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BIOLOGY **0610/22**

Paper 2 Multiple Choice (Extended) **October/November 2023**

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 processes are characteristics of **all** living organisms?

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1 digestion

2 respiration

3 excretion

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

2 Using the binomial system, the Arctic fox is called *Vulpes lagopus*.

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Which row is correct?

	Vulpes	*lagopus*
A	genus	kingdom
B	genus	species
C	species	genus
D	species	kingdom

3 Which feature is found in viruses?

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A cell wall

B mitochondria

C nucleus

D protein coat

4 Which features are possessed by **all** plant cells?

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	a cell wall	chloroplasts
A	✓	✓
B	✓	✗
C	✗	✓
D	✗	✗

key

✓ = yes

✗ = no

5 The length of a bacterium in a diagram is 50 mm. The magnification of the diagram is ×5000.

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What is the actual length of the bacterium?

A 1 μm **B** 10 μm **C** 100 μm **D** 1000 μm

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6 The diagram shows an experiment to investigate osmosis in living cells.

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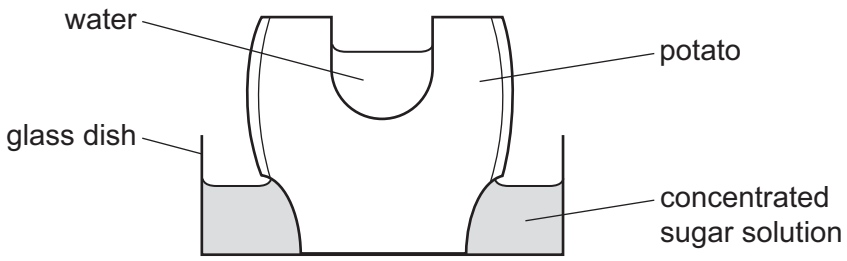

What happens to the volumes of water and sugar solution after 12 hours?

	volume of water	volume of sugar solution
A	decreases	increases
B	increases	increases
C	increases	remains the same
D	remains the same	decreases

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7 Which statements about active transport are correct?

1 It transports particles from a low concentration to a high concentration.

2 It always transports particles into cells.

3 It involves protein molecules in the cell membrane.

4 It uses energy from respiration.

A 1, 2, 3 and 4

B 1, 3 and 4 only

C 1 and 2 only

D 3 and 4 only

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8 Which row identifies the chemical elements in proteins?

	carbon	hydrogen	oxygen	nitrogen
A	✓	✓	✓	✓
B	✓	✗	✓	✗
C	✗	✓	✓	✓
D	✓	✓	✗	✗

key

✓ = present

✗ = absent

9 The table shows some large biological molecules and some small biological molecules.

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	large biological molecules	small biological molecules
1	cellulose	glucose
2	oil	amino acids
3	glycogen	glucose
4	protein	ethanol

Which rows correctly pair large molecules with the smaller molecules used to make them?

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

10 The graph shows the results of an experiment to investigate the rate of respiration in an organism in different environmental temperatures.

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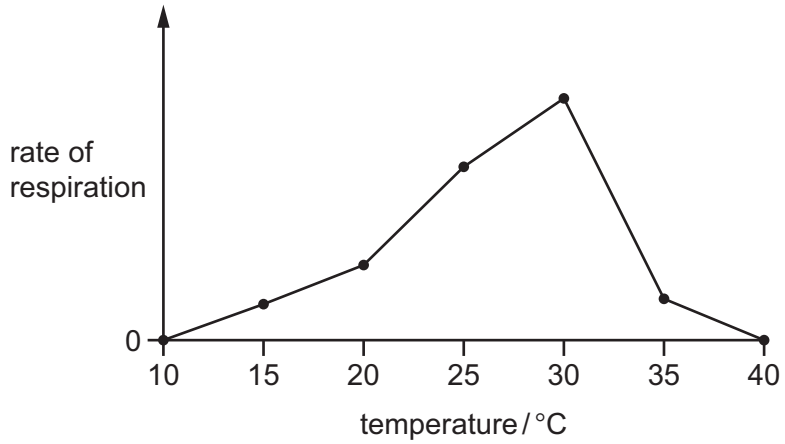

What explains the increase in the rate of respiration between 10 °C and 30 °C?

