical substance, produced by a gland and carried by the blood, which alters the activity of one or more specific target organs

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30 Which is an example of sexual reproduction?

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A a female insect laying unfertilised eggs that develop into new insects

B division of a single-celled bacterium to produce two new bacteria

C fusion of a pollen grain nucleus with an ovule nucleus to produce a seed

D growing cuttings taken from one plant to produce new, genetically identical plants

31 The diagram shows part of the male reproductive system.

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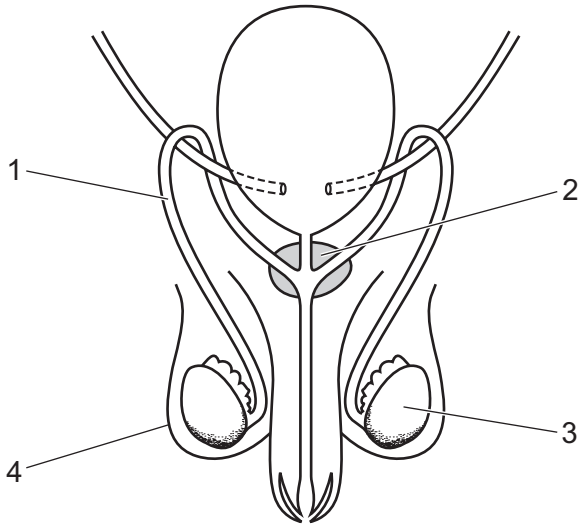

Which structures manufacture sperm and the fluid the sperm are transported in?

A 1 and 2 **B** 1 and 4 **C** 2 and 3 **D** 3 and 4

32 Which type of birth control prevents sperm from entering the vagina?

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A contraceptive pill

B diaphragm

C IUD

D vasectomy

33 An allele is a version of which structure?

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A amino acid

B chromosome

C gene

D protein

34 Which are functions of mitosis?

View solution

1 growth

2 production of gametes

3 repair of damaged tissue

4 replacement of cells

5 asexual reproduction

A 1, 3, 4 and 5

B 1 and 3 only

C 2, 3 and 4

D 2 only

35 A species of insect usually has pale-coloured wings. This helps to camouflage them on pale-coloured tree trunks. A few of the insects in this species have darker coloured wings.

After a number of years the tree trunks become darker in colour due to environmental changes. The insects with dark-coloured wings become more common than insects with pale-coloured wings in this species.

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Which process causes this change in the proportion of insects with dark-coloured wings?

A biotechnology

B conservation

C natural selection

D selective breeding

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36 The diagram shows a woodland food web.

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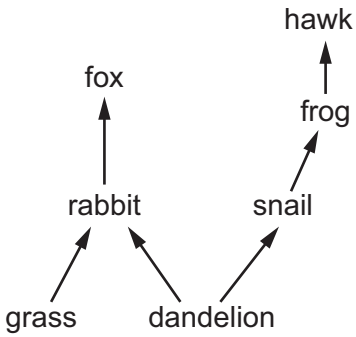

Which statement is **not** correct?

A Dandelions and grass are both producers.

B The fox and the hawk are both tertiary consumers.

C The frog is a secondary consumer.

D The rabbit and the snail are both primary consumers.

37 Which organism makes its own organic nutrients using light energy?

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A producer

B consumer

C herbivore

D carnivore

38 Which process releases carbon dioxide into the atmosphere?

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A decomposition

B fossilisation

C photosynthesis

D transpiration

39 Which row shows what is used to make biofuel, bread and fruit juice?

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	biofuel	bread	fruit juice
A	pectinase	pectinase	yeast
B	pectinase	yeast	pectinase
C	yeast	pectinase	yeast
D	yeast	yeast	pectinase

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40 What is an effect of an increase in the use of insecticides?

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A decreased competition between crop plants and weeds

B decreased numbers of extinctions

C decreased numbers of pollinators

D decreased use of fertilisers

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