A The enzymes are denaturing.

B There are more frequent effective collisions between enzyme and substrate molecules.

C There are fewer enzyme-substrate complexes formed.

D There is less kinetic energy.

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11 The diagram shows how the rate of photosynthesis varies with light intensity.

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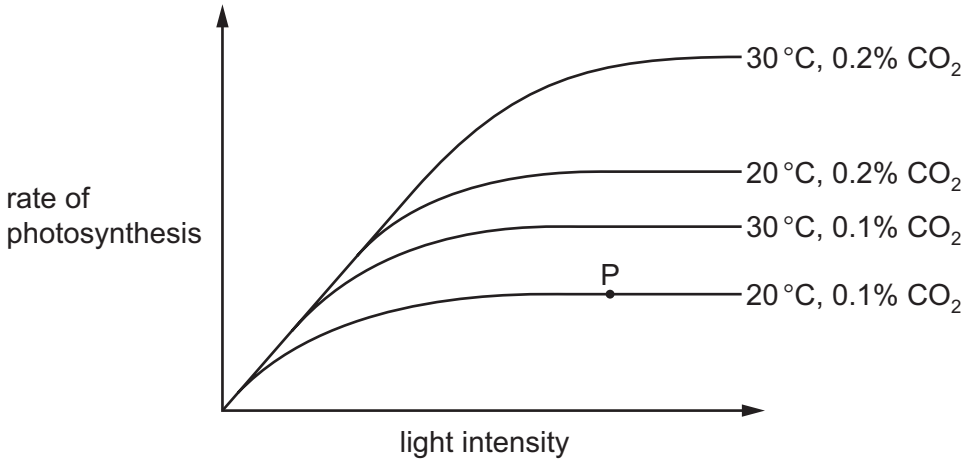
The four curves show different conditions of temperature and carbon dioxide concentration.



What limits the rate of photosynthesis at point P?

	light intensity	carbon dioxide concentration	temperature
A	✓	✓	✗
B	✓	✗	✗
C	✗	✓	✓
D	✗	✗	✓

key
✓ = yes
✗ = no

12 The diagram shows a cell with groups of bacteria around its edge.

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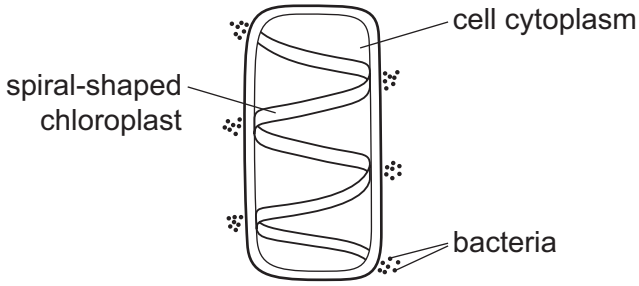

The bacteria have moved to areas of high oxygen concentration.

Which process in the cell causes the bacteria to form these groups?

A digestion

B photosynthesis

C reproduction

D respiration

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13 The diagram shows the teeth in the lower jaw of a human.

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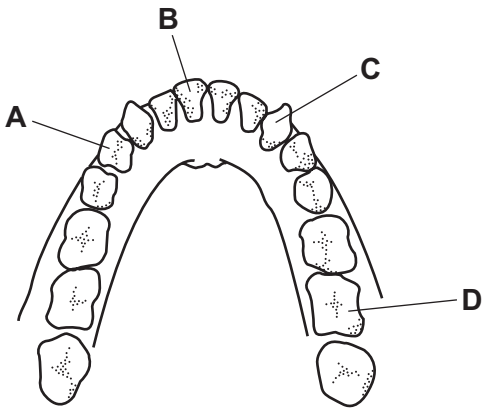
Which tooth is a premolar?



14 Some medicines are made into tablets which are coated in a starch-like substance.

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The coating protects the medicine from the effects of gastric juice.

Which enzyme digests the coating and what is produced by this action?

	enzyme	products
A	amylase	fatty acids and glycerol
B	amylase	simple reducing sugars
C	lipase	fatty acids and glycerol
D	lipase	simple reducing sugars

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15 The diagram shows a villus. The arrows show the direction of flow within vessels associated with the villus.

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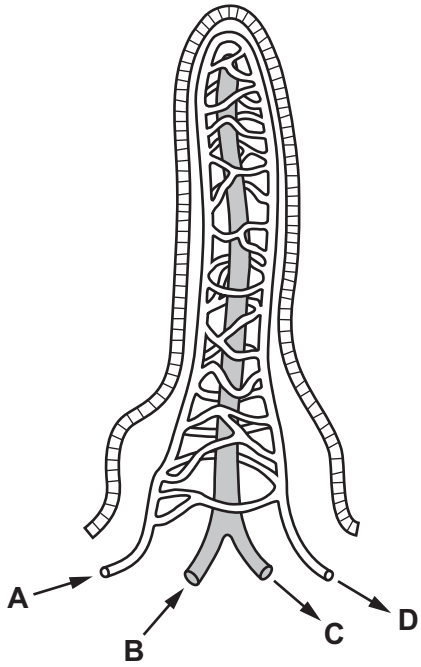
Which vessel carries blood to the liver?



16 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

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17 The photograph shows a cross-section through a sunflower stem.

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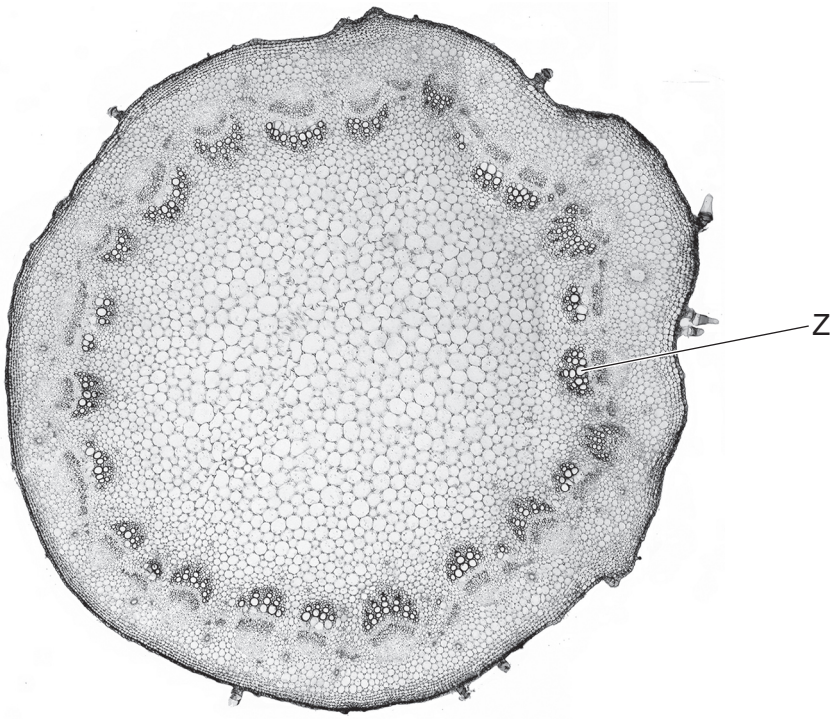

What is the name and function of the tissue labelled Z?

	name of tissue	function of tissue
A	phloem	transport of mineral ions
B	phloem	transport of sucrose
C	xylem	transport of mineral ions
D	xylem	transport of sucrose

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18 The photomicrograph shows some blood cells.

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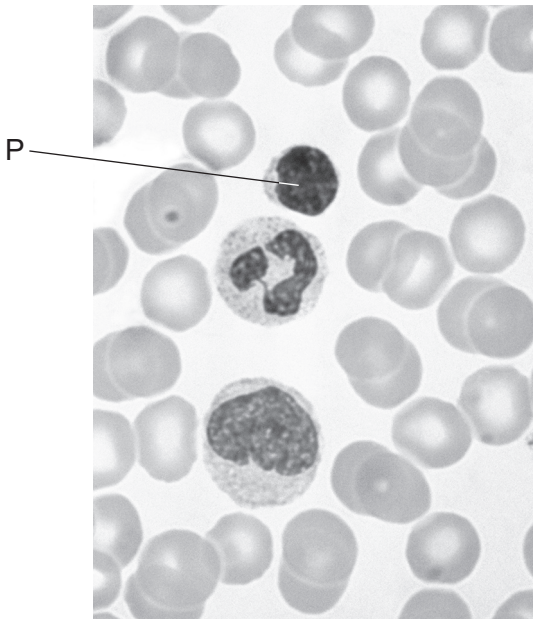

What is the function of cell P?

A It carries carbon dioxide.

B It carries oxygen.

C It helps to clot blood.

D It produces antibodies.

19 The diagram shows the blood vessels associated with the liver.

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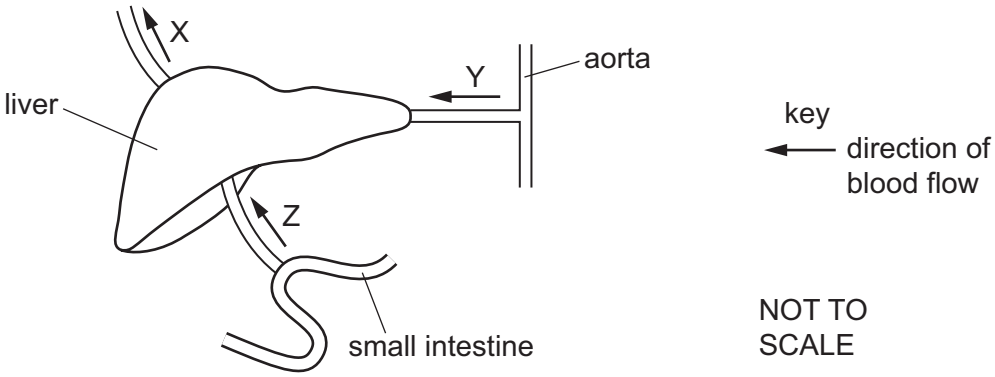

What are the blood vessels labelled X, Y and Z?

	X	Y	Z
A	hepatic artery	hepatic portal vein	hepatic vein
B	hepatic portal vein	hepatic artery	hepatic vein
C	hepatic vein	hepatic artery	hepatic portal vein
D	hepatic vein	hepatic portal vein	hepatic artery

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20 When a pathogen enters the blood, the immune system uses different mechanisms to destroy the pathogen.

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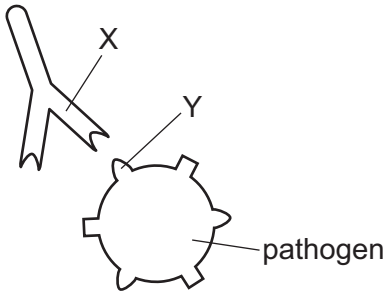
The diagram shows one of these mechanisms.



Which row describes the structures involved?

	structure X	X is made by	structure Y
A	antigen	lymphocytes	antibody
B	antigen	phagocytes	antibody
C	antibody	lymphocytes	antigen
D	antibody	phagocytes	antigen

21 What is the composition of expired air compared with inspired air?

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	carbon dioxide	oxygen	water vapour
A	decreased	increased	increased
B	decreased	decreased	increased
C	increased	decreased	decreased
D	increased	decreased	increased

22 During exercise, receptors detect a change in the blood and cause the breathing rate to increase.

Which change do the receptors detect and where are they found in the body?

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	change detected in the blood	location of receptors
A	carbon dioxide increases	brain
B	carbon dioxide increases	lung
C	carbon dioxide decreases	brain
D	carbon dioxide decreases	lung

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23 Yeast cells can convert glucose into alcohol and carbon dioxide.

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Which statement about this process is correct?

A The alcohol produced can be used to make bread rise.

B The carbon dioxide produced can be burnt as a biofuel.

C The yeast cells are using oxygen for this process.

D The yeast cells are carrying out anaerobic respiration.

24 What is the correct balanced equation for one type of respiration?

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A $C_2H_5OH \rightarrow 2C_6H_{12}O_6 + 2CO_2$

B $2C_2H_5OH \rightarrow C_6H_{12}O_6 + 2H_2O$

C $C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2C_2H_5OH + 2CO_2$

D $C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2C_2H_5OH + 2H_2O$

25 Which row shows an organ and the substance it excretes?

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	organ	substance excreted
A	bladder	water
B	kidney	ions
C	lung	oxygen
D	urethra	urea

26 The diagram shows a reflex arc in a human nervous system. The person's finger has just made contact with a sharp object.

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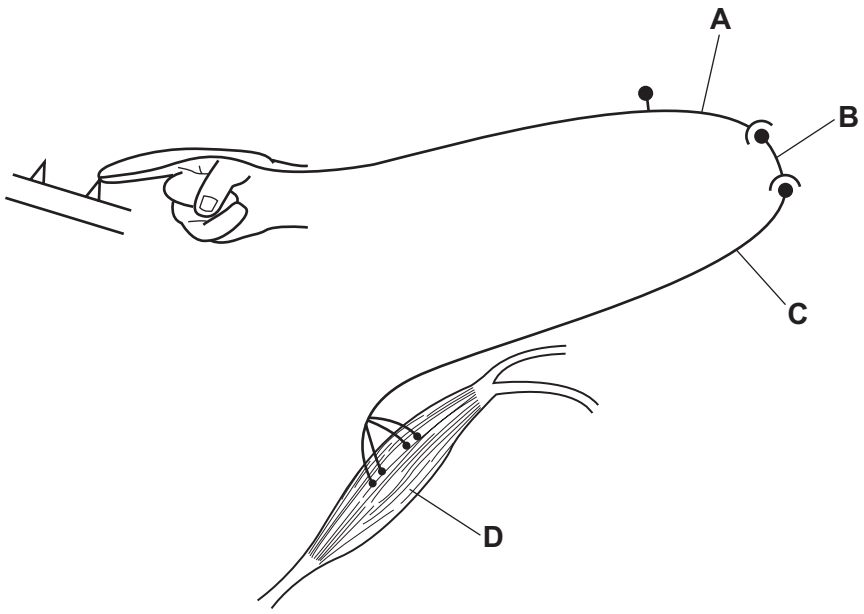
Which part is the motor neurone?



27 Which hormones can increase blood glucose concentration?

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A adrenaline and insulin

B adrenaline and glucagon

C adrenaline only

D glucagon only

28 What is defined as a substance that is taken into the body and modifies or affects chemical reactions in the body?

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A antibody

B drug

C hormone

D pathogen

29 What is a disadvantage of sexual reproduction for a population in the wild?

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A a reduction in genetic diversity

B a decreased ability to adapt to changes in the environment

C a reduction in reproduction if individuals are isolated

D an increased likelihood of a disease affecting all individuals

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30 Pollen grains from a plant were placed onto the stigma of a flower of the same plant. The lengths of the pollen tubes were measured for four hours. (The mean length of the style in this species of plant is 2 mm.)

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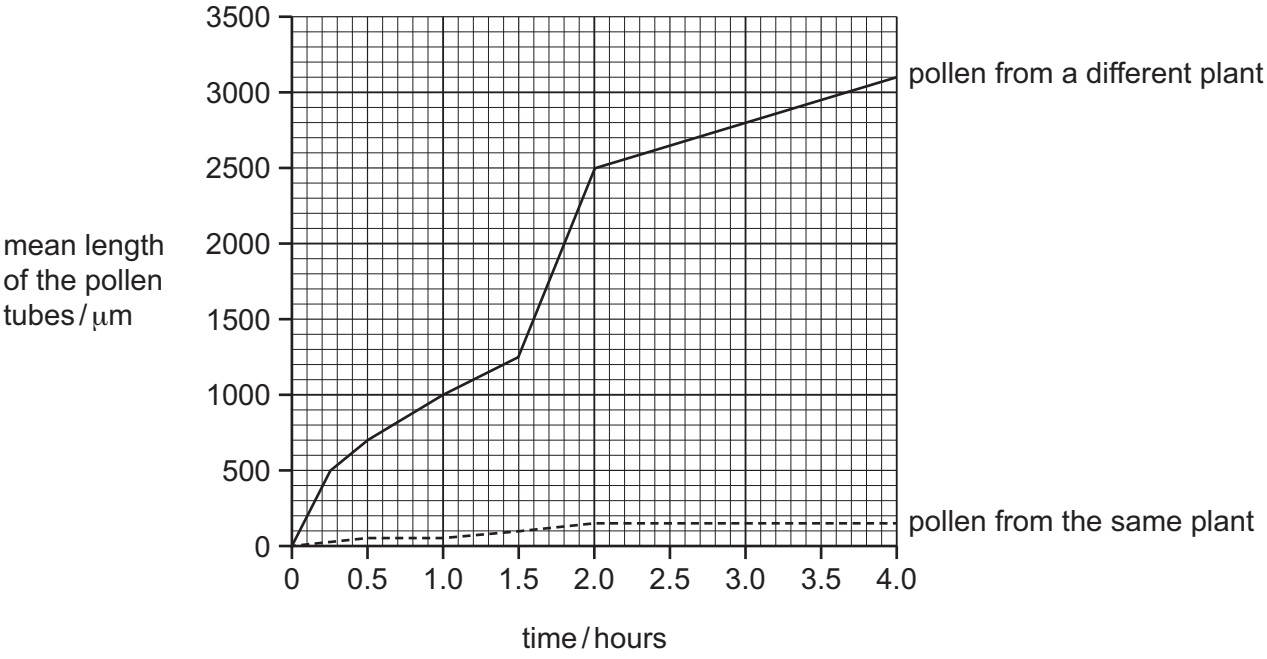
This was repeated using pollen from a different plant.

The results are shown.



Which statements are correct?

1 Self-pollination does **not** lead to fertilisation.

2 The difference in growth of the two types of pollen is an adaptation to increase variation.

3 The pollen tubes from a different plant grew fastest between 2.0 hours and 4.0 hours.

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

31 Which hormones are released by the placenta during pregnancy?

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A FSH and LH

B FSH and progesterone

C oestrogen and LH

D progesterone and oestrogen

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32 Why are cells in the pancreas the only body cells that produce insulin?

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A All of the genes in the nucleus of a cell in the pancreas are expressed.

B Other body cells do **not** have the gene for insulin.

C The cells in the pancreas have twice as many genes as the other body cells.

D The gene for insulin is only expressed by cells in the pancreas.

33 Which statement is correct?

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A Mitosis always produces offspring that are homozygous.

B Mitosis produces cells that are genetically identical.

C Mitosis produces gametes in animals.

D Mitosis only produces haploid cells.

34 What are sources of genetic variation in populations?

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1 meiosis

2 random mating

3 random fertilisation

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

35 Which row shows features of xerophytes that reduce water loss?

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	green colour from chlorophyll	leaves reduced to spines	presence of stomata	thick cuticle
A	✓	✗	✓	✗
B	✓	✓	✗	✗
C	✗	✓	✗	✓
D	✗	✗	✓	✓

key

✓ = reduces water loss

✗ = does **not** reduce water loss

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36 The diagram shows a food chain.

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tree → insect → blue tit → hawk

Which statement about a pyramid based on this food chain is correct?

A Drawn as a pyramid of biomass, the hawk would have the largest bar size.

B Drawn as a pyramid of energy, the tree would have the largest bar size.

C Drawn as a pyramid of energy, the tree would have the smallest bar size.

D Drawn as a pyramid of numbers, the hawk would have the largest bar size.

37 During the nitrogen cycle, which process releases nitrogen gas into the air?

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A decomposition

B denitrification

C nitrification

D nitrogen fixation

38 Red-green colour blindness is a sex-linked characteristic caused by a recessive allele.

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Which prediction can be made about the children of a woman who is colour-blind and a man with normal vision?

A Boys will be colour-blind, and girls will have a 50% chance of being colour-blind.

B Boys will be colour-blind, and girls will have normal vision.

C Girls will be colour-blind, and boys will have a 50% chance of being colour-blind.

D Girls will be colour-blind, and boys will have normal vision.

39 One method of conserving fish stocks is to have a minimum mesh size for fishing nets.

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How is the mesh size chosen to conserve a particular fish species?

A The holes in the net must be small enough to catch only young fish.

B The holes in the net must be small enough to catch all fish old enough to reproduce.

C The holes in the net must be large enough to catch some fish of all ages.

D The holes in the net must be large enough to allow young fish to escape.

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40 The diagram shows how a human gene can be inserted into a bacterium.

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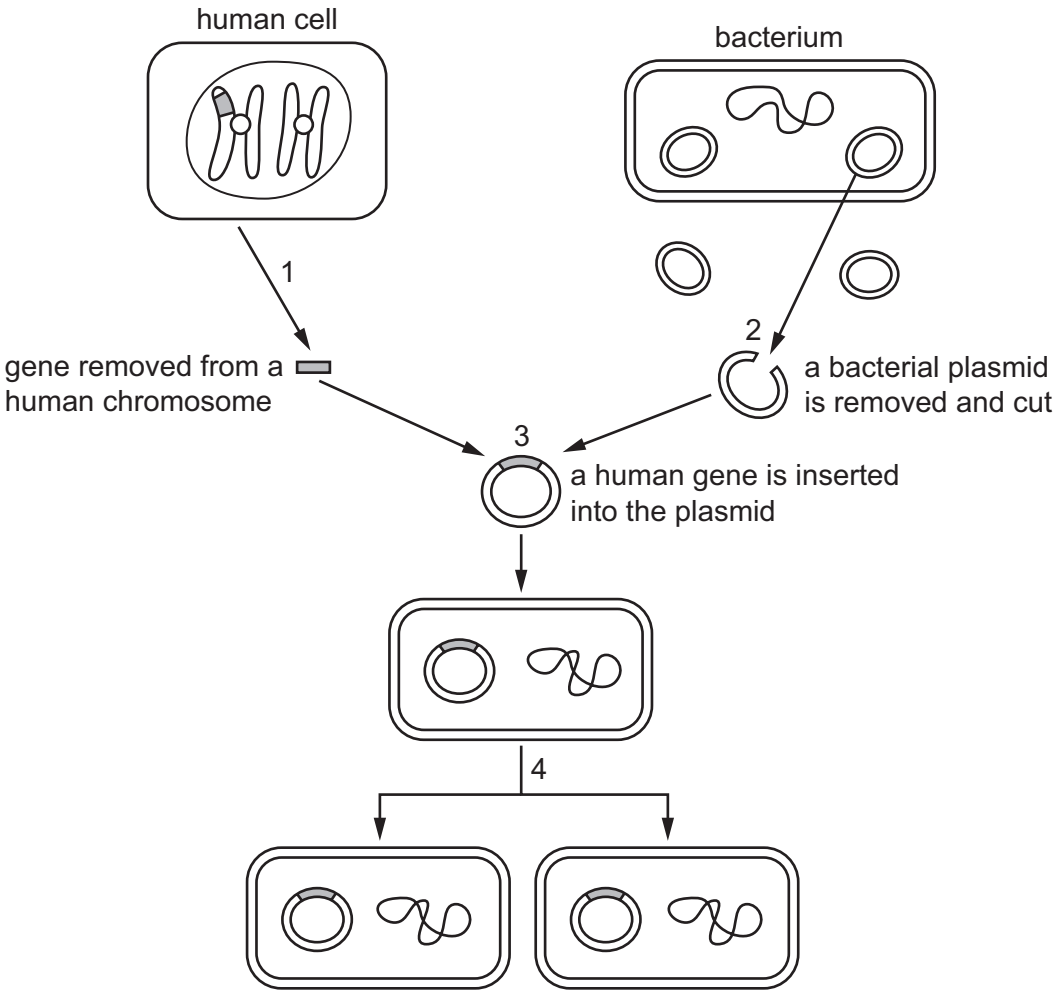

Which row shows the correct processes at 1, 2, 3 and 4?

	using restriction enzymes	using ligase enzymes	multiplication of bacteria
A	1	2	3
B	1 and 2	3	4
C	1 and 3	2	4
D	4	1 and 2	3

